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Mall appeal approaches

By Nancy Concelman
Manchester Herald

South Windsor's mayor said today the town will appeal state approval of a revised traffic permit that allows for the expansion of the Pavilions at Buckland Hills if there's the "slightest chance" of success.

Mayor Edward Havens said today he hasn't discussed a possible appeal with the town attorney or the town manager, who is out of town, but expects to meet with them soon.

"I think if there's the slightest chance we might be able to prevail, we will appeal," Havens said. "That's, of course, on advice from town counsel."

Ralph Elliot, the attorney representing South Windsor, could not be reached for comment this morning.

The State Traffic Commission approved a revised traffic permit Thursday that will allow the mall developers, the Homart Development Co. of Chicago, to increase the size of the mall itself by more than 200,000 square feet, from 785,000 square feet to 1,020,000 square feet, said William Stoekert, executive director of the commission.

The original traffic permit, approved by the commission in March 1987, called for 513 residential units near the mall, but revised plans, submitted in July 1987, call for the elimination of the

513 residential units and an additional 141,000 square feet of retail space separate from the mall, 625 seats of restaurant space in three buildings, 80,000 square feet of office space and a 200-room hotel.

Stoekert said an attorney representing the town of South Windsor was at the commission meeting Thursday to oppose the commission's approval of the expansion, charging that additional traffic improvements to roads in South Windsor, including the widening of Buckland Street and improvements to the Five Corners intersection in South Windsor, should be required.

Stoekert said additional traffic improvements will be re-

quired with the expansion approved Thursday, including the installation of a traffic light at the Slater Street, Hale Road and north access road intersections, at the intersection of Union and North Main streets and on Route 30.

The expansion of the mall will also require Homart to install an additional left turn lane on Buckland Street to I-84 eastbound and widen the ramp and reconstruct sections of Tolland Turnpike and Buckland Street.

Improvements originally required by the commission are still in effect, Stoekert said. They include improvements to Buck-

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AP photo

THE CHAMP — Rageshree Ramachandran, 13, of Carmichael, Calif., holds here trophy after winning the National Spelling Bee in Washington Thursday. At right is William Burleigh, senior vice president for Scripps Howard Newspapers, sponsor of the event.

A word to the wise from a champ: Study

By Alan From
The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — National Spelling Bee winner Rageshree Ramachandran says she's not sure what profession she'll pursue, but she already knows that hard work pays off.

"Study as much as you can, and don't stop after the eighth grade because it's what comes later that counts," is her advice to other would-be champions.

The 13-year-old from Fair Oaks, Calif., outlasted runner-up Victor C. Wang of Cama-

rillo, Calif., in a grueling 45-minute, one-on-one finale Thursday.

Her winning word in the 61st annual contest, sponsored by Scripps Howard newspapers, was "elegiacal," an adjective used to describe the couplets, or pairs of lines, in some poems.

As the judges nodded their heads that she had won and the hundreds of spectators in the hotel ballroom applauded and cheered, she stepped back from the microphone and a

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Highland Park full reopening?

By Andrew J. Davis
and Alex Girelli
Manchester Herald

Parents who have been pushing for the reopening of the Highland Park School for grades 1 through 6 may get the answer they've been waiting for at a press conference Tuesday.

Then again, they may not.

A&P plans expansion

By Nancy Concelman
Manchester Herald

The A & P grocery store at the Plaza at Burr Corners will nearly double in size and become a 24-hour full-service supermarket as part of a \$5 million expansion and renovation of the plaza, the plaza developer said today.

Dennis Morin, president of the Farmington-based White Enterprises Corp., also said the plans would make the A&P "better than" the Heartland Food Store, a 24-hour market also on Tolland Turnpike.

A & P, the anchor store at the plaza, will expand its existing 29,000 square-foot store into a 50,000 square-foot "futurestore," Morin said.

A spokesman for the Northeast Group of A & P, which is based in Springfield, Mass., said today the

Mayor Peter P. DiRosa Jr. and Board of Education Chairman Richard W. Dyer, both of whom support the full reopening of the school, have scheduled the press conference for 8:15 a.m. at Lincoln Center on the issue. But both are mum on what the conference will reveal.

"If I tell you that now you wouldn't have to come to the press conference," DiRosa said.

A major obstacle to fully reopening the school in the view of Board of Education members has been the need to find a new location for a day treatment center that operates in the school.

From the point of view of town officials a major obstacle has been finding a place to house offices of the town Recreation Department, now located in the school.

DiRosa said today that work was still being done to clear the way for a possible reopening. Such work includes moving the recreation department from the school possibly to Center Springs Park, moving the school's day treatment program to Bentley School and relocating the Manchester Association for Retarded Citizens' Manchester Workshop out of Bentley to an undetermined location.

It will be up to the town Board of Directors to decide whether to move the recreation department to Center Springs Park, he said. He said he was unsure when the directors would vote on such a move. Directors have discussed the possibility of moving the

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AP photo

LONDON MEETING — President Ronald Reagan shakes hands with Japanese Minister Noboru Takeshita during a meeting in London today at Winfield House, residence of the U.S. ambassador.

Reagan cautious of Soviet reform

By Terence Hunt
The Associated Press

LONDON — President Ronald Reagan, reporting on summit talks in Moscow, said today that Kremlin leader Mikhail S. Gorbachev is "a serious man seeking serious reform," but that the Soviet Union still should be viewed with caution.

"Let us embrace honest change when it occurs; but let us also be wary, and ever vigilant. Let us stay strong," Reagan said in a prepared address.

The president also said the West must continue to speak out about human rights conditions in the Soviet Union. "In matter of state, unless the truth be spoken, it ceases to exist," he said.

Winding up a 10-day journey that included five days in the Soviet capital, Reagan gave his summit assessment in a speech before the Royal Institute of International Affairs at Gull-hall, a center of civic government for more than 1,000 years.

The speech was a rhetorical highlight of the trip, offering encouragement for Gorbachev's campaigns of "Perestroika" and "glasnost," reforms, while expressing cautious hope for "a new era in history."

After a farewell to U.S. Embassy families here, Reagan and his wife Nancy boarded Air Force One for the return to Washington, where a welcoming ceremony

awaited them at Andrews Air Force Base.

Reagan's four days of talks with Gorbachev did not produce any breakthrough on a strategic arms reduction treaty, though both sides said some key differences had been narrowed. Nevertheless, the two leaders displayed a warm personal relationship.

Reagan said the Soviet Union is dominated now by talk of democratic reform, in the economy, in political institutions, and in religious, social and artistic life — "in short, giving individuals more freedom to run their own affairs, to control their own destinies."

"To those of us familiar with the post-war era, all of this is cause for shaking head in wonder," Reagan said, expressing amazement about an American president and a Soviet leader walking together in Red Square.

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'Burial' case raises legal issues

By Andrew Yurkovsky
Manchester Herald

The release of investigative documents related to the alleged secret burial of a child on Pine Hill Street illustrates the conflict between the public's right to know and the individual's right to privacy.

While no one has been charged with a crime in connection with the investigation, a search warrant affidavit and other documents released last week allege that a crime took place there some 35 years ago.

And the documents identify a man who is alleged to have carried out that crime, although the name of a woman making the charge has been deleted.

Two area attorneys say the circumstances under which the documents have been released are highly unusual, although a Hartford trial lawyer says that they are not at all uncommon.

"I can tell you I've never heard of that happening before," said John R. FitzGerald, a Manches-

ter attorney who specializes in libel law and was a prosecutor in the old town court. "That's very unusual."

Malcom Barlow, a Manchester attorney who represents the Manchester Herald, described the case as "quite unusual."

But James Wade, a Hartford trial lawyer, said that affidavits with names of suspects are often released by courts with the names of informants or complainants omitted.

"I've had that happen 100 times," he said.

He said there was a case about 10 years ago in New London in which police documents were released that named a former public official as a suspect in a motor vehicle case. The man, however, was never charged with any crime.

According to documents on the Pine Hill Street case, the woman, who grew up on Pine Hill Street, told police last year that she saw a man attempting to bury the body of a 4- or 5-year-old girl in a shed at 24 Pine Hill Street about 35

years ago. The woman's name is deleted from all the documents, but a search warrant affidavit identifies the man as Frederick Delaney, who lived at 24 Pine Hill Street at the time of the alleged crime and still lives there today.

Delaney has denied the woman's allegations. He has said that if his name was released, the woman's name should have been released as well.

Manchester Police Capt. Joseph H. Brooks has also said he believes all or none of the names should have been released. While the search warrant affidavit includes Delaney's name, the suspect's name is deleted from the investigative documents.

In three days of digging in the shed last November, Manchester police were unable to turn up any evidence of human remains. The case was classified "inactive" two weeks ago because police had no additional leads to pursue.

Delaney has said he may take some kind of legal action in connection with the case, but he has declined to say what type of

action that would be. He declined to comment further today.

Efforts in the past week to reach his attorney, Hubert J. Santos, have been unsuccessful.

FitzGerald said that the only person Delaney could take action against is the woman. He said the judge who released the affidavit, M. Morgan Kline, and the Manchester Police Department are immune to any such action.

In order to sue the woman, however, Delaney would have to know her identity, FitzGerald said.

Kline defended his decision not to release the woman's name, saying that he did so out of concern for the woman's safety.

As for his release of Delaney's name, Kline said, "Everybody in town knew where the digging took place, and they knew who was living there."

Asked to comment on the possibility of a lawsuit by Delaney, he said, "He can do what he wants. I don't think he'll get anywhere, because we had probable cause."

STATE & REGION

Social Security problem

HARTFORD — As many as 1,700 professors and administrators at state colleges and universities unwittingly forfeited their Social Security payments when they joined a pension plan, a faculty union official says.

"What we are facing is nothing short of calamity at retirement time for these people," said Edward C. Marth, executive director of the University of Connecticut chapter of the American Association of University Professors.

Thirty-six states, including Connecticut, allow professors and administrators at public institutions to choose the 15-year-old Teachers Insurance Annuity Association-College Retirement Equity Fund of New York, instead of regular state pension plans.

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Rich, who had requested to be suspended from his post pending the outcome of the case, entered an innocent plea to the charge of sixth-degree larceny in his first court appearance May 10.

Award is upheld
HARTFORD — A \$3.2 million jury award to the children of a Darien businessman killed in a 1981 plane crash has been upheld by a federal appeals court.

The 2nd U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals in New York upheld the award to the family of Gordon N. McKee Jr., vice president and treasurer of Texagulf Inc. The decision was filed a week ago.

Texagulf is a Fortune 500 energy and chemicals firm based in Stamford.

Eight people, including two pilots, were killed when Texagulf's Lockheed Jetstar crashed while approaching the Westchester County airport the night of Feb. 11, 1981.

The families of five other victims also sued and have been awarded as much as \$6.3 million.

The award in the McKee case, the last pending, was unusual because damages were given to the victim's children even though some were adults, said Richard F. Lawler, a lawyer for Whitman & Ransom of Greenwich, which represented McKee's family.

Officer is suspended
SOUTHINGTON — A local police officer was suspended with pay after his arrest on a sexual-assault charge stemming from allegations he fondled a woman he stopped for motor-vehicle offenses, officials said.

The officer also made obscene phone calls to the woman in the weeks after the initial incident, police said Thursday.

Edward Schlegel, 23, of Southington was charged with third-degree sexual assault and was scheduled to be arraigned in Superior Court in Bristol Tuesday. He was not charged in connection with the phone calls.

Schlegel, a patrol officer for about two years, was released on a \$5,000 bond, police said.

Jurors may inspect site
NEW LONDON (AP) — Prosecutors are asking permission to take Richard Crafts' murder trial jury to view the locations where Crafts allegedly killed his wife and disposed of her body with a wood chipping machine.

During the 40th day of the "wood chipper" trial Thursday, State's Attorney Walter Flanagan filed a motion to take the 15-member jury to seven sites in Newtown and Southbury.

In a written motion to Judge Barry R. Schaller, Flanagan said seeing the places would be helpful to the jury in determining material, factual issues, especially in this trial where the witnesses have been numerous, the duration extremely lengthy and the issues complex.

Flanagan said transportation would have to be provided for the jury and special security arrangements would have to be made to get Crafts to the sites.

Flanagan said he didn't know when he would take the jury to Newtown if the judge allowed it. Schaller did to the role on the motion Thursday.

Richard Crafts, 56, of Newtown, was arrested Jan. 13, 1987 in the slaying of his wife, Belle. He has been held in lieu of \$750,000 bond since his arrest. The state believes Crafts killed his wife in their bedroom on Nov. 18 or 19, 1986.

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Teen described killing of homosexual

NEW BRITAIN (AP) — A Hartford 16-year-old who said he "loved fags" has told police how he and a high school football quarterback bludgeoned a Wethersfield man to death despite the victim's pleas for mercy and efforts to escape.

The defendant's statement aroused a sharp reaction from the gay community, which blamed the killing on "a homophobic society."

In the long, signed statement to state police released Thursday, Marcos J. Perez gave a detailed account of the night of May 14 and early morning of May 15 leading up to the death of Richard F. Reihl.

The statement, given Tuesday, was included in court records supporting Wednesday's arrest of Perez and Sean G. Burke, 17, also of Hartford, on charges of first-degree robbery and felony murder in the death of Reihl, 33, identified as a homosexual in the arrest warrants for the teen-agers.

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Perez's statement described how he and Burke ate hot dogs and drank beer the night of May 14 and drove around downtown Hartford in Burke's mother's car.

Early May 15, Perez said, they drove to an area near Ches Est, a Hartford bar frequented by homosexual men, circled the block "15 or 20 times" and got into a conversation with Reihl, also in a car, who Perez said had stared at them and blinked his lights to get their attention.

Perez said he and Burke talked about whether they wanted to beat Reihl up when Reihl invited them to his Wethersfield condominium.

Reihl went upstairs with Burke for a short time while Perez remained alone downstairs, Perez wrote. Then Burke came downstairs looking angry, said Perez, who also said he had been molested by a homosexual eight years ago.

"Sean went to the fireplace area and picked up a log and we looked at each other, both realizing this guy's going to die," Perez wrote.

Perez said Burke swung the log, hitting Reihl twice on the head. Reihl

escaped and ran across the street, where he was seized by police, and he begged to be left alone, the statement said.

Perez wrote that he "started to lose it" and punched Reihl when Burke handed him the log and went back inside.

"I told the guy how I hated fags and how I wanted to kill him," Perez wrote. "Sean came back out with the duct tape and (compact disc) player and handed me the tape. He told the guy to lay down on the ground and he did."

"Sean told me to tape his mouth and I did... I was really losing it now and Sean was holding me back from hitting him with the log. He just let me go and said ahead, so I walked over to the guy and hit him one time in the head. This was the hardest hit I ever did and it was a loud noise."

Perez said that after he and Burke left they returned because they thought Reihl might not be dead. They drove back, Burke got out of the car and hit Reihl three or four more times with the log, Perez wrote.

"We drove away and headed home. Sean said we just killed someone and we vowed to keep it ourselves," the statement said.

Members of the Connecticut Coalition for Lesbian and Gay Civil Rights called for stiff penalties in the crime

and said the murder was an indication of a serious social problem.

"This killing is the end result of a homophobic society which through its silence allows and condones intolerance and violence toward people who are different," said Crispin Hollings, coalition co-chairman.

"The gay and lesbian community will not sit back," said John G. Bonelli, another coalition co-chairman. "We will no longer accept a token slap on the wrist to pass for justice in the taking of a human life."

Hartford State's Attorney John M. Bailey said the assailants "left the scene, came back to make sure he was dead."

"The victim was bound with tape," Bailey said. "It was a vicious attack."

Perez also implicated others in an unrelated robbery of a homosexual man in West Hartford on May 14, according to the documents.

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NATION & WORLD

Jobless rate up

WASHINGTON — The nation's civilian unemployment rate rose to 5.6 percent in May — its first increase in 20 months — as 519,000 fewer Americans were at work than in the previous month, the government said today.

The 0.2 percentage point increase from a 14-year-low jobs rate of 5.4 percent was accompanied by an increase of 173,000 in the number of people listed by the Labor Department as officially unemployed.

The department said the labor force, those either holding jobs or actively looking for them, shrank by 363,000 to 122.7 million.

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Bush inching away from Reagan

By Laura King
The Associated Press

Vice President George Bush inched away from President Reagan on the issue of human rights in the Soviet Union, but insisted that the latest bit of distance between himself and his boss "doesn't signal" a "drastic change" in his campaign plan.

Democrat Michael Dukakis, meanwhile, left the campaign trail to be with his wife Kitty, who was undergoing spinal surgery today.

Bush, returning to Washington today after a week of strategy talks at his summer home, says he's convinced his campaign is "on the right track" despite a rash of recent surveys suggesting he trails Dukakis, the Democratic front-runner.

"I'm not going to be stampeded by polls that don't mean anything," the vice president told reporters on Thursday, as he was preparing to make his roadside retreat at Kennebunkport, Maine.

Meanwhile, a poll in California gave Dukakis a substantial lead over his remaining challenger, Democrat Jackson, who has campaigned heavily in the state, said a spokesman.

Dukakis cut state-wide California campaign swings on Thursday after his wife's doctors decided to perform "urgent" surgery on herniated discs pressing dangerously on Mrs. Dukakis' spinal cord.

Dukakis, who was spending the night at the hospital, visited his wife late Thursday night and told reporters afterward: "She's in good spirits, looks good and is anxious to get this over with."

The governor said he hoped to resume campaigning this weekend if the surgery went well.

Jackson was campaigning today in New Mexico and Montana, whose primaries on Tuesday have been largely overshadowed by big same-day contests in New Jersey and California. The four races, with a total of 466 delegates at stake, close out the Democratic primary season, and give Dukakis a chance to clinch the nomination.

Of the 2,061 delegates needed to nominate, the Massachusetts governor has nearly 1,000. Jackson trails with fewer than 1,000.

In California, a poll conducted for the San Francisco Examiner and San Francisco television station KRON indicated Dukakis led Jackson by 24 percentage points, 52 percent to 28 percent. In a similar survey two weeks ago, he led by 37 points.

The poll, for which 600 registered Democratic voters were questioned on Tuesday and Wednesday, has a margin of error of 4 percentage points. The Examiner said in Thursday's editions.

Jackson was expressing hopes that a debate with Dukakis could be arranged before Tuesday's primary. The two Democrats had been scheduled to debate Thursday afternoon in California, but Dukakis canceled out after his wife's doctors said they wanted to operate without delay.

"My impression is that when you have anything that involves the spinal cord, the faster you move on it the better," Dukakis said as he was flying home Thursday night.

Bush, meanwhile, was returning to Washington today in time to greet President Reagan, who will be back from tonight from the superpower summit.

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"We've got a game plan. We've stayed with it," he said. "You're not going to see a drastic change in campaign plans."

On Thursday, he was asked about Reagan's suggestion that Soviet reluctance to issue exit visas stems from bureaucratic problems rather than Kremlin policy.

Bush sidestepped the question. But he went on to criticize Soviet human rights policy in stronger terms than the president has used.

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Please... Don't Stop!

Recovery is only beginning

Major health bill gets House OK

By Jerry Estill
The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — A health insurance bill intended to protect more than 30 million elderly Americans from the financial ravages of serious illness is one short step away from final congressional approval.

"It's a landmark accomplishment and it's going to remove an awful lot of fear from the minds of over 30 million seniors," Rep. Pete Stark, D-Calif., said after the House voted 328-72 Thursday to approve a catastrophic health insurance bill.

The measure goes to the Senate where similarly overweighing approval is assured, probably next week. It represents the biggest expansion of Medicare in the program's 23-year history.

Originally proposed by President Reagan more than a year ago — albeit in a less expansive version — the legislation is intended to protect the nation's 32 million Medicare beneficiaries from financial ruin stemming from illnesses that run up big hospital and doctor bills.

"The legislation will go a long way to alleviate the fears that elderly people have about being wiped out from financial costs when catastrophic illness hits," said Rep. Henry Waxman, D-Calif., who with Stark was a major mover in the project.

Waxman acknowledged that the measure does not address the problem of nursing home and other long-term costs for people not sick enough to be hospitalized, but unable to live alone.

"That has to be No. 1 on our agenda for the next breakthrough in the health area," said Waxman. Although the final House-Senate version was considerably enriched along the way — mainly by the addition of an outpatient prescription drug benefit — Health and Human Services Secretary Otis R. Bowen has said he will ask President Reagan to sign the measure, which House Speaker Jim Wright has called "the most important health initiative in recent years."

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Major health bill gets House OK

By Jerry Estill
The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — A health insurance bill intended to protect more than 30 million elderly Americans from the financial ravages of serious illness is one short step away from final congressional approval.

"It's a landmark accomplishment and it's going to remove an awful lot of fear from the minds of over 30 million seniors," Rep. Pete Stark, D-Calif., said after the House voted 328-72 Thursday to approve a catastrophic health insurance bill.

The measure goes to the Senate where similarly overweighing approval is assured, probably next week. It represents the biggest expansion of Medicare in the program's 23-year history.

Originally proposed by President Reagan more than a year ago — albeit in a less expansive version — the legislation is intended to protect the nation's 32 million Medicare beneficiaries from financial ruin stemming from illnesses that run up big hospital and doctor bills.

"The legislation will go a long way to alleviate the fears that elderly people have about being wiped out from financial costs when catastrophic illness hits," said Rep. Henry Waxman, D-Calif., who with Stark was a major mover in the project.

Waxman acknowledged that the measure does not address the problem of nursing home and other long-term costs for people not sick enough to be hospitalized, but unable to live alone.

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Airport fire chief to serve, and appeal his suspension

By Judd Everhart
The Associated Press

HARTFORD — Peter R. Buonomo, the Bradley International Airport fire chief suspended for publicly criticizing staff changes he said would jeopardize public safety, says he'll abide by a directive that he refrain from such statements in the future.

"At this time, I have no choice but to follow the letter of the mandate of the personnel action," Buonomo said at a news conference Thursday. "I do have a family, my career is at stake, I have to abide by the gag order, the mandate."

He said he was appealing the suspension, which runs from Monday through Friday next week.

Buonomo said he was speaking in his capacity as vice president of the Protective Services Employees Coalition, AFL-CIO, not as fire chief of the airport.

Buonomo had said earlier this week that he complained about the changes at the airport because he feared for the public's safety. He referred most questions to union counsel Barry Scheinberg and avoided making any statement critical of his bosses at the DOT.

Scheinberg did not hold back. "We think that this conduct is reprehensible," he said, adding that unfair labor practices charges would be filed against the state with the Board of Labor Relations.

"We believe that this direct assault on an individual who has a long history, a strong history of advocacy... of public safety issues, of employee issues, are in direct conflict with the greater interests of the state of Connecticut."

"We find that appalling," Scheinberg said. "This is an attempt to chill, if not to stop totally, advocacy on the public and advocacy on the part of employees."

Local bands and artists will perform on two main stages on the lower Green, while three smaller stages will accommodate more specialized performances.

Visitors to the Green will always have at least five performances from which to choose. The entertainment will run from 1 to 10 p.m. on Saturday and noon to 9 p.m. Sunday. Attendance to all the events is free of charge.

Among the 140 entertainers will be Italian folk singers, Irish bagpipers, a Flamenco guitar soloist, the Connecticut Gay Men's Chorus, a belly dancer, a magician, Pat Dorn and his Orchestra, saxophonist Nathaniel "Dickey" Meyers and the folk duo, The Lawrences.

Poet Lawrence Russ will be there reading from his works, and residents from 12 area nursing homes will perform a program of singing sign language.

"Great lengths have been taken to make this a totally inclusive event," said Ms. Winter. More than 100 non-profit groups will have exhibits.

OPINION

Reading guidance is needed

The 9-year-old Branford student, daughter of a woman who is a member of the Branford Board of Education, has a point when she objects to being required by school board policy to read two books this summer.

But, when parents object to the policy on the grounds that their children will not have time to read two books during the summer because they will be too busy doing other things, you have to wonder about their priorities.

The difference is that the girl who objects to the requirement on principle will probably read about nine books during the summer voluntarily, anyway, according to her mother's estimate.

No wonder she looks askance on a rule that forces you to read, as though it were some kind of chore. If most of her fellow students read anywhere near that much, the two-book minimum policy would never have been thought of by the Branford Parent-Teacher Association, much less endorsed by the Board of Education.

It would be much better, of course, if students could be induced to read more without setting rules about it, but young people do need some forceful guidance. Some of the kids who read two books this summer because they have to might just end up reading three or four next summer because they want to.

Tax plan no remedy

When the General Assembly passed a bill in the last session to ease the burden on homeowners who are hard hit by sudden steep increases in taxes that follow a tax revaluation, they passed up the opportunity to make the most of the correction, more frequent revaluation.

That was a solution backed by Gov. William O'Neill and by the Connecticut Public Expenditures Council. It was opposed generally by assessors who objected to the cost and the time involved in more frequent revaluations.

But the CPEC has not given up on its goal. A spokesman for the CPEC made that clear in a meeting this week in Manchester sponsored by the Greater Manchester Chamber of Commerce.

What the General Assembly came up with is a complicated formula for granting tax relief to residential taxpayers in towns where tax revaluations impose a certain level of tax burden on residential property owners. The effect, as the CPEC points out, is to encourage town officials to be sure the level of taxation is high enough to make them qualify.

Let's hope the governor and the CPEC succeed next time around. The easy way to prevent the abrupt shift in tax burden to residential property owners after a tax revaluation is to make the revaluation every five years instead of every 10 years so that the tax values do not get so far out of whack with market values in the interim.

When in doubt, pass a law — any law

They used to call Prohibition "the noble experiment." A name has yet to be coined for the goofy government goings-on in the suppression of drugs. From time to time in the 1920s, the Moed and Joe types from the Treasury Department invaded country clubs in pursuit of illegal hooch, but basically, enforcement, such as it was, was concentrated against bootleggers, rum runners and speak-easy operators. Wacky as the prohibitionists became, they were never crazy enough to try the "zero tolerance" tactics the government has been pursuing of late.

Never mind the civil liberties aspects of confiscating boats, airplanes, trucks and cars in which minute amounts of drugs have been found by the authorities. Assuming, of course, they were found and not planted there by the cops in a shake-down operation. Let's assume you forfeit any property rights, any legal ownership claim you may have, because the remains of a marijuana cigarette has been discovered in your car, whether or not you smoke it, whether or not you were even in the car. Let's not remark on the irony of the government never having pursued the same confiscation policy when a car driver has been nailed for driving while intoxicated. Never mind any of that.

Let's only ruminate on the public relations fallout from zero tolerance. It would appear that most of the people of the United States don't buy and don't consume illegal drugs. It would appear that most of the people in the country are in favor of trying to suppress the drug trade. Anti-drug public sentiment is one of the few things the anti-drug



Open Forum

This arts event not to be missed

To the Editor:

An important element in the character of any town is the strength and quality of its cultural arts. In Manchester, the diversity of the arts programs and cultural events gives the town a unique identity shared by no other.

On Saturday, June 11, local residents will have a special opportunity to sample this wide variety of cultural life in Manchester at "Arts in the Garden," an open-air arts festival co-sponsored by the Manchester Arts Council and the Greater Manchester Chamber of Commerce arts committee.

"Arts in the Garden" will showcase Manchester's artistic talent in a one-of-a-kind display of community pride. If you have ever wondered about the vibrant nature of Manchester's cultural arts programs, you won't want to miss this event.

It will simply be an hour after hour of Manchester's finest talents on display for the world to see.

"Arts in the Garden" party-goers will be able to wander among a large assortment of visual artworks created by Manchester artists, and exhibited on easels throughout the beautiful flower gardens of five Manchester residents. In addition, there will be continuous outdoor performances by members of the Manchester Chamber of Commerce Arts Council and Choral, the Manchester Ballet, the Manchester Pipe Band, the Connecticut Concert Ballet, the Silk City Chorus (barbershop harmonies), and the Little Theatre of Manchester.

And that's not all. Dozens of local businesses and individuals have joined in their support to make this arts festival a true community event. Banks, restaurants, retailers and professionals have combined efforts with both Manchester Community College and the town govern-

ment in a unique show of townwide support for Manchester's arts programs.

These local benefactors have provided tremendous help through their donations of time, money, and valuable considerations to help support the success of this event. Their generous donations have included everything from hors d'oeuvres (for the event) to round-trip air tickets to be awarded as a special raffle prize.

A stimulating cultural environment touches everyone, and their actions are proof positive that Manchester boasts groups worthy of our support. And they deserve our support on June 11.

As a celebration of the arts in Manchester, "Arts in the Garden" is a special occasion not to be missed. Tickets are \$15 per person, and they are available through the participating groups or by calling the chamber of commerce at 646-2223. The proceeds will help to support the activities of the Manchester Arts Council.

Tell about it: what these groups give back to us is priceless.

Joy Savery, Chairman
Greater Manchester Chamber of Commerce Arts Committee

Meotti worked for conservation

To the Editor:

The Land Conservation Coalition of Connecticut would like to take this opportunity to publicly thank Sen. Michael Meotti for his unwavering commitment on behalf of land conservation during the 1988 legislative session.

Sen. Meotti showed unusual vision in espousing a proposal which would have given towns the option of raising a much-needed new source of revenue to buy land for two outstanding local needs: open space and affordable housing. Revenue targeted for open

space could have been used for park maintenance in larger towns like Manchester and would have allowed smaller towns to preserve unique or sensitive natural areas that constitute Connecticut's natural heritage. The legislation incorporated a planning commission that coordinated the acquisition of land for open space with the purchase of land for affordable housing, thus ensuring compatibility between the two important land uses. A truly innovative proposal.

Although this foresighted piece of legislation did not gain the approval of the entire Legislature this session, the Land Conservation Coalition commends Sen. Meotti for his leadership role and tireless commitment to this significant land conservation proposal. We look forward to working with him again next year.

The Land Conservation Coalition comprises 18 organizations in Connecticut, including the Capitol Region Council of Governments, all the major conservation groups in the state, local land trusts and conservative commissions, and many others.

Joey Corcoran
Co-Chair
Land Conservation Coalition of Connecticut, Hartford

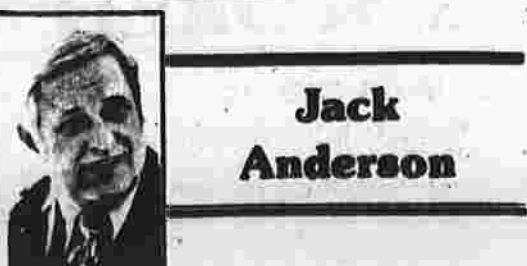
Letters to the editor

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

Address letters to: Open Forum, Manchester Herald, P.O. Box 591, Manchester 06040.



Park rangers powerless to halt marijuana

WASHINGTON — The U.S. Forest Service is virtually powerless to get after armed pot growers who are brazenly taking over our national forests. The Drug Enforcement Administration has made sure that Forest Service agents can't pursue marijuana cultivators once they leave the national forest. The DEA is clearly the better-equipped agency to fight the drug war. But the befuddling situation in the national forests means that of the estimated 16,000 people using forest land to grow marijuana, only 135 were arrested last year. The rest were free to continue their violent reign of terror over forest rangers and tourists.

The pot growers bobby trap the land around their plots with explosives, crossbows and covered pits hiding sharp sticks, and they carry a range of weapons from pistols to machine guns. Annually, there are 400 complaints from hikers and forest rangers about assault or intimidation by the growers in the national forests.

What can the Forest Service do? It is easier to explain what can't be done. The limitations are spelled out in a letter we have obtained sent from Charles H. Turner, the U.S. attorney in Portland, Ore., to a top Forest Service official there: "Forest Service officers are not allowed to chase a pot grower beyond the boundary of the forest unless the officers disarm themselves or wait for help from a DEA agent. The same rule does not apply if the officer is chasing a suspect in any other kind of crime.

The forest ranger can't tail a pot grower who is carrying plants out of the national forest to a processing or distribution point. The rangers also can't search warrants on private residences or vehicles. They are hampered in subpoenaing witnesses to a grand jury or analyzing relevant documents such as bank accounts or phone records.

If the Forest Service can't use those standard law enforcement tools without waiting for help from the DEA, "these investigations will be doomed to a lack of timely thoroughness, jeopardizing successful prosecutions," Turner wrote.

Our sources have provided other examples of the bizarre situations created because the DEA wants to protect its turf: "Although Forest Service agents get information that someone living outside the forest is cultivating drugs in the forest, the agents can't watch the suspect's home to catch him going to and from the patch."

If a citizen calls the Forest Service to report a pot garden, the Forest Service agents have to take the witness into the forest for the interview.

A well-worn path or a water line from a house into the forest may be the tipoff to a marijuana garden, but the Forest Service is not allowed to follow the trail if it leads to a house that is just outside the national forest boundary.

Agents chasing a suspect away from a patch might as well stop at the forest boundary, because they cannot make an arrest on the other side.

If an agent makes an arrest on what he thinks is national forest land, but it turns out the site was just outside the unmarked boundaries, the case could be thrown out of court because the agent was outside his jurisdiction.

The forests are attractive to growers because they are remote, and if growers cultivate pot at home, they stand to have their property confiscated by drug agents.

Tying the hands of Forest Service agents means the odds are with the ruthless drug farmers, and they have taken full advantage of those odds.

Forest Service staffers tell horror stories of being shot at by growers. One citizen who reported a pot patch saw his house burned down in retaliation. A hunter was injured when he stepped on a land mine planted by a protective marijuana grower.

The drug traffickers don't confine their violence to outsiders. They have proved to be more dangerous to their own kind. They have been at least three murders over drug deals on national forest land since 1985.

Correction

A couple of weeks ago, we got the vice president's name wrong. We called him George Herman Bush; it's actually George Herbert Walker Bush. We can't explain how that fundamental error occurred, but we have a hypothesis. It being spring, our minds were likely on the national pastime, and while one lobe was preoccupied with our story about former Yale first baseman Bush, the other lobe was dreaming about a former Yankee right fielder named George Herman Ruth, aka Babe. We just got our outfielders and our infielders mixed up.

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FOCUS

Selling property while on another coast

DEAR BRUCE: My wife recently inherited a property on the East Coast, and we would like to sell it. It has been assessed at more than \$100,000, so this is no small proposition.

We've had several inquiries from local real estate investors in New England, where the property is located, but we are reluctant to enter into an agreement until we can be certain that we know the value of the land. Since we are 3,000 miles away, how would you suggest we handle this?

Smart Money
Bruce Williams

Be very careful about whom you deal with and, of course, have a lawyer in the state where the property is located to represent you every step of the way.

DEAR A.R.: Get on a plane and go to New England. I know this sounds radical, but in my view, it is absolutely necessary. How do you suggest we handle this adequately over the telephone? In my opinion, you cannot.

Considering the amount of money involved, the small investment in time and travel expenses would be well worth it. And it is possible that these expenses are deductible against any gain that would result from the sale.

DEAR BRUCE: I have worked as a baker for the past 11 years, and now I have an opportunity to go into business for myself. I'd like to start a bakery and delicatessen. The only problem is I don't have much money.

By selling my house and using my Individual Retirement Account contributions (taking the penalty), I can put my hands on between \$15,000 and \$20,000. But I figure it's going to take at least \$100,000.

I've talked to bankers and the Small Business Administration, and both

have turned me down. What should I do?

DEAR R.S.: You mentioned that you're experienced in the banking business, but you neglected to mention any similar experience in a delicatessen.

Given this and your lack of capital, I'd consider opening a small bakery to begin with. Reduce your expenses by buying used equipment.

Undercapitalization is a major cause of business failure, so I can't recommend that you do any of this. But if you try, at least stay within the realm you know well — baked goods.

DEAR BRUCE: We purchased our home in 1980 in a land contract rather than a regular mortgage because interest rates were so high that we didn't qualify.

Our mortgage will be ballooning next year — we have to pay it off in full. Is now a good time to look for refinancing? My wife feels that interest rates are too high, and we should wait. We've agreed to accept your decision on this matter.

DEAR READER: You put me in an

awkward position: If interest rates go down, your wife will hate me, but if they go up, you'll hate me. Either way, I would start looking for financing right away. What happens if you are unable to put financing together at the last minute? If rates do go up, conceivably, you might not qualify just it.

Where would this leave you, and where would it leave the person holding the land contract? The seller might continue the contract, but perhaps he or she would not wish to do that and would force the matter.

If there is a wild fluctuation in interest rates, you could refinance your permanent mortgage that you're currently seeking.

I am never comfortable with the buyer's position in a land contract. Too many things can go awry. Your situation would be more sound with a conventional mortgage.

Bruce Williams, America's top radio talk host, is heard each week on NBC stations. His column appears every Monday, Wednesday and Friday. Write to Williams in care of the Manchester Herald, P.O. Box 591, Manchester 06040. Letters of general interest will be printed in the column.

DEAR ABBY: I love and hate, my husband. He uses to be fine and a gentle man, but lately he has turned into something entirely different. About six months ago, our neighbor invited my husband over to watch some dirty movies. I tolerated it at first, thinking it was harmless. Then, after a while, every time my husband came back from watching those dirty movies he would demand sex — not loving and tender, just rough, crude sex. Abby, our sex life has become a nightmare! It just makes me sick. I am hurt beyond words, and he knows it, too.

What am I to do? Divorce him? On what grounds? I know I can't live like this any longer.

Please answer in the newspaper because I have three

children at home and they always get the mail.

NO NAME OR ADDRESS

DEAR NO NAME: You need to re-establish communication with your husband in order to understand just why this formerly "fine and gentle man" has turned into a crude, sexually demanding person. You need to be counseled together. (Contact your local mental health facility; the people there can help you.) If he refuses to go with you, go alone. Your marriage depends upon it.

DEAR ABBY: While you've often written about this subject, I

have never seen this question answered in your column and I am sure others have wondered about it.

When the organs of a deceased loved one are donated — be they corneas or internal organs such as kidneys, liver, heart, etc. — the family has an open-casket funeral?

I know of cases where a family has agreed to donate organs, then they changed their minds because they weren't sure the body could be sufficiently restored for an open-casket funeral.

ANONYMOUS, PLEASE

DEAR ANONYMOUS: I am informed that there is absolutely no evidence of organ removal, so an open-casket funeral is possible if that is the family's choice.

DEAR ABBY: I attend church with a lady whose daughter is to be married in three months. She and her daughter do not know that the future groom has a long history of indecent exposure, and he was arrested for this again not more than six weeks ago. Doesn't this young girl have a right to know this before she marries him? And if so, should I phone her anonymously? Please do not mention my city or state.

CONCERNED FOR HER

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BUSINESS

Posillico heads Gerber unit

SOUTH WINDSOR — Louis F. Posillico has been appointed president of Gerber Systems Technology, a wholly owned subsidiary of Gerber Scientific Inc.

Posillico has been general manager of GST since March 1987. A Gerber employee since 1979, he was appointed controller of GST in May 1980, and vice president and controller in June 1983.



Louis F. Posillico

Posillico serves on the industrial advisory board of the Samuel I. Ward College of Technology at the University of Hartford, and is a member of the Hartford chapter of the Planning Forum.

Before joining Gerber, Posillico was the manager of financial planning for Management Assistance Inc., New York City.

GST makes high performance computer-aided design and manufacturing systems for the aerospace, automotive, machining and tool and die industries.

Norris 'agent of the year'

Jon L. Norris of the Independent Insurance Center in Manchester has received the "Agent of the Year" award from the Independent Insurance Agents of Connecticut Inc.

Norris is chairman of the board of Independent Agent Services Inc., a subsidiary association. He also has been chairman of InsurPac, the association's political action committee.

The association's public relations award went to the Manchester local board for its efforts in developing a customer service representative educational program at Manchester Community College.

Hachey named at ComFed

Joseph Hachey has been named vice president of ComFed Savings Bank's Corporate Banking Group, 1067 Main St.

He is responsible for commercial lending and business development in the Manchester area.

Hachey, with 20 years in banking, formerly worked for Hartford National Bank and Manchester State Bank. He joined Heritage Savings, now ComFed, in 1982. He is vice chairman of the town Economic Development Commission, a board member of the town Parking Authority, and former president of Manchester's UNICO civic club.

ComFed, based in Lowell, Mass., has 32 offices in Massachusetts and Connecticut.



Joseph Hachey

Dollar down, gold up

LONDON — The dollar reversed course and fell against all major foreign currencies in European trading today.

Gold bullion rose in active trading.

The dollar opened strong in Tokyo, but came under pressure from profit-taking before the European opening, traders said.

At midmorning, the U.S. unit was losing ground against all major currencies, although markets had calmed from the previous day's sharp swings.

Midmorning dollar rates in Europe, compared with late Thursday:

- 1,722.3 West German marks, down from 1,729.
- 4,345 Swiss francs, down from 4,425.
- 8,825 French francs, down from 8,892.
- 1,934 Dutch guilders, down from 1,943.
- 1,282.50 Italian lire, down from 1,286.75.
- 1,293 Canadian dollars, down from 1,292.5.

The British pound edged up to \$1.8085 from late Thursday's rate of \$1.7967. Major British banks raised their base lending rates by half point Friday to 8 percent, but analysts said sterling still appeared vulnerable.

The dollar closed in Tokyo at 126.11. Japanese yen, up from 125.66 yen. But in later London trading today, the dollar slipped back to 125.70 yen.

Consumer Reports asks ban on sport vehicle

By Mitchell Lonsberg
The Associated Press

NEW YORK — The Suzuki Samurai is so unstable it "literally trips over its own feet" and rolls over, says the publisher of Consumer Reports, which gave the popular sport vehicle its first "not acceptable" rating in 10 years.

But the American Suzuki Motor Corp. defended the Japanese-built Samurai as safe and said there was no justification for the magazine publisher's claim that it should be banned because it tends to turn over in sudden turns.

Consumers Union, publisher of Consumer Reports, said Thursday the Samurai is too short, too narrow, too light and has too high a center of gravity to be safe. It asked federal regulators to recall the more than 150,000 Samurais sold in this country and provide refunds to owners.

Consumers Union called the four-wheel-drive sport utility vehicle "wholly unsuitable for consumer use" in a petition filed with the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration.

"That car literally trips over its own feet, and I wouldn't want to be in it," said R. David Pittle, technical director of Consumers Union, at a news conference. "They're promoted as safe, fun vehicles, when the fact of the matter is, they're not."

Consumers Union said the \$8,500 Samurai was the first car out of 349 tested in the last decade to roll over during a routine accident-avoidance test, in which cars are made to swerve to avoid an obstacle in the road.

Consumers Union officials showed a videotape in which the Samurai lurched onto two wheels and began to roll over when it suddenly changed lanes at just under 40 mph. Arm-like extensions installed to protect the test drivers prevented the car from rolling onto its side.

Pratt & Whitney launches major advertising effort

EAST HARTFORD (AP) — Pratt & Whitney Aircraft, which lost a major contract last year because of dissatisfaction with the jet engine maker's customer service, has announced a worldwide advertising campaign touting improvements in that area.

The company, a division of Hartford-based United Technologies Corp., said Thursday it planned a series of advertisements "telling its customers it was ready to become the undisputed leader in customer support."

The advertisements, which will appear in international aviation publications starting this month, will carry the tag line, "We read you loud and clear" to let customers know their message is getting through, the company said in a statement.

JAL announced in October 1987 that it had selected the CRJ-22 jet engine made by General Electric Co. to power five Boeing 747s. JAL previously had operated 747s powered only by Pratt & Whitney engines.

Sandra Ahearn, a spokeswoman for Pratt & Whitney, said the advertising

The Samurai's major competitors, the Jeep Wrangler, the Jeep Cherokee and the Isuzu Trooper, were shown making the same maneuver without losing stability at speeds higher than 40 mph.

It was 10 years ago that Consumer Reports labeled the Dodge Omni-Plymouth Horizon models "not acceptable," saying they had a dangerous steering problem. The problem was corrected the next model year, the magazine said.

"We were thinking of turning it over to our older son. Now we won't do that," said Edward Taylor, 41, of Cleveland Heights, Ohio, who owns a convertible Samurai.

"You're driving down the road at 65 mph and a cat or dog jumps out in front of you, you have to find out how good a driver you are. It's something I'm not looking forward to," he said.

Doug Mazza, vice president and general manager of American Suzuki, said, "We have absolute confidence that we are selling a safe and stable vehicle."

The company said the Samurai was thoroughly tested for safety, stability and handling before it was introduced in the United States in November 1985. Suzuki sold 154,675 of them through April.

"We are surprised that professional drivers can cause the Samurai or other motor vehicles to roll over," Mazza said. "But the real results of the Samurai safety is proven on American roads every day."

The petition from Consumers Union asked that the government require similar vehicles to pass driving tests rather than just meet design standards.

The Center for Auto Safety filed a similar petition in February, citing the Samurai's rollover problem. The center said the Samurai had been involved in at least 32 rollover accidents, resulting in eight deaths and 35 injuries.

The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration said there have been 14 reported incidents of Samurais rolling over, involving 53 injuries and 16 deaths.

Let's open the discussion on closed-end bond funds

QUESTION: Closed-end bond funds have been recommended to me as a better way to invest than mutual funds holding bonds. What is your advice about the suitability of closed-end bond funds for investors seeking income?



Investors' Guide
William A. Doyle

ANSWER: They can work out well, but really not much differently than bond mutual funds. Individual results vary, depending on the performance of each closed-end fund and mutual fund.

An explanation is in order, with the definition of mutual fund coming first.

The technical name for a mutual fund is "open-end investment company." A mutual fund is open-end because it stands ready to redeem its shares every business day. When you own shares of a mutual fund and want to cash in, you turn the shares back to the fund.

Most mutual funds redeem their shares at "net asset value," which is calculated by adding up the value of all securities and other assets the fund holds and dividing by the number of shares "outstanding" owned by investors. Some mutual funds charge "redemption fees" or "contingent deferred sales charges" nicknamed "load" which reduce the amount a redeeming shareholder receives.

The technical name for a closed-end fund is "closed-end investment company." That type of company does not redeem its shares. A shareholder who wants out must sell his or her shares in the marketplace. Shares of some closed-end funds are listed on stock exchanges; others are traded in the over-the-counter market.

Like a mutual fund, a closed-end fund holds many different securities in its investment portfolio. Some hold bonds; some hold stocks; some hold both. Both mutual funds and closed-end funds are "managed" investment companies, meaning the people who run them buy and sell investment securities in attempts to

increase per-share asset value and provide income to shareholders.

Also like a mutual fund, a closed-end fund collects interest and/or dividends from the securities it holds and, after deducting its operating expenses, pays that money to shareholders as income dividends. Both types of companies also pass along to shareholders, as capital gains distributions, any profits from securities transactions.

QUESTION: I've noticed that the shares of closed-end funds periodically trade at prices below their net asset values. Doesn't this make those shares a bargain?

ANSWER: Sometimes, yes; sometimes no. Per-share net asset value of closed-end funds is calculated the same way as mutual fund shares. In the marketplace, closed-end shares often trade at discounts from net asset value. If you buy closed-end shares at a discount, you have more assets working for you than the dollar amount you paid.

But if you sell, the price you get might be at the same discount — or an even greater one. Your hope, of course, will be that per share asset value will rise and, perhaps, the market price will equal per share asset value or even go to a premium.

William A. Doyle, a syndicated columnist, welcome written questions, but he can provide answers, of course, through the column. Write to Doyle in care of the Manchester Herald, P.O. Box 591, Manchester 06040.

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Camposo resigns from school board

By Alex Girilli
Manchester Herald

Joseph V. Camposo has resigned effective Tuesday from the Board of Education so that he can begin work immediately as a member of the newly-appointed Fair Rent Commission and landlors and the public.

Camposo announced his resignation at a news conference this morning at Lincoln Center.

Camposo's term on the Board of Education, which was to have ended in November, will be filled by James Moroney, who was elected to a term that was to have begun in November.

Richard W. Dyer, chairman of the Board of Education, said at the conference that when the board meets June 13, it will act on the appointment of Moroney to fill Camposo's unexpired term.

At the conference, Camposo said he will soon resign from the Housing Authority of Manchester.

Camposo said he resigned because he felt it was fair to other members of the Fair Rent Commission that he devote his attention to that group and because "it

School

recreation offices to a new lodge planned for the park.

Scott Sprague, recreation department director, said if Highland Park is opened fully, it would not mean the department would have to leave the school earlier than the January 1989 deadline imposed on them by the school board. "We're not ready at this moment to move," he said.

The move is going to take place, it hasn't been decided formally where or when.

The school board voted in January to reopen Highland Park to grades kindergarten through 3 in 1989 with the remaining grades opening in successive years. Despite the protests of parents, the school was closed in 1984 because of declining enrollment.

The decision to only reopen partially was made so the school's current tenants — the recreation department, Visiting Nurse & Home Care of Manchester Inc. and the day treatment program — would have time to find new homes. That decision is scheduled to be reviewed by the school board sometime this month.

The district is anticipating that between 350 to 500 new elementary school students will reside in Manchester within the next five years.

James P. Kennedy, school superintendent, said today that he knew of the reasons for the press conference, but would not publicly discuss them. "I don't think it's appropriate for me to say what the mayor says before he says it," he said. "I don't want to speculate or comment until the reports are made."

Manchester company gets school contract

By Andrew Davis
Manchester Herald

Alma Construction Co. Inc. of Manchester has been awarded a \$707,812 contract to renovate Manchester High School, said Paul Phillips, building committee chairman.

A contract should be signed sometime next week, and work should begin 15 days after that, Phillips said. Alma was awarded the contract Thursday, he said.

Alma has promised it can complete the work in 300 days, but Phillips said the job will be finished in 200 to 250 days. "I don't think it will take that much," Phillips said about Alma's projected completion date. "It all depends how much work can be done with the kids in school."

Alma was the low bidder of six companies for the renovation work. Other bidders were: F.W. Brown Co. of Baitin, \$712,000; Charles Jewett Corp. of Glastonbury, \$720,000; Keating Brothers Construction of Hartford; \$730,000; RF Contractors of Newington and Naek Construction of Vernon, \$814,000.

Three additional improvements also may be added to the work plan, Phillips said. Additional lighting fixtures for the stairwells and hallways, stairwell ballasts and new fire curtains for the auditorium should be included at a cost of \$25,000. However, no final decision will be made until after the original contract is signed, he said.

The renovation work was part of an \$8.8 million bonding referendum passed by voters in 1986. Construction on Nathan Hale, Verplanck, Waddell and Bowers schools also was included in the referendum.

Expand

new store would be a full-service supermarket with a pharmacy department.

Morin said work on the A & P probably won't begin for about three months, but construction and renovation of other stores in the plaza is scheduled to begin in July. He had no estimate on the cost of the A & P expansion.

Meanwhile, White Enterprises is negotiating with existing and new tenants for the plaza, but Morin would not reveal the names of the tenants. He said 85 percent of the new space has been leased, mostly to existing tenants, giving the plaza an 85 percent occupancy rate now. White Enterprises hopes to have the tenants in place by October.

So-Fro Fabrics will vacate its existing 4,000 square-foot store and anchor the new strip that will be built between the old Manchester Twin Cinema theater and Dunkin' Donuts.

Orlando Annulli and Sons Inc. of Manchester is the general contractor for the project, which calls for the expansion of the plaza from 168,000 to 250,000 square feet. The expansion includes an additional 72,700 square feet of retail space.

Before expansion can begin, however, a new storm drainage system to alleviate ponding in the parking lot must be completed.

Reagan

as he and Gorbachev did, talking about "a growing personal friendship and meeting."

He said that episode was "a special moment in a week of special moments."

"My personal impression of Mr. Gorbachev is that he is a serious man seeking serious reform," Reagan said. "I pray that the hand of the Lord will be on the Soviet people."

He said the strategy of the West for dealing with the Soviets was "bearing fruit."

Quite possibly, we are beginning to take down the barriers of the post-war era, quite possibly we are entering a new era in history, a time of lasting change in the Soviet Union," he said.

"We will have to see," a president said. "But if so, it is because of the steadfastness of the allies — the democracies — for more than 40 years, and especially in this decade."

Reagan suggested he would continue to speak out against human rights abuses in the Soviet Union and elsewhere.

Despite the impasse on a START treaty, Reagan spoke optimistically about chances for getting an agreement.

Mall

land Street from the I-84 ramps to the town line, access roads from Buckland Street to the mall and to Slater Street, improvements to traffic signals at four locations in the area and the addition of three traffic signals at Buckland Street and Pleasant Valley Road, at Route 30 and Tolland Turnpike and at Chapel Road and Tolland Turnpike.

Assistant Town Manager Steven R. Werber said today the expansion won't affect the seven-year tax treatment between Homart and the town.

"The figure that was used in the agreement was a figure anticipating expansion of the mall," Werber said.

The agreement, approved by the Board of Directors in February, calls for a seven-year tax freeze on a 115-acre mall site that would exempt Homart from paying \$9.5 million in taxes. That \$9.5 million, in addition to money to be contributed by adjacent developers of the 380-acre site, will finance road and utility improvements to the area, originally estimated at \$15 million.

Homart officials could not be reached for comment this morning.

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Spell

smile spread across her face.

"Anything I go into would involve writing, even if it's math or science," the eighth-grader said later.

Ragashree, who was born in India and whose parents are both statistics professors, said she had studied spelling for at least two decades from the time she was helped by her mother, father and younger sister.

Victor, a 14-year-old from Cambridge, Calif., stumbled when misspelled "sterorous," replacing the first "o" with a "u." The word is an adjective used to describe harsh, snoring sounds.

For a while, neither child had much luck as they were asked to spell a series of words that both proved unable to pin down. After Victor misspelled "balmacaan," a loose overcoat, and a bee official spelled it correctly, the eighth-grader drew laughter from an equally perplexed audience by asking, "Who makes up these words?"

Ragashree won \$1,500 and several other prizes, while Victor garnered \$1,000.

It took 935 words to find a winner from the record field of 200 hopefuls. After Wednesday's first day of competition, 144 of them remained.

The competitors began falling faster Thursday as the words were drawn less frequently from study lists that had been distributed and more often from Webster's Third New International Dictionary, the contest's bible.

As the second day wore on, the words increasingly drew gasps of puzzlement from the audience and audible sighs of relief from contestants who had threaded their way through the puzzles they had been given.

Liu, the tournament's youngest competitor ever, lasted until the fifth round. But Iris, a Muncie, Ind., third-grader who turns nine on June 20, lost her way spelling "waywiser," an instrument that measures distance, offering "weighwiser."

Reaching the finals was a feat in itself. The 200 finalists had started among a million to 9 million competitors who entered local bees across the country. The 102 girls and 98 boys in the finals came from 47 states, the Virgin Islands, Guam, Puerto Rico, the district of Columbia, and Mexico.

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SPORTS

Celtics look to survive

By Harry Atkins
The Associated Press

PONTIAC, Mich. — The Detroit Pistons, with momentum and the home court advantage on their side, can make franchise history tonight with a victory over the Boston Celtics in Game 6 of the NBA Eastern Conference final.

If the Pistons win the game at the Silverdome, they will advance to the NBA championship series for the first time since moving from Fort Wayne, Ind., 31 years ago.

The Pistons beat the Celtics 102-96 in overtime at Boston Garden on Wednesday night, their second victory there following 21 consecutive defeats, to take a 3-2 lead in the best-of-seven series.

Detroit's Isiah Thomas, who scored 29 of his 35 points in the second half in Game 5, used a track analogy to describe the Pistons' situation.

"The momentum is definitely on our side," Thomas said after practice on Thursday. "But, in terms of hurdles, we haven't cleared the hurdle. We've only made the jump. If we fall, we're going to land right on top of the hurdle and maybe get hurt."

"I've never played a game as big as this. I don't know how I'm going to play. Every step is a new step for me now."

The Pistons and Celtics went seven games before Detroit was eliminated last year, but Boston never trailed in that series. This time, the Celtics have trailed three times, following the first, third and fifth games.

Such resiliency is no accident for the Celtics, who have won 16 championships and appeared in the finale in each of the past four seasons. They, too, can win on the road.

They did it Monday when they beat the Pistons 79-78 to even the series 2-2 and break a nine-game losing streak at the Silverdome. They did it in Game 6 against Atlanta with a 102-100 victory that evened the conference semifinal.

"It's a big mountain to climb," Boston assistant coach Jimmy Rodgers said. "But, it's not insurmountable."

To pull it off, however, the Celtics will have to regain their shooting touch. Boston was just 37.5 percent from the field in Game 5 and the Celtics are shooting only 41.8 percent for the series.

The Pistons have held the Celtics to fewer than 100 points in all but one game — Boston's 119-115 double-overtime victory in Game 2. Detroit has held its opponents to under 100 points in nine of its last 11 playoff games.

"We never had trouble scoring before, but now we have big problems," said Boston's Kevin McHale, who fouled out late in the fourth quarter of Game 5. "I think it's about time we started attributing some of this to their defense."

Detroit coach Chuck Daly thinks so, too.

"I don't think Boston has been off that much," Daly said. "The defensive intensity is so great, it's unbelievable. When that's going, it's not going to be pretty."

"Defense plays a bigger part than you think. Sometimes it's so subtle. When McHale fouled out in Game 5, that was a factor and that was a result of little things we did on defense all the way along."

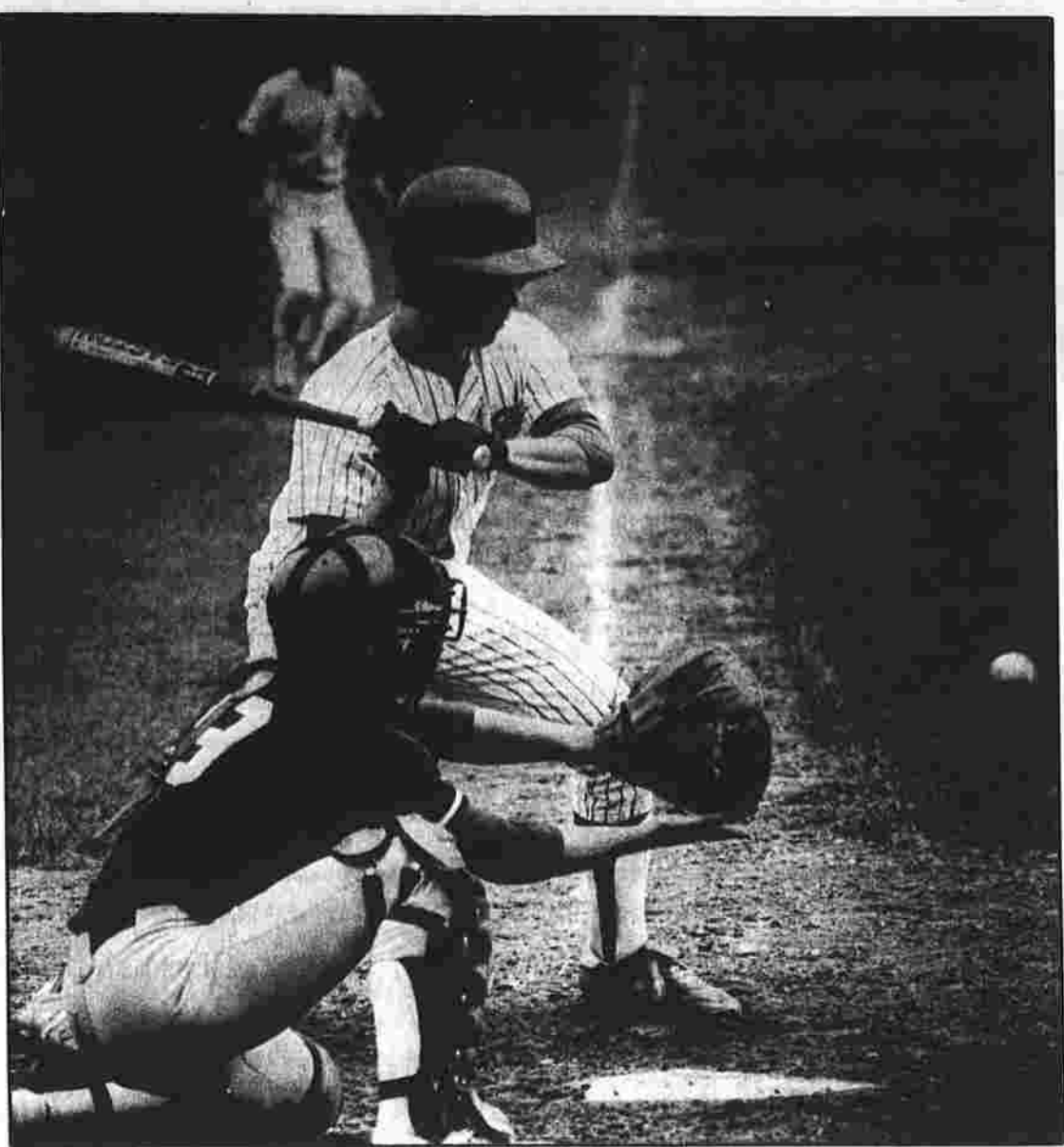
Players agree the instincts of every individual will be tested. "You've got to say there's more pressure on the Celtics," Thomas said. "We're trying to close the series out. They're trying to extend it."

"It's going to be a defensive struggle. If people are coping to see an offensive outburst, I'm sure they'll be disappointed."

Game 7, if needed, will be played Sunday in Boston.

"We don't want a Game Seven," Detroit's John Salley said. "We've been playing every game like it was Game Seven. Everybody says we're supposed to be scared of them. We're not scared of them, but we respect them and their history."

"We have history now, too. We're making history every day."



HERE IT COMES — East Catholic's Marc Mangialico has his bat set and eyes on the baseball during Thursday's Class L state tournament game against Naugatuck at Moriarty Field. East's Dave Price (background) is on third base. The Eagles won, 6-3.

EC begins tourney play by toppling Naugatuck

H.S. roundup — see page 15

By Jim Tierney
Manchester Herald

Beginning its quest to reach the Class L state baseball tournament championship game once again, fifth-seeded East Catholic took a step in the right direction in a second-round clash with 12th-seeded Naugatuck High School Thursday afternoon at Moriarty Field.

Spearheaded by three hits off the bat of junior Jimmy Robinson and the four-hit pitching of junior southpaw Marc Mangialico, East beat the Naugatuck team 6-3.

The win catapults the Eagles (15-6) into a quarterfinal matchup with 13th-seeded Wolcott High, a 4-0 winner over the second round of the tournament.

"It was nice to win the first one of the tournament," Eagle Coach Jim Penders said. "I don't think we played as well as we can play. We left too many people on base. The Eagles stranded 10 base runners."

Mangialico walked six and struck out seven in going the distance. "Marc had enough to stop them but that was not one of his best outings," Penders said.

After Eagle sophomore catcher Jimmy Penders received a laceration on his little finger after a foul tip in the first inning, Junior Paul Dumais was shifted from left field to behind the plate and Robinson, not scheduled to start, took Dumais' place in left.

"We gave them a battle (but) we couldn't catch any breaks," Naugatuck Coach Joe Bojko said. "They had base runners every inning. So, it's to our credit they didn't score more runs."

The Eagles struck quickly against Naugatuck starter and loser John Jagello, a side-armed, off-speed thrower. East plated two runs in the first, and one each in the second and fourth.

Eagle senior Dave Price, who had two hits, led off with a single to center. He stole second and scored when Naugatuck catcher Tom Faralli's throw went into center field and center fielder Ron Pettine then air-mailed his throw over the Eagle routing section. Robinson then drilled a base-hit to left and later scored on an error by shortstop Plasky.

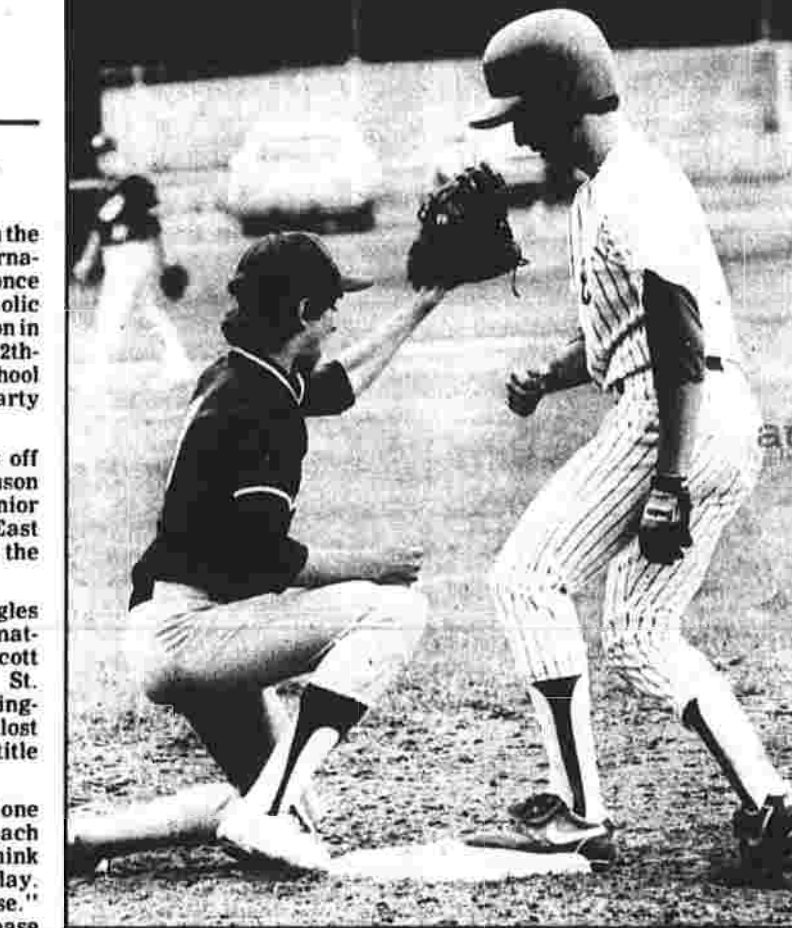
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Martin draws 3-game penalty

By Rick Warner
The Associated Press

NEW YORK — As usual, Billy Martin went out fighting.

Martin blasted umpires Rich Garcia and Dale Scott on Thursday after the American League fined and suspended the New York Yankees manager for three games for kicking and throwing dirt on Scott during a game Monday night.

Although he declined to appeal the penalty, Martin, who was fined \$1,000, accused the umpires of mishandling the incident, which occurred after he was ejected from a game against the Oakland Athletics.

"If they handled the matter correctly to begin with, the situation never would have happened," Martin said in a statement issued by the Yankees.

"When he muzzles his umpires and doesn't allow them to talk to the media, you wonder what country he thinks he's in," Martin said of Garcia.

Marty Springstead, supervisor of all umpires, said Garcia and Scott did not want to comment on Martin's suspension.

"Enough has been said," Springstead said. "It's better off left alone."

Martin has often clashed with umpires during his five terms as Yankees manager.

He kicked dirt on umpire Tim Welke after he was thrown out of a game with the Texas Rangers on May 6. He was fined \$300, but was not suspended.

Following the game, Martin was injured in an altercation at a topless bar in Arlington, Texas. He needed 40 stitches to close a gash near his left ear and also suffered bruises on his forehead, shoulder and knee.

In April 1983, he was fined \$5,000 for remaining in the dugout after second baseman Bobby Meacham trapped a low line drive by Oakland's Walt Wukitch. Martin was suspended for three games for kicking dirt at umpire Drew Coble during an argument. In August 1983, he was suspended for two games for calling umpire Dale Ford a liar.

In 1981, when he was managing Oakland, Martin was suspended for one week after bumping umpire Terry Cooney during a game at Toronto.

Mavericks force deciding Game 7

By Denne H. Freeman
The Associated Press

DALLAS — The defending NBA champion Los Angeles Lakers pray the Dallas Mavericks' "Forum fright" lasts one more game.

The Lakers were taken to a deciding seventh game in their place-by-home Western Conference final with the upstart Dallas Mavericks on Thursday night, fading to a 105-103 loss at Reunion Arena.

Dallas is 0-9 in playoff games at The Forum, including whippings of 113-88, 123-101, and 115-102 during this series.

"The home court means a lot in this league and we played hard all season to gain that advantage," Los Angeles coach Pat Riley said. "I'm not going to wallow in this defeat. Be ready for Saturday because there will be some fireworks. Saturday is all that's left. We worked hard for 82 games for the advantage."

But Riley held reporters out of the Lakers' locker room for 20 minutes after the game.

"I don't think we played well as a team and the team is a little angry," he said.

Los Angeles can qualify for its seventh trip to the NBA Final in nine seasons with a victory in the nationally televised game on Saturday.

The Lakers are seeking to become the first team since the Boston Celtics 19 years ago to win a back-to-back NBA championship.

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Upsets abound at the French Open tennis tourney



By Charles Campbell
The Associated Press

PARIS — Ivan Lendl won't be in the men's semifinals at the French Open this year. Natalia Zvereva will be in the women's final.

It's tough to decide which is the bigger upset.

Lendl, the two-time defending champion, fell to unheralded Jonas B. Svensson of Sweden 7-6, 7-5, 6-2 in a quarterfinal match on Thursday. That ended his streak of Grand Slam semifinals appearances dating through the 1985 U.S. Open and brought to an abrupt halt his efforts to become the first man to win Paris three consecutive years since Bjorn Borg won four straight starting in 1978.

"It is disappointing. But what can you do?" said Lendl, who suffered a strained chest muscle in the second set.

Svensson was scheduled to play Henri Lecotte of France in one of the semifinals today, with Andre Agassi, the lone American remaining, matched against hope-i-felt pain in my stomach. "That's why I couldn't move very well."

She said she did not expect the cramps to bother her in Saturday's final and said she would be ready for top-seeded Steffi Graf.

"I felt pain in my stomach. That's why I couldn't move very well."

Asked what her tactics would be, she said, "I don't want to give away anything."

Graf knows what to expect. "Zvereva has the ability to change the game, hit drop shots," Graf said. "I have to play powerful, play my game."

Fourth-seeded Argentine Gabriela Sabatini gave Graf her toughest match of the tournament, but the West German still won 6-3, 6-7, 7-5 on Thursday in a match made more difficult for the 18th seed by stomach cramps that had her bent over, wincing in pain.

The Australian, ranked 53rd in the world before losing to Sabatini, the only player to beat Graf this year. "She served very well today."

Chipping a stream of shots to her opponent's backhand, Graf built a 5-3 lead in the second set, but Sabatini battled back to force a tiebreaker, won by Graf 7-5.

Lecotte beat Andrei Chesnokov of the Soviet Union 6-3, 6-2, 7-6 in one of Thursday's quarterfinals and French fans think the upset of Lendl gives him an opening to win the tournament.

"That puts a lot of pressure on me," Lecotte said. "People expect me to go a long way."

The last French champion at Roland Garros stadium was Yannick Noah in 1983.

The loss was Lendl's first at the French Open since the 1985 final and it halted a 15-match winning streak on clay.

"My game plan was to confuse him and play slow balls and make him feel he is safe back there," Svensson said. "Then go for it fast and come in. He didn't know what was going on... which shots I was coming in on."

Lendl was hampered by the chest muscle and he was distracted by a noisy audience demonstration just outside the stadium grounds, but declined to talk for all but.

"I thought he played extremely well," Lendl said of Svensson. "He was taking the ball early and playing very unorthodox tennis. He was hitting very strange shots."

Lecotte, known as an unpredictable player, bore down against Chesnokov and beat him in a third-set tiebreaker 7-4, followed by a little dancing shuffle for the hometown fans at center court.

"He played unbelievably, unbelievable," said Chesnokov, who also lost to Lecotte in the 1986 French quarterfinals. "He always plays like the pecking shoo. He was injured last year and lost confidence. Now his game looks like it's coming away."

A WINNER — Seventeen-year-old Natalia Zvereva of the Soviet Union raises her arms after beating Nicole Provis 6-3, 6-7, 7-5 Thursday to earn a berth in the women's singles final at the French Open tennis tournament.

AP photo

SCOREBOARD

Softball

Tonight's Games
Academy vs. Portsmouth, 6—Fitzgerald
Grand Rex vs. Sportsman, 7:30—
Fitzgerald
Gibson's vs. PM, 6—Robertson
Blue O's vs. Gentile Touch, 7:30—
Robertson
B.A. vs. Nassif, 7:30—Papagni
Memorial vs. A.M., 6—Nile
Elmore vs. JMC, 7:30—Nile
C.A.C. vs. Wynton, 4—Kenney
D.W. Fish vs. DeCommer, 8—Cherrier
Oak

A East

J.C. Penney stopped by Lathrop
Tourneaux, 6-4, Thursday night at
Robertson Park. Rob Case, Mike Wente
and Paul Purcell had two hits each for
J.C. while Todd Dunbar tripled. For
Lathrop, Bob Odele had three hits while
Kevin Buske and John Buller added two
each.

Northern

Dean Machine edged Manchester Oil
Thursday night at Robertson Park. Mike
Quimby, Pete Naktemis and Guy Ben
had two hits each for Dean while Jim
Wells had two in Deane.

Dusty

Word Manufacturing defeated Main-
ville Electric, 20-9, at Kenney Field.
John Caldwell had two hits and two
RBIs for Word while Dave Hussey
added three hits and three RBIs.
Ken Luce added three, including a
home run. For Mainville, Steve
Lambert, Philias had three hits and
three RBIs. Bob Valente, Yoland Kerue and
Jim Thurston added two apiece.

Rec

Main Pub/AMM beat Jim's Area, 9-2,
Friday night at Scott Watson. Dean
Gustafson and Curt LeDoy collected
three hits each while Don Scanlon and
John Bouchard added two apiece.
For Jim's, Wally Whitcomb
had three hits while Paul Costello, Tom
Miles and Chris Lumeau added two
each.

Kids

Evergreen Loans trimmed Reed
Construction, 12-9, at Nile Field. Bob
Frankel had four hits, including two
home runs for Evergreen while Bob
Quiggle and Mark Bowen had three
each. Frank Merse, Mark Morse, Bill
O'Brien and Hank Steuelt added two
each. For Reed, Brian Tacy had three
hits while Scott Kudis, Joe Foran,
Mike Zimnoch, Dave Rutherford, Mike
Adams and Tim Sullivan added two
each.

West Side

North United Methodist defeated
Boyers Corporation, 12-1, at Popoia
Field. Wayne Stealy had three hits for
the winners while Dale Lavery, Devon
Timbrill, Mick Holmes and Larry
Tanner added two each. Brett Mullien
had two hits in Deane.

Papani

Aldo's Pizzeria defeated Zembrowski's,
7-5, at Popoia Field. Jeff Dalin, Mike
Correli and Charlie Russo had two
hits each for Aldo's while Chris
O'Neill, John Roth roped four
hits for Zembrowski's while Pete
Bertaglio had three and Matt Schorci
added two.

A Central

Glenn Construction defeated Main
Pub, 11-4, at Fitzgerald Field. Bob
Gosling led Glenn with three hits while
Jim Grimes, Dave White, Bill Jenkins
and Dave Ravonko added two each while
Jim Luce clubbed a three-run homer.
For Main Pub, Ed Sedlitz collected
three singles while Tony Camelli had
two hits, including a homer. Don Sacha
and Kevin Hanson added two apiece.

Charter Oak

Manchester Telephone Society played
Tiers 2-0, at Popoia Field. Todd Talaga had three hits for the
winners while Scott Lavery and Steve
Sibley added two each. For Tiers, the
Jeff D'Antonio and John Buller added
two each.

Radio, TV

TODAY
4 p.m. — Golf: Kemper Open, ESPN
5 p.m. — College World Series:
Arizona State vs. California, ESPN
8:30 p.m. — Billingsley vs. Red Sox,
Channel 20, WBTC
8:30 p.m. — CBS of Mts. Sport-
Scholar, WFAN (100-AM)
9 p.m. — College World Series:
Michigan State vs. Florida, ESPN
9 p.m. — Celtics of World Series, Channel
3, WBKT

Little League

National
Boland Oil defeated the Loayers, 13-2,
Thursday night at Labor Field. Mike
Brown had three hits for Boland while
Joe Besto pitched twice and Adam
Dolan added two and knocked in three
runs. Greg Ryan and Jason Lazarus
combined on a one-hitter. Ryan tripped
while Lazarus doubled and Todd Shero
had a two-run double. For the Loayers,
Conrad Lassalle collected the lone hit
while Peter Juliano started defensively.

American

Modern Janitorial defeated MARC,
9-3, at Waddell Field. Bill Strotton
doubled twice while Doug Van Heerick
also had two hits. Chris O'Hara played
well. Steve White, Steve Strout and
Jonathan Stentzi combined on a
one-hitter. For MARC, Dave Pavliss, Ryan
Ravallini and April Pastoria added two
each.

American Farm

DiRosa Cleaners defeated American
League, 17-12, at Buckley Field. Eric
Casper pitched twice and home for
DiRosa while Seth Mancini pitched
strong in relief, striking out nine.
Doreen, Laz and Matt Wright played
excellent defense. For Legion, Mike
Miles pitched a three-run homer
while Eric Louvine also hit well. Anson
Amber pitched well.

National Farm

Adrian defeated Dairy Queen, 11-7,
at Verplanck School. Dave Guardio
won the distance for the winners,
striking out 15 while Mike Red Clubbed
a home run. Chris Prue knocked in four
runs while Hal Blotack had two hits.
Blotack and Tom Berube played well
defensively. Andrew Moran and Paul
Sayer played well offensively for DO
while Brent Dalton and Chris Landrie
played well defensively.

Bookies

Papani's defeated Carter Chevrolet,
15-11, Chris Robson played well and
Jarred Freeman hit well for Papani's.
For Carter, Vinny Pavelack and Joe
Ritz hit well and David Zorlino
played well.

Little Miss

West
Westown Pharmacy trimmed Village
Cuts, 13-6, Thursday night at Popoia
Field. Wayne Stealy had three hits for
the winners while Dale Lavery, Devon
Timbrill, Mick Holmes and Larry
Tanner added two each. Brett Mullien
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Little Miss Softball

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Cuts, 13-6, Thursday night at Popoia
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Tanner added two each. Brett Mullien
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Calendar

TODAY
Softball
Class 3 Quarterfinal
Coventry vs. Shelton, (at UConn),
3:30 p.m.

SATURDAY
Track
Manchester High vs. Class LL Meet
(East Hartford High), 2:30 p.m.
Class 1A Meet
(Manchester High), 2:30 p.m.
East Catholic girls vs. Class L Meet
(Baltic High), 2:30 p.m.

SUNDAY
Baseball
Class 3 Quarterfinal
Coventry vs. Shelton Valley (at
Cape Field, Meriden), 4 p.m.

MONDAY
Baseball
Wichita State vs. Watertown
(East Catholic vs. Watertown
of Southington High), 3 p.m.

Baseball

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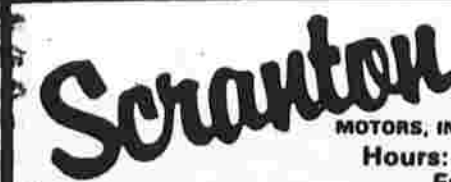


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NCAA champ Brown worried about Olympic berth

By Bob Baum
The Associated Press

EUGENE, Ore. — Wendy Brown has her first NCAA heptathlon championship, but the Southern Cal senior is worried about her chances of making the U.S. Olympic team.

"Two months ago I would have said I have a great chance," she said Thursday night. "But I look at what I'm scoring now and it's a little bit shaky."

"But I still have a month and a half to prepare, and you never know."

Brown won the NCAA title at rain-drenched Hayward Field on the University of Oregon campus Thursday as UCLA moved into position for a possible sweep of the men's and women's team titles.

She said she was satisfied even though her winning total of 5,701 points was well off her all-time best of 5,896 set at The Athletics Congress championships last year.

"I'm pretty happy with it considering the conditions we were competing under," she said. At 22, Brown is just a beginner in the heptathlon.

"I'm a long jumper who started doing the heptathlon last year," she said.

She's competing in the long jump and the triple jump as well as the heptathlon at the NCAA meet, and that's made for a hectic couple of days.

Brown had to postpone her final long jump attempt in Wednesday's trials so she could run the heptathlon 200 meters. On Thursday, she had just 15 minutes to prepare for the triple jump trials.

Still, she made the long-jump finals and was the leading qualifier in the triple jump at 42-feet, 9 1/4-inches.

Brown said she knew she had beaten her nearest heptathlon rival, Boise State's Crystal Young, after the long jump, won by Brown at 20-3/4. Her confidence was solidified when she edged Young in the next-to-last

event, the javelin, with a 141-foot effort.

"It put me enough points ahead so I didn't have to run a hard 800," she said.

Brown was dead last in the 800. "It was raining and all I wanted to do was finish it," she said.

She will compete in the long jump and triple jump at the TAC championships later this month, then plans to enter the long jump and heptathlon at the U.S. Olympic Trials.

She expects it will take a score in the high 6,200s or low 6,300s to make the U.S. Olympic heptathlon team.

Meanwhile, both coaches were being cautious, but UCLA's Bruins were looking like a good bet to sweep the team competition.

The UCLA men advanced 11 individuals and both relay teams to the finals.

"Everything is going well," said UCLA men's coach Bob Larsen, who doesn't like his team's role as favorite.

"I have my expectations and they are very high, but I know that the University of Texas is a real good team," he said. Still, Larsen admitted no major disappointments.

"The people we feel will score in the finals are all in there," he said.

The UCLA women's hopes obviously rested with Gail Devers, who won qualifying heats

Thursday in the 100-meter hurdles and 100 meters. Devers didn't run on the UCLA 1,600-meter team that qualified for the finals in the meet's final event Saturday.

Arizona State is selected team to beat at the CWS

By Tom Vint
The Associated Press

OMAHA, Neb. — Arizona State coach Jim Brock has the same pick for the College World Series champion he has had for the last few years — even if that team isn't in it.

While Brock's 56-11 team is No. 1 ranked, top-seeded and the consensus team to beat at the College World Series, which was to get under way today, he continued to point at powerful Oklahoma State as that team.

The only problem is Oklahoma State didn't make a ninth consecutive trip to the NCAA baseball championship because Wichita State beat the Cowboys in the Midwest Regional over the weekend.

"I think the statements I made last year still hold true," Brock said with a hint of a smile. "I think Oklahoma State is the team to beat. I've said that the past seven or eight years and I see no reason to change."

Brock's Sun Devils, who battled with Oklahoma State and Fresno State for No. 1 in the rankings nearly all season, were chosen by four of the eight coaches to win the CWS, which introduces a new two-bracket format this year.

Previously, all eight teams played in a single-bracket, double-elimination tournament. The new format will decide winners in each of the two brackets with those winners playing in a one-game championship on June 11 that will be nationally televised by CBS.

"I think it's extremely difficult, even moreso under this new format," to pick a team to win the CWS, Brock said Thursday. "The one thing that you have coming in here that makes it almost impossible to pick a team is that each team has tremendous momentum. They each came out of a tough regional and they're feeling good about themselves. With the new format, I wouldn't have any idea of who to pick. If I had a lot of money to bet on it, I wouldn't."

Arizona State has won five national championships and based on that experience, Fresno State coach Bob Bennett labeled the Sun Devils as favorites.

Jackson on DL

KANSAS CITY, Mo. (AP) — Outfielder Bo Jackson was put on the 21-day disabled list Thursday with a badly torn hamstring muscle, the Kansas City Royals announced.

"It's a significant injury. If he's back in two weeks it would be amazing," said Dr. Steve Joyce, an assistant to team physician Dr. Paul Meyer.

Joyce said there are three muscles in the hamstring "and there is a tear in two of them. It is more than just an average tear. There's a lot of bleeding."

Jackson, hitting .309 in his second full major-league season, suffered the injury to his left hamstring while running out a ground ball in the ninth inning at Cleveland on Tuesday night.

Meyer said it could be a week or more before he can tell how long Jackson could be sidelined.

"A grade No. 1 is just a muscle pull," Meyer said. "Grade No. 2 is a rupture of some muscle fibers. Three is when the muscle is completely ruptured. You'd probably classify this as a two. That's our feeling right now. We want to rest him and allow the swelling to resolve."

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"I think each one of us here thinks the team we're coaching is going to win," Bennett said. "But you have to go out and play the games. I think based on experience, Arizona State has more. They're picked number one in the country. I pick Arizona State."

Wichita State coach Gene Stephenson agrees.

"They are ranked number one. They are the team everybody thinks is the team to beat," he said. "But I'll tell you one thing, I would never sell short a Ron Fraser (Miami) club because

I've seen it happen before."

The tournament was to begin its 39th consecutive year in Omaha with Arizona State meeting California, 40-23. Wichita State, the fourth seed and 54-14-1, meets No. 5 Florida, 47-17-1, in the other game.

In Saturday's first-round games in the lower bracket, second-seeded Fresno State, 56-10, meets No. 7 Stanford, 41-22, followed by No. 3 Miami, 51-12-1, against No. 6 Fullerton State, 41-16.

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