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Three Notre Dame home runs beat East in key ACC game /11

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Manchester Herald

Thursday, April 21, 1988 Manchester, Conn. — A City of Village Charm 30 Cents

Israel's 40th not important, scholar says

Millions of Israelis were celebrating 40 years of independence with parades and fireworks today...

Uprising mars Israeli celebration

Shamir told Israeli radio that Palestinian leaders' heads were "in the clouds" today...

Officials' pay under scrutiny after tax flap

Besides the adjustments, cost-of-living increases of 7 percent are recommended in Weiss's budget...



MANCHESTER — Israeli scholar Dan Schueftan speaks about life and politics in his homeland.

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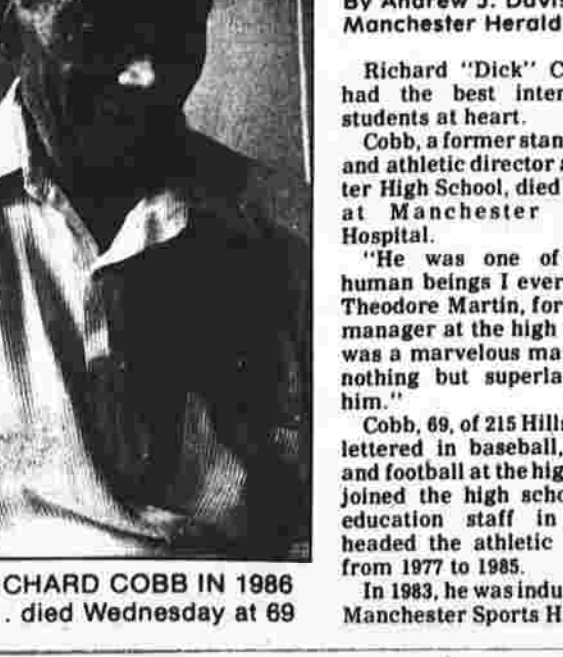
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RICHARD COBB IN 1986 died Wednesday at 69

Highland Farms advertisement with logo and contact information.

Vertical sidebar with various small advertisements and notices.

RECORD

About Town

Registrars canvassing town

The annual canvass of voters by the town Registrar of Voters office began Wednesday, April 13, and will continue through May.

During the canvass, a representative from the registrar's office will visit each home in town to determine the voter registration status of each resident. The canvassers will also take new voter registrations.

If no one is home the canvassers will leave a notice. Residents who don't respond to the notice risk removal from the town voter registry.

About 25 canvassers appointed by the registrar's office will cover the town. The purpose of the annual canvass is to help registrars update voting lists and prepare for the Nov. 8 presidential election.

Student art exhibit

The Newspace Gallery in the Lowe Building at Manchester Community College is presenting its end-of-the-year student art exhibit and music program on Friday at 8 p.m. The exhibit will showcase student works in painting, drawing, design, lettering, sculpture and ceramics. Soprano Marsha Hogan and pianist Charles Gigliotti will perform songs from the American Musical Theater. A reception will follow the program in the gallery. The program is free and open to the public.

Fine art trip scheduled

"Contemporary Fine Art in Connecticut," the next trip in the junket series sponsored by Manchester Community College will be held Saturday, April 30. The trip will feature art galleries in Connecticut. The bus will leave the college at 10 a.m. and return at 5 p.m. The cost for tickets, which includes lunch, is \$45. For information, call 647-6242.

Bridge club scores

Scores for Manchester A.M. Bridge Club played on Monday are: North-South 1, John Greene-All Berggren; 2, Dale Harned-Irv Carlson; 3, Frank Vella-Deane McCarthy; East-West 1, Frankie Brown-Faye Lawrence; 2, Suzanne Shrots-Mary Whillhide; 3, Edith Boucher-Mary Warren. Scores for Thursday's game are: Open Pair Club Championship - North-South 1, Louise Miller-Eleanor Berger; 2, Hal Lucal-Jim Baker; 3, Frank Bloomer-Bertha Kuchinski; East-West 1, Margie Brown-Peg Dunfield (overall winners); 2, Elze Warner-Bev Saunders; 3, Ann McLaughlin-Elli Robb.

Scholarships available

Co-opportunity Personnel Services Inc. of Farmington and Manchester, is offering scholarship awards to secretarial science students at Manchester Community College and other area institutions. Awards will be based on scholarship, leadership, community service and written presentation skills. Interested students should contact the secretarial science departments at their schools for an application.

Blood pressure checks

The Visiting Nurse & Home Care of Manchester will conduct a blood pressure screening on Thursday from 1 to 3 p.m. at the Bolton Pharmacy on Route 44. For information, call 647-1481.

Auxiliary meets Monday

Manchester Memorial Hospital Auxiliary will meet on Monday at noon at the Manchester Country Club. Michael Gallacher, president of the hospital, will be the guest speaker. The luncheon is \$7.50. Reservations may be made with Laura Nalesnik, 108 Warwoker Road, Manchester 06040.

Agoraphobics Support Group

People who experience panic or anxiety when leaving their home are invited to the Monday meetings of the Manchester Area Agoraphobics Support group. Meetings are held from 7:30 to 9:30 p.m. at Concordia Lutheran Church on Pitkin Street. For information, call 529-1970.

Pinochle played

Pinochle scores for Thursday's game played at the Army and Navy Club on Main Street are: Floyd Post, 528; Gert McKay, 418; Ernestine Donnelly, 598; Alice Raymo, 589; Mike Haberern, 578; Peter Casella, 573; Ann Wajda, 571; Helena Gavello, 566; Colleen 559; Ada Rojas, 553; Gladys Seelert, 551; Ethel Scott, 550.

Garden club to meet

The Coventry Garden Club will meet on Tuesday, May 10, at noon at the town office building in Coventry. Bob and Aileen McIvlen will present a program on Australia. Refreshments will be served. For information, call 742-7107.

Dr. Crane's Quiz

1. Which word indicates death of the smallest creature? SUICIDE HOMICIDE FRATICIDE INSECTICIDE
2. A magician's hot tent serves as a temporary HIVE HUTCH CORRAL STY
3. The phrase "bread and water" indirectly suggests a GOOSE CALABOOSE MONGOOSE CABOOSE
4. Which dog is usually most gentle for children? CHOW WOLFPOUND POLICE DOG COLLIE
5. Each morning the school teacher usually calls the ROSTER CAST ROLL LIST
6. Match the people at the left with the items at the right that are usually linked with them.
 - (a) Referee (v) Vestments
 - (b) Mediator (w) Mask
 - (c) Umpire (x) Striped Shirt
 - (d) Judge (y) Briefcase
 - (e) Moderator (z) Toga

Lottery

Connecticut Daily Wednesday: 788. Play Four: 7322.

Adopt a pet: Cute terrier

By Barbara Richmond
Manchester Herald

Jerry, a cute little terrier cross is this week's featured pet. Jerry is about 1 year old and is a rusty brown color. He was found roaming near town property on Glen Street on April 12. When picked up he was wearing an orange collar. Dog Warden Richard Rand said Jerry seems like a nice little dog. He is as large as he will get and is ready for adoption.

Jerry was the only new dog at the pound this week. Last week's featured pet, Bert, a black Labrador retriever, about 1 year old, is still waiting to be adopted.

Also waiting to be adopted is the golden retriever female mentioned in last week's column. She is a medium-sized dog, is golden red in color and is about 10 years old, although she appears to be younger. She was found on April 10 on High Street.

Also mentioned in last week's column was a male shepherd, about 8 months old. He was claimed by his owner. The dog pound is located on town property near the landfill area off Olcott Street. Rand is at the pound weekdays from noon to 1 p.m. The phone number at the pound is 643-6642. If there is no answer call the police department, 643-4555. There is also someone on duty at the pound Monday through Friday from 6 to 9 p.m. There is a \$5 fee to adopt a dog and the new owner must see that the dog has its rabies shots and is licensed. Aid to Helpless Animals Inc. is seeking good homes for the many cats and kittens it takes in every week. While waiting to be adopted some of the cats are kept at the homes of members



Maddy



Jerry

of the organization while others are boarded at various animal clinics.

This week's featured cat is a nice tiger cat called Maddy. All of the cats put up for adoption have been neutered or spayed and have had their shots. The cat is also young, being adopted when a kitten is too young to be spayed, before being adopted.

Anyone wishing to adopt a cat or kitten should call any of the following numbers: 666-7000, 623-9489, 242-2156 or 693-6138.

Besides his son, he is survived by another son, Craig Nelson of Willis, Texas, a brother, Alfred "Bill" Nelson of Newtown; a sister, Elizabeth "Betty" Huda of Bridgeport; nine grandchildren; six great-grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews.

Obituaries

Gerard Desormiers

Gerard Desormiers, 39, formerly of 440 W. Middle Turnpike, died Wednesday at an area convalescent home.

The Holmes Funeral Home, 400 Main St., is in charge of arrangements, which are incomplete.

Louis C. Gonthier

Louis Camil Gonthier, 47, 801 Main St., died Wednesday at Hartford Hospital.

He was born in Bristol and had lived in East Hartford most of his life before moving to Manchester two years ago. He was employed as a truck driver for the Mahr Freight Co. of South Windsor. He was a member of the Knights of Columbus.

He is survived by two sons, David Louis Gonthier and Tom Louis Gonthier, both of Middletown; three brothers, Alfred Gonthier of Manchester and Eugene Gonthier of Enfield; a sister, Jacqueline Reynolds of Enfield; and several nieces and nephews.

The funeral will be Saturday at 9:30 a.m. from the Portland Memorial Funeral Home, 231 Main St., Portland, followed by a Mass of Christian burial at 10 a.m. in St. Mary's Church, Portland. Burial will be in St. Patrick's King Street Cemetery, Enfield. Calling hours begin Saturday at 8:30 a.m.

Hilding E. Nelson

Hilding E. Nelson, 77, of Holland, Mass., died Tuesday at Harrington Memorial Hospital. He is the father of Neal G. Nelson.

Paul A. Maillet

Paul A. Maillet, 68, of West Hartford and Highland Lake, Windsor, Man., died Wednesday at Hartford Hospital.

Besides his wife, Jane (O'Brien) Maillet of West Hartford; a son, Timothy G. Maillet, and a son and daughter-in-law, Donald Paul and Virginia W. Maillet of Windsor; three daughters, Kristin B. Maillet and Carrie E. Maillet, both of Hartford; Margaret Bouchard of Dover, Del.; Barbara Gasparini of West Hartford; five other sisters, Charlotte Maillet of Hartford, Margaret Bouchard of Dover, Del., Barbara Gasparini of West Hartford, and a grandson.

The funeral will be Saturday at 9:15 a.m. from the Fairley-Sullivan Funeral Home, 86 Webster St., Hartford, followed by a Mass of Christian burial at 10 a.m. in St. Augustine's Church, 10 Campfield Ave., Hartford. Burial will be in Mount St. Benedict Cemetery, Bloomfield. Calling hours are Friday from 2 to 4 p.m. and 7 to 9 p.m.

Memorial donations may be made to the Windsor Locks Lions Ambulance Fund, P.O. Box 312, Windsor Locks 06096.

Charles F. Wyman

Charles F. Wyman of Windsor Locks, formerly of Manchester, husband of Marjorie (Streeter) Wyman, died Wednesday at home.

He was born in Dover, N.H., and had been a resident of Manchester for 33 years before moving to Windsor Locks. Before retiring, he was employed by Prae and Whitney of East Hartford and Kaman Aerospace Corp. for 23 years. He was a communicant of St. Robert Bellarmine Church of Windsor Locks, a member of the Good Sam Nutmegs Camping Club and the Hartford Surf Fishing Club.

Besides his wife, he is survived by two daughters, Beverly A. Wyman of East Granby and Janice Wyman Frydrys of Enfield; a sister, Dorothy Adams of Haverhill, Mass.; several nieces and nephews; and three step-granddaughters.

The funeral will be Saturday at 9:15 a.m. from the Holmes Funeral Home, 400 Main St., with a Mass of Christian burial at 11 a.m. in St. Bridget Church. Burial will be in St. James Cemetery. Calling hours are Friday from 2 to 4 p.m. and 7 to 9 p.m.

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Completes training at Lackland

Airman 1st Class Mark W. Bielawa, of son of Diana M. Bielawa of 770 Downey Drive and Richard L. Bielawa of Clifton Park, N.Y., has graduated from Air Force basic training at Lackland Air Force Base, Texas.

Completes air force training

Airman Kevin R. Kacinski, son of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Kacinski of Medford, Mass. and grandson of Mr. and Mrs. John T. Sullivan of Manchester, has graduated from Air Force basic training at Lackland Air Force Base, Texas.

Completes basic training

Army National Guard Pvt. John E. Vatteroni, son of Gail V. and Gino H. Vatteroni of North Road, Bolton, has completed basic training at Fort Jackson, S.C.

Weather

Partly sunny

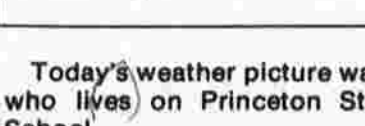
Manchester and vicinity: Tonight, clearing and cold. Low 35 to 40. Friday, partly sunny. High in the 50s.

East Coastal, West Coastal: Tonight, clearing and cold. Low 35 to 40. Friday, partly sunny. High in the mid 50s.

Northwest Hills: Tonight, clearing and cold. Low near 30. Friday, partly sunny. High 50 to 55.

Long Island Sound to Watch Hill: R. and an occasional shower. Wind northwest 15 to 20 knots tonight. Northwest 10 to 15 knots Friday. Seas 3 feet tonight then decreasing Friday.

Today's weather picture was drawn by Elena Havelos, who lives on Princeton Street and attends Bowers School.



Public Records

Warranty deeds

Edward F. Boland Jr., Daniel M. Boland, and Kenneth P. Boland to Chris E. Beebe, 59 Maple St., conveyance tax, \$632.50.

Daniel M. and Karen E. Boland to John T. and Sharon H. Chidester, 48 Barry Road, \$149,000.

Charles P. and Mary E. Whelan to Roger J. and Gail M. LeVasseur, 702 W. Middle Turnpike, conveyance tax, \$630.

Diane E. Henry to Donna N. and Michael D. Collins, 50 Courland St., \$130,000.

Ansaldo Heights Inc. to Clifford C. and Bonnie M. Carlson, 64 Timrod Road, \$228,000.

Scott M. and Jo A. Cleary to A. Lee Kubacka, Fairway Estates, conveyance tax, \$137.50.

Martha C. Buckler to David S. Lima and Susan E. Palmer, Northfield Green Condominium, \$135,000.

Martin A. and Wilma J. Urianio to John H. and Mary E. Lindsay, Cheney Brothers subdivision, \$117,000.

Raymond J. and Deborah H. Dugany to Michael J. Sullivan and Elizabeth Daugherty, Rolling Park Estates, \$134,900.

Lois K. Warrender, executrix for the estate of John A. Krompegal to R. Gregory and Maureen P. Wilson, Bluefields Addition, \$122,900.

Marie Takes to Anne L. Miller and Patricia A. Coelho, Oxford Court Condominium, \$73,100.

Robert H. Simon to Mark Goodyear and Marina A. White, Homestead Park, \$128,900.

Lloyd and Gloria Fleming to Jonathan Reuben, Manchester Gardens Condominium, \$78,000.

Valerie J. Walcutts and Sandra M. Cobb to Lynnell and Linda D. Johnson, Hillview Condominium, \$129,000.

David C. Thomas executor for the estate of Nancy P. Thomas to Arthur J. Pongratz, administrator of the estate of Elizabeth F. Pongratz, partial interest in 219 Oak St., no conveyance tax.

Arthur J. Pongratz for the estate of Elizabeth F. Pongratz and Stephen M. and Linda A. Brown, 219 Oak St., \$122,000.

Pooya Hendeesi to Sobeh Aghari, Woodland Manor Condominium, \$72,000.

William Bellock, Abigail Bellock, Stuart Greenwald and Marilyn Greenwald to Michele G. O'Neil, Fern Street, \$115,000.

Marion P. Taggart to Woodland Glen Limited Partnership, Woodland Street, conveyance tax, \$30.

Marion P. Taggart to Woodland Glen Limited Partnership, one-half interest in parcel on Woodland Street, no conveyance tax.

Robin Kane to Laura B. and Charles K. Cornelli, Beacon Hill Condominium, \$96,000.

Donald Bouda to Peter J. Sesta Jr., Brook Haven Condominium, \$42,000.

Thomas A. Eason to Mark T. Falce and Susan M. Carbone, Northwood Townhouse, \$103,500.

Neal F. and Joyce I. Burgess to John H. and Joyce H. Bajoris, Dartmouth Heights, \$211,500.

Multitech New England Inc. to David R. Thomas, Oak Grove Farms Condominium, \$84,900.

David R. Thomas to Louisa E. Marelio, Oak Grove Farms Condominium, \$110,900.

Public Meetings

Meetings scheduled tonight:

Manchester

Board of Directors comment session, Municipal Building, 7:30 p.m.

Building Committee, Municipal Building coffee room, 7:30 p.m.

Advisory Parks and Recreation Commission, Lincoln Center gold room, 7:30 p.m.

Andover

Library Board, Andover Public Library, 7:30 p.m.

Coventry

Women Infants and Children, Town Office Building, 1-2 p.m.

Thoughts

A famous publisher declares, "If you are an articulate person, you utter some 30,000 words each day."

If these words were put in print, they would amount to a fat-sized book a day. These books would, in all time, fill a good-sized college library. All these books are from the same author. All reflect the life and thoughts of the author. In his own words. And not a book can be taken down from the shelves or withdrawn from circulation.

"Out of the abundance of the heart the mouth speaketh" (Matthew 12:34). Therefore we read, "Keep thy heart with all diligence; for out of it are the issues of life" (Proverbs 4:23). And "Every idle word that men shall speak, they shall give account thereof in the day of judgement" (Matthew 12:36).

SEA OF NAMES

Volunteers Vera and Chester Osborn look over name tags at a Volunteer Recognition Celebration at Manchester Memorial Hospital Wednesday. They were among dozens honored for volunteer work that ranged from 10,000 hours of service to 100 hours of service. Volunteer Mim Ryan received nine stars for accumulating a total of 10,975 hours of service.

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By Alex Girelli
Manchester Herald

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Folly Brook development not opposed

The Planning and Zoning Commission is not opposed to development in the Folly Brook area despite two lawsuits filed by a developer who claims the commission approved development that could damage the brook and surrounding properties.

Meanwhile, the Andrew Ansaldo Co., the developer which filed the suits, has submitted plans to the town planning office that indicate he may try to develop land in the area himself.

Planning Director Mark Pellegrini said an application from the company to change the wetlands boundaries on property it owns at 186 Bidwell St., filed recently at the planning office, probably means the company wants to move boundaries to see how much land it has to develop and will probably want to develop the land in the future.

Pellegrini said the PZC is not opposed to development in the Folly Brook area, even after Ansaldo filed two suits against the commission for approving subdivisions in the area. He said the suits that Ansaldo claimed will damage the brook and his adjacent property. Ansaldo claims the commission did not require proper flood control and drainage measures for the developments.

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STATE & REGION

Smoking car on train

HARTFORD — Critics say the state Senate took a giant step backward in voting to require Metro-North to provide a smoking car on its trains in Connecticut, despite a recent smoking ban on all the railroad's commuter lines.

"This would be the first law in the country to mandate a smoking area," Sen. John Atkin, D-Norwalk, a member of the Public Health Committee, said Tuesday in urging defeat of the bill.

Others cited recent smoking bans on domestic air flights of less than two hours and tough anti-smoking laws recently enacted in New York City and California.

The bill, approved on a 29-7 vote and sent to the House, would require the Metro-North Commuter Railroad Co. to provide a smoking car on all New Haven line trains with five or more cars while operating in Connecticut.



AP Photo

Advocates denounce ruling

HARTFORD — Critics say the U.S. Supreme Court reinforced an outdated attitude toward drinking in ruling that alcoholism can be regarded as a "willful misconduct" instead of a disease in determining veterans' benefits.

James Tackett, a service representative for Vietnam Veterans of America, suggested that the failure to recognize alcoholism as a disease in part explains the widespread drinking problem uncovered at the state Veterans Home and Hospital in Rocky Hill.

In its ruling Wednesday, the Supreme Court did not attempt to decide whether alcoholism is a disease, noting that the medical community remains sharply divided on that issue.

O'Neill to sign budget

HARTFORD — Gov. William A. O'Neill says he expects to sign into law the \$6.29 billion 1988-89 state budget, but he refused to say whether he believes tax increases will be necessary in 1989 in order to balance next year's budget.

He did, however, reject Republican suggestions that the state will have no choice but to impose a personal income tax next year.

"Not as long as I'm here," O'Neill said Wednesday.

Strike talks continue

NEWINGTON — Attorneys for striking jail players and the state's frontons met for four hours with state gaming officials but still appear to be far from resolving the week-old strike.

William Ferris, the state Division of Special Revenue's unit chief for gambling regulation, called the parties together Wednesday. Each side first met separately with division officials then met together for the first time since the strike began a week ago.

Division of Special Revenue spokesman Edward Harrison emphasized that the meeting was not a negotiating session.

Meanwhile, the Bridgeport fronton reopened Wednesday under a reduced format, using replacement players. Performances began with a matinee Wednesday afternoon and the fronton had permission to remain open until Friday.

State tries to document woman's age

By The Associated Press

Turn-of-the-century Census Bureau records are being examined as state officials, aided by U.S. Sen. Christopher Dodd's office, try to document the age of a Connecticut woman whose family says she will be 114 next week.

"It is very difficult to pin this down but we will continue to try to do it," said Commissioner of Aging Mary Ellen Kinloch.

If the family of Miranda Reeves has her birthdate right, Kinloch said, Mrs. Reeves could be the oldest person both in the state and the nation.

Mrs. Reeves is a resident of the Colchester Convalescent Home, where state officials have tentatively planned to pay a visit next Thursday to honor her as the state's oldest citizen.

Last year there was at least one person in Connecticut older than Mrs. Reeves, Kinloch said, but that person has since died.

The state is attempting to locate all of Connecticut's centenarians before next month, which is Older Americans Month. All will receive certificates from the state.

Nearly 500 centenarians — 84 percent of them women — have been identified to date, Kinloch said.

Until she suffered a bout of pneumonia a year ago, Mrs. Reeves had lived at home with her daughter, Cathron Harris, and granddaughter, Bessie Harris, said Ruby Fletcher of Colchester, another granddaughter. Cathron is now at the same nursing home as her mother.

Mrs. Reeves came to Connecticut from her hometown of Cassatt, S.C., in the late 1940s, Mrs. Fletcher said. Mrs. Reeves' husband died more than 40 years ago.

"She is still very alert. She knows what's going on," said Mrs. Fletcher. "She may outlive me and I'm 57."

Mrs. Reeves was described by her granddaughter as a very religious person who loved flowers and cooking and "never spoke badly about anyone."

FISH FARMING

— Tom Nelson, manager of the White River National Fish Hatchery, reaches for some of the thousands of salmon smolts that will soon make their way down the Connecticut River toward the sea. Twenty years into an effort to restore Atlantic salmon to the Connecticut basin, progress is being made, but slowly.

Dentist can't judge tooth

NEW LONDON — A dentist says he is not qualified to judge whether he worked on a tooth that state prosecutors claim was from the remains of Helle Crafts.

Dentist John Fox of Newtown, testifying during the murder trial of Richard Crafts, testified Wednesday he could not say with any medical certainty that he worked on the tooth. Fox said he had formed an opinion, but defense attorney J. Daniel Sagarin objected, saying Fox had admitted he was not qualified to make such a decision.

State prosecutors claim the portion of a crown tooth and what they claim is a tooth root were found by police along the Housatonic River in Southbury. They claim it was the tooth and the tooth root were among the remains of Helle Crafts, who was last seen alive Nov. 18, 1986.

Innocent plea entered

WATERBURY — A former five-term Waterbury mayor has pleaded innocent to bribes received in connection with a \$3,000 "contribution" to a towing company made three years ago.

Edward D. Bergin Jr., 44, entered the plea Wednesday in Waterbury Superior Court to one count of bribe receiving.

The charge against Bergin relates to a "contribution" to a towing company operator made in June 1985 and is based on statements made to prosecutors by Thomas Gahan, a former chief aide to Bergin who turned political rival.

'Connecticut Viewpoint' research project looks at public attitudes

By Steve Felco
The Associated Press

HARTFORD — Connecticut residents think their state is a nice place to live, work and raise a family, and for the most part think that the future holds well for their children to enjoy the same or a better lifestyle, according to a Connecticut Public Television research project.

The project, "Connecticut Viewpoint 1988," was a collaboration with Mount Vernon Associates Inc., a New Haven market research company, and was based on a survey of 600 heads of households in the state, a survey of state legislators and comments made by community leaders in discussion groups.

Seventy-seven percent of those polled said Connecticut is a good or excellent place to live and raise a family while only 8 percent ranked the state poorly.

About 48 percent of those

surveyed said they were optimistic about the future, but a substantial percentage, 42 percent, agreed with the statement "Today's adults are the last comfortable generation," referring to the ability to sustain our current culture, economy and way of life.

When asked their impressions of the future, 44 percent said they felt the state would be about the same as it is today, while 30 percent saw better things on the horizon and about one in four said it would be a worse place to live.

Although most of those questioned were optimistic about the future, 61 percent felt it would be more difficult for their children, or the next generation, to afford to live in the same area in which they now live. Twenty-eight percent felt it would be impossible.

In terms of the workplace, 72 percent of those polled expressed some degree of satisfaction with their jobs, while only about 7

Democrats may risk veto of tax bill, says Larson

By Judd Everhart
The Associated Press

HARTFORD — Senate President Pro Tem John B. Larson is adopting an increasing defiant tone when asked Gov. William A. O'Neill's intention to veto the latest version of a property tax relief bill pending in the Senate.

Larson, D-East Hartford, said Democrats would likely go ahead with their bill next week, risk a veto, and may have to resolve the matter in a special legislative session this summer.

"We've moved as far as we can," Larson said Wednesday. "It's still out there but the governor won't veto it. I think he's made his point very clear on this matter. I think you would let the bill pass and let the governor debate and crystallize and the forces of pro and con go to work."

Asked if the thought it was worth starting a special session, Larson said: "Oh, I think so." But he said he doubted it would come to that. He also said that if O'Neill does veto the bill, there would not be the two-thirds majority necessary to override the veto.

House Speaker Irving J. Stober, D-New Haven, said that "none of us should be drawing lines in the sand."

"I am not going to draw a line

and say to the Senate or say to the governor, 'You can't cross that line,'" Stober told reporters in his office.

Asked about those who view the homestead exemption and the governor's plan and would leave it up to towns to decide what they want to offer local residents.

O'Neill said that his earlier comment was "not a threat, it's a fact, a statement of fact. I stated to the Senate leadership that if the bill hits my desk, I will veto it."

The governor is opposed to a new version of the controversial bill that has been bouncing around this week. It would allow towns undergoing reevaluation to offer a "homestead exemption" and exempt the first \$25,000 of residential or commercial property from the local property tax.

O'Neill also wants revaluations done every five years, rather than every 10, so that the dramatic increase in residential property taxes that usually accompanies revaluation would be softened.

The Senate Democrats' version of the bill would include the

House votes to open files of law enforcement groups

By Brent Laymon
The Associated Press

HARTFORD — State lawmakers, ignoring charges they were cavorting in state police, have passed a bill to open files of law enforcement agencies to public inspection.

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NATION & WORLD

Shultz begins talks

MOSCOW — Secretary of State George P. Shultz sought a new arms control agreement and prepared for the next superpower summit in talks today with Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard A. Shevardnadze.

U.S. officials acknowledged that verification and space-based defense development dampened prospects the treaty would be ready to sign at the May 29-June 2 summit in Moscow between President Reagan and Soviet leader Mikhail S. Gorbachev.

Shevardnadze, meeting Shultz at a Foreign Ministry mansion, said as he frequently does before talks with the secretary of state: "We are by nature optimists."



AP Photo

Welfare reforms due

WASHINGTON — The Senate is likely to join the House in approving major changes in the nation's welfare system, despite the near certainty that a presidential veto lies at the end of the long road to congressional consensus.

The 25-year drive to overhaul welfare took a significant step forward Wednesday when the Senate Finance Committee voted 17-5 to send a comprehensive reform measure to the floor.

The five-year, \$2.8 billion "Family Security Act" reflects a hard-won bipartisan consensus that welfare parents should work to support their children, that the government should help make this possible and that government aid should be a last resort.

FLIGHT SCHEDULED

— The first flight of the stealth bomber, also known as the B-2, shown in this artist's rendering released by the Pentagon Wednesday, will take place this fall. The bomber will fly from Palmdate, Calif., to Edwards Air Force Base, Calif., where it will receive extensive testing.

April 5, the hijackers demanded that the Persian Gulf sheikdom free 170 pro-Iranian extremists imprisoned for the 1983 bombings of the U.S. and French embassies there.

Messe still hunts No. 2

WASHINGTON — Attorney General Edwin Meese III says he may appoint an acting deputy while the search continues for someone to fill the No. 2 slot in his embattled Justice Department after two people have been rejected.

The position is being vacated Friday by Deputy Attorney General Arnold Burns, who resigned in protest March 29 out of concern that the nearly year-long criminal investigation of Meese was hurting department operations.

Meese's latest choice, former American Bar Association president John Shephard, said Wednesday he was concerned with the "personal and financial sacrifices" required of him and his family for the brief appointment.

Chile prepares to vote

PUNTA DE TRALCA, Chile — A volunteer program backed by the local Roman Catholic Church has been launched to prepare Chileans for their first election since 1980, organizers hope, calm the country's stormy political waters.

Whether they get the money at all will depend on further legislative action and a possible presidential veto.

"It's a very proud day," said Mineta, who was a 10-year-old boy from San Jose, Calif., when war arrived. "I just wanted to be in the Senate floor when it happened."

The Senate without a doubt gave this country a "great day," said Mineta, D-Calif. "I'm only sorry that there weren't more Niseis (Japanese-Americans) living today to be able to see a great nation apologize for its actions. It is, I think, unprecedented in the annals of the history of any nation."

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Of the 120,000 people of Japanese ancestry who were held in the camps, 77,000 were U.S. citizens, the rest legal and illegal aliens. Many, like Mineta, had been born in the United States.

Sen. Daniel Inouye, Hawaii's other Japanese-American senator, said "these payments acknowledge the unconstitutional deprivation of liberty... and the stigma of being deemed unloyal."

Inouye, like Matsunaga, fought in Europe, where combat cost him his right arm and earned him the Distinguished Service Cross.

The debate triggered other memories in senators who remembered the war.

Some said an apology was in order, but cash payments were not.

Attempts to strip the legislation of the payments failed on votes of 67-30 and 61-35.

The bill was similar to one passed by the House on a 248-141 vote last September. Differences must be resolved with the House before it goes to President Reagan, who is being urged to veto it.

Iran accuses Iraq of using chemical weapons in fighting

By Nicosia, Cyprus (AP)

NICOSIA, Cyprus (AP) — Iran accused Iraq of using chemical weapons during fighting that ended the 26-month Iran occupation of the Faw peninsula. Iran also began mobilizing its forces to confront the United States and Iraq.

Iran took a drubbing this week, losing the peninsula and having six vessels sunk or crippled in clashes with the U.S. Navy in the Persian Gulf.

Iraq fired missiles at four Iranian cities on Wednesday, then offered to stop its missile attacks at midnight if Iran did the same. The unofficial truce apparently held on both sides through the early morning hours today.

Before the truce began, Iran fired a missile at Kuwait that reportedly exploded near a U.S.-run oilfield.

Iran's official Islamic Republic News Agency, monitored in Nicosia, said Iranian forces killed or

wounded 300 Iraqis and captured more than 250 prisoners in the Shemiran mountain region of Kurdistan in northern Iraq on Wednesday.

"All bases and resistance centers throughout the country are a complete state of alert," a Tehran radio said Wednesday.

"Today our revolution and our heroic nation is faced with the onslaught of the evil triangle of America, Iraq and the reactionaries," it added.

The radio, monitored in Nicosia, instructed volunteers to report to bases throughout the country "and get ready for departure" to the battlefield.

It did not mention numbers, but Iranian leaders have claimed up to 5 million people were trained in the last six months.

At United Nations headquarters in New York, Iran on Wednesday told the U.N. Security Council that Iraq used "cyanide, nerve and mustard gases" on a "large scale" during the battle in the Faw peninsula.

In a letter to the council released Wednesday, Iran's U.N. envoy, Mohammad Ali Jafar Mahallati, said the gases affected "areas as far as Abadan," an Iranian city 40 miles north of the refinery oil town of Faw at the peninsula's southern tip. There was no immediate comment from Iraq.

Iraqi officials on Wednesday took reporters on a tour of the 35-square-mile triangle of the peninsula that Iran captured in February 1986.

Associated Press reporter Salah Naserawi said he saw Iranian storage depots containing ammunition and rations left intact, suggesting a speedy Iranian retreat in the 36-hour battle that ended Monday.

It was Iraq's biggest offensive in its 7 1/2-year-old war with Iran.

Iraqis show off captured city

By FAW, Iraq (AP)

FAW, Iraq (AP) — Jubilant Iraqi soldiers chanted slogans and waved their rifles before a mural of Iran's Ayatollah Ruhollah Khomeini to celebrate the recapture of this shell-blasted town at Iraq's southern tip.

Faw lay battered and virtually unpopulated around them. Its walls still marked with murals of Iranian leaders and slogans in Iran's Farsi tongue.

But Iraq's seizure this week of the dusty, wind-swept town, two years after Iran captured it, was probably Iraq's most important offensive victory since the war

began in September 1980.

By the time reporters visited Wednesday evening, Iraqi forces who had stormed the desolate town began on Sunday appeared to have driven Iranian troops back across the Shatt al-Arab waterway that divides the warring nations.

Soldiers in green Iraqi uniforms made tea at a leisurely pace in front of former Iranian bunkers 100 yards from the Shatt on the edge of Faw.

In the distance, Iraqi gunners periodically fired shells across

the broad river, and Iraqis answered with occasional shelling of their own.

Nearly every building in the town was partly crumbled by shelling, and giant oil storage tanks nearby were melted and twisted by fire.

Although Iran reportedly once had 50,000 soldiers in the Faw region, controlling the southern 12 miles of the peninsula, reporters on Wednesday saw no Iranian bodies and only moderate numbers of freshly destroyed weaponry.

Dukakis charting cautious course for a nomination

By Laura King
The Associated Press

Michael Dukakis, buoyed by his New York primary victory, charted a cautious course for the Democratic presidential nomination, telling backers "Steady as the goes." Democratic rival Albert Gore Jr., meanwhile, prepared today to scuttle a campaign that has gone six weeks without a win.

Democrat Jesse Jackson, for his part, brushed aside surveys suggesting he faces an uphill fight in next week's Pennsylvania primary. "I do not follow opinion polls. I mold opinion," Jackson told cheering supporters in Philadelphia.

Both Dukakis and Jackson were campaigning today in Pennsylvania where 173 Democratic delegates are at stake on Tuesday. Dukakis was going on to Ohio, which holds its primary a week later.

On the Republican side, Vice President George Bush continued his march to the nomination, with 1,052 of the 1,139 delegates needed to nominate.

Bush was endorsed Wednesday by California Gov. George Deukmejian, who had initially pledged neutrality through the June 7 California primary. But Bush's only remaining competitor is Pat Robertson, who has all but exhausted his campaign.

Gore, who finished a distant third in New York, was holding a news conference in Washington this afternoon to announce his campaign or quit outright.

Gore was in Austin, Texas, Wednesday night for a fund-raiser aimed at helping to defray the \$1.6 million debt he has racked up. He didn't detail his plans.

"Tomorrow... I will decide how to proceed," he said. But he was already looking beyond the 1988

campaign. "My work is not yet complete," he told supporters.

The Democratic dropouts as of today are Sen. Joseph Biden Jr. of Delaware; former Sen. Gary Hart of Colorado; former Arizona Gov. Bruce Babbitt and Rep. Richard Gephardt of Missouri.

If he suspended his campaign, Gore would follow in the footsteps of fellow Sen. Paul Simon.

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Robbers take hostages

By Los Mochis, Mexico

LOS MOCHIS, Mexico — Hundreds of police today surrounded a bank in northwestern Mexico where six gunmen held more than 50 people hostage after a shootout in which at least four people were killed and about 10 wounded.

The gunmen, who were caught robbing the bank Wednesday, threatened to kill their hostages unless they were transported to an airport and allowed to leave aboard a plane, said Ignacio Lara, spokesman for the Sinaloa state governor.

The standoff in this coastal Gulf of California city of 120,000 began at 12:45 p.m. Wednesday (3:45 p.m. EDT) after the gunmen burst into the Banamex bank and an alarm alerted police to the robbery.

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They also would get an apology. Matsunaga, D-Hawaii, estimated that about half the 120,000 internees survive today, although "they're dying daily, weekly of old age."

The elderly would get the money first under the bill's five-year payout plan. But

home will be treated as U.S. citizens.

Of the 120,000 people of Japanese ancestry who were held in the camps, 77,000 were U.S. citizens, the rest legal and illegal aliens. Many, like Mineta, had been born in the United States.

Sen. Daniel Inouye, Hawaii's other Japanese-American senator, said "these payments acknowledge the unconstitutional deprivation of liberty... and the stigma of being deemed unloyal."

Inouye, like Matsunaga, fought in Europe, where combat cost him his right arm and earned him the Distinguished Service Cross.

The debate triggered other memories in senators who remembered the war.

Some said an apology was in order, but cash payments were not.

Attempts to strip the legislation of the payments failed on votes of 67-30 and 61-35.

The bill was similar to one passed by the House on a 248-141 vote last September. Differences must be resolved with the House before it goes to President Reagan, who is being urged to veto it.

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OPINION

Donors hurt when funds are diverted

When people contribute money to charities, they have a right to expect the money, or at least the major share of it, will be used to accomplish the good work of the organization to which they have contributed.

When a large portion of the donation is filtered off to a commercial collection agency, the donors have a perfect right to be incensed and to refuse to make a donation the next time around.

A report by the Public Charities Unit of the state Department of Consumer Protection has claimed that in the average case, less than 30 percent of the money collected by professional fund-raisers goes to the charity for which the collection was made.

There is no justification for that. The argument of some organizations, like the Manchester Police Union, that professional fund-raisers have to be hired because fund-raising takes too much time, is hollow. It will not persuade anyone who knows that 70 cents of every dollar he donates goes to a commercial fund-raiser. And no one really cares whether that portion of that 70 cents pays for the fund-raiser's overhead, what portion pays the help, or what portion is profit.

In any event, the donor knows that the donation he made, possibly at some personal sacrifice, is ineffective.

The state law requiring commercial fund-raisers to tell potential donors how much of the donation will be retained by the firm as a commission is a good one. It is not at all like asking a car salesman to define his commission when he is selling a car. The donor is not a buyer entering the market. He is giving away some of his money in the expectation that it will be used to do something he thinks should be done with it.

Hiring a consultant at a fixed fee to set up the mechanics of a major fund campaign, like a hospital building drive, and then turning over the solicitation of funds to volunteers is one thing. But handing the job over to a commission-based commercial fund-raiser snatches an offering from both the donors and the many volunteers who contribute their energy to worthwhile causes.

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The loss of the Hoy Spirit Mobile Force

At last report Mommy, wounded with a rosary around her neck, has escaped out of Uganda and is making her way through the Kenyan bush country on a bicycle with what few followers remain to her. Mommy is the name her adherents give Alice Lakwena, born Alice Auma, a woman of the Acholi tribe.

Lakwena, according to difficult-to-understand American newspaper accounts, means Messiah, and that is what, for some thousands of her fellow Acholi tribe Ugandans, Mommy had been until her forces were defeated by the brutes who presently control that doomed land's government. Without a knowledge of Ugandan language, culture and history it is impossible to interpret the inchoate accounts of this woman who seems to have brought into existence and headed a social movement called the Hoy Spirit Mobile Force.

Her movement is described as a mixture of Christianity and animism, perhaps with a touch of Islam, for it is reported that Mommy told her people that she is possessed by several spirits, one of whom is an Arab, another a North Korean and yet another named "wrong element." Whatever the doctrines, Alice Auma was anointed with charisma and had the power to make her followers believe that, once their bodies were smeared with special oil, the bullets fired at them by the soldiers would do a U-shaped 360-degree turn to return and hit those who'd fired them; her people believe that the stones they picked up would turn into hand grenades when thrown at the enemy. Evidently thousands of followers met their deaths because they believed this messianic priestess had endowed them with the weapons of invincible victory.



...AND IT PLEADS "PLEASE GIVE GENEROUSLY"— SUPPOSEDLY SO SOMETHING WOULD BE LEFT FOR THE CHARITY AFTER THE FUND-RAISERS'

Open Forum

Red Rock gone; take over club

To the Editor:

A recent letter suggested that an effort should have been made to save the Red Rock golf course from the bulldozers in the building of yet another shopping center. We agree! This is to advise the writer of that letter that many others also agreed and supported that opinion and hoped that someone else would do something about it. Being a somewhat regular player at that course for many years, I too supported that opinion and several of us made a serious attempt to have the town purchase that course. However, by the time our effort was under way we learned that the owners of that course had already committed its sale to the mall developers.

When we inquired as to what it would cost to repurchase this course we were told that the price would be about \$120,000 per acre — if it was ever available. Had there been enough early support for this acquisition it is certain that the town could have acquired that golf course. The Red Rock golf course, so much like Augusta National, is now permanently closed.

In another recent letter it was implied that the allegations and charges made against the operation of the Manchester Country Club were inaccurate and lacked supportive evidence. Every charge that has been leveled and made public was well-documented and can be supported by adequate evidence. Possibly the writer of that letter would like to challenge the recent findings of the state Liquor Commission, wherein they charged the Manchester Country Club with violating the laws and regulations of its liquor license, a violation that had been going on for several years.

The statement made and often

repeated by some members of the Manchester Country Club, that there is no profit to be had or made at this complex, belies the fact that every municipally owned golf course in the New England area is more than self-supporting and the courses are open to their residents at very reasonable rates. Many of these courses do not have the potential of the Manchester-owned golf course complex. The golf course complex that is owned by the town of Manchester presents a potentially high-profit opportunity. The revenue available from this complex should be directed to the town treasury to help reduce or hold off tax rate increases. A reliable golf course management concern, of which there are many, should be called in to offer their evaluation of this complex. It would cost nothing to have such a management concern present an appraisal, if they were given the opportunity to bid for the operation of this complex.

The town of Manchester can no longer afford to provide a private playground for a handful of people. 168 of whom pay no taxes to the town and do not even live in Manchester. There are hundreds of Manchester residents who want to use this town-owned recreational facility on an equal basis for all. They should have that right restored as soon as possible.

William L. Hooker
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Manchester

Buck should stop at Weiss's desk

To the Editor:

For the past month or so, Mr. Richard Vincent, the town assessor, has been taking the rap for the revaluation problem. However, when all the facts are reviewed, Mr. Robert Weiss's part in this debacle must not be overlooked. As former President Harry Truman once said, "The buck

stays here." Similarly, the buck should stop at Mr. Weiss's desk and not at Mr. Vincent's desk. The following situations should be examined by the Board of Directors' subcommittee.

1. Mr. Weiss was on hand in 1976 when the last revaluation was done and five-year phase-in was adopted. Did Mr. Weiss advise the Bennetts they would turn big profits and pay back their \$200,000 in loans?

2. Then, in February 1986, the letter arrived. It was a "Notice of Intent to Take Adverse Action" from their FmHA loan officer. The notice is the first step in the FmHA's foreclosure process.

3. What the Bennetts didn't know was that the notice was a mistake. Such a letter is supposed to arrive when a borrower is a year behind on payments. The Bennetts were only about one month late.

4. What followed was a communications breakdown, according to the FmHA. The Bennetts say it was a concerted effort to shut them down. Whatever the case, the Bennetts panicked. They stopped construction and breeding work. They didn't want to continue pouring money into a business that was going to be repossessed anyway.

Jack Anderson

Government hops all over rabbit farms

WASHINGTON — Ed and Sandra Bennett spent 10 years building their dream home and dream business on an 80-acre tract in the hills outside San Luis Obispo, Calif. A mistake by the Farmers Home Administration squashed the dream.

The Bennetts' business is raising rabbits for gourmet dishes. With the help of FmHA loans, by 1986, the Bennetts were halfway to their goal of 230 breeding does. The rabbit market was bullish and the Bennetts knew they would turn big profits and pay back their \$200,000 in loans.

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After seven months of trying to get a straight answer, the Bennetts finally got an acknowledgment from the FmHA that the notice was in error. Six months later the Department of Agriculture apologized and suspended proceedings at the direction of the White House.

Sandra Bennett estimates the error cost her and her husband as much as \$300,000 and, because of lost momentum, set their operation back five years. They didn't need an apology. They needed to have their loan rescheduled or the interest on the late bill reduced.

The FmHA thinks the Bennetts are just using a little mistake to shirk their debts. "The only thing worth telling about their story is that they have not made payment in years," said Richard Mallory, director of the California office of FmHA.

The Bennetts have stopped payments when they received the first foreclosure notice. Last month the Department of Agriculture responded to the Bennetts' complaints by launching an investigation into whether "FmHA personnel illegally conspired against" the Bennetts in the handling of their loans.

Mallory says if the Bennetts think they have a gripe, they should file a tort claim against the FmHA in federal court. But for farmers, filing tort claims against the government is as practical as planting corn in asphalt. No farmer has won a tort claim against the FmHA in the past eight years, according to James Massey, director of the Farmers Legal Action Group based in Minnesota.

Massey told our associate Jim Lynch that it doesn't pay to take the government to court. Government cases are complex, and lawyers can collect almost twice the share of damages settlements in private lawsuits as opposed to federal tort claims, Massey said.

The Bennetts have taken their cause to more than a dozen lawyers. One expressed interest, but indicated it would cost them \$70,000.

Sandra wrote 113 letters to members of Congress asking for help. "They have no ability to do anything," she said. "They sent us condolences."

So, the Bennetts continue farming rabbits on a small scale, unable to meet the demands of the market they created. And they continue their search for someone in the bureaucracy who will convince the FmHA to compromise, to let them start over.

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Tireless advocate

Once every few years, a tireless fighter for the American consumer comes along and reforms an industry. But for every success story, there are 10 big-hearted advocates who fail.

We know of a man who, against great odds, continues battling deadly errors in the heart pacemaker industry and slowly overnight by the Food and Drug Administration. He has gone into debt for the cause, yet Charlie Stein and his Pacemaker Recall Databank continue the crusade to inform heart patients about the hazards of defective pacemakers. His telephone lines have been shut off. Lawyers have threatened him with lawsuits.

You probably wonder why the government isn't doing that. The FDA relies on the pacemaker manufacturers to tell doctors that their products aren't working properly. Malfunctions by defective pacemakers have killed heart patients who never knew that their electronic ticker had been recalled. Stein's databank offers heart patients a quick way to learn about possible defects in their pacemakers, but his operation makes almost no money and is on the brink of financial collapse.

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SCIENCE & HEALTH

Researchers track salmon

EAST HADDAM — Researchers at Southern Connecticut State University and volunteers are taking to the water this week to track eight tagged salmon down the Salmon River.

About 70 volunteers in four boats are also tracking the fish down the Connecticut River and into Long Island Sound.

"We want to see how they make it to the sea and how long it takes them to get there," said Debra Cook, research biologist at SCSU.

Through the tracking effort, scientists are hoping to learn more about seaward running of salmon. More information could help fisheries release young salmon at locations and times that would enhance their survival rates, said Stephen Gephard, a Department of Environmental Protection fisheries biologist.

The environmental agency and the university cooperate as part of a federal and state program to restore Atlantic salmon to the Connecticut River basin.

Chemical causes tumors

WASHINGTON — The Environmental Protection Agency says preliminary results from new tests show that a controversial apple chemical used to regulate the growth of apples does cause tumors in mice.

But EPA Assistant Administrator John A. Moore, in an April 8 letter to the International Apple Institute, said the agency does not yet have enough information to make a decision on what to do.

The chemical, daminozide, had been used on about 40 percent of the nation's apple crop. Applied in the summer, it slows growth, makes apples ripen together, deepens color and lengthens storage life.

Unifroyl Chemical Co. of Middlebury, Conn., which manufactures daminozide, has told apple growers it remains confident that the chemical, sold under the trade name Alar, eventually will be cleared.

Laser clears neck artery

LOS ANGELES — Deadly complications of stroke-prevention surgery could be reduced by a new method using a laser beam to clear blocked neck arteries, says a doctor who reported performing the procedure for the first time.

The surgery, performed last fall on a 72-year-old California man, "represents the first time laser light has been applied to the treatment of carotid artery disease," said Dr. John Engvall, who worked with cardiovascular surgeon Richard Ott.

"I feel excellent, and I think the operation was quite a success," the patient, Kenneth B. Smith, said Tuesday by telephone from his San Clemente home.

Boosters prolong vaccine effects

By Malcolm Ritter
The Associated Press

NEW YORK — A researcher who gave himself an experimental AIDS vaccine still showed immune system defenses against the AIDS virus a year later, thanks to booster treatments, scientists reported today.

But the booster procedure must be simplified before it could be used in large-scale tests to see if the vaccine can actually prevent AIDS virus infection, they said.

"We are in the process of finding an easier way," said Daniel Zagury of the Pierre and Marie Curie University in Paris, who made headlines in March 1987 by reporting that he and some volunteers had been given the vaccine.

It was the first reported human test of a vaccine against acquired immune deficiency syndrome. There have been no side effects, he said.

The vaccine was essentially a vaccinia virus genetically modified to produce an AIDS virus protein called gp160. The idea was that the immune system would react to the protein, raising defenses that also might fight the AIDS virus.

In last year's report, Zagury and co-authors said the vaccine made his immune system produce two kinds of defenses: proteins called antibodies and special blood cells.

Evidence of defenses appeared up to 370 days after the initial vaccination, he and his colleagues wrote in today's British journal Nature. But there is no proof that the Zagury could have resisted infection by the AIDS virus, he and 16 scientists from Belgium, Zaire and the National Cancer Institute in Bethesda, Md., wrote.

Zagury received three booster treatments. About three months after the vaccination, blood cells were drawn from him and infected with more modified vaccinia virus. Then the cells were re-injected through a slow-drip intravenous line, a process that took about 9½ hours, Zagury said in a telephone interview.

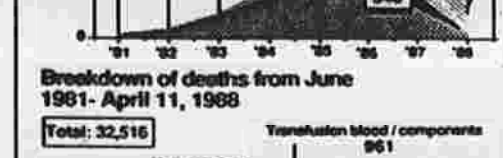
The second and third boosters were injections of the AIDS virus protein, given 290 days and 350

AIDS

Cases of AIDS and number of known deaths

Number of cases diagnosed from Jan. 1981 to April 11, 1988

Number of deaths from Jan. 1981 to April 11, 1988



Breakdown of deaths from June 1981: April 11, 1988



AP graphic

This graphic shows statistics related to the AIDS disease according to the National Centers for Disease Control. It is too early to conclude the deadly virus will not spread far beyond the millions already infected.

AIDS 'smolders' in Asia

WASHINGTON — A new report says AIDS is "smoldering" in Asia, according to the Agency for International Development.

Dr. Jeffrey Harris, the agency's AIDS coordinator, said at a congressional hearing Wednesday that new data received earlier this week from the World Health Organization on intravenous drug users in Bangkok, Thailand, put their infection rate at 16 percent in the first three months of this year.

The same group had only a 1 percent infection rate last year, said Harris. "There's a fire raging in the Caribbean," Harris said. "It's smoldering in Latin America and it may be beginning to smolder in Asia."

Bran treats high cholesterol

CHICAGO — People on low-cholesterol diets can reduce their blood-cholesterol level by eating oat-bran daily instead of taking drugs which can cost three to six times as much, researchers say. But hold the milk.

The oat bran is not as effective as some of the pharmaceutical products (in lowering cholesterol, but it's effective," said Dr. John Eisenberg, one of two authors of a study published in the Journal of the American Medical Association.

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Study shows daily stress can disrupt ailing hearts

By Daniel Q. Haney
The Associated Press

BOSTON — A minor, everyday stress like public speaking can be as damaging to the heart as strenuous exercise in people who have cardiac disease, and even can trigger heart attacks, according to research published today.

The researchers found that the common stresses can cause silent ischemia, a painless but ominous disruption in the flow of blood to the heart's own muscle.

The study shows that "previously unrecognized mental activities have very important consequences," said Dr. Carl J. Pepine of the University of Florida.

It also appears that mental stress is a possible cardiac problem only for people with heart disease, not those who have healthy hearts.

The chief author of the study recommended that people suspected of having heart disease — those who smoke or have high blood pressure, high cholesterol or a family history of heart trouble — should be checked for this condition so they can be treated.

When silent ischemia is discovered during routine tests, people should or shouldn't be doing in their daily lives," said the lead researcher, Dr. Alan Rozanski of Cedars-Sinai Medical Center in Los Angeles. "I think people should exercise, and you can't go around worrying about mental stress."

"Nothing should come out of this work about what patients should or shouldn't be doing in their daily lives," said the lead researcher, Dr. Alan Rozanski of Cedars-Sinai Medical Center in Los Angeles. "I think people should exercise, and you can't go around worrying about mental stress."

If ischemia lasts for more than 20 or 30 minutes, the oxygen-starved section of the heart die, resulting in heart attack. Although the crisis usually passes in a few minutes without permanent damage, it may be a warning of more serious heart problems to come.

In their study, published in the New England Journal of Medicine, Rozanski and colleagues studied 39 heart patients and 12 healthy people. While the men and women did a series of stressful mental exercises, the

doctors used a common diagnostic procedure called nuclear cardiography to watch their beating hearts.

They found that a variety of mental gymnastics, such as repeatedly subtracting seven from a four-digit number, could trigger ischemia. The worst was asking people to give a five-minute talk about their personal faults and bad habits in front of two observers.

"It really brings home the notion that silent ischemia doesn't just occur at extreme levels of exercise or in the highest risk patients," said Dr. Sidney Gottlieb of Johns Hopkins University. "These are everyday people who are doing quite well with coronary disease who, with minor levels of stress, are having significant amounts of ischemia."

Rozanski noted that while the stress of hard exercise often caused pain, mental stress rarely did.

"Our study indicates a mechanism by which mental stress could induce ischemia, which if prolonged, could lead to heart attack," he said.

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By the Editor

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Ratings reported on 1988's small cars

By the Editors of Consumer Reports... The advantages to owning a small car are fairly obvious. They generally offer the best fuel economy and the most nimble handling...

Consumer Reports

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the Civic, the Colt twins, Mazda, Nissan and Tercel is much better than average... Of these eight models, the Sprint is top in fuel economy...

PEOPLE

Trump to fix bridge

NEW YORK — Donald Trump, who scored a public relations coup over City Hall last week...

Earnings up; sale planned

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Dr. Gott

Peter Gott, M.D. Swelling result of rare disease... DEAR DR. GOTT: After eight months and 11 doctors, my medical problem was finally diagnosed as eosinophilic fasciitis...

Dear Abby

Abigail Van Buren... DEAR ABBY: "Disgusted in Virginia," who was annoyed when his dentist referred him (her) to an oral surgeon to have a tooth pulled, should be grateful!

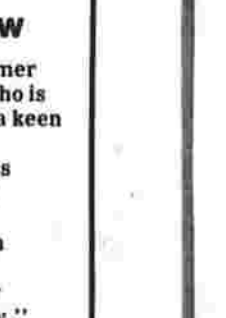
TORTURED IN PENNSYLVANIA

DEAR TORTURED: Meet a reader who was similarly tortured: The pain lingered on to a lesser degree for two months...

Data Bank

DEAR DR. GOTT: Two of our children were born with maple-syrup-urine disease. Let me emphasize that immediate diagnosis is critical to saving the health of infants...

GROWING STATES



Kinsey Report

June M. Reinsch, Ph.D. (called an ovulation). Younger women in particular have been shown to skip release of an egg for several cycles in a row...

ADVICE

DEAR DR. REINSCH: I have a big problem, and I'm too afraid to ask anyone else. I started getting my period two or three years ago, but a funny thing happened: I never got it once a month...

BUSINESS

ZAS orders P&W engines

EAST HARTFORD — United Technologies' Pratt & Whitney division has received a \$12 million order for jet aircraft engines from ZAS Airlines of Egypt...

Frahm heads The Hartford

HARTFORD — Donald R. Frahm has been named chairman and chief executive officer of The Hartford Fire Insurance Co. Frahm succeeds DeRoy C. Thomas who on Tuesday was named president and chief operating officer of TTT Corp...

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BERLIN — Herbert von Karajan, the world-famous maestro of the Berlin Philharmonic, has canceled a weekend concert appearance because he is ill, a spokeswoman for the orchestra said. Karajan, who celebrated his 80th birthday on April 5, had been scheduled to conduct the orchestra in a concert on Sunday in West Berlin...

MARKET REPORT



Coastal incomes remain high but other states catching up

By Dave Skidmore The Associated Press... That was reflected in even the healthiest regions. The growth of income in New England fell from 7.6 percent in 1986 to 6.7 percent last year. Income growth slipped from 6.5 percent to 6 percent in the Mid-Atlantic states...

Teens are big spenders

NEW YORK — Expenditures for food and snacks has been rising among American teenagers, whose total spending reached a record \$53.7 billion in 1987, according to a recent survey by the Rand Youth Poll's annual nationwide survey of monetary trends in the 13- through 19-year-old age group...

Investors' Guide

William A. Doyle... If you signed when you opened your brokerage account specified arbitration. However, I find it difficult to believe that a broker would advise his clients to open a separate account to let my husband use my account. I told the broker that my husband is a gambler and he absolutely should not use my stocks as security when buying on margin...

Everything lost in gambling

QUESTION: My husband purchased a stock account through my broker. Instead of opening a separate account to let my husband use my account, I told the broker that my husband is a gambler and he absolutely should not use my stocks as security when buying on margin. I reminded the broker of this often and he assured me I had no worry. When I called the broker and told him to send me a check for the \$13,000 I should have had in my account from the sale of stock about a month earlier, he said the money was gone. The broker had allowed my husband to use my money to buy on margin. Everything was lost when the price of the margin stock fell...

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Israeli celebration not that important

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Eastern policy matters. He usually follows this with a brief overview of American Jewish communities.

This year, however, Schueftan said he has extended his speaking tour because of his perception that the American Jewish community is suffering from an increased level of tension and insecurity.

In his opinion, this increase is the fault of "the shallow coverage the news media is giving to what is going on in the West Bank," Schueftan said, referring to the violence between Israelis and the Palestinian refugees living in an occupied territory.

Schueftan said that he has no objections when Americans ask questions. His work is boundless, however, for American Jews who presume to advise the Israelis—particularly if they take a high moral tone.

What such people are failing to comprehend is that the nation of Israel is absolutely central to the Jewish faith, said Schueftan.

"For Jews, it is legitimate to live outside of Israel. But Israelis

home and non-Israeli is a kind of exile. There is not a symmetry between the two groups."

Power must rest with those who live in Israel, said Schueftan. "I know that this is strong, that it offends many people. But when they go home and think about it, they know that I am right."

Another "mistake" that he believes unnecessarily anxious by looking for heroes and clear-cut solutions, said Schueftan. In the Middle East, no one wears the white cowboy hat, he said.

"In the Middle East, Arabs are basically divided between the two groups," he said. "The good S.O.B.s and the bad S.O.B.s," he said.

That is a concept with which Americans are very uncomfortable. But he says the Israelis are not perfect either. In describing them, "I don't believe in telling people, 'Look, here are the very nice people, who are perfect, who never do anything wrong,'" said Schueftan. "I try to explain to them the realities of the situation in the Middle East."

Those Israelis who have overstepped the boundaries of the situation in connection with the unrest are brought to trial and jailed, he said.

Richard Cobb, former coach and teacher, dies

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Cobb, a lifelong resident of Manchester, also was a Little League and American Legion baseball coach, a director of Manchester State Bank, and a committee member for the sports hall of fame. He was a second lieutenant in the U.S. Army during World War II, and majored in physical education at Virginia State University.

"He was in my mind one of the finest human beings I ever met," said Nathan Agostinelli, president of Manchester State Bank. "He will never be forgotten."

Cobb is survived by his wife, Bernice "Bunny" Cobb, a retired teacher and a member of the Manchester Board of Education; two sons, Richard Cobb Jr. in New York and Robert Cobb in New York; and four grandchildren, Karl Banks of Stamford and Dorothy Brown of Manchester; his mother, Isabel Mason of Manchester; and four grandchildren. The funeral will be Saturday at 12:30 p.m. at the John F. Tierney Funeral Home, 219 W. Center St. Burial will be in West Cemetery. Calling hours are Friday from 2 to 4 p.m. and 7 to 9 p.m.

Health reasons contributed to his resignation as athletic director. Cobb said at the time. He had a history of circulatory problems, which resulted in both legs being amputated.

In 1986, while Cobb was hospitalized, the staff of Somahan, the MHS yearbook, dedicated their edition in his honor.

Werkhoven 'fired up' over town sewer deal

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Theruis Werkhoven, Republican majority leader of the Board of Directors, said this morning he is "all fired up" because the minority directors were not consulted about the latest town offer in the dispute with the Eighth Utilities District over the Buckland sewer.

Werkhoven said he may ask for a meeting of the Board of Directors to discuss the matter after he confers tonight with his fellow Republican directors.

"I feel I should have been told what was going on," Werkhoven said.

The new offer was made in a letter from attorney Kevin O'Brien, who represents the town, to attorney John D. LaBelle Jr., who represents the district. It suggests that the town pay for installation of the trunk sewer to serve the Mill at Buckland Hills or share the cost with the district.

Burns lobbies Congress on Charter Oak Bridge

By Lee Roderick
Scrupes League Newspapers

WASHINGTON — Connecticut's transportation commissioner, J. William Burns, Wednesday urged a House committee to approve \$57.2 million for construction of a new Charter Oak Bridge to replace the current one, which is the state's last toll bridge.

He was joined by Rep. Barbara Kennedy, D-Conn., before the House Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation.

The new \$227 million bridge, which received \$36.5 million in federal funding for the current fiscal year, will be located about 100 feet south of the existing Charter Oak Bridge. In line with state statutes, it will signal the end of toll bridges in Connecticut.

"The bridge has significant structural deficiencies and has been restricted to a maximum of 22 tons rather than the other legal limit of 40 tons, he said.

Burns said bids have been opened for the new six-lane Charter Oak Bridge to replace the current four-lane bridge.

Kennedy, who represents the 1st Congressional District, also testified before the panel, calling the Charter Oak Bridge the "lynchpin of the Hartford region's highway improvements."

"Our ability to build a safer and more efficient highway and bridge system depends largely on our ability to complete the Charter Oak Bridge," she said.



DINING OUT — Clarksville diner owner Gordon Tindall stands outside his newly acquired restaurant in Lawrence Township, N.J. The diner is being transplanted from its present site to a new location 1,100 miles away.

Iowa man to haul diner home

By Nicholas G. Katsorelis
The Associated Press

LAWRENCE TOWNSHIP, N.J. — Once they couldn't even give away the 60-year-old, art deco diner, but its proud new owner is hauling it 1,100 miles to the Midwest, where such neon-lit, stainless steel roadside denizens are few.

Inch by inch, a half-dozen workers are gingerly lifting the Clarksville Diner from its foundation here and moving it into a flat-bed trailer for its new home in Decatur, Iowa.

"They're a vanishing piece of architecture," said owner Gordon Tindall, whose father used to hang out at the diner. "To have the opportunity to try to save one is real gratifying."

The 45-seat eatery, wrapped in stainless steel and topped with 2½-foot-high neon letters spelling out "DINER," is the victim of rapid development along U.S. 1, and has been closed for several years.

The property, owned by a Washington, D.C.-based company Terranomics, includes the Clarksville Motel and is to be cleared for a shopping center. Cori Berger, Terranomics' development director, said the company tried to donate it to Lawrence Township to use as a concession stand on its athletic fields, but the township didn't want it.

"We didn't want to see it torn down," she said. "I'm very glad he's going to take it."

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Directors to consider reval study

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A proposal by the International Association of Assessing Officers to study how the town's revaluation was conducted will be considered by a subcommittee of the town Board of Directors tonight.

The study, which would take a month to complete, would cost \$17,350, Weiss said. He said he hopes the study can be started by the first week in June.

Meanwhile, notices of increased assessments went out on Tuesday for about 600 properties. Deputy Assessor William F. Moon said. Notices were sent only to those properties that increased in value because of new construction, additions or improvements.

The town is now using the 1986 Grand List, updated for additions, to calculate the tax bills that will come due in July. The notices of increase sent out last month based on the revaluation Grand List are no longer valid.

Weiss said last month that he would like the assessors' association to do an independent study of the troubled revaluation after the administration decided to scrap it. He said the study would be partly because of the large number of appeals received by the Board of Tax Review.

At the request of the State Office of Policy and Management, the attorney general's office is looking into whether the town was mistaken in using 1986 market values in conducting the 1987 revaluation.

Weiss said details of the proposal by the International Association of Assessing Officers would be presented at tonight's meeting. Weiss said a subcommittee is to meet at 7:30 in the town manager's office.

SPORTS

Notre Dame slugs its way past East

By Jim Tierney
Manchester Herald

A stiff wind was blowing out at Moriarty Field Wednesday afternoon before the start of the East Catholic-Notre Dame West Haven All Connecticut Conference clash.

The long ball turned out to be the pivotal ingredient in the visiting Green Knights' 6-1 victory over the Eagles. Both sides mustered only four hits but three of Notre Dame's went for home runs. East is still winless in the ACC at 0-2 and drop to 5-2 overall.

"Things don't get any easier for the Eagles as they entertain the powerful Kadets of St. Joseph's High of Trumbull in ACC action Friday afternoon at 4 at Moriarty Field.

Notre Dame right-hander Dave Riccio went the distance for the Green Knights. He walked three and struck out two. It was Riccio's third win this year in as many starts. Eagle senior Pat Merritt, who was relieved by senior Mike Begley in the fifth inning, suffered his first loss after two victories. Merritt, who spun a no-hitter in his last outing, gave up three hits and two runs in 5.1 innings, walked five and struck out two. Begley allowed two free passes and East committed three errors.

"Dave (Riccio) pitched great and the ball carried for us," Notre Dame Coach Tom Marucci said. "He was able to shut them down. Our infield played excellent defense. (But) we should have hit better."

East Coach Jim Penders wasn't pleased by his club's performance. "There's not much to say," Penders said. "They flat out beat us. You can't expect to beat a team like that when you give up seven walks. Each home run ball was shook off by our pitcher. They're a solid club."

Riccio aided his own cause when he led off the second inning with a wind-blown homer over the left field fence. Notre Dame went up 3-0 in the third. With two out and Wayne Conlan on first via the base on balls, Mark Consorte lofted an opposite field two-run homer just clearing the left field fence.

The Eagles' Dave Price was gunned down at the plate to end the third after Conlan pegged a wildly pitched first baseman Alan Walania. Merritt pitched out of a bases loaded, one-out situation in the fourth. The Green Knights, however, took a 5-0 lead in the fifth on a headoff homer over the center field fence by Brian Puzycy. Consorte scored the other run on a groundout by Walania.

"Give him (Riccio) credit, he's a good thrower," Penders said. "We've got to score some runs. They made the plays. We didn't." East's lone tally came in the bottom of the fifth. Junior Marc Mangiatello led off with a single and moved to second after Price drew a walk. With two outs

Notre Dame slugs its way past East



COMING HOME — East Catholic's Marc Mangiatello, center, touches home plate with the Eagles' only run in Wednesday's game with Notre Dame at Moriarty Field.

Notre Dame pitcher Dave Riccio (8) backs up the play as catcher Gianni Ragani watches the action in the field. Notre Dame won, 6-1.

Merritt sent a looping single down the right field line scoring Mangiatello. Riccio had two hits for Notre Dame while Consorte had two RBIs and scored three runs.

"They're a good ballclub," Marucci said. "We figure them to be the class of the league."

Meanwhile, Penders has to rally his troops for another key matchup Friday in the rugged ACC. "It just wasn't our day," he said.

Canadiens' injury list grows as Richer now out

By Ken Rappoport
The Associated Press

It was a tough night for the Montreal Canadiens — and together still for Stéphane Richer. On the way to a 2-3 Stanley Cup playoff loss to Boston Wednesday night that ended their Adams Division series at a game piece, the Canadiens also lost their top scorer for the rest of the playoffs.

Richer, who had 50 goals during the regular season and seven during the playoffs, suffered a broken thumb and joined a growing list of injured key players on the Canadiens.

"The Bruins played the style they're known to play — head-hunting and cheap shots," said Montreal Coach Jean Perron, who saw his top goal-scoring forward forwards Mats Naslund, Bob Gainey and Shane Corson on the injured list.

In Wednesday night's other playoff game, New Jersey beat Montreal 5-2 and tied their Patrick Division series at 1-1. The playoffs continue tonight with Edmonton at Calgary in the Smythe Division finals and St. Louis at Detroit in the Norris. Edmonton and Detroit hold 1-0 leads in their respective series.

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NHL Roundup

Thelven. By the end of the period, the Bruins had a 2-0 lead thanks to goals by Bob Sweeney and Ray Bourque, and never were headed in the game at the Montreal Forum.

"We're a class organization, but we're not going to let guys like Thelven injure our players," added Perron, who said that a tape of the incident will be sent to the league to take the appropriate measures.

"We have to protect ourselves. If they start attacking good players in such evident and deliberate fashion, it's up to the league to take the appropriate measures."

Thelven denied that he had deliberately slashed Richer in the playoffs, which was still tender from an injury suffered in the final weeks of the regular season. "I was only trying to lift his stick," Thelven said.

Rejean Lemelin, the Boston goaltender who had yielded to Andy Moog in the opening game of the series, inflicted further pain on the Canadiens. He made 27 saves, including 12 in the first period when Montreal had enough outstanding opportunities to build a tidy lead.

Patrick Division

Aron Broten scored three goals and added an assist to lead the Devils' victory, only their second in 23 games at the Capital Centre. They have a 2-20-1 record there.

Broten's hat trick featured a big performance by the Devils' top line, as Pat Verbeek added a goal and an assist and Kirk Muller two assists. Except for one good game against the New York Islanders in the first round, the Devils' No. 1 line had been relatively silent in the playoffs.

It was uncertain how long Broten would be out, but he definitely will miss tonight's game. Coach Jacques Demers said Broten had been assigned to shadow the Blues' high-scoring Doug Gilmour.

"We're going to have to make some line changes," Demers said. "Shawn was playing so well."

The game was marred by an unusual amount of penalties. A total of 162 minutes in penalties was called by referee Terry Gregson, who also ejected four players after a second-period fight. The total was the most ever in a game involving the Capitals, breaking the mark of 135 set in Game 3 of their series with the Flyers.

"You don't want to go back down. No team is going to back down in this situation in the playoffs," Broten said. "We don't want to lose the second game and go down."

Yankees sole member of 10,000 Homer Club

By Mike Nadel
The Associated Press

MINNEAPOLIS — From Joe Dimaggio's 36-game hitting streak to Roger Maris' 61 homers in '61 and from 22 World Series titles to Billy Martin's five stints as manager, some of the most memorable moments in baseball history have been turned in by the New York Yankees.

Thanks to Claudiell Washington and Jack Clark, the numbers 10,000 and 10,001 have become part of the Yankee lore.

"It's the most fun when you make something like this happen and you win the game, too," said Clark, whose 10th-inning home run, his first as an American Leaguer, lifted New York over the Minnesota Twins 7-6 Wednesday night.

In the previous inning, Washington's pinch-hit homer had made the Yankees the sole members of baseball's 10,000 Homer Club.

"We know it put us ahead (6-5). That's all we cared about," said the Martin, who later waxed more poetic about Washington's historic shot. "I didn't realize it was No. 10,000 until they put it on the scoreboard. It's amazing. Hey, I'm in that group. I'm one of the 10,000."

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Hapless Orioles set record

By Ben Walker
The Associated Press

When will it stop for the Baltimore Orioles? "One of these days we'll win a game and it's all going to be behind us," Baltimore's Terry Kennedy predicted Wednesday night after the Orioles set a major league record by losing their 14th straight game to start the season, falling to the Milwaukee Brewers.

The Orioles, in tying the franchise's longest losing streak, surpassed the 1904 Washington Senators and 1920 Detroit Tigers for early failure. They each lost 13 to start the season.

BLEACHER MESSAGE — A man walks away after putting up a large sign in the center field bleachers at Milwaukee's County Stadium before Wednesday's game against the Orioles. Milwaukee handed Baltimore its Major League-record 14th consecutive loss.

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