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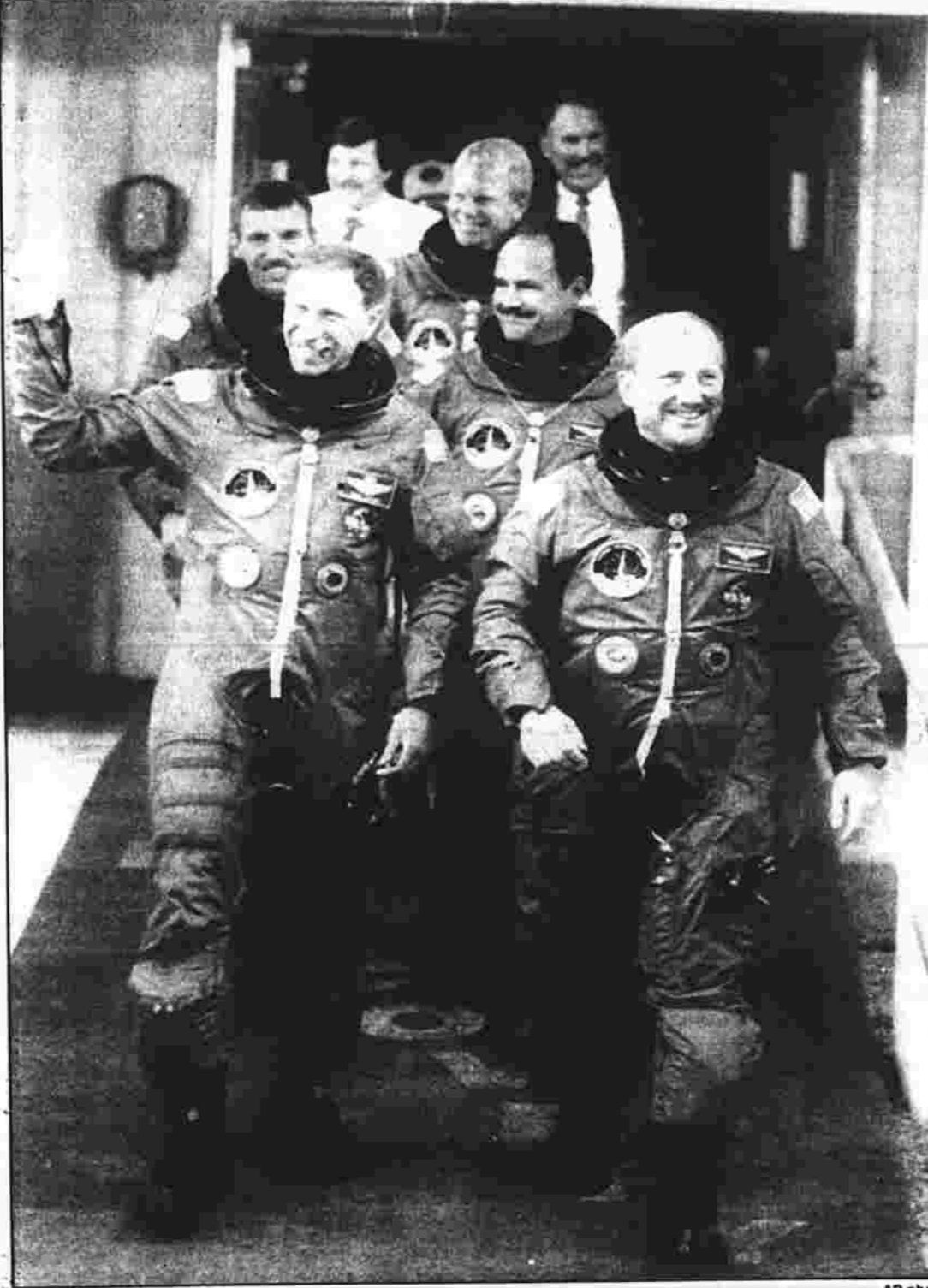
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Space shuttle soars into orbit



CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. — More than 2 1/2 years after the trauma and tragedy of the Challenger disaster, the shuttle Discovery rocketed spectacularly from its launch pad today, carrying five astronauts on a comeback mission that would return America to space.

BOARDING SHUTTLE — The Discovery astronauts leave the Kennedy Space Center operations building this morning to board the motorcade for the space shuttle. From left are David Hilmers (in back), Richard Covey (hand up), George Nelson, (in back), Mike Lounge and Rick Houck (front right).

Students thrilled by 'fixed' shuttle. Pupils at Nathan Hale School applauded the successful launch of the space shuttle Discovery today, saying that it proved that America is back in space.

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Masse returns tonight with his Olympic gold. Manchester's Bill Masse is coming home with his Olympic gold medal tonight.

U.N. troops win peace prize. OSLO, Norway (AP) — The Nobel Committee today awarded the 1988 Nobel Peace Prize to the blue-bereted U.N. peacekeeping forces serving on the front lines of the world's trouble spots.

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About Town

Auxiliary to meet

The Anderson Shen Auxiliary of the Veterans of Foreign Wars will host a potluck supper from 5 to 7 tonight at the VFW hall, 608 E. Center St. The event is open to the public and scoops of different foods are 25 cents each.

Library plans used book sale

The Friends of Bentley Memorial Library in Bolton are planning a used book sale for Saturday. The sale of hardcover and paperback books will take place from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Proceeds will benefit the library.

Club to sponsor square dance

The Manchester Square Dance Club will hold a mainstream plus-level dance Saturday from 8 to 10:30 p.m. at its new location at Martin School on Dartmouth Road. The club will also hold a round dance workshop from 7:30 to 8 p.m. Donations are \$5 per couple. Spectators are welcome.

Society to sponsor dinner

The Hebron Historical Society will hold its third Harvest Dinner and House Tour Sunday at 11:45 a.m. at the Old Town Hall. A progressive six-course New England turkey dinner will be served at five historic homes. Tickets are \$15 and should be purchased before Friday. For more information call 228-3515.

Church to hold Harvest Fest

St. George's Episcopal Church, Boston Turnpike in Bolton, will hold its annual Craft and Harvest Fest on Saturday from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the church. Among other things, the event will feature home-baked breads and pies, crafts, attic treasures and a luncheon. For information call Martha Miranda at 742-9458.

Swim club plans registration

New members of the Manchester Swim Club should tryout and register Monday from 6 to 7:30 p.m. at the Manchester High School pool. All swimmers must be age 17 or under and be able to swim 25 yards of crawl stroke with proper breathing mechanics. Swimmers unable to attend the scheduled tryout may register Tuesday through Friday at 5 p.m. Regular team practices are held Monday through Friday from 5 to 6 p.m. for the B swimmers and from 6 to 7 p.m. for the A swimmers. The first regular practice is scheduled for Tuesday.

Art association to host exhibit

Manchester Art Association members will hold their annual art exhibit in the Friends Room of the South Windsor Library Oct. 3 to 28. A reception will be held Tuesday from 7 to 9 p.m. Participants will be able to meet the artists during the reception.

Dr. Crane's Quiz

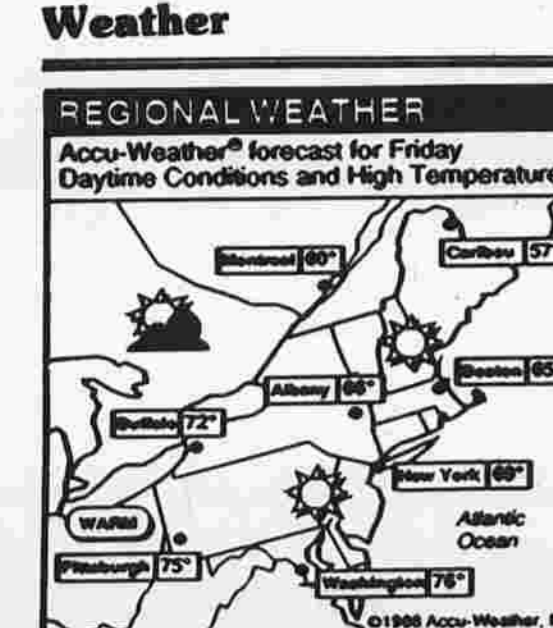
- 1. It is very unusual to hear a woman giggle if she is in which age group? 11-20 31-40 51-60 71-90
2. It is very unusual to hear a woman sob if she is in which age group? 11-20 41-50 61-70 81-90
3. Which farm sound is most suggestive of Nov. 24, 1888?
SQUEAL NICKER HEEHAW GOBBLE
4. Which garden product is especially suggestive of Nov. 24, 1888?
PARSNIPS TURNIPS PUMPKINS
TOMATOES
5. A jaundiced person is probably having trouble with his:
KIDNEYS SPLEEN PANCREAS LIVER
6. Match the various 'eyes' at the left with entries at the right to which they pertain.
(a) Red eye (v) Fisticuffs
(b) Shut eye (w) Moonshiners
(c) Pink eye (x) Shy lovers
(d) Sheep's eye (y) Ophthalmologists
(e) Black eye (z) Slumber parties

Answers in Classified section

Lottery

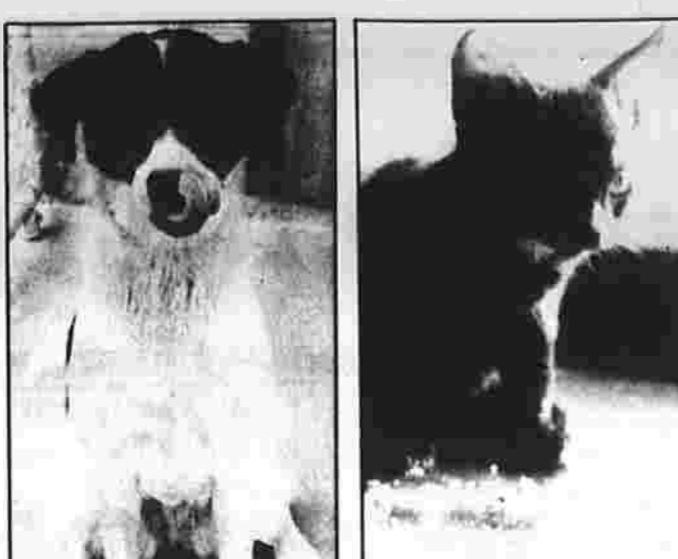
Winning numbers drawn Tuesday in lotteries around New England. Connecticut daily: 923. Play Megabucks: Massachusetts daily: 4035. Megabucks: 2-10-10-22-24-35.
71-state daily: 583, 5377. Rhode Island daily: 5743. Grand Lottery: 5-5-1, 9-3-1-0, 5-0-2-7-2, 0-4-9-7-6-1.

Weather



Adopt a pet: Joy or Cinder

By Barbara Richmond Manchester Herald



This week's featured pet, called Joy, is a lively young female mixed breed. She's black and white and was found on Russell Street on Sept. 25. It will be a week before Joy is available for adoption. She's very friendly and is obedient. Last week's featured pet, temporarily named Big Red, was claimed by his owner. Brit, featured two weeks ago, is still waiting to be adopted. She's a mixed breed tri-color, and is about 6 months old. She was found on Virginia Road on Sept. 5. Brit is very gentle and seems to have been well-trained. Dog Warden Richard Rand said she will have to be euthanized, if not adopted soon. Besides Joy, the only other new dog at the pound, as of Tuesday, was a male terrier-poodle cross. Rand said he is a 9 year old. He brown and was found on Summer Street on Sept. 20. The dog pound is located on town property off Olcott Street near the landfill area. The dog warden is at the pound weekdays from noon to 1 p.m. and there is someone there from 6 to 9 p.m., Mondays through Fridays. The phone number at the pound is 643-6642 or you can call the police department, 646-4555 and they will get a message to the dog warden. There is a \$5 fee to adopt a dog and the new owner must have the dog licensed. Before being

neutered and given their shots, before being put out for adoption, unless too young when taken. The league is made up of volunteers. Any money donated or paid for membership dues in the league, goes entirely to caring for the animals. Anyone wishing to join, or donate, can write to Aid to Helpless Animals Inc., P.O. Box 434, Bloomfield, Conn. 06002, or call any of the following numbers: 742-3768, 242-2156, or 623-0485. The Glastonbury-based Protectors of Animals is also seeking good homes for the dogs and cats its members rescue. Please call 633-2164.

Obituaries

Leonard J. Belliveau

Leonard J. Belliveau, 45, of Vernon, brother of Barbara Belliveau of Manchester, died Tuesday (Sept. 27, 1988) at Mount Sinai Hospital, Hartford. Besides his sister, he is survived by a daughter, LeeAnn Belliveau of Belfast, Maine; two brothers, Joseph Belliveau of Ellington and Paul Belliveau of Vernon; a grandson; several nieces and nephews; and a friend, Kaulding Guindon. The funeral will be Friday at 9 a.m. from the Ladd Funeral Home, 19 Ellington Ave., Rockville section of Vernon, followed by a Mass of Christian burial at 10 a.m. in St. Luke Church, Ellington. Burial will be in Ellington Center Cemetery. Calling hours are today from 2 to 4 p.m. and 7 to 9 p.m.

Lord Melody

PORT OF SPAIN, Trinidad (AP) — Lord Melody, a pioneer of calypso music and a former composer and arranger for singer Harry Belafonte, died Monday at age 63 after a yearlong battle with cancer. Lord Melody was one of the earliest professional exponents of calypso, the lilting, syncopated musical style indigenous to Trinidad. He often used his songs to make social commentaries and was known for his spicy ballads. Melody met Belafonte in 1965 in New York and worked with him until 1977. Previously, Belafonte had recorded Melody's song "Mama, Look a Boo Boo Day." Melody and Belafonte collaborated on such songs as "Olga," "New York Taxi," "Evolution of Man" and "Sweetheart from Venezuela."

J.C. Heard

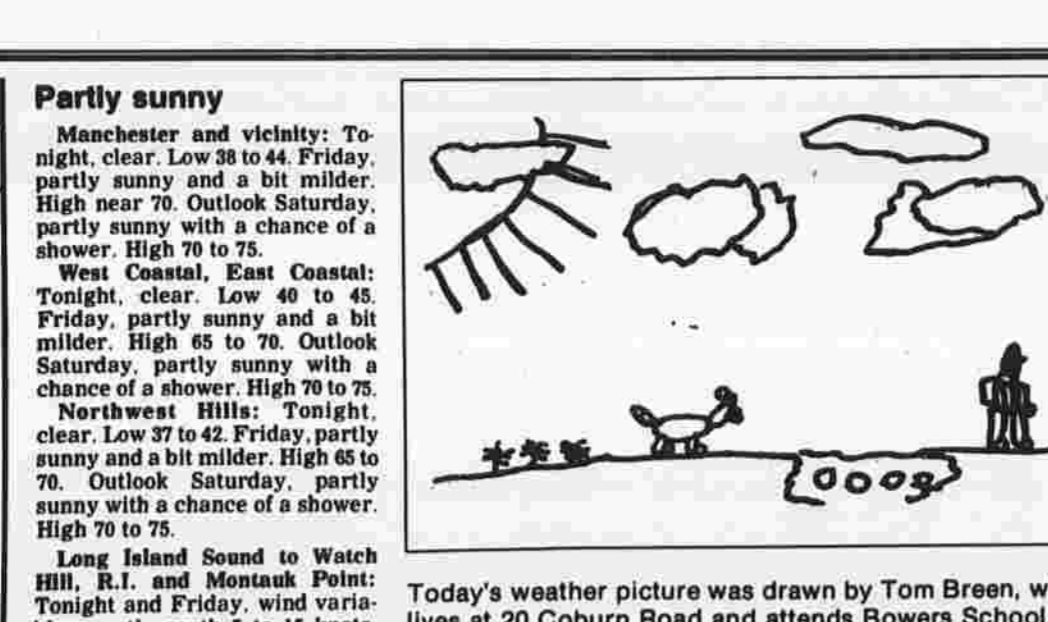
ROYAL OAK, Mich. (AP) — J.C. Heard, a jazz drummer who performed with many of the best-known jazz musicians, died Tuesday. He was 71. Heard performs on two current albums, "Some of This, Some of That" and one on which he accompanied pianist Mark "Mr. B" Braun.

Public Records

Warranty deeds

Naczkowski, Valley View Road, \$235,000. Barry P. and Melissa A. O'Neill to Brenda M. Byrne, Beacon Hill Condominium, \$84,900. U&R Construction Co. Inc. to Choong Tse and Shi Ja Chon, Mountain Farm, conveyance tax, \$22. Dorelle F. Bennett, executor for the will of Howard L. Fish, to Paul P. Fiano Sr., 77 Chestnut St., \$130,500. Dennis R. and Susan G. Norman to John T. Reilly and Pamela M. Rizkalla, 856 Tolland Turnpike, \$137,900. Ernest J. Reed to U&R Construction Co. Inc., Gardner Street, \$115,000. Violette Associates Inc. to David C. and Marsha A. Arner, 275 Oakland St., conveyance tax, \$191.40. James Beaulieu Development Co. Inc. to Robert P. and Johanna A. Beaulieu, 44 Pondview Drive, \$252,000. Foster S. and Laura S. Gibson to Donald M. and Dolores P. Dunn, 149 W. Center St., \$159,900. Bernard Silberberg to Donald P. and Kathleen A. Graf, Brook Haven Condominium, \$66,000.
Outclaim deeds
Edward M. Murray to Tina A. Murray, Evergreen Condominium, no conveyance tax. Stanley J. Bellefleur to Linda A. Griffin, Vernon Street, no conveyance tax. Margaret M. Hesketh to Paul J. Hesketh, two parcels, 88 Washington St. and Carriage House Condominium, no conveyance tax.
Michael M. and Phyllis N. Plocharczyk to Vincent A. Vivencio, 41 Edward St., \$187,000. Charles L. and Elsie C. Hovey to Shirley C.

Partly sunny



Police Roundup

Third youth arrested in Xtra Mart heist

A third youth was arrested Tuesday in connection with a Sept. 4 robbery at Xtra Mart on Oakland Street, police said. Brian Garcia, 21, of Vernon, was charged with first-degree robbery and second-degree larceny, according to police. Two of his friends were also arrested in connection with the incident. One of the youths, Jay Pantano, 16, of Ellington, was arrested Sept. 21 and charged with operating an unregistered motor vehicle, operating with a suspended license, and misuse of a marker in connection with what police said was a getaway vehicle owned by Garcia. Pantano was released on a \$100 bond. On Monday, Pantano was arrested a second time and charged with first-degree assault, second-degree larceny and third-degree assault, police said. Another youth, Jamie Alan Daigneault, 18, of Vernon, was arrested Sept. 20 and charged with first-degree robbery and second-degree larceny, police said. According to the police report, the three were seen in Garcia's car on Main Street by a police cruiser, they pulled into a driveway along the street and fled on foot into a nearby field, police said. The vehicle was seized and taken to police headquarters to be searched, police said. Found in the car were two crumpled \$5 bills, which were taken as evidence along with several documents in the car and the unregistered license plate, according to the report. Daigneault and Pantano were released on \$5,000 bonds and presented at Manchester Superior Court Monday. The two are to appear at Hartford Superior Court on Monday. Garcia was also released on a \$5,000 bond and is expected to appear at Hartford Superior Court on Oct. 11.

Public Meetings

Meetings scheduled tonight. Coventry Board of Education, Coventry High School, 7:30 p.m. Pollen Count NEW HAVEN (AP) — The Pollen Count Center at the Hospital of St. Raphael reported Thursday that the pollen count was 3 and mold spores are low. A pollen count of 0-10 means conditions are comfortable for allergy and asthma sufferers, 11-50 is uncomfortable, 51-100 is miserable and over 100 is dangerous.

Current Quotations

"Two world records, two gold medals and I'm not finished." — Florence Griffith Joyner, after twice setting world records in the 100-meter dash to win a gold at the Seoul Olympic Games.

Thoughts

Some years ago I came across this prayer by Chauncey Blossom that seems to speak for those who function as priest, pastor, or prophet. I think it worthy a prayer for all on both sides of the pulpit: O God, you have called me to be a minister, and I try. Day by day — read my books, visit the sick, the troubled, the stranger; Here in my study — where the phone does not ring, and I can be quiet. I remember in prayer the congregation thou hast given me and all we share — the anxieties, the fears, the things that make us one, the things that divide. Here do I lift these up, to thee alone must I confide: Here also must I prepare myself, glean from many books, and from The Book, the Word that I must speak — that I must speak in love. Then, O God, as I go from here, to the place of proclamation: Grant that I go with no arrogance of spirit, armed with love for thee, and all to whom I go. And then, dear God, this further boon I pray: May their sustaining prayers, give strength to me on this and every day. When from their place along life's way, they see the goal a different way — Still may their prayers, hold up my hands, and keep us all, in love's bondage. Then shall we, pastor and people, thy people be, Amen.

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HELPING THE NEEDY — East Catholic High School seniors Matt Nelson, Nick Composeo, Dana Giggy and Sarah Fallon fold clothes at the school Tuesday that will be sent to victims of Hurricane Gilbert in Jamaica. Iling Junior High School and Manchester High School also are collecting items for the victims.

Fund-raising at area schools tries to aid hurricane victims

By Andrew J. Davis Manchester Herald School social studies teacher and club adviser, the 45 students in the club have accumulated 10 to 15 bags of food, and planned to continue collecting items throughout Wednesday, he said. Today, the club plans to finish collecting, in preparation for shipment next week, Cooper said. Food items that will be sent include rice, beans, and canned goods, he said. "Most of the students enjoy doing things to help others," Cooper said. "It makes them feel warm." Cooper said the students learn through this project how important it is to help other people. Jamaica was targeted after he read that one out of four homes in the country was destroyed, he said.

Elder Expo at college to teach how to add 'life' to the years

"Expo '88: Adding Life to Years," a daylong conference on aging issues, will be held from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday at Manchester Community College. The event is organized by the American Association of Retired Persons in Connecticut and the Association of Retired Teachers of Connecticut. The Expo, a day of programs, refreshments, entertainment, fun and fitness, will be held in the Lowe Program Center at the college. "AARP and ARTC are inviting their membership and the general public as well as other organizations to participate in this exciting opportunity to learn more about AARP's educational programs, membership benefits and community resources that can make our lives healthier, safer and happier," said Anthony Barbetta of Stratford, an AARP state director. Expo '88: Adding Life to Years, will feature exhibits and speakers to include Beverly Hyves-Grace, director, Corporate Gerontological Development, The Hartford Insurance Group; Mary Ellen Klinck, commissioner, Department on Aging; Dr. Kermit Phelps, a retired psychologist and former board chairman of AARP; and John E. Stallworth, an AARP board member. Programs will be held on topics ranging from the transition to retirement; assessing your health and wellness; social secu-

Manager-residency rule focus of Bolton debate

By Andrew J. Davis Manchester Herald BOLTON — Selectman Carl A. Preuss has asked the Charter Revision Commission to include a residency requirement for the proposed town manager, but commission members said they were unsure the requirement belonged in the charter. Members of the Board of Selectmen and commission debated the need for the residency requirement Wednesday. The two governmental bodies met at Community Hall in an effort to update the selection on the committee's work before next week's public hearing on proposed changes in the town charter. Commission member Ginny Wickersham said the commission had not heard of a residency requirement for a town manager being in a town's charter. Such a requirement is usually in the contract between the town and town manager, she said. Preuss said including a residency requirement should be included in the charter, and not in a contract. He said by having the requirement in the charter, it would "assure" that the person lives in town. "I'm really concerned that there should be a residency requirement," Preuss said. "If the Avon manager can live in Avon if the Farmington manager can live in Farmington, then the Bolton town manager, if it ever comes to that, can live in Bolton." Other selectmen did not agree that the residency requirement belonged in the charter. First Selectman Sandra W. Pierog said the town does not require school personnel to live in town, while Lawrence A. Converse II said such a requirement may hurt the town's chances of hiring its top choice because of the high cost of housing in town. "You could end up locking people out," said Converse. "People may not be able to afford to move in." Commission member Robert Lessard has said a new town manager could be hired for between \$40,000 to \$50,000. At Wednesday's public hearing, commission members will be ready to respond to such questions as the cost of changing to a town manager form of government from the current selectmen form, why the change is being recommended, and other needed staff members, Lessard said. Though the selectmen will run the hearing, commission members will be in the audience to answer questions, he said. At an Aug. 30 public hearing run by the commission, commission members refused to answer audience questions. Commission Chairman Robert Young said then the hearing was not the place for questions to be answered. He said the hearing was intended only to gather public comments about proposed changes.

IN BRIEF Library funds OK'd

The Board of Directors Tuesday appropriated more than \$200,000 for improvements to the Mary Cheney Library, a portion of which will be used to re-roof parts of the building. The directors Tuesday appropriated \$157,181 to cover air conditioning, new ceilings and new lighting in the lobby and the stacks and sprinkler system improvements in all areas except the Junior Room. The directors also appropriated \$44,605 from the capital improvement reserve funds to re-roof other parts of the building. Collected library fines would cover the remaining cost of the work, estimated at \$148. Though the appropriations were unanimously approved by members of the board, Republic Director Geoffrey Naab said he wasn't happy with plans to re-roof a section of the Junior Room this year and cut a hole in it next year to install an air conditioner. Money had already been appropriated for that re-roofing work. Town Budget Officer Robert Huestis agreed that the plan was impractical, but said "water damage makes the new roof necessary now. A state grant to cover the cost of air conditioning units, ceilings, lighting and sprinkler system improvements in the Junior Room won't be available until February 1990, Huestis said. The directors Tuesday also approved a press release from the diocese.

Downtown coordinator quits

The coordinator for the Downtown Manchester Association who also serves as membership director for the Greater Manchester Chamber of Commerce resigned Friday after six months on the job. Anne Flint, president of the Chamber, said today she believes Downtown Coordinator Veronica Pastorelle wanted "to pursue other career opportunities."

Housing meetings slated

The Board of Directors committee on affordable housing has scheduled three meetings next month to get input from state officials and residents on how the town can combat a shortage of affordable housing. Mary Ann Handley, chairman of the committee, said Tuesday a meeting is scheduled for 7 p.m. Wednesday and Oct. 6 at the Water Department conference room. Handley said a group of citizens has been invited to talk about affordable housing at both meetings. A workshop has been scheduled for Oct. 11 at 7 p.m. in the Lincoln Center hearing room on the housing partnership, a state funded program which encourages communities to solve affordable housing problems.



POGO FUN — Jimmy Roy, 10, plays on his pogo stick in front of his home at 103 Cooper Hill St. Wednesday. He was passing the time after school.

Advertisement for Woodland Gardens featuring various plants like Holland Flower Bulbs, MUMS, and TULIPS, along with lawn care products like WINTERGREEN and FERTILIZER. Includes contact information: 168 Woodland Street • 643-8474.

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CAMPAIGN NOTEBOOK



Vivian and Thomas Ferguson

Zinsser names Fergusons

Vivian F. Ferguson and Thomas F. Ferguson have been named co-chairmen for the Zinsser for Senate election campaign in the five-town 4th Senatorial District, which consists of Manchester, Glastonbury, Bolton, Hebron and Columbia.

In a joint statement, the Fergusons said, "We are disturbed by the irresponsible role of the state surplus and want to return it to the Senate as a strong voice for responsible government. He is a strong advocate of fiscal responsibility."

Vivian Ferguson served three terms on the Manchester Board of Directors and was minority leader of the board. She is a past president of the Republican Women's Club. She is a incorporator of Manchester Memorial Hospital and the Savings Bank of Manchester.

Thomas Ferguson, former co-publisher of the Manchester Herald, is a past Republican town chairman in Manchester. He has been a Republican state central committeeman and has served as state chairman of the Republican Key Committee. He is a trustee of Manchester Memorial Hospital.

Judy Kargi is Manchester coordinator for the campaign and Ronald J. Walsh is Manchester treasurer.

Coordinators in other towns are Raymond Ursin in Bolton, Greg Thompson in Hebron, Joseph Broder in Glastonbury and Bruce Bradford in Columbia.

Firemen support Herbst

State Sen. Marie A. Herbst, D-Vernon, has been recognized by the Connecticut Fire Marshals Association and the Connecticut State Firemen's Association for her efforts to improve fire safety.

Herbst, who is seeking re-election in the 35th Senatorial District, also recently received an outstanding legislator's award from the Connecticut Chiefs of Police Association.

Herbst, who said in a news release that she helped gain passage of new fire safety legislation this year, is a member of the Connecticut Fire Prevention and Control, a group that assists in the retention and recruitment of volunteer firefighters.

Carberry raps Gejdenson

Glenn Carberry of Norwich, Republican candidate in the 2nd Congressional District, has criticized his opponent, incumbent Democrat Sam Gejdenson of Bozrah, for using taxpayers' money to mail a newsletter.

Carberry said Gejdenson's decision to mail a four-page newsletter from his Washington office to voters in the district was a waste of taxpayers' money. He said that although the \$20,000 mailing may be legal, "it is certainly not ethical" because it is so close to the election.

Bush in state on Friday

HARTFORD (AP) — Republican presidential candidate George Bush will campaign in Connecticut Friday with a stop at St. Joseph's College in West Hartford.

The vice president will be in the state for about six hours, but the only public stop planned as of Wednesday was the college event described only as a "welcome to Vice President Bush."

This will be Bush's second visit to Connecticut this month. He campaigned in Norwalk Sept. 1.

AAUP endorses Thompson

State Rep. John Thompson, D-Manchester, has been endorsed for re-election by the University of Connecticut chapter of the American Association of University Professors.

In a news release, M. Russell, who heads the chapter's political action committee, said, "Representative Thompson will support the educational needs of Connecticut."

Thompson is opposed in his bid for re-election in Manchester's 13th Assembly District by Republican Susan Buckno.

Quinn: Subsidize day care

John R. Quinn of Hebron, Democratic candidate for the state House of Representatives from the 55th Assembly District, says he will support expanded child day-care legislation.

In a news release, Quinn said that to meet the needs of working families, the state should subsidize non-profit day-care centers.

"We must provide for dynamic and creative staff to stimulate the physical and mental growth of our children while they are away from their parents."

Quinn, seeking to unseat Republican incumbent J. Peter Fuscaas Jr. of Marlborough, said that in his door-to-door canvassing, he has heard a great deal of criticism of what he termed the incumbent's "lack of action in the past eight years on this matter."

Emotional plea keeps killer in prison

Father of victim presents petition signed by 23,500

By Judd Everhart
The Associated Press

SOMERS — A man convicted in the brutal murder of a Stamford girl nine years ago has lost a bid for early release from prison and won't be eligible again until 1995.

Concluding that his release now would not be "compatible with the welfare of society," the state Board of Parole on Wednesday denied Bruce D. Williams' bid for parole after hearing an emotional plea from the victim's father.

Charlie Hoyt, father of Sandy Hoyt, who was 14 when she was lured to Williams' house with the promise of her first baby-sitting job, told the board that he had "gone to our daughter's memory" that Williams was being considered for parole.

Williams, a former U.S. postal clerk from Stamford, pleaded guilty to murder under a 1986 plea bargain agreement, said his attorney, David S. Golub of Stamford. A rape charge was dropped. He was sentenced to 20 years to life.

Last week, Hoyt presented the board's chairman, Richard J. Redington, with more than 23,500 petition signatures urging that Williams be denied parole. Redington said Wednesday that the petitions showed "a considerable amount of community opposition" to parole for Williams, but said the decision to deny him parole was based on the facts and record of the case, not the petitions.

With a 5-7 picture of his daughter on the table in front of him, Hoyt was flanked by his wife, Marge, and brother, Walter, both of whom sought to comfort him as he spoke.

As he left the hearing room before Williams addressed the board, Hoyt glared at his daughter's killer and hissed, "You bastard."

Williams, 35, asked the three-member panel to review his prison record and his efforts to obtain a college degree while in prison. He did not mention the girl's death.

"There's nothing I could say," Williams told the three-member panel. "I just can't think to make a statement right now."

The hearing was mobbed by television crews, photographers and reporters and Williams had asked that he be photographed only from behind, saying he didn't want his face shown because he feared for his own safety when he returned to his cell.

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Lottery snafu minor

HARTFORD (AP) — A problem with computer tapes forced state lottery officials to briefly delay the results of Tuesday's "Lotto" game, but a spokesman said the snafu was insignificant.

"This is not an unusual occurrence. It has happened before, a few years ago. I don't know when exactly," lottery spokesman Ed Harrigan said Wednesday.

A difference in the tally of bets in Tuesday's "Lotto" game forced officials to delay the reporting of winners and their prizes, he said.

The problem didn't affect the operation of the system and the sale of tickets for other lottery games continued through the day, Harrigan said.

Legal drugs debated

BOSTON (AP) — Harvard Law School professor Alan Dershowitz and U.S. Attorney Frank McNamara had sharp exchanges over each other's arguments as the two debated legalizing heroin to ease stress on the criminal justice system.

Dershowitz said providing maintenance doses of heroin to certified addicts would reduce crime and wipe out a vast network which thrives on supplying the drug.

But McNamara argued that legalizing heroin would undercut the moral foundations of society and the rule of law. The debate capped the annual meeting of the Boston Bar Association.

Homeless people rally

STAMFORD (AP) — More than 300 homeless people in the city have rallied together in an attempt to save the job of a mental-health worker who provided them with food, clothing and counseling.

Federal funding that paid the salary of Judy Moriarty will run out at the end of the week, said Lois Sontag, president of the board of Gateway Communities Inc.

Gateway operates a mental health halfway house, a living skills program and an outreach program for the city's homeless, who number about 800, according to some estimates.

Pesticide drum leaks

MIDDLETOWN (AP) — Two city workers who were moving a leaky drum of pesticide were treated at a local hospital after complaining of dizziness and vomiting, authorities said.

The park and recreation workers, Scott Zabrowski, 28, and Jarvis Carr, 41, both of Middletown, on Wednesday were taken to Middlesex Memorial Hospital where they were treated and released, authorities said.

Fire Chief George P. Dunn said the pesticide was methoexchlor, a hazardous substance used to kill flies and bugs.

AGAWAM, Mass. (AP) — More than 40 police chiefs met behind closed doors to reaffirm their faith in the regional training center where cadets fell sick last week and to vent their anger at the mysteries surrounding the illnesses.

"There were a lot of very angry people because of the lack of information being passed on," said Agawam Police Chief Stanley S. Chmielewski, head of the Western Massachusetts Chiefs of Police Association.

Jury is selected; alternates needed

HARTFORD (AP) — The trial of five people charged in the 1983 theft of \$7 million from a Wells Fargo depot has moved to a step closer to starting now that a jury of 12 people has been picked.

Attorneys on Wednesday agreed to a panel of six men and six women.

But they still must pick six alternates before the long-awaited trial can begin. The selection of alternates was expected to begin Friday.

The selection of jurors has been routine, except for a disclosure by the attorney for one defendant later came into possession of some of the cash stolen in the Sept. 12, 1983, robbery at the Wells Fargo depot in West Hartford.

Weinglass said in U.S. District Court in Hartford that Segarra's defense would be that he did not plan the robbery and did not participate in it. Weinglass said it is not a crime to keep silent about a planned robbery.

Segarra is accused in 17 counts of the indictment in the case, 11 of which deal with the actual robbery. The remaining counts deal with the use of money from the robbery to purchase gifts that were given to poor children in Hartford and Puerto Rico as part of a public relations effort.

Segarra's wife, Luz Berrios Berrios, pleaded guilty last month to being involved in that effort, but she has not yet been sentenced. Authorities say Victor M. Gerena, formerly of Hartford, is believed to have fled to Cuba.

Defense lawyers say their clients are "independantistas" who oppose the U.S. occupation of Puerto Rico. Prosecutors say the defendants are leaders of a Puerto Rican militant group and that the Wells Fargo depot was robbed to pay for violent acts in Puerto Rico.

Analysts seek cause of big shellfish kill

BRUNSWICK, Maine (AP) — The mud flats of Maquoit Bay were off-limits to clam diggers as marine biologists awaited the results of laboratory tests to determine the cause of a massive shellfish kill in one of the state's richest clamming areas.

While some officials linked the destruction to a toxic marine algae known as "brown tide," which has decimated shellfish on New York's Long Island and along the Connecticut shore, others declined Wednesday to speculate on a cause.

"We just don't know what it is," said biologist Dana Wallace, who scouted the flats in an air boat. "That's why we're doing this investigation."

Maquoit Bay, which extends from Frying Point in Freeport to Mere Point in Brunswick, produces a shellfish harvest valued at \$1.5 million a year. Hailed as a statewide model for its conservation program, the bay supports more than 100 commercial clam diggers.

Town officials described the shellfish kill as a disaster and predicted that it could take five years or more for the bay to recover.

Casualties included quahogs, razor clams, mussels, periwinkles and marine worms, as well as soft-shell clams.

"I would say the cause of death is lack of oxygen, but what caused that lack of oxygen, we don't know," said Alan Houston, the town shellfish warden, who suggested brown tide may have been the culprit.

Similar in some ways to the organism known as red tide, brown tide stains the water with a brown color, which has been noticed in recent days in the bay. Houston said he planned to inspect adjacent Middle Bay to see whether the problem was also affecting that body of water.

Samples of dead shellfish from Maquoit Bay were taken to the state Department of Marine Resources laboratory in West Boothbay Harbor for analysis, with the results expected by Thursday or Friday.

Lieberman has questions about Weicker's spending

HARTFORD (AP) — Democratic U.S. Senate candidate Joseph J. Lieberman, the underdog challenger against Republican Lowell P. Weicker Jr., says he is getting the maximum amount of money from the national Democratic Senate Campaign Committee because the committee "believes this is a winnable race."

Lieberman is one of only three or four Democratic challengers who will receive the maximum \$247,000 contribution from the committee, he said on Wednesday.

"That will bring his fund-raising to date to about \$2 million, closing in on the \$2.5 million he said he would need to get his message out by Nov. 8."

Also Wednesday, Lieberman challenged Weicker not to use any of his personal wealth to finance his re-election campaign.

The Weicker campaign acknowledged that Weicker had guaranteed the loans — that is, promised to pay them off in the event his committee couldn't raise the money — but said the committee ended up paying off the loans and the senator never spent any of his money on the race.

Marla Romash, Lieberman's campaign press secretary, said Lieberman's wealth is in the range of \$380,000 to \$1 million.

MILFORD (AP) — Eight years after authorities were first alerted to a psychiatrist's alleged illegal prescription of drugs, the doctor is set to go on trial on criminal charges he prescribed narcotics "on questions asked" to drug abusers and others who paid him 10-minute visits.

Dr. Edward M. Keelan, 58, of Fairfield, was arrested last December after an undercover agent from the Department of Consumer Protection, working with an informant, received prescriptions for narcotics and other drugs from the psychiatrist without any examination, according to court records.

The undercover agent, who went to Keelan's Milford office first with the informant and two other times by himself, paid the doctor either \$20 or \$30 for each visit, according to court documents. None of the visits, which took place in October and November of 1987, lasted more than 10 minutes.

Keelan has pleaded innocent to six counts of illegally prescribing a narcotic substance and two counts of illegally prescribing a controlled substance. He is scheduled to stand trial Oct. 18 in Superior Court in Derby.

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OPINION

Proposed lake rules too strict

Coventry residents who live on Coventry Lake want more control over the lake. They say the lake is busy and noisy. They say some boaters and others who use the lake for recreation abuse the privilege by operating unsafely.

The desire of the lake residents to resolve those problems is understandable.

As a result of their concern, the town has proposed an ordinance that would set rules for lake use. Among the rules is a good one that would require water skiers and jet skiers to travel in a clockwise direction, for instance.

But at a meeting Monday night, it became clear that most of the lake residents want to impose restrictions that would limit use of the lake for many hours at the times when the lake is most used by non-residents.

The ordinance, as drafted, calls for "quiet hours" on Sundays from 7 a.m. to 11 a.m. when the speed of power boats would be limited to 6 miles per hour. That makes sense. Many people want to sleep or at least be undisturbed early on Sunday morning.

But all the residents at the meeting Monday favored establishing the quiet hours from noon to 4 p.m. on Sundays, a provision that would sharply curtail use of the lake by visitors.

The conflict illustrates a larger problem — the problem of how to balance the rights of people who live at lake shores with the rights of access of other state residents to state recreational resources.

At a recent political debate, state Sen. Michael Meotti, D-Glantonbury, said he favors joint supervision of lakes by the state Department of Environmental Protection and the towns in which the lakes are located. And he said if there is to be a shift in the balance of power, he would favor a shift toward more town control.

Others involved in the debate favored local control more strongly.

But the idea of stringent restrictions on lake use on Sunday afternoon seems to be an undue limit on use of the lake.

If Coventry finds it can impose such a restriction and does so, certainly the town itself should have to bear the responsibility for enforcing it and the cost of doing so. The DEP, which has statewide responsibilities, should not be expected to enforce such restrictions.



Oh nothing — just sitting around worrying about radon!

Bush vs. Dukakis on the environment

WASHINGTON — In an attempt to deflect attention from the image of George Bush being endorsed by Boston police, Mike Dukakis stood on State House steps last week and said that Bush is a "fugitive from the truth."

"What George Bush is doing to the truth in this campaign is the same." For example, he attacked Bush for "impersonating an environmentalist" when he came to the Boston Harbor and expressed disgust with Dukakis's failure to clean it up.

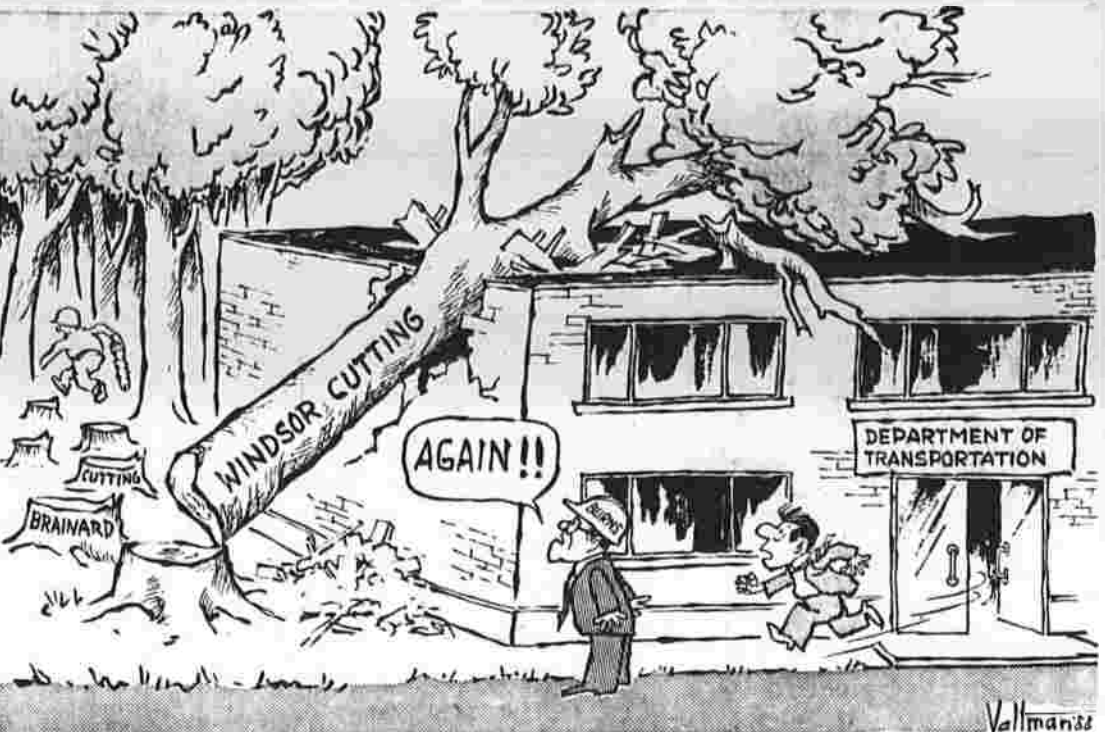
What are the environmental records — and the promises — of each man?

The Sierra Club, an acute observer of this issue, sees good and bad in each man. But Karl Pope, the political director of the 480,000 member group, is more critical of Bush. However, he says Bush made a valid point in attacking Dukakis on the harbor.

The governor did ask the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) to issue a waiver for Boston, on grounds that the ocean had the capacity to clean up the sewage naturally. "We environmentalists thought it was a bad idea," says Pope. But some cities got waivers such as San Diego, Los Angeles, and Seattle. Boston was turned down.

Pope says, "I am critical of Dukakis for that two year period of delay. After that Dukakis went full bore ahead on cleaning it up — way beyond what anyone in that situation has done." Though federal aid was cut from 80 percent to 50 percent for sewage treatment, the governor put a bond issue on the ballot, campaigned vigorously for it and it passed.

He also added a unique element — to reduce the amount of water pouring through the system which soon renders any plant obsolete. Half the water used by any household is for toilet flushing. Yet the average toilet has 6 gallons of water, then only 1.6



It's not much of a benefit

By Jim Luther

WASHINGTON — George Bush's proposed tax break for saving doesn't amount to much of a benefit, according to most analysts, although one Washington economist says it could be an incentive for new parents to set aside money for a child's college education.

Under the right conditions, says John Makin of the conservative American Enterprise Institute, after 20 years a savings account at withdrawal using the vice president's proposal would have earned 22.5 percent more than under current law.

But that assumes an account could earn 10 percent a year, which it generally would not now — and that the family was in the 28 percent tax bracket, which would cut out a large number of families that the proposal is designed to help.

Joseph Minarik of the Urban Institute used a different calculation and reached a decidedly less upbeat conclusion. "I don't think it is a good idea, which the saver is off small," he said.

In addition, Minarik said, "any benefit to the saver comes dollar for dollar from the federal treasury." And because the government is spending more than it takes in, enactment of the Bush proposal would mean "the government is borrowing so the individual can save. Some might suggest that's not necessarily a wise thing for the government to do."

Makin acknowledges that "it's going to look a lot less attractive if you are talking five years (of contributions rather than 20) and a 15 percent tax bracket" rather than 20 percent.

"It's better than nothing, but it's not going to change the world dramatically," he says.

According to Minarik's calculation, a couple in the 28 percent bracket fortunate enough to deposit \$1,000 a year for 20 years and earn 10 percent could withdraw \$37,275 and, after subtracting the

\$20,000 principal and paying tax, be left with \$26,838. Without the Bush incentive, the money would have earned \$4,508 less, or \$21,902.

Bush offered the broad outlines of his proposal while campaigning Tuesday in Columbus, Ohio. He billed the plan as an anti-inflation, low- and middle-income American savings device, and thus, foster economic growth.

Under the proposal, a taxpayer could set aside up to \$1,000 a year in an account, leave it intact for at least five years, and earnings on the money would be tax-free until withdrawn. The full \$1,000 a year would be available only to people with adjusted gross incomes of \$50,000 or less. The benefit would decline as income rises above that figure and disappear when income tops \$60,000.

The Bush proposal should not be confused with Individual Retirement Accounts. Since the 1986 tax overhaul any worker not covered by a company pension may contribute up to \$2,000 a year to an IRA and pay no tax on the contribution or its interest until withdrawn. Workers who have a company pension and make less than \$50,000 may qualify for some deduction.

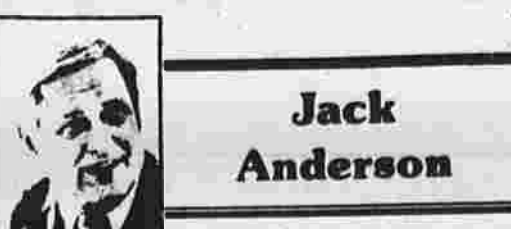
But the big difference between IRAs and the Bush plan is the deduction. Most workers may fully deduct their IRA contribution, no one could deduct the annual contribution under the Bush proposal. The only tax

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Jack Anderson

Union seeking federal shield from the mob

WASHINGTON — Even some federal workers who load mail trucks for a living think their union is in the grip of organized crime. A recent letter to FBI Director William Sessions charged the mob may have already infiltrated a Postal Service union.

George Baker, president of Mail Handlers Union Local 300 in New York City, wrote the letter asking Sessions to place the local in a federal trusteeship and shield it from organized crime.

The Mail Handlers Union serves 42,000 Postal Service watchmen, messengers and mail handlers. It is a division of the Laborers International Union of North America, which has several different types of labor unions, most of them representing construction workers and other heavy laborers.

Federal investigations over the past several years have turned up information that indicates certain LIUNA officials have long been influenced by organized crime. And the New York local of the Mail Handlers Union wants out from under that influence.

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The presidential commission also noted that Fosco has the power to spend union funds and award patronage jobs in the union and that some of those jobs have gone to people with known ties to the Democratic nominee was raising his foreign policy profile by meeting with Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze and other foreign officials.

Dukakis also met Wednesday in New York with West German Foreign Minister Hans-Dietrich Genscher and was meeting today with French President Francois Mitterrand before going to New York to pick up an endorsement from environmentalists.

Bush, who used several appearances in Illinois to decry the "auditor arm" that Dukakis would create, was continuing a

Midwestern circuit with rallies in St. Charles, Mo., and Mount Clemens and Grand Rapids, Mich.

Only one candidate, Democratic vice presidential candidate Lloyd Bentsen appeared to be planning to make a campaign appearance at today's scheduled launch of the space shuttle Discovery. The 67-year-old Texan planned to watch the event with schoolchildren in Nashville, Tenn.

Bentsen's Republican counterpart and Senate colleague, Dan Quayle, was returning to Washington to prepare for next week's vice presidential debate after a several days in Texas.

Bush raised the specter of a much larger Internal Revenue Service during a bus tour of Illinois on Wednesday. In the

"We do not need to put the IRS on your tail for the rest of your life as the reward for a college education," Bush said.

Dukakis, as he had done before in discussing U.S.-Soviet relations, had kind words after the Shevardnadze meeting after the Reagan achievements in relations between the superpowers.

"I made it clear to the foreign minister that I was not here to negotiate or discuss specific proposals," said Dukakis. "We have one president and I support President Reagan's effort to move forward on these issues right up to the end of his term in office."

The post-debate survey of 674 likely voters showed Bush with 46 percent and Dukakis with 46 percent.

NATION & WORLD

Movie prompts clashes

PARIS (AP) — Protesters who failed to win a national ban on a new movie about Christ's life took matters into their own hands by disrupting showings with tear gas, stench bombs, and an attack on a projection room.

About 600 demonstrators clashed with police Wednesday in front of a Left Bank movie house in Paris, and a police officer was reported injured.

The protest was organized by followers of excommunicated Archbishop Marcel Lefebvre, a traditionalist Roman Catholic with an international following.

The protests in Paris and several provincial cities of this mostly Roman Catholic country came during the French debut of "The Last Temptation of Christ" by U.S. director Martin Scorsese.

Electric propulsion eyed

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Navy's next warship will be propelled by electric motors instead of diesel, gas turbine or nuclear power, the service's top admiral has decided.

Adm. Carlisle A.H. Trost, in a speech delivered earlier this week at a classified symposium, surprised many in the audience by announcing the Navy would no longer just dabble in research of "integrated electric drive propulsion" but instead would embrace it as the power plant of the future.

"In view of its many well-known advantages, I am declaring that integrated electric drive, with its associated cluster of technologies, will be the method of propulsion for the next class of surface battle force combatants," Trost said.

Candidates to debate

WASHINGTON (AP) — The last time Lloyd Bentsen and Dan Quayle debated on television, it wasn't exactly a national media event. But now the two are rival vice presidential candidates and their performances next week could influence this year's presidential election.

Even as argument continues over who won the debate between George Bush and Michael Dukakis, the two campaigns are priming their running mates for next Wednesday's scrap in Omaha, Neb. They're also trying to move public opinion to receive their candidates favorably.

Quayle returned to Washington on Wednesday night to begin cramming for the 90-minute battle.

Convictions haled

LOS ANGELES (AP) — The conviction of three Mexican nationals in a U.S. drug agent's murder in Mexico is being hailed by federal law enforcement officials as "only the beginning" toward bringing all the killers to justice.

"Our goal is to see that everyone who participated in the torture and kidnaping and murder of agent Enrique Camarena is brought to justice," U.S. Attorney Robert Bonner told reporters after Wednesday's verdict against the third of three co-defendants.

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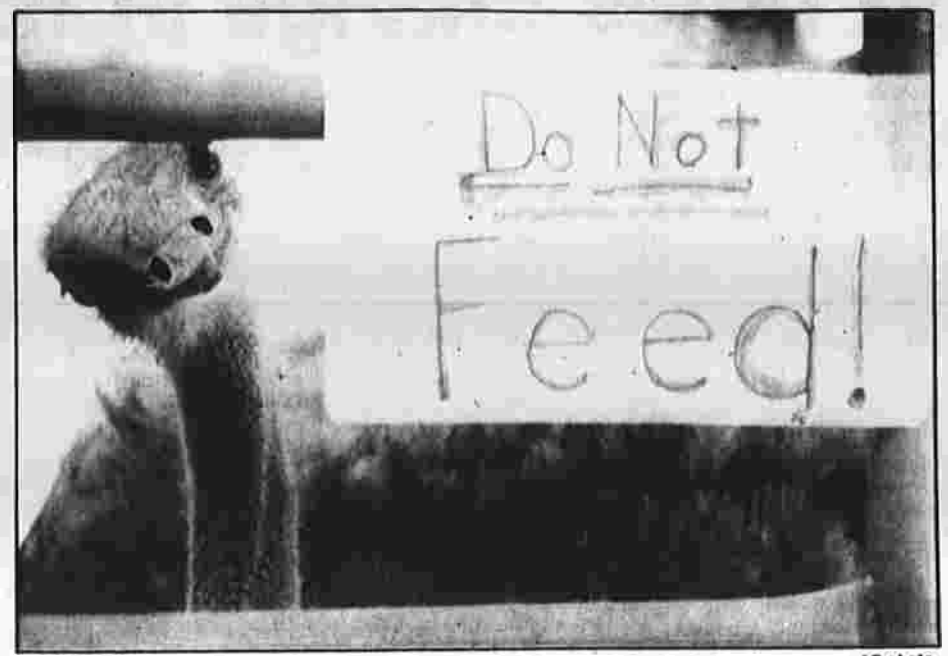
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MANAGUA, Nicaragua (AP) — She may be a bit in her homeland, but Miss Nicaragua is strictly a miss in the United States, a victim of chilly relations between nations.

"Yankee Administration Behaves Worse Than A Fool. They Deny Visa to the Belle," screamed a headline Wednesday in the pro-government newspaper El Nuevo Diario.

The newspaper said the reigning Miss Nicaragua, 19-year-old Gabriela Robles Barquero, was denied a U.S. visa this week to enter Puerto Rico for an international beauty contest.

Midwestern circuit with rallies in St. Charles, Mo., and Mount Clemens and Grand Rapids, Mich.

Only one candidate, Democratic vice presidential candidate Lloyd Bentsen appeared to be planning to make a campaign appearance at today's scheduled launch of the space shuttle Discovery. The 67-year-old Texan planned to watch the event with schoolchildren in Nashville, Tenn.

Bentsen's Republican counterpart and Senate colleague, Dan Quayle, was returning to Washington to prepare for next week's vice presidential debate after a several days in Texas.

Bush raised the specter of a much larger Internal Revenue Service during a bus tour of Illinois on Wednesday. In the

"We do not need to put the IRS on your tail for the rest of your life as the reward for a college education," Bush said.

Dukakis, as he had done before in discussing U.S.-Soviet relations, had kind words after the Shevardnadze meeting after the Reagan achievements in relations between the superpowers.

"I made it clear to the foreign minister that I was not here to negotiate or discuss specific proposals," said Dukakis. "We have one president and I support President Reagan's effort to move forward on these issues right up to the end of his term in office."

The post-debate survey of 674 likely voters showed Bush with 46 percent and Dukakis with 46 percent.

Duke meets with foreign officials

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Reagan has assured congressional leaders he will sign the latest version of a Pentagon budget bill which is similar in most respects to a measure he vetoed last month.

"This bill will be signed," Sen. Sam Nunn, D-Ga., chairman of the Senate Armed Services Committee, told his colleagues late Wednesday.

The assurances of Reagan's approval were conveyed by Defense Secretary Frank C. Carlucci during a week of closed-door talks with Nunn and other legislators, Nunn said.

"The president will approve this bill. This was made very clear and definite," said Rep. Les Aspin, D-Wis., chairman of the House Armed Services Committee. The Strategic Defense Initiative.

Meeting expected to prompt change in Soviet system

By Mark J. Porubcansky The Associated Press

MOSCOW — Members of the policy-making Central Committee headed for the capital today for an unexpected meeting that a source said is likely to shake up the Communist Party hierarchy in line with Mikhail S. Gorbachev's reform program.

The well-placed committee source said the meeting Friday would approve structural reforms at the party conference last summer. The reforms are intended to enhance the party's status as the leading force in the Soviet Union.

Asked if that meant personnel changes are likely, he said, "It's logical." The source spoke on condition of anonymity.

Echoling an announcement by Soviet Foreign Ministry spokesman Gennady I. Gerasimov in New York on Wednesday, the source said the meeting would "take new steps in implementing political reform," based on the decisions of the party conference.

Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard A. Shevardnadze, a member of the ruling 13-member Politburo, cut short a visit to the United States, where he was attending the opening session of the U.N. General Assembly.

Defense Minister Dmitri T. Yazov, an alternate member of the Politburo, ended a visit to India a day early and hurried home.

Gerasimov said some ambassadors and other Central Committee members were also heading home from abroad.

The Central Committee is empowered to make personnel changes in the Politburo.

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Political normalization talks, accompanied by increased trade and other unofficial contacts, began in 1982, but China has refused to fully restore normal relations until "three obstacles" are removed.

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IMPROVING ANALYSIS — Brian Schmidt, a technician at the Lasertech plant in Albuquerque, N.M., examines a transmission print from an X-ray of a patient's hand. Using digital technology, the printer can reproduce an image with such clarity that it may save a life because the accuracy of analysis depends greatly on image quality.

SCIENCE & HEALTH

Virus hits once a minute

LONDON (AP) — AIDS will strike 150,000 more people around the world each year, more than in all previous years combined, an independent report said. The report released Tuesday by the independent study group, Panos Institute, also said the virus that causes AIDS appears to be spreading at the rate of one victim a minute worldwide. The study, "AIDS and the Third World," said an increasing number of countries are imposing AIDS-related restrictions on the entry of foreigners or citizens returning from abroad.

"Worldwide, it seems likely that a new person becomes infected with the HIV (AIDS) virus every minute," said the 200-page report. "During 1988, 150,000 new cases of full-blown AIDS are expected — as many as are thought to have occurred in all the years of the epidemic so far."

Alzheimer's test is simple

ORADELL, N.J. (AP) — Testing a typical patient with early Alzheimer's disease now takes only about 15 minutes with the Neurobehavioral Cognitive Status Examination. This is a new, short test that screens for cognitive dysfunction in the five major ability areas, says *Diagnosis* magazine. It's a brief enough for use either at bedside or in the office and helps identify the source of an individual's difficulties.

Animal research favored

WASHINGTON (AP) — The use of animals in research is appropriate, despite the pain suffered by the animals involved, the National Academy of Sciences has concluded. "Research with animals has saved human lives, lessened human suffering and advanced scientific understanding," the academy said in a report Tuesday from its research arm, the National Research Council.

Doctors fly to villages

SANTA CLARA, Calif. (AP) — The Flying Doctors (Los Medicos Voladores) is a group of American medical people that has been serving remote villages in Mexico on a volunteer basis since 1974, reports Family Practice News. Headquartered in this northern California city, the organization flies professional specialists in a regular schedule to provide medical, dental and eye care to villagers in remote locations in Mexico.

Nuclear power advances

NEW YORK (AP) — Four states — Vermont, Connecticut, New Jersey and Georgia — rely on nuclear energy for over half their power, with Vermont leading at 76 percent, reports an energy industry journal. According to Energy User News, 16 other states rely on nuclear plants for at least 25 percent of their electricity. The publication also says that since 1973 nuclear power has displaced 3.5 billion barrels of imported oil, and current nuclear plants will displace at least another 12 billion barrels over their lifespans.

Report urges change in medical fees

By Jerry Estill
The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Family physicians are grossly underpaid relative to surgeons and other high-priced specialists, says a long-awaited report laying the groundwork for potentially massive changes in the way medicine is practiced in the United States. Ordered by Congress three years ago, the 2,000-page survey released Wednesday is certain to spark sharp debate in the medical profession and beyond. If the study recommendations were applied immediately, heart surgeons would suffer a 45 percent reduction in their Medicare fees and general practitioners would receive a 65 percent raise.

But because of the complex and emotionally loaded issues surrounding any discussion of health care — not to mention the competition for dollars — no one is predicting an early and literal application. "That is not to say the preliminary skirmishing will not begin immediately and be intense," Dr. William L. Roper, head of the federal agency that pays the medical bills for more than 31 million elderly and disabled Americans on Medicare, held out the prospect Wednesday that there are some things a budget-conscious Congress "might want to do in 1989 before the mega-debate" is completed. For example, he said, Congress might use the study as a rationale for trimming some Medicare-approved payments from the top end of the scale without adding much or anything at the bottom end. "Nobody is going to get 65 percent

more from Medicare next year, for example," he said. Even the father of the \$2.3 billion study told reporters it would not be practical to implement its recommendations at once. Harvard medical economist William C. Hsiao said a five-year phase in period might be needed. Hsiao's study pointedly does not say any category of physician is overpaid or underpaid in actual dollars and cents — but rather that the way they divide the financial pie is unfair and potentially detrimental to sound medical treatment. Officially, it is entitled "A National Study of Resource-based Relative Value Scales For Physicians' Services."

In simplest terms, what Hsiao's work suggests is that if a physician faces the option of performing surgery or using an equally promising but less financially rewarding treatment, the present fee system encourages surgery. His proposal would attempt to change that. "You can predict that under the new system, doctors will be willing to spend a lot more time with patients to examine and counsel them," Hsiao said. "Right now, physicians are being penalized financially for spending time with patients." Moreover, he said, the changes could encourage more young doctors to go into primary patient care and lower the overall cost of medical treatment.

Glastonbury student wins top space award

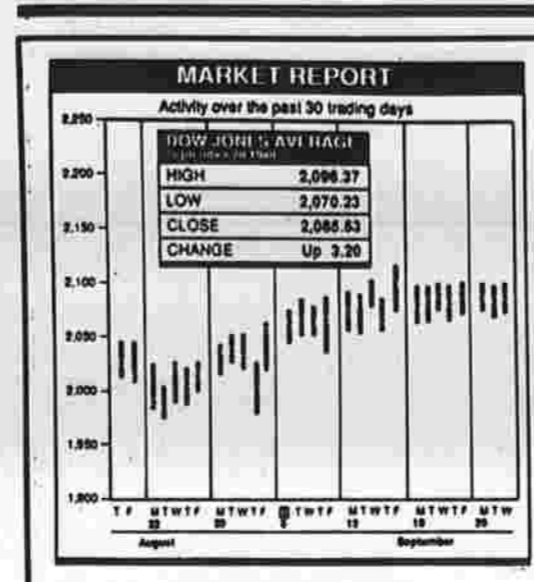
GLASTONBURY (AP) — A Glastonbury High School student has developed a program that could solve the problem of calcium depletion during space travel. John C. Marschhausen won a national contest with his proposal that would require astronauts to strap computer springs onto their feet while exercising in space. His theory is that the springs will jolt the astronaut's legs as they work out, providing a beneficial stress to their bones that is present on Earth but missing in the weightlessness of space. "It's a pretty simple idea," the high school senior said after returning last week from Washington, D.C., where he won the top prize in a contest sponsored by NASA.

His scientific paper, "Detrimental Loss of Calcium Due to Micro-Gravity," is the type of experiment scientists believe is likely to be tried someday aboard a U.S. space station. "I never disliked science, but I never loved it until I got into this," said Marschhausen, 17, who is thinking about becoming an astronaut. "It sort of opened up the future for me," said Marschhausen, who won a \$3,000 scholarship and a computer system. He plans to study science in college, possibly at the College of William & Mary in Williamsburg, Va. The son of a Lutheran minister and an elementary school teacher, he started the experiment at the urging of his father. He is the third Glastonbury student in four years to become a finalist in the Space Shuttle Student Involvement Program, which is co-sponsored by the National Space Teachers Association. The program has produced a number of winners since 1980, including one from St. Louis and another from Marlboro, N.Y., whose projects are scheduled to fly aboard the space shuttle Discovery this week.

Marschhausen's experiment took shape after he read a magazine story about the difficulty Soviet cosmonauts experienced with brittle bones because of the loss of calcium during weightlessness. "There really aren't a lot of medical journals or aerospace journals that deal with that topic," said Dr. Bernard A. Clark, a Hartford cardiologist who became an adviser to Marschhausen. "I pulled out articles and a list of references, and he went to town. He really ran with the project," said Clark, director of the cardiac rehabilitation and exercise laboratory at St. Francis Hospital and Medical Center in Hartford. Marschhausen also sought the help of scientists at NASA's Langley Research Center in Virginia, where he went last May after an early version of his experiment won a regional contest.

In his experiment, he prescribes a diet including high-calcium foods such as broccoli, cauliflower, orange juice and what he calls "the highest calcium-packed food on the planet," sesame seeds. He also calls for the use of two drugs, including the hormone calcitonin, to prevent calcium loss. What sets his experiment apart is his proposed exercise regimen. He prescribes a treadmill program in which astronauts, attached to the treadmill by elastic cords, run on shoes with springs. Though astronauts have used treadmills in space, shoes with springs have not been tried. Judges also were impressed that Marschhausen not only had thought up the new exercise — he had actually tested it.

BUSINESS



IN BRIEF

Bell joins real estate firm

Richard Bell has joined the sales staff of Blanchard & Rossetto Inc., Realtors. The firm's office is located at 189 W. Center St. Bell, who has varied experience in business and real estate sales, recently completed a weeklong regional seminar on real estate.

Minimum wage to increase

The state's minimum wage will increase by 50 cents to \$4.25 beginning Saturday, the state Labor Department reminds employers. The current \$3.75 rate has been in effect for the past year. Labor Commissioner Betty L. Tiant said Gov. William O'Neill signed the two-step increase bill last year. Employers computing hourly wages for waiters and waitresses are permitted to deduct a tip allowance equal to 25 percent of the minimum wage. Connecticut's minimum wage compares to a \$3.35 federal scale.

Forklift course offered

HARTFORD — A forklift truck operation course will be offered in Hartford today and Tuesday. The course will run for three hours each day at Heublein Inc., 330 New Park Ave. The courses are sponsored by the Connecticut Safety Council, an affiliate of the Connecticut Business and Industry Association. The group is also planning safety roundtables for managers in October. For more information, call 547-1661.

Shippee joins CNB staff

Connecticut National Bank has announced the promotion of Robert C. Shippee to retail operations analyst. He is a senior business systems analyst in CNB's Retail Operations Division. Shippee joined the bank last year. He is a graduate of Syracuse University and earned his master's degree from Cornell University in 1987. Shippee and his wife, Cynthia, live in Manchester.

UI leader in efficiency

NEW HAVEN (AP) — A trade journal ranks United Illuminating as the fifth most efficient among the 100 largest investor-owned utilities in the country, the company announced. UI has been in the top 10 in the national survey by Electric Light & Power for six of the past seven years. The ranking was based on UI's 1987 heat rate of 9,894. Utilities with the top overall heat rates also operate the most efficient individual generating units using fossil fuel, according to the trade journal. The company said it controls its heat rate by using its newest, most efficient units as much as possible, by giving operators and maintenance supervisors heat rate training; by overhauling turbines every five years; and by attempting to reduce wasteful loss of steam.

Movie audiences growing

NEW YORK (AP) — Movie audiences are growing by 4 percent a year, despite increasing competition from video cassettes and rising admission costs. In return though, moviegoers now want more for the bigger bucks they are putting down at the box office. And that could mean a return to entertainment "extras," such as serials and short subjects, says producer Stan Zeitalin.

Office workers satisfied

NEW YORK (AP) — Office workers in the U.S. and Canada apparently are increasingly satisfied with their jobs and expect the quality of work life to improve in the next decade, according to a recent survey. The poll, conducted by Louis Harris for Steeles Inc., showed more workers indicating satisfaction with their jobs this year than in a 1987 survey.

Feds knock both sides in rail walkout

WASHINGTON (AP) — Federal railroad regulators lambasted both sides of a New England rail strike, accusing the company of hiring unqualified replacements and charging the union with sabotage that included derailing trains and setting bear traps for new workers. "Both management and those opposing management's position have demonstrated their willingness to compromise both work place and public safety when their economic interests are at stake," said a Federal Railroad Administration report issued Wednesday.

The report focused on labor and safety problems at Guilford Transportation Industries, where workers went on strike Nov. 12, 1987, following an accident at a Lawrence, Mass., freight yard that killed a conductor. Strikers returned to work this summer after a federal arbitration board ruled in their favor. The FRA said labor and management were willing to use the safety issue as leverage to achieve their objectives.

The agency disagreed with the union's contentions that there were safety problems before the strike. But the report said engineers hired to replace strikers were recruited "from any available source ... in disregard of sound safety practice and simple common sense." The result was an engineer force that resembled a patchwork quilt, with engineers ranging from qualified to plainly unqualified. The company was willing to compromise public safety to achieve its economic objective.

The union, meanwhile, "waged what amounted to a campaign of intimidation against the carrier and its replacement employees," the report said. The FRA cited more than 100 incidents of slashed air brake hoses plus derailments caused by objects placed on Guilford tracks. Bear traps were once set where replacement employees were expected to walk the next shift. "While these tactics may have forwarded labor's economic objective by disrupting operations, they seriously compromised the safety of both the public and the non-striking employees," the agency said.

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High technology, defense buildup stimulate growth

BOSTON (AP) — High technology and the Reagan administration defense buildup are responsible for the economic vitality of states that top a new business survey, economists said. Inc. magazine's annual report on the states gave Arizona, New Hampshire and Maryland the best track record for creating new jobs and businesses and stimulating growth of young companies in the last four years. "A lot of these states are where they are because of what has happened in the last four to six years in the federal defense buildup," said Stanley Dubnins, director of regional forecasting for the Wega Group in suburban Philadelphia.

Many new electronics firms concentrated in Phoenix have defense contracts. No. 5 Virginia boasts the Pentagon and naval shipyards in Newport News, Maryland, where Bethlehem Steel once was the largest employer, now hosts companies such as Westinghouse and Bendix Defense Systems. "You'll find a lot of those electronics firms are indeed in that San Diego out to Phoenix area," Dubnins said. "A lot of that has been defense stimulus."

The Inc. survey concludes that the South and Southwest are thriving, but notes that some industries are making a comeback thanks to tax programs that use small amounts of tax dollars to foster private growth. Independent business analysts said the desert belt of Arizona and California and the rest of the South and Southwest have in fact lower wages and do attract lower cost of doing business," said Lew Hurt, regional group associate director for Data Resources, the Lexington-based economic forecasting firm.

The Inc. survey measures how a state has done in stimulating entrepreneurial activity and economic expansion. It reflects the state economies' success over a four-year period in job generation, new-business creation and young-company growth. For instance, Arizona earned its third consecutive top ranking with 23.1 percent job growth since 1984 and 1,769 new companies with at least 10 employees for a 2.7 percent business birthrate, while 4 percent of companies founded since 1980 were rated fast-growing.



AP photo
GUMMY CANDIES — Tom Berquist shows off "Boogers," the candy he invented to appeal to children's penchant for the vulgar. Berquist is a self-employed product-development manager in Stamford.

Vulgarity in vogue for candy product

By Lindo Stowell
The Associated Press
STRATFORD — Tom Berquist was sitting at the dinner table with friends talking about why children like vulgar things when he came up with an idea for a new candy. He named it Boogers. And CONFEX Inc., the candy's distributor, says Boogers are moving so fast, the gummy, fruit-flavored candies can't be produced fast enough. "This is the most successful introduction we've ever had," said John Sullivan III, president of CONFEX in Shrewsbury, N.J. "I think the timing was wise. A little gross humor is back in vogue."

CONFEX has sold more than \$300,000 worth of Boogers in the candy's first six weeks on the market, Sullivan said. As a result, AT&T has been able to lower its interstate toll rates by \$7.7 billion since May 1984, the state agencies said in their motion. "It is questionable whether any of these benefits have been realized by residential customers." In 1980, many of the nation's major banks raised their prime lending rate to a record 20 percent.

Another idea: cards bearing pictures of athletes that fit on a child's nose. He also came up with granular bubble gum with candy "ants" in the sand. "Now to you, I look silly with my nose," Berquist said as he demonstrated. "But a child sees a football player."

A Minnesota native with a master's degree in mass communications, Berquist also has a serious side. He is trying to design educational games for children that are fun to play. "You want to identify the 'hot buttons' of the consumer and when I come up with ideas, I bounce them off the kids," he said. "They'll tell you. They'll say, 'You're gross,' 'no good,' or 'I love it.'"

He searched for a business niche that would be fun. "I picked candy because it is more pleasure-oriented," Berquist said. "And I'm sort of a kid from the work world." Berquist, 42, uses his 13-year-old daughter and her friends as his consultants. "You want to identify the 'hot buttons' of the consumer and when I come up with ideas, I bounce them off the kids," he said. "They'll tell you. They'll say, 'You're gross,' 'no good,' or 'I love it.'"

It took three years for Boogers to hit the market after that night at the dinner table. "We were discussing why kids like L.I'l ABNER" Starts Monday, Oct. 3rd

Telephone challenge fights fees

HARTFORD (AP) — The expected increases in long-distance access fees charged some telephone users should be suspended or eliminated, three state agencies say in documents filed with the Federal Communications Commission. The state consumer counsel office, the state attorney general's office and the Department of Public Utility Control said Wednesday they prefer the current fee of \$2.60 a month.

The fee, which is charged to residential customers and single-line business customers, is set to increase to \$3.20 on Dec. 1 and \$3.50 on April 1, 1989. With their filing, the state agencies joined the National Association of State Utility Consumer Advocates in opposing the proposed increases. The action comes during a 90-day period the FCC has established to study and review the line charge.

"The FCC wants to increase the line charge by nearly 30 percent and that will be a big burden on many residential telephone customers, particularly the elderly and those on fixed incomes," said Attorney General Joseph I. Lieberman. Paul Karoff, a spokesman for American Telephone & Telegraph Co. in Farmington, said state officials were misrepresenting the access charges in their filing to the FCC.

"What it's not is a fee that people may be charged to get connected to an interstate network," he said. "It's a fee that customers are asked to pay under the FCC plan to receive dial tone, local service." The charge was implemented after the breakup of AT&T in 1984 to make consumers pay more of the actual cost of long-distance service, Karoff said. Prior to 1984, long-distance rates were inflated to subsidize local rates which were artificially low, Karoff said.

The subscriber line charge began at \$1 a month and was designed to lower the interstate telephone costs of high-use interstate telephone customers charging low-use telephone customers for certain costs connected with the interstate network, the state agencies said in their filing. The FCC said that if residential subscribers didn't pay the access charge, they would pay increased local rates to compensate the local telephone companies for revenues dropping the service in favor of others, the filing says. As a result, AT&T has been able to lower its interstate toll rates by \$7.7 billion since May 1984, the state agencies said in their motion. "It is questionable whether any of these benefits have been realized by residential customers."

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Hospital officials complained at an appeal hearing on Sept. 8 that the rate was too low, and instead asked for a 29 percent increase. The hospital later reduced that request, which would have raised rates to \$5,100 per patient, to a 21 to 22 percent increase, said Beck. He said the hospital reviewed its needs department by department when it agreed to the lower request.

Since hospital officials felt a more than 20 percent increase was in order, the hospital is not happy with the tentative agreement, Beck said. The hospital will review the rate order over the next few weeks to decide how the order will affect operations, he said.

Through no firm date has been set for the final commission vote, Beck said he does not expect any reduction in the tentative agreement.

"I believe it has to be before the full commission," he said. "I don't anticipate that (reductions) happening."

During negotiations for the hospital's current rate order in March, Manchester Memorial and the commission agreed on a \$3,900 tentative settlement, only to have it reduced by \$30 a month later. A decision on the current rate order did not come until six months after deadline because of appeals and problems in gaining needed information, hospital and commission members said.

With additional increases for outpatient and psychiatric services, the hospital's overall rates will increase 17.6 percent, Beck said.

The state commission reversed its initial decision to reduce rates after granting more money for nursing and allied health professional salaries, and for AIDS prevention and training, Stanley said.

The commission originally approved a \$5,861,307 allocation for salaries, and \$400,000 for AIDS prevention, Stanley said. She said she did not have firm figures for the increases given Saturday in those categories.

Hospital officials said at the Sept. 8 appeal hearing that more money was needed for salaries. In March, the hospital approved a new pay hike plan for all non-union employees only weeks after the unionized registered nurses approved a wage increase.

"They did get quite a bit less (than requested)," Stanley said.



LIFTOFF — Sixth-graders at Nathan Hale School watch the shuttle Discovery as it soars into orbit this morning. The students applauded the successful launch.

Pupils

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"If it goes up all right today, we'll probably have one up sooner," said 10-year-old Eric Howarth.

Nick Peters said he decided to have his class watch the shuttle launch because space technology is "a testament to the human mind and achievement."

"They've got to see things like that," Peters said. "It's the best technology we have."

Before the launch, students listened to news programs and discussed the importance of a successful liftoff. Trevor Drummond, 11, said a failed mission would have doomed future space exploration.

"If this shuttle is a dud, the U.S. is going to fall way behind other countries," he said.

"Other countries have had more experience," said Jeremiah Cyr, 11. "The U.S. is their competitor. We like to beat other countries."

And space exploration is important, said Richard Dean, 11, because the future of mankind is at stake.

"When the world blows up, we'll know where to go," he said.

Shooting

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that the two men had an argument Wednesday morning, during which Laureano Reyes shot the car on Tuesday while it was parked in the employee lot.

Cusano brought the matter to the attention of management because Laureano Reyes allegedly threatened him, Pierce said.

During the meeting, just before 2 p.m., Laureano Reyes stood up and fired a .38-caliber handgun twice, Lewis said. He said that one round hit Cusano in the head and the other entered a wall.

Laureano Reyes left the room and surrendered to company security guards, Lewis said.

Lewis said that Laureano Reyes was later taken into custody by Hartford police.

Pierce said that besides Cusano and Laureano Reyes, present at the meeting were the plant personnel director, two union stewards and two production managers.

Lewis said that Laureano Reyes owned the handgun, but Lewis didn't know whether it was registered. He said that Laureano Reyes has refused to talk to police about the incident.

Nobel

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year in mediating the Iran-Iraq cease-fire, a Soviet withdrawal from Afghanistan and progress in talks on southwest Africa.

Perez de Cuellar was ineligible for this year's prize because he was nominated after the Feb. 1 deadline.

U.N. peacekeepers radioed word of their shared victory to battalions in battle-scarred Lebanon and cracked open bottles of champagne in Jerusalem to celebrate.

The five-member committee praised the forces in Lebanon, Afghanistan, Syria, Cyprus, the subcontinent and Iran and Iraq for subduing tensions where armistices have substituted for peace.

The citation said the peacekeepers "have played a significant role in reducing the level of conflict even though the fundamental causes of the struggles frequently remain."

In Jerusalem, Tony French, a spokesman for the U.N. Truce Supervision Organization, said: "Any acclamation and recognition of the U.N.'s valuable role helps to assist the U.N. in peacekeeping and as a world forum for peace."

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Crews pumped 528,000 gallons of liquid hydrogen and liquid oxygen into the craft's cavernous fuel tank. It was just before dawn when NASA announced a one-hour delay in its original 9:59 a.m. launch target.

The four-day mission was to be Discovery's seventh trip to space. Landing was set for Rogers Dry Lakebed at Edwards Air Force Base in Calif.

"We'll practically be flying a shakedown flight of a new spacecraft," pilot Richard O. Covey said of the 26th shuttle flight. Because of more than 450 post-Challenger modifications, he predicted, "There probably will be some surprises, but overall we'll have a safer vehicle."

A 21-member launch panel, created to avoid communication failures revealed by the Challenger catastrophe, was in place to monitor the count. Robert Crippen was promoted from the astronaut corps and had sole authority to approve the liftoff or order a scrub.

Eight times in previous shuttle missions, NASA scrubbed due to unfavorable weather conditions. Five of those delays came on the most recent two missions, including three scrubs before Challenger's ill-fated launch.

In the event of a scrub, NASA could reschedule launch as early as Friday.

Winds were blowing at 12 to 23 mph over 20,000 feet above the launch pad. More normal winds would be in the range of 4 to 8 mph.

"This is the first time I've prayed for a degradation of the weather here," said Jon McBride, a member of the astronaut corps. He said the ship's computer could prompt the shuttle to overreact to such light breezes.

The astronauts boarded Discovery about two hours before launch to await the signal that would send them on a tense 8 1/2-minute climb into orbit.

Newly designed booster rockets will provide the initial thrust. It was a failure in a rocket seal that led to the Jan. 26, 1986, disaster that killed the seven Challenger crewmembers, including schoolteacher Christa McAuliffe.

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Hauk, a 47-year-old Navy captain, said in a prelaunch interview that he recognized the great significance of his mission.

"We clearly cannot afford to lose another vehicle, much less another crew," he said. "I don't think the manned space program could withstand another Challenger."

The other crew members — Air Force Col. Richard Covey, 42; Marine Lt. Col. David C. Hillmers, 42; John M. Lounge, 38; and George D. "Pinky" Nelson, 38 — know the risks, but are willing to take them.

"Flying into space never will be risk free," Hauk said. "It's a matter of reducing the risk to a minimum and balancing the risks that are involved with what we are trying to accomplish."

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SPORTS

Hershiser sets scoreless inning mark at 59



RECORD SETTER — Orel Hershiser of the Dodgers winds up for a pitch during Wednesday night's game against the Padres in San Diego. He pitched 10 scoreless innings to break the Major League mark previously held by Don Drysdale.

By Dennis Georgatos The Associated Press

SAN DIEGO — The sheer improbability, the pressure and the countless scenarios that could have led to a run all made it seem unreal to Orel Hershiser when he rewrote the major league record for consecutive scoreless innings.

"I still think it's a dream because I didn't think I was capable of doing it. I just can't believe it's happened," the Los Angeles Dodgers' pitcher said.

The 30-year-old right-hander broke former Dodger Don Drysdale's record of 58 consecutive scoreless innings by shutting out the San Diego Padres for 10 innings Wednesday night to extend his streak to 59.

"When people ask me what record would stand forever, this was the one I usually picked," Hershiser said. "I really thought someone's going to break it from me because I know I'm not any big deal."

"It's unbelievable," Los Angeles manager Tommy Lasorda said. "It's one of the greatest feats you'll ever see in baseball, bar none."

McKean had predicted before the game that his team would be the one to break Hershiser's streak.

"I really thought we were going to get to him, but I guess every manager has thought that for the last 50 some-odd innings," he said.

Overcoming a case of the jitters and overtaking his pitching hero

in the record book were the hardest things about setting the mark.

"I had so much pressure on me out there. That's probably the most nervous I've ever been in my career," said Hershiser, who called his father from the clubhouse after he finished icing his arm.

"I really noticed my nerves calm down after about the fifth inning. I realized that all I wanted to do was go out there and not choke at the beginning."

"I really and truly did not want to get the record," Hershiser added in a dugout interview with Drysdale, now a Dodger broadcaster. "Out of respect of the man next to me. I feel I should have pitched at least two-thirds. I wanted to just put the ball down ..."

"But the guys next to me in the dugout kind of convinced me to go for it," Hershiser said.

Said Drysdale, among the first on the field to congratulate Hershiser and gave him a hug: "I had known that I would have been down there kicking you by the seat of the pants."

The game itself went on for 16 innings, San Diego winning, 2-1.

Mike Scioscia not attempting a groundout, Garry Templeton was intentionally walked and took second on catcher's indifference — Mike Scioscia not attempting a fly ball for the record.

With a crowd of 22,596 cheering for Hershiser, the Dodgers streamed from the dugout to congratulate their ace, who broke the mark set by Drysdale 20 years ago.

Red Sox smarting, but still confident

By Dove O'Hara The Associated Press

BOSTON — The Boston AL East express suddenly is going in reverse, but the Red Sox still can see the flag at the end of the tunnel.

"And that's the way it looks now," Morgan said.

Key pitched a two-hitter in his second shutout of the season as the Blue Jays completed a sweep of seven games in Boston this season en route to an 11-2 record against the Red Sox.

Hurst allowed only five singles and struck out eight, but was the victim of catcher Rich Gedman's fifth error of the season.

Rob Ducey began the eighth with a walk on a 3-2 pitch. One out later, he took off for second.

"Bruce Hurst 1-0 with the help of an unearned run in the eighth inning Wednesday night, preventing Boston from clinching a tie for the division title."

Despite the loss, the Red Sox' magic number was reduced to 2 as the New York Yankees dropped a 2-0 decision to Baltimore. Milwaukee's magic number remained at 2 with a 4-3 victory over California. Detroit's dropped to 1 in a 4-2 loss to Cleveland.

"It doesn't matter where it gets done, we just want to get it done," Boston slugger Mike Greenwell said.

"I'm not a great mathematician. I can't figure out the magic number," said Hurst, 18-6 after having hopes for a 20-victory season dashed. "We're concerned, but we just have to go out and do what it takes to win."

"We can't just be spectators. We have to go out and do the job. It's not over. We're still in first place."

"There's cause for concern, sure, but we could still lose four games in Cleveland and win it," said Todd Benzinger. "That's what doing well in New York last weekend gave us, a little cushion. And it looks like we need it."

"Good, we love it. That's the best news we've had," Boston Manager Joe Morgan said when told of the New York and Detroit

losses before the Red Sox flew to Cleveland.

Morgan recalled that veteran right-fielder Dwight Evans had predicted "a month ago it would go down to the last two games in Cleveland."

"I just threw it away," said Gedman, noted for his defensive ability. "You can make all the excuses you want, but I just threw it away. The ball just sailed off."

"I really couldn't mount anything tonight," Morgan said. "Bruce was great and so was the other guy."

"If we had won just one out of these three games we'd be looking good right? But we didn't, so who knows. I would say we probably have to win two."

"The concern is we have to win on the road. That's what it all boils down to now."

Morgan avoided mentioning the Boston record for the year: 53-28 at home, 35-42 on the road. Against the Indians, Boston is 7-2, including 2-1 in Cleveland.

"I knew we weren't going to get very much off Hurst," Key, 12-5, said. "I had it in my mind I could give up maybe one, possibly two (runs). As it turned out, I couldn't give up any to win because he pitched a great game."

"They haven't done what we did in losing seven in a row at the end yet," Key said. "We folded together. They haven't folded yet. They still have four games left and they can win it. It's their loss and it's their loss to lose."

All-America forward Dan Donigan said with a smile.

UConn, which outshot the Rams 17-9 after the intermission, complied to Morrone's instructions. At 12:36, Husky sophomore Brian Anderson took a through pass from senior Fred Carlos and blasted a shot on goal. The ball rebounded off URI goalie Lance Klima and Donigan was there to put it home.

"I thought Brian Anderson gave us a little spark and we were able to sustain that spark," Morrone said.

"He (Morrone) got us a little fired up at halftime," senior

Intensity carries Connecticut soccer over Rhode Island

By Jim Tierney Manchester Herald

STORRS — Intensity can reap positive results, especially on the soccer field.

Following important victories over Harvard and San Francisco, a natural letdown was in order for the University of Connecticut men's soccer team. Intensity was the ingredient which was needed to invigorate the Huskies against the University of Rhode Island.

The Huskies were extremely flat in the opening 45 minutes, but responded and tallied two second-half goals to register a 2-1 win

Wednesday afternoon before a crowd of 1,466 at the Connecticut Soccer Stadium.

"The key to being consistent is not to lose a game like this," Husky Coach Joe Morrone said. "The victory was UConn's fourth straight and raised its record to 6-4-1. The Huskies, ranked No. 4 in New England, are 9-8-1 in regional play. The Rams, ranked ninth in New England, fall to 3-2-2."

After a 0-0 tie at the intermission, Morrone gave his players a little pep talk during halftime.

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challenge her to a bike race? "I always beat them."

A typical BMX race is approximately 1/4-mile long up and down hills and around corners usually on a dirt surface. A maximum of eight riders compete on each moto. The uniform each participant uses is usually made of a long-sleeved shirt and pants, helmet and mouthguard. Jennie's bike is made of titanium and only weighs 11 pounds.

Jennie is sponsored by the Titan Bicycle Company of Eugene, Oregon which supplies her with bikes, uniforms and entry fees to all her races. All of the travel expenses are financed by Mr. Rubacha, who owns a motor home.

"It's a real experience for her," Mr. Rubacha said. "She has friends from California to Canada and they write to each other. We have a great deal of confidence in her. She's a good rider. It's a very good sport."

Jennie's teachers at school are very supportive and she brings her schoolwork with her when she travels.

Jennie races three to five times per week locally from April through September. Nationally, she competes where the circuit happens to be at that time. Mr. Rubacha and Jennie are leaving Oct. 12 for national competition in Memphis. In national competition, practice begins at 6 a.m. and Jennie's last race is usually about 6 p.m.

A typical week in which she competes in Connecticut would look something like this: Monday nights: Bristol; Tuesday nights: Trumbull; Wednesday nights: South Windsor; Saturday mornings: Meriden; Saturday afternoons: Bethel.

Quite a schedule for a nine-year-old.

"Occasionally she misses a day (of school) here or there, but she is a good student," Mr. Rubacha said.

He added BMX racing is being considered as a future Olympic sport.

Rubacha at head of the pack

By Jim Tierney Manchester Herald

Fourth-grade girls usually concern themselves with their family, schoolwork, toys, pets, desserts and hobbies.

Jennie Rubacha, a student at Washington School, has a special hobby which has brought her a world of success.

That hobby is bicycle motocross racing, otherwise known as BMX racing.

And, for the season which she just completed, Rubacha was the No. 1 ranked eight-year-old in the country.

She competed in 22 national races last year and travelled the United States including competition stops in Sarasota, Fla., Columbus, Ohio, Waterford, Mich., Memphis, Tenn. and Louisville, Ky.

At the Grand Nationals over Labor day weekend in Louisville, Rubacha won her three motos (heats) and was second in the final. She accumulated enough points to win the national title. Jennie's father, Chuck, is very involved in her racing and travels with her everywhere she goes. Her mother, Gloria, usually attends just the Connecticut races.

"She came to me when she was four to see if she could race and I said you can't even ride a two wheeler," her father said. "She taught herself how to ride. This is nothing we pushed her into. She wanted to race. She took to it like a duck to water."

Jennie became interested in BMX racing because her older brother Jeff, 17, had raced previously.

"I was scared about all the hills," Jennie said about her feelings when she first started racing at age five. Jennie was No. 1 in Connecticut as a 5, 6 and 7-year-old. "It took about a year to get comfortable," she said.

Is all this success overwhelming for a little girl? "I'm glad about it," she said. "What happens when boys at school



No. 1 — Jennie Rubacha of Manchester, a student at the Washington School, is the No. 1 ranked BMX rider in her eight-year-old division in the country.

found the back of the net, UConn sophomore Brian Parker endured the longest afternoon, coming up empty on his seven shots.

"(UConn) had many chances," Ram Coach Geza Henni said. "A dropped ball like that (on the first goal) is devastating."

URI made things interesting when Rich Mertz lined a 25-yard punt UConn goalie Brian Hall with his left foot. Donigan, who has played beautifully this season but struggled offensively, sees things coming around for him now after his goal and assist.

"Maybe I'm picking up my

game," he said. "Things are starting to click a little better for me now than earlier in the season."

HUSKY NOTES — UConn has a key New England encounter at Dartmouth Sunday at 1 p.m. Dartmouth is ranked seventh in the region. UConn has won eight of the last nine meetings with Rhode Island and leads the series, 18-10-2. Donigan is the struggling leading all-time scorer in Husky soccer history. Lindell leads the team with 11 points (3 goals, 5 assists).

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Defensive-minded Eagles notch another close one

By Len Ausler
Manchester Herald

It was a game where you were waiting for something to happen. An explosion didn't take place, but Dan Callahan did dent the back of the twine with 114 minutes left to give defensive-minded East Catholic a 1-0 victory over Fairfield Prep Wednesday afternoon in All Connecticut Conference boys' soccer action.

East is now 2-0 in the ACC and

2-2 overall while the Jesuits are 0-2, 1-4. East plays its fifth of five consecutive home games Saturday at 10 a.m. when they host St. Bernard's. East, then has seven road dates before its final home date on Oct. 29 against St. Joseph.

It was a herky-jerky type of game with neither the Eagles or Jesuits mounting much of an attack. "We're probably mirror images of each other in both halves of the game," East Coach Tom Malin, who was slated to undergo arthroscopic surgery

today to repair cartilage damage in his left knee, said. Callahan's goal, that came off an indirect, was only East's third in five games. East, on the other hand, has also allowed only three goals. "I won't mind struggling as long as the defense keeps on doing the job it's been doing," Malin said.

A moments hesitation by Prep was a factor in East's only tally, where everyone wants to go somewhere and gets nowhere. "It was a foul-plagued affair, too, with the officials whistling both

sides for 40 fouls. Malin, while happy with the win, wants his team to be more cerebral. "Every game will be an struggle until we as a unit start playing from our shoulders up. The physical effort is there but we have to think the game more," Malin said.

Other than Callahan's score, East's best scoring bids were in the first half, a Mike Raffin 22-yard drive, and in the second half where a Callahan drive slid across the goalmouth with Raffin just missing depositing the loose

ball. Prep had one golden opportunity late in the first half but John McHale was wide with his boot from in close. It's only other real chance was with 2 1/2 minutes left with Eagle goalie Jim Taurus smothering a boot by John Barney from the top of the penalty box.

Taurus had five stops in notching the shutout. East Catholic Fairfield Prep Scoring: EC — Callahan, 1; Prep — Taurus 5, PP — Jan Pikul 5.

SPORTS IN BRIEF

Assistant coach needed

Cheney Tech is looking for an assistant wrestling coach for the upcoming season. Anyone interested should contact Athletic Director Manny Gonçalves at the school, 649-5596.

Tennis winners announced

There was a limited number of entrants for the recently held Jim LeSure Manchester Open Tennis Tournament. There were 16 entrants in men's singles, 12 teams in men's doubles and eight entrants in a newly created youth division. There was no competition in women's singles or doubles or mixed doubles due to lack of entrants. Steven Dec won the men's singles title with a 6-4, 6-2 win over Alex Britnell. The team of Karl Robinson-Tom Watson beat Todd and Earle Custer 6-4, 6-2 for the doubles title and Peter Mulligan bested Jessica Aucoin 6-3, 6-2, for the youth crown.

Coventry run on Sunday

COVENTRY — The seventh annual Coventry Lions Vision Run will be held Sunday with the 10K race starting at 11 a.m. and the 5K run at noon. Both races are TAC sanctioned. The race starts and finish at Coventry High School. Registration will take place 8:30 a.m. the day of the race with the entry fee \$6. For further information, contact Dave Leete at 742-1128.

Basketball start delayed

Due to the renovations at the Verplank School, the Manchester Rec Department's adult open basketball on Wednesday nights will not begin until the end of November. The rest of the indoor winter recreation program will begin Monday and run through March 25, 1989. The East Side Rec and Community Y will operate Monday through Friday, 6:10 p.m. and on Saturdays from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. The Highland Park Community Center and Mahoney Rec Center will open Monday through Friday 8-5 p.m. and Saturday's from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. The Mahoney Rec Center will also be open Sundays from 1-5 p.m. And the Manchester High School pool will open on Monday with adult swim Monday through Friday from 6-7:30 p.m. and from 8:30-9:30 p.m. except on Thursday when only the early swim is offered.

UCorn opens at midnight

STORRS — The University of Connecticut men's basketball team will officially launch 1988-89 preseason drills on Friday night, Oct. 14, with a unique midnight practice which will be open to the general public at the Storrs Field House.

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BACK TO WORK — Buffalo Bills All-Pro defensive end Bruce Smith (78) walks with teammate Derrick Burroughs Wednesday afternoon en route to practice. Smith, who was suspended for 30 days for violating the NFL's substance abuse policy, may see action Sunday against the Bears in Chicago.

MCC women blanked

The Manchester Community College women's soccer team fell to Springfield Tech, 7-0, Wednesday afternoon. MCC's record is 0-2 and its next game is Wednesday at home against Holyoke Community College.

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H.S. Roundup

Down after two games, but not out, the Manchester High girls' volleyball team rallied for a five-game victory over visiting South Windsor High in CCC East Division play Wednesday at Clarke Arena. Scores were 8-15, 3-15, 15-8, 15-13 and 16-14.

Erin Twible served well while the hitting of Lisa Carlier and Ann Marie McDonnell and the setting of Lisa Moriconi were big factors in the comeback for Manchester, now 2-2 for the season.

South Windsor took the junior varsity match 12-15, 15-12 and 15-4. Manchester's next match is Friday at 3:30 p.m. at home against Hartford Public.

Girls Swimming

EC still winless

GLASTONBURY — The East Catholic High girls' swimming team dropped an 89-80 verdict to Glastonbury High Tuesday night.

I was pleased with our overall performance against Glastonbury. Most of our times have improved," East Coach Jim Neff said.

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REACHING — Manchester High's Lisa Carlier reaches for a shot during volleyball action Wednesday afternoon against South Windsor at Clarke Arena. The Indians rallied to win in five games.

Taylor can't afford a slip up

By Tom Canovan
The Associated Press

EAST RUTHERFORD, N.J. — Lawrence Taylor refused to participate in an after-care drug program following the 1987 NFL season even though the New York Giants wanted him to.

"When the season was over, we recommended after-care, that this isn't going to solve the problem, that he has to do more," Young said.

Young made it quite clear that the union's opposition to program and he is ready to go against the Redskins. Parcells said a decision on Taylor's status must be made by 4 p.m. EDT Saturday.

Taylor underwent treatment as an outpatient during his most recent suspension and will continue the treatment at the undisclosed clinic, Young said. Taylor also will be subject to random drug testing by the league and its drug adviser, Dr. Forest Tennant.

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SUMMER OLYMPICS '88

U.S. women flexing muscles

By Steve Wilstein
The Associated Press



SHOUT FOR JOY — U.S. sprinter Florence Griffith Joyner shows her joy after breaking the world record for a second time in winning the gold medal in the 200-meter dash today in Seoul.

Records falling to jet-like Flo Jo

By Hal Bock
The Associated Press

SEUL, South Korea — Just how fast can Flo Jo?

The records keep falling under the powerful, purposeful strides of Florence Griffith Joyner, who is taking women's track into another dimension, rapidly and gloriously.

Once peopled by a homogenized population of anonymous runners who largely seemed interchangeable, the sport now unquestionably belongs to Griffith Joyner, the fastest woman in the world.

And don't worry. You'll have no trouble recognizing her. She makes sure of that.

Flo-Jo, complete with her manicured fingernails — painted red, white and blue for the occasion — won her second Olympic gold medal Thursday, lowering the 200-meter record each time she stepped on the track.

"I felt very good, very relaxed," she said. "I told myself to stay relaxed. I said, 'Put all the energy you've got into it. These are the Olympic Games.'"

She was driven by the thought that this event could mean only one thing: She would be a world champion.

"I put in a lot of hard work, dedication and just wanting it," she said.

And the records? "That's what this sport is all about," she said. "Breaking records."

She ought to know. Griffith Joyner ran in Lane Five in both the semi and the final of the 200 and covered the course with long, strong strides, her feet hardly seeming to hit the track.

Each time, she won with plenty of room to spare and each time, she knelt on the ground after crossing the finish line, seeming to kiss the track that she now owned.

A quarter of a second here. A third of a second there. This lady is flying and without a jet.

How low will it go, Flo? Stay tuned and we'll all find out.

Six boxers in the finals

SEUL, South Korea (AP) — Super-heavyweight Riddick Bowe battled back after nearly being stopped by Soviet Union's Vyacheslav Araksyan Thursday night to beat Alexander Mirochitschenko of the Soviet Union and give the United States six fighters in the Olympic boxing finals.

Bowe, knocked down twice in the first and on the verge of being stopped, dominated Mirochitschenko in the second round and forced him to take two standing 8-counts in the third round en route to a 5-0 decision win.

His victory capped a night session that saw all three U.S. semifinalists win and a day where six of the eight American semifinal fighters made it to the weekend finals. That's more than any other country has in competition.

Light heavyweight Andrew Maynard also had to survive a first-round knockdown to stop Poland's Henryk Petrich with punishing body punches and gain the finals.

Maynard followed teammate Roy Jones at 156 pounds into the finals, where three other U.S. fighters also landed after winning morning fights.

Maynard, a 24-year-old Army cook, started slowly but was beginning to land some punches when he was caught with a short right hand by Petrich that dropped him in the corner.

Maynard got up and finished the remaining few seconds of the round.

Two U.S. fighters will face South Koreans in the finals, including Ray Mercer, who stopped Holland's Arnold Vanderliede.

Mercer set up the Saturday fight for the heavyweight gold medal against Barry McGuire, many stopping Vanderliede with a devastating left hook at 2:45 of the second round.

Two of Mercer's teammates — 106-pound Michael Carbajal and 119-pound Kennedy McKinney — also won Thursday to advance to gold medal matches, while two others lost.

Unity wasn't enough for reigning welterweight world champion Gennadi Golovinski, who lost to Romaluis Ellis, who both were eliminated from the competition with bronze medals.

You can do it," she said.

Mary Decker Slaney, worried about tripping but determined to win an Olympic medal, kept her hopes alive by qualifying easily for the finals of the women's 1,500-meter run.

Slaney said she was hesitant and scared of falling, understandable for someone who stumbled and fell in her last Olympics and stumbled in both the qualifying heat and final of the 3,000 in Seoul.

"I know that as a seasoned athlete I shouldn't be worrying about those things," Slaney said, "but I don't know, it's something about the Olympics."

Teresa Edwards, Anne Donovan, Cindy Brewer, Cynthia Cooper, Suzie McConnell, Katrina McClain, Teresa Weatherston and the other basketball players who beat Yugoslavia 77-70 for the gold left no doubt about who is No. 1.

Women's basketball became part of the Games in 1976, and the first gold was won easily by a bigger, much more experienced Soviet team that had not lost in five years.

Well, the United States has caught up.

Edwards and Donovan, the only two holdovers from the 1984 team whose gold medal was devalued by the Soviet boycott, led the 1988 team to a 5-0 record.

"It feels like we've finally proven ourselves to be the best," Edwards said.

"There's no question that this one's more special than '84," Donovan said. "Everyone was here and there's no doubt that we played the best this time to win."

The performances by American women at these Games reflect, in large part, changes in U.S. sports programs that developed out of the passage in 1971 of Title IX, a federal law requiring equal treatment for women in all school sports.

In the 1972 Games, U.S. women won only a silver and two bronzes in track and field. In 1976, they won two silvers and a bronze.

This year they already have won four golds, a silver and a bronze, with several more medals expected.

Christian Schenk of East Germany eclipsed teammate Torsten Ziegenfuss to win the Olympic decathlon, the unofficial title of world's best all-around athlete Thursday, while Dave Steen

finished a surprising third to lift the devastated morale of Canada's delegation.

Schenk won the gold medal with 8,488 points, and Voss took the silver with 8,399. Steen was eighth going into the last event, the 1,500-meter run, and finished seventh among the runners. But that was good enough to knock defending two-time gold medalist Daley Thompson out of the medal ranks and win the bronze.

American Tim Bright, meanwhile, pole vaulted 16 feet, 9 3/4 inches, a world record for decathlon competitors, and was seventh overall with 8,216 points. He was fourth going into the 1,500.

In tennis, Staffi Graf of West Germany won the first round, the "Golden Slam," moved into the women's singles final with a 6-2, 6-0 victory over American Zina Garrison. In the final, she will meet Gabriela Sabatini of Argentina.

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Americans Ken Flach and Robert Seguso, the No. 1 seeds, defeated Czechoslovakians Milan Srejber and Miloslav Mecir 6-2, 6-4, 6-1 to repeat the doubles final team whose gold medal was devalued by the Soviet boycott.

The Spaniards beat Stefan Edberg and Anders Jarryd of Sweden 6-4, 1-6, 6-3, 6-2.

The Ben Johnson drug case continued to cast a cloud over the Games.

A panel of past and present Olympic track gold medalists called for an investigation into the source of the steroids used by deposed 100-meter champion from Canada.

A silver-medal weightlifter from Hungary was caught using the same type of steroid that got Johnson kicked out. Like Johnson, Andor Szanyi was stripped of his medal.

IOC officials, meantime, also took the unusual step of trying to quell rumors of more big-name drug users.

Szanyi, who lifted 88 1/2 pounds to finish second in the 100-kilogram class Monday night, had traces of stanozolol in his urine test, the IOC said.

The 24-year-old, a 1985 world champion, was the fifth weightlifter to test positive at the Games, and the head of the International Weightlifting Federation said his group would consider imposing lifetime bans on first-time drug users.

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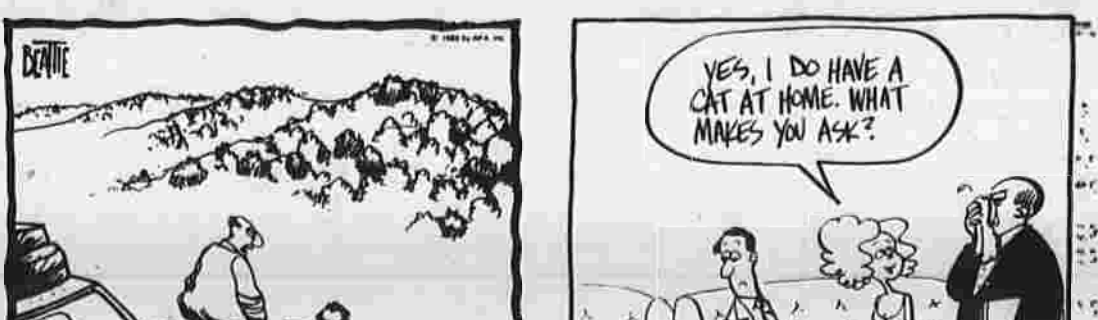
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By James Jacoby
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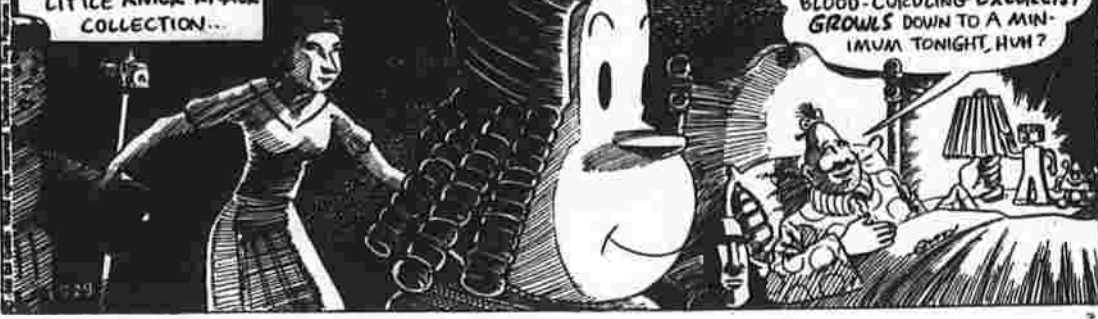
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Comedian cleans up act, roles

By Steven L. Herman
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LAS VEGAS, Nev. — Tamayo Otuski, a former topless dancer who became a stand-up comic with a raucous routine, is being seen more and more on network television since she cleaned up her act.

Otsuki, perhaps the only female Japanese comedian delivering punch lines in English, will appear on NBC's "The Comedy Store 1988 Year Class Reunion" on Oct. 13 and she was cast in "Elysian Fields," a CBS drama pilot that has yet to air.

The 29-year-old Osaka native takes the stage at the Dunes Hotel here clad in a purple-striped kimono, blue and gold obi sash and gold sandals. In soft, Japanese-accented English, she introduces herself and tells the audience that her name translates as "Pearl Harbor."

Like much of her humor, the facts are partly true. Her first name does mean "Pearl."

She then moves to the end of World War II and startles the audience by saying, "Thank you very much for that initial look here."

Otherwise, she says, there would have been no more Nissan and Sony and she probably never would have been born.

"I was really appreciative of it," she says, smiling at the audience. "But please don't do it again."

Later, backstage, Otsuki explains that she believes that the atomic bombs dropped on Hiroshima and Nagasaki saved many Japanese lives.

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TV Topics

ness and American lives by averting a bloody land invasion.

WHILE HER ROUTINE is mostly rid of the profanity that spiced her act at comedy clubs around Los Angeles, and later on the Playboy Channel, she has drawn occasional criticism that her material is racist, she she denies.

"I'm against this prejudice thing," she says, adding that she wants to teach Americans to laugh with Japanese people instead of at them.

Onstage, she recounts the tale of her "legendary" grandfather, the only surviving kamikaze pilot, "Chicken" Nakamura.

When the audience seems uncomfortable laughing at the war jokes, she defuses the situation by saying, "Some people are looking at me and thinking, 'We should have killed them all.'"

Otsuki, who now resides in Hollywood, says that she picked up her sense of humor from her mother, who she says was a comedian from star high school pupil to college dropout to bar singer to tour guide.

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where within three months she was in a Kentucky Fried Chicken commercial. Soon, however, she found herself wondering where her next meal would come from.

So the attractive 22-year-old woman took a job as a topless dancer in the Los Angeles suburb of Monterey Park.

A visit to the Comedy Store several years later persuaded her to change stages. "After three years of dancing naked, I wanted to move on to a better thing," she says.

She became obsessed with becoming a comedian but she was ill-prepared to make a living by delivering laughs.

"I didn't even know stand-up comedy existed," she says. "I didn't know what a punch line was." But she says she knew she loved to make people laugh.

OTSUKI BEGAN AT the bottom of the comedy profession, working for free at comedy clubs in the Los Angeles area, delivering a crude act which mostly consisted of "cussing for three minutes with my heavy, heavy accent. I was horrible."

At least, she recalls, Hugh Hefner liked it and had her deliver the routine on the Playboy Channel.

Over the years, Otsuki honed her act into a more sophisticated routine peppered with comments on such current topics as the trade friction between the United States and Japan.

Today, the cussing barrage is gone, but ethnic groups, including Asians, Jews and blacks, are targets of Otsuki's humor.

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TOWN OF BOLTON Board of Selectmen SANDRA W. PIEROG First Selectman

LEGAL NOTICE

A Public Meeting is planned October 6, 1988 beginning 7:00 p.m. in the Basement Coffee Room of the Town Hall, 41 Center Street in Bolton, Connecticut. The Local Emergency Planning Committee to receive comment on the final report of the Charter Revision Commission. Copies of the report are available from the Town Clerk of Bolton.

NOTICE OF REGISTRATION SESSION BOLTON, CONNECTICUT Notice is hereby given that the Registrars of Voters will hold a session for the purpose of completing the preliminary registry list pursuant to Sec. 9-35 of the C.G.S. on Tuesday, October 4, 1988 from 9am to 5pm in the Fire-Place Room of the Community Hall, 222 Bolton Center Road, Bolton, CT. Dated at Bolton, Conn. this 27th day of September, 1988. Ili J. Cannon and Priscilla M. Dooley Registrars of Voters

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In accordance with the provisions of Section 12a-107a of the Connecticut General Statutes, as prescribed in the Federal-Aid Highway Program Manual, Volume 7, Chapter 7, Section 5, dated December 30, 1974 from the Federal Highway Administration, the Connecticut Department of Transportation has requested from the Division Administrator of the Federal Highway Administration, design approval for the traffic safety improvements on Greenwood Drive in the Town of Manchester, State Project No. 76-157 Federal-Aid Project No. HES-717011.

This project consists of spot safety and geometric improvements on a 600-foot section of Greenwood Drive. The project begins at Lynch Drive and ends at Vernon Street. The proposal is being recommended for funding with Federal and local funds under the Off-System Local Road Hazard Elimination Program to improve traffic circulation and safety.

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Hardwood floors squeal for attention



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By the Editors of Better Homes and Gardens' Remodeling Ideas

Hardwood floors that squeal and groan are calling for attention. Usually the problems are simple ones that even a novice do-it-yourselfer can remedy, according to Better Homes and Gardens' Remodeling Ideas. Here's how to begin.

The first step is to locate the cause of the noise. Have a helper walk across the floor while you try to pinpoint the sound, then mark the area with chalk. Look for loose strips of flooring or wavy areas where the wood strips have warped or shrunk.

Quick repairs from above
If the noise is caused by floorboards that shift back and forth, you must stabilize them. Lubricate the crack at the end of the board with graphite, then fill it with wood putty.

Any warped or loose boards you find must be repositioned with ring-shank flooring nails. Drill angled (toward the center) pilot holes on both edges of the board, then drive nails into the joists or subfloor. Sink the nailheads below flooring level and fill the holes with mounded wood putty of a matching color. Sand the putty flush with the floor, then coat with varnish.

Repairs from down under
Squeaks, sags and loose and lifted flooring requires repairs from below. Again, have a helper walk across the floor as you pinpoint problems from underneath. Where the finish flooring has lifted from the subfloor, anchor each strip with 1- to 1½-inch panhead wood screws. First drill pilot holes through the subfloor into the finish flooring.

then put washers on the screws to prevent them from working too deeply into the hardwood flooring.

Joist movement is usually due to loose or insufficient bridging. To secure loose bridging, remove the old nails and drive in slightly larger ones. For more rigidity, add solid bridging to the joist structure. Cut lengths of 2 x 8, 2 x 10 or 2 x 12, depending on joist dimensions, to fit tightly in the space between joists. You'll need one solid bridge for every 6 inches of joist span. Force the new bridges into the space between joists and toenail in place at top and bottom on both ends.

Remedies for sagging joists
Floor areas that give when walked on indicate a sag space between the top of the joist and the subfloor. Small gaps can be filled by tapping a shim dipped in glue into the space between the subfloor and the joist. Larger gaps require bracing. Cut a pair of 2 x 4s to fit the length of the gap, then wedge them into position against the subfloor on both sides of the joist. Nail them to the joist along their entire length.

Extensive sags may mean that the floor joists are weak — a problem that will eventually affect the structural integrity of the second story and even the roof. The best remedy is to raise

the joists with the aid of a house jack, then add adjustable jack posts or Lally columns for extra support.

NOTE: Jacking techniques require patience and construction knowledge. An error in this process can result in considerable permanent damage, so if you suspect trouble, it's best to call in an expert who will guarantee the repairs.

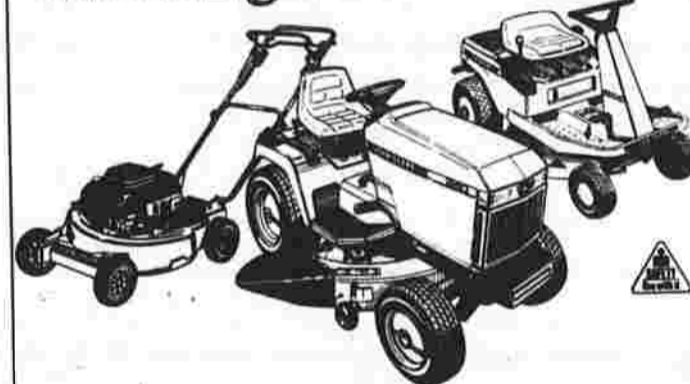
A dressing center off the bedroom

When your bedroom dressers overflow and your closets bulge, sometimes the best solution is to add new storage space to your house, says Better Homes and Gardens. This 7x26-foot walk-in closet, built onto the master suite, provides extra hanging, drawer and shelf space.

The built-in unit gives each category of clothing its own niche — for example, narrow slots hold socks sorted by color. Sweaters and handbags maintain high visibility for quick selection, escaping the rumpled existence of confinement in drawers. The highest shelves hold seldom-used items, such as the 35-millimeter slide library.

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Try creative, inexpensive ways to decorate

By Barbara Mayer
The Associated Press

The American Movers Association found that over 46 million people or 20 percent of the population changed their address last year.

Those contemplating a move or finding themselves in new quarters may well be facing the quandary of how to make a house a home in a short period of time and how to do that without spending a great deal of extra money.

Some interior designers were asked to offer suggestions to help Americans out of their difficulties and the group came up with some useful tips.

For example, Scottsdale, Arizona-based Elaine Ryan (who relocated from the New York area some years ago) advised relying on paint.

"Paint the entrance to your new home in the deepest tone of

Play it safe

NEW YORK (AP) — Homeowners often are not aware of property liabilities they are responsible for in the event of an accident.

Owners are required to take reasonable steps to protect children, even those who are trespassing, from dangers on their property. Failure to do so can result in costly problems.

the color you love best. This makes the new place your own in a special way," she said.

Another of Ryan's tips is to paint at least two walls and the ceiling of the living room in a strong color you like. Place the largest piece of furniture you have against one of the colored walls, thus creating an instant focal point.

Often the biggest disappointment with new quarters is that they contain some large decoration you simply can't abide. Maybe it's olive green wall-to-wall carpeting or a wallpaper you know you'll never be happy with.

While awaiting the time (and money) to change it, try camouflage first. If you hate the carpet or other flooring and the color doesn't go with what you have, cover the offending floor with small rugs in every size. Orientals and area rugs of any design are fine together. Put the largest rug in front of the sofa or under the dining table. Work from the largest out to the rest of the carpeted floors. But keep at least 10 inches of space between the different rugs.

Cover walls that are bad or the wrong color or merely anonymous with collections, pictures of every size and all types of frames. You can frame photos, memorabilia, children's art work, interesting fabric scraps. You can simply hang without framing plates, fiber pieces, antique advertising signs, architectural

elements. Begin your wall arrangements about six inches from the ceiling with the largest item in the center of the group, moving out and down as you go. If the room is small, it will be dramatized. If large, you will have warmed it up considerably. You will also have hidden most of the color or pattern you don't like.

Gain a fresh perspective in a new place by moving your furniture and accessories around so they are in a different room from the last place.

Bedroom chests, mirrors and bedside tables can go into the foyer or living room.

One quick way to give furniture a whole new look is to camouflage it. Cover a side table with fabric and use as a bedside table, suggests Peter O'Hayre, a showroom and home furnishings catalogue stylist.

If you look carefully in magazines and catalogues you'll find that bedroom furniture is rarely a matched set. The large case pieces may match but the bed is often distinctive. It may be brass, white metal, wicker, upholstered or painted. The bed tables may not match the rest of the furniture or each other. A fabric-skirted table adds to the softness that is appropriate in a bedroom. Furthermore, the skirted table is a good place to store boxes or extra pillows or blankets if you are short, on closet space.



Tommy Miyasaki/Better Homes and Gardens

BEDROOM DESIGN — Added storage will take the burden off bedroom dressers and closets. Utilize all closet space and then turn to drawers and shelf space to store your belongings.

Making allowances for 'handicapable'

By The Associated Press

If you're making do with a chair you can't get out of, a faucet you can't turn on or any number of home products that don't make allowances for an aging body, hang on.

American industry may be coming to the rescue in the foreseeable future, and 1988 may eventually be known as the year attitudes began to change towards physical disability.

Several recent examples indicate growing interest in harnessing technology to permit an active lifestyle, even for those with disabilities. Products such as sports equipment, wheelchairs, crutches and ingenious utensils were shown this year in a museum exhibition and a product catalog.

While the current beneficiaries of specialized products are those with disabilities, ultimately there can be substantial benefits for the nondisabled population, says Cara McCarthy, curator of "Designs for Independent Living," a recent exhibition at the Museum of Modern Art.

In the meantime, indications are that there is a growing acceptance of an active lifestyle for those with physical impairments.

The IBM Corp., for example, reports increasing use of a toll-free telephone number offering information on new technology for those with impairments.

IBM received more than 19,000 phone inquiries in 1987, after setting up the clearinghouse at the end of 1985, said Rita Black, a spokesman who added that an estimated 36 million Americans suffer some form of disability.

While the gradual aging of the American population may be one factor in what some authorities see as a greater acceptance of disabilities, another motive is that "businesses have become aware they are losing a tremendous resource by not accommodating themselves to people with disabilities," Black said.

ACCORDING TO Jordan Bienenstock, co-founder of Maneuverability, a Brooklyn-based retailer of "self-help" housewares, the number of special home products available for those with disabilities appears to be on the increase.

Some of the 90 or so products featured in the company's mail-order catalog include a voice activator which works off household current to turn on and off lamps and home entertainment components, easy-grasp cutlery and a variable-height sink.

Peter Axelson, a designer of wheelchairs and ski equipment, said that many new products and techniques make it possible for even a severely disabled person to live an active life.

A little over a decade ago when he wanted to renew an active life after an accident resulted in amputation of his limbs, he found he had to design the equipment he wanted.

"In the past 12 years there have

been substantial improvements: lightweight wheelchairs made mobility easier; health care techniques made us healthier; computers have enhanced the ability to work and sports equipment has made recreation possible. We are now at the point where the technologies are available, but we need rehabilitation services to assist people," he said.

"THE BIGGEST PROBLEM of many individuals who want to be more active is gaining access to information and training in the use of the new products and in finding the money to pay for them," added Axelson.

One indication that this issue is about to enter the mainstream is the recent exhibition mounted at the Museum of Modern Art, "Designs for Independent Living."

Instead of thinking of disabled individuals as people who must lead a sedentary life, the emphasis now is on designing environments to help them be as active and independent as possible.

Approximately 45 products for use in the home were shown including mobility equipment such as wheelchairs and walkers, communication aids, clothing and household items, including sculpted cane handles and eating utensils and gadgets for people with limited hand strength.

McCarthy said the exhibit was a natural outgrowth of the increase in aids for the disabled. "There has been a definite change since the early 1980s when products tended to be makeshift and unsuited to mass production."

TODAY, BY CONTRAST, professional industrial designers are getting involved in new-product development for this growing market segment, she said.

One of the most dramatic changes in thinking about disabilities is in the area of mobility, according to McCarthy. "Instead of thinking of the wheelchair as a seat, we think of it as a means of transportation."

The change began in the 1970s when the rules for wheelchair sports were modified to permit greater design latitude in the chairs. Using bicycle technology in some cases and spurred on by athletes who wanted a more competitive vehicle, designers were able to produce faster, lighterweight and more portable and maneuverable wheelchairs which in turn influenced the design of everyday wheelchairs, added the curator.

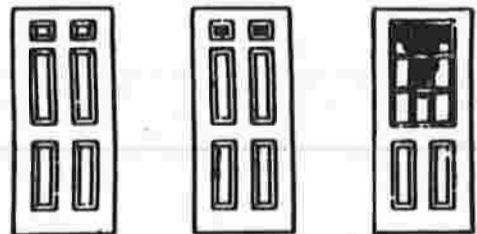
McCarthy sees it as a hopeful sign for everyone that designers are now studying human needs before they formulate product prototypes.

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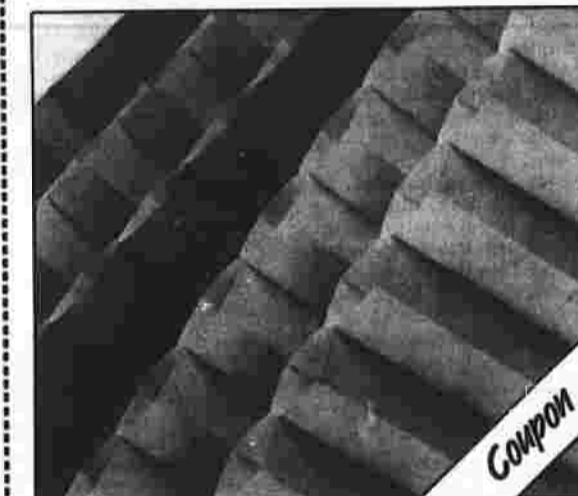
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Replacement window business booming

By Rose Bennett Gilbert

With dozens of stock sizes and shapes to offer, plus custom-made shapes to fit the eccentric spaces, the replacement-window industry is booming. In part, this is because so many older homes have windows that are inefficient or inoperable ... and in part because new windows offer new opportunities for good looks and easy living at much less cost than a major remodeling.

New windows will provide an almost instant facelift for any home, even when you're replacing the same style in the same space. And while glassmaking may be one of the world's oldest industries, today's glass is different: It's educated. It can distinguish between the nice, bright light waves you want in your home, and those you don't—like the ultraviolet rays that overwork your air conditioner and fade your curtains and upholstery.

Glass that works for you
New coatings developed for today's "intelligent" windows turn away outside heat rays in the summer; come winter, they'll turn the warmth back into your rooms. The idea works for air conditioning as well, with the coated glass holding in the cooled air. On double-glazed windows, such coatings can be as efficient as triple glazing when it comes to cutting energy loss, according to major manufacturer PPG Industries, Inc. PPG's Sunclear coated glass, used by many American window-makers, has a barely visible coating that eliminates drafts and stays warm to the touch, allowing for oversized windows and large glass walls we've come to admire ... all without cutting down on the light itself.

The window industry calls this new coated product "Low E" glass. "E" stands for "emissivity" (how much heat the glass emits), and the lower the rating, the more energy-efficient your new window will be. AFG calls their Comfort E glass "the transparent insulation" because



GROWING PANES — Homeowners no longer have to put up with drafty windows that consume their heating and cooling dollars. Replacement windows and sliding glass doors can be custom made and installed in a matter of weeks.

while it looks like normal glass, it has the thermal properties of a 10-inch thick brick wall. In winter, compared with old, single-pane windows, double-pane windows made with Comfort E glass can reduce heat loss 66 percent by retaining interior furnace heat. They also capture more solar energy from the winter sun.

"Low E" glass, created by applying reflective film to or suspending it between panes of insulated glass, has been on the market for less than five years. Energy-wise, it's a great leap forward, well worth the extra 10 to 15 percent it may cost initially.

You may be more familiar with another glass to look for when you're window shopping: "insulated" glass. This is two panes of glass with air space trapped in between. The air provides invisible but highly effective insulation, so the more there is of it, the better. The norm is 1/2- to 3/4-inch air space, but you may find more. Pella Windows' glazing system traps nearly an inch of air between the exterior pane and the inside glass, which is removable

for easy cleaning. Marvin Windows has taken the coated glass process a step further, replacing the air in the insulating glass unit with Argon gas (a colorless, odorless gas found in the atmosphere), which provides lower heat conductance than air. It allows light to pass through to brighten interiors, but reduces glare and lowers lighting costs in addition to filtering out ultraviolet rays.

But today, there's been a laudable amount of "intermarriage" among the three, with homeowners reaping the benefits. All-wood windows may have plastic snap-in pane dividers; wood and metal windows come vinyl-clad on the exterior so they never need refinishing; and vinyl windows can be designed to look so much like wood that they'd fool a termite (though it would never bite, one of the many attractions of non-wood units).

What to consider
Ultimately, your choice will boil down to two major criteria: placement and style. Where is the window going? What will it do there? Must it open and close? Would a vented, non-operable unit serve the purpose? Do you want the more expensive true divided "lights," or would snap-out grills serve the purpose?

If your goal is to enhance the style and design of your home, remember that standard double-hung windows are only the beginning; today's many window options may surprise you. You'll find bay windows, bow windows, casements that crank open, hopper windows hinged at the bottom, awning windows hinged at the top, windows that slide and

windows that don't open at all. In addition, you can choose quarter, half and full circles for special spaces, triangles and oval tops and "eyebrows." You also have the opportunity to fit special spaces and create dramatic architectural effects.

Most lumberyards and home centers offer a number of stock sizes and shapes. For more elaborate choices, check with a window specialist. Not only can he show you virtually everything in a manufacturer's line, (Marvin Windows, for instance, offers 5,000 standard shapes and sizes including round tops, circles and elliptical transom windows for patios and terraces), he can also expedite orders for custom-made windows. Andersen Windows will make up and ship any non-curved, fixed window in four weeks' time. And a spokesman for Pella Windows swears it takes less than eight weeks for the "Old World elves we keep in our workshops" to handcraft any window shape you can come up with.

In short, where there's a wall there's a way to open it up to fresh air, light and sunshine.

Focus on stairs

The most visible portion of any stairway is its risers, that is, the vertical members between the treads. To achieve a quick and dramatic decorative effect, cover each riser with a wallcovering border trimmed to fit the riser height.

—Home Mechanix

Trees coming indoors

Twig furniture finding a place inside the house

By Barbara Mayer
The Associated Press

It's a topsy turvy world: trees used to be outside the house and furniture inside. Nowadays, rustic furniture incorporating bark and branches is bringing the tree indoors.

The Adirondack cabin look has been appropriated by Ralph Lauren as one of his theme home furnishings collections. Twig furniture has appeared on the covers of Metropolitan Home and Better Homes & Gardens.

The so-called Adirondack chair is being made by at least half a dozen American companies and cloned in offshore furniture factories in Eastern Europe, Taiwan and Korea, explained a furniture buyer.

The Adirondack chair has been one of the biggest recent furniture success stories. It has been selling to the masses for \$150 or so in an assemble-yourself version — painted teal this year — at Conran's.

Walk into almost any furniture store that caters to a young crowd and you're likely to see on display the familiar outdoor chair made of wooden slats along with other examples of rustic furniture.

RUSTIC FURNITURE is used to provide atmosphere in hotels and restaurants, too, says Bob Welsh who manufactures chairs, tables and cabinetry made of hickory — bark and all.

"We don't expect to sell, nor would we want to see, a whole

house full of rustic furniture," said Joyce Haley, a Conran's furniture buyer. "But at this point it's become a perennial." She says rustic furniture is popular now because it reflects a "casual, back-to-earth sensibility."

According to Craig Gilborn, author of "Adirondack Furniture and the Rustic Tradition" (Abrams), rustic furniture and architecture are enjoying new cachet all across the country. "In the Adirondacks alone, there are at least 20 craftsmen turning out twig and other types of rustic furniture," he added.

Gilborn, director of the Adirondack Museum in Blue Mountain Lake, N.Y., says the heyday for rustic furniture made in the Adirondacks was between about 1875 and 1925 when families of great wealth occupied luxurious, rustic Adirondack lodges.

THE RICH FAMILIES appropriated the traditional furniture and architectural decor made of trees, twigs, burls and roots and other materials such as rawhide, canvas and raffia and made it fashionable for a brief time.

But though the wealthy went on to something else after the late 1920s, the style itself never completely died out, added Gilborn.

During the Depression in the 1930s, rustic shelters, fencing bridges and benches were installed in a number of national and state parks and along highways, he said, often as part of the New Deal's efforts to get men

back to work.

According to Gilborn, who spent 12 years researching the style and its history with special emphasis on its development in New York State's Adirondack region, virtually every part of the tree was used for furniture — twigs, branches, trunk, burls and roots. At its simplest, the furniture is simple branches — bark and all — wedged or tied together and augmented with whatever other materials are handy to make utilitarian tables and chairs.

AT FIRST, THE author, whose field of study is more orthodox historic American furniture and decorative arts, the subject matter was merely a diversion. It became a serious project as he went on locating and visiting remote lodges furnished with unique pieces of furniture.

"One of things I feel best about is finding the early makers and rescuing their names from oblivion," he said.

Gilborn found that not all the rustic furniture in the area had been made in the Adirondacks. Much of it was transported to the area from Indiana.

A prolific supplier was Old Hickory Furniture Co. of Martinsville, Ind., a company making furniture from 1900 to 1945.

Recently that firm was reconstituted by Welsh, who bought the company name and furniture designs and moved it to Shelby-

ville, Ind., where he now manufactures about 40 designs, all made of hickory. The pieces are distributed through interior designers.

The furniture must be ordered and paid for ahead of time and

picked up in Putnamville. A free catalogue of the furniture, which includes porch swings, rocking chairs, tables and beds, is available from The Department of Correction, Room 803, State Office Building, Indianapolis, Ind. 46204.

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To meet the new emission standards, many stoves are being equipped with catalytic combustors, which recycle and reburn this smoke. This has added from \$100 to \$250 to the cost of wood stoves, but as a payback, catalytic combustors boost heat output as much as 20 percent. Most wood stoves today already carry an EPA certification tag that gives prospective buyers the emission level and the efficiency range of the stove.

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Nostalgic baths emphasize the coziness of yesteryear

By the Editors of Better Homes and Gardens' Remodeling Ideas

It was the age of steam, and bathrooms were built accordingly. The tubs were big (a good idea that spa tubs have given a new twist to), the faucets were generous with hot water, and neither the mirrors nor the tile walls were the worse for the dripping condensation. In fact, there wasn't anything in the room (except your towel draped over the radiator) that was any the worse for the humidity. Do you remember those baths? Perhaps you had one in your first apartment, or maybe you once stayed in one of the grand old railroad hotels.

They were straightforward rooms, comfort stations more likely found in Cleveland than Carmel. Everything was solid and covered in chrome or porcelain. They were generous but also unabashedly utilitarian. The fittings leaned toward the hard-headed and the sensible, and they had a simplicity that suited the hand and promised easy maintenance.

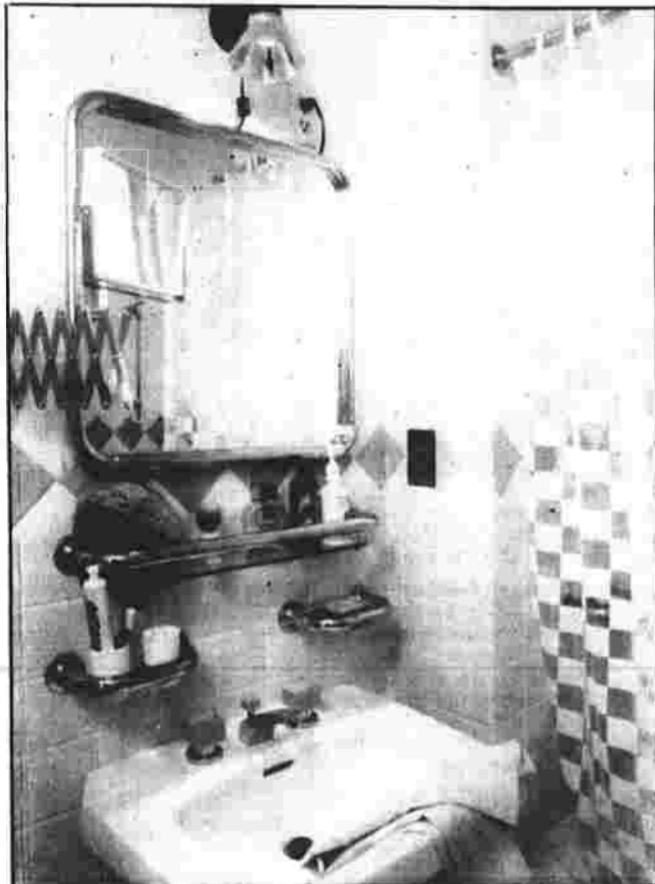
Today, according to Better Homes and Gardens' Redecorating Ideas, their style seems an appealing antidote to baths that have gone too far in the direction of miniature tropical rain forests, with their water-stained wood countertops, wide-open greenhouse views and potted plants rampant.

A far cry from those long, sleek bathrooms that are more suggestive of airline check-in counters than heart- and body-warming retreats, these nostalgic baths emphasize coziness. They're designed for one person at a time (the line forms outside). That makes them appealing to the limited-space remodeler. Even the mirror is a reasonable size—it stays off the ceiling and sidewalls so that the occupant is not multiplied into an unwanted crowd.

If this is the kind of bath you're after be forewarned: Floor-to-ceiling tile and sturdy fixtures are not the budget approach to bath remodeling. But if you'd rather not remodel for another 40 years, they're a sensible long-term choice.

Perhaps you're lucky and already have the raw materials for such a bath. If your bath is tiled but is suffering from rot around the bathtub faucets, you might consider rebuilding the bathtub-faucet wall and regrouting the rest of the tile where needed.

If you have tile but wish you could change the color, two-part epoxy paint is an option. You'll need to mask the tiles that don't need painting, then thoroughly clean and lightly sand the remaining tiles before painting. Apply the epoxy paint with a soft brush and let dry for two days. It's difficult not to leave brush marks, and you'll be forced to paint over grout lines, but the new color may still be an improvement.



Courtesy of Better Homes and Gardens' Remodeling Ideas

A COZY BATH — Like the fittings of a Pullman car, these chrome-plated bath accessories bespeak immediate luxury and long-term wear. Best of all, they are styled to give a new look to the genre.

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Furniture and ranges created for children

By Barbara Mover
The Associated Press

Every parent knows that sometimes the box a toy came in is more interesting to a child than the toy itself.

Every primary-school teacher knows children often benefit from withdrawing to a quiet spot away from the hurly-burly of group play.

Everyone who has observed children closely says they are often most creative when playing with a few amorphous objects.

Sandra Edwards, an early childhood educator, put these homely observations together and came up with the thought that the real needs of children often are not met by the products made for their use.

Then she did something about her observation by founding Childesign, a New York-based clearing-house for research about how children learn and products that help them explore the world creatively.

Edwards' group recently mounted an exhibition at the International Design Center in New York of products from Scandinavia which she says do just this. Included in the exhibit are toys, eating utensils, furniture, fabric and car seats designed specifically for children. The exhibit is expected to tour the United States for two years although specific locations beyond have not been established, she said.

A research tour of Denmark, Finland and Norway introduced her to the products on display. She also saw in these

countries that the needs of children are considered in the design of homes.

Innovations she says American parents would find useful include appliances such as ranges and ovens with child-lock options and kitchen cabinetry with built-in stepstools.

Products such as these create a safe environment in which it's possible to encourage a sense of adventure.

The decorative details found on many American products made for children are inhibiting in their single-minded reliance on childish cartoons and realistic pictorials, she says. Instead of coy animals and bright primary colors, she would like to see a neutral space that would allow kids to be the designers.

"Our cultural stereotypes don't necessarily correspond to kids' needs. You give a child a toy and quite often he or she will play with the box. Children need objects they can manipulate," she added.

Her years of nursery school teaching and administration also taught her "children need unfinished space that they can act upon."

In fact, it was her experiences in early-childhood education that led to her current crusade. After working at a child-care center at Yale University in New Haven she founded the Parent-Child Center in Westport.

While at Yale, in response to children whose behavior was disruptive for the group, she made a "soft room" out of some wood two-by-fours and fabric.

Calculating heating needs is a complicated process

Contractors use precise calculations to determine increased needs for heating called for by a remodeling project. It's possible, however, to come up with a ballpark figure in the planning stages by following these directions from Better Homes and Gardens' Remodeling Ideas.

HEATING VARIABLES —

First, you need to determine heating needs. Multiply the area's length times its width times its height to get the volume in cubic feet. Then multiply the volume by one of these factors:

- 6.5 if the house has no insulation;
- 6.0 if only the ceilings and roof have been insulated;
- 5.5 for a completely insulated

house:

- 5.1 if all of the house is insulated and it has storm doors and double-glazed or better windows.

Next, you need to determine whether your present system can heat the remodeled space. To do this, you need numbers for the rated output of your heating unit, its age and heating needs for the

whole house. The identification plate on the boiler or furnace should list the output. Subtract 1/2 percent of output for each year of service.

HEATING A CONVERTED GARAGE — Here's how you'd use the formula above to determine the heating needs for a garage converted to living space.

Let's say the garage measures 21x24x8 feet, which yields 4,032 cubic feet of finished space. Multiply the volume by 5.1 if you plan on insulation in walls and ceilings, and double-glazed windows. The space will need 20,564 Btus per hour of heat. That heating need is much smaller than the lowest-output furnace sold (40,000 Btus per hour).



Courtesy of Better Homes and Gardens

OPEN UP A CLOSET — Children find it all too easy to hide clutter behind closet doors in their bedrooms. Open up a child's closet to provide easier access to clothing and a place to display awards and collectibles. The open shelves also serve as an incentive to put things neatly in their place. Achieve this by removing the sliding closet doors and knocking out the walls that enclose the closet. Then patch the damaged drywall, install track lights and erect a plastic-coated wire shelving system, all for about \$200.

Purchasing a carpet

Buying a carpet is a matter of determining your needs and then getting the best value for your money. Here are some points to remember:

- Take a realistic look at the function of the room to be carpeted.
- Estimate the approximate square yardage by multiplying the length and the width of the room in feet, then divide that by nine.
- Go to a reputable dealer who is willing to discuss carpet fibers and their characteristics.
- Check to be sure that the are recognizable brand names on the backs of the carpet samples.
- Compare samples of fabrics and paint chips with the carpet. Check them in natural and artificial light.
- Ask to see written warranties for the carpets that you are considering. Remember, warranties differ.
- When considering a wool carpet, be sure to look for the "Woolmark" label, which is an

assurance that the carpet meets the specifications of the International Wool Secretariat.

■ Good-quality cushion or padding is very important to the life and performance of the carpet. You have three choices: felt, cellular rubber and urethane foam. Make sure the padding meets the requirements of the Carpet Cushion Council.

■ Ask if the quoted price is the regular retail price, even if advertising implies it's a sale price. If it's a retail price, ask when it will go on sale. Also ask whether the price includes padding and installation.

■ Get a sample of the carpet you order and keep it with the paperwork. Check the carpet when it arrives to be sure it is what you ordered.

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Concentrate on the master bedroom first

By Barbara Mayer
The Associated Press

Decorating times have certainly changed.

Instead of going all out on the living room, the public is now told to concentrate on the master bedroom before anything else. "I advise doing the adult bedroom first because our attitudes toward the rest of the world emanate from this room which is a security blanket," said Elaine Ryan, an interior designer from Scottsdale, Ariz. Ryan says all adults benefit from what she calls a sensuous bedroom—a private retreat in which they can relax and take off the mask they show the world.

The bed should be the focal point, according to Ryan who offered some suggestions for achieving this goal. She often places it on a four-inch-high carpeted platform or by lowering the ceiling in actuality or through the use of fabric. Another idea is to choose an "important" bed such as one with a canopy and curtains and then distinguishing

it with soft fabric hangings.

Another idea is to choose a bed made of a different material from the rest of the furniture. Brass or white metal, wicker, upholstered headboards and beds with a painted design are some examples, suggested by Patrick O'Hayre, a New Yorker who designs studio settings for showrooms and mail order catalogues.

Making the bed the focal point of a room doesn't have to cost a lot of money, says Mary Meehan, a decorator in New York. She created a half-canopy over her own bed in a country home at minimal cost. "I can't sew so I stapled fabric to a half-moon plywood form attached to the ceiling."

To duplicate the effect, she said, have a lumber yard cut a half circle of plywood. The diameter of the half circle should be about half the width of a larger bed and a little more than half the width of a single bed, she added. Using brackets and angle irons, attach this form to the ceiling above the headboard. Hang a back curtain behind the bed and

staple two fabric panels (sheeting is ideal) to the half circle. As you staple, pinch-pleat by hand and allow the extra fabric to hang down like a window curtain. The two panels should meet in the center so they can be tied back like curtains to meet the drape behind the bed. Glue on fabric trim to hide the hardware and staples. "It looks great when it's all put together. But never, never let an upholsterer into the room," she advised.

A simpler way to make your bed the center of attention is to employ lots of pillows in different shapes and sizes with the largest nearest the headboard, said O'Hayre. He added that you can enhance the visual appeal of the bed by borrowing a few tricks from the photo stylist's bag. Since you won't be sleeping on most of the pillows, but will be using them for decoration, stuff tissue paper in the backs to fluff them up. A triangular wedge shaped bolster of foam at the back will make the pillows in front support them so they are standing up as they do in the photos. Put your sleeping

pillows in the closet.

A skirted bedside table is a good place to hide them if you are short on closet space.

O'Hayre and Ryan both advised substituting a soft comforter for a bedspread for a more casual and softer look. O'Hayre's tips: tuck in sheets and blankets only if they hang below the comforter. Shake out the comforter a few times before tossing it on the bed. He prefers an askew look with a turned down top corner on one side.

Ryan includes a relaxation area where a couple can have a snack or a meal and talk or listen to music in the bedrooms she decorates. If the room is tiny, she arranges the furniture on the diagonal, a trick that works well to gain more floor space and create a sense of visual enlargement.

Depending on available spaces and client's preferences, the relaxation area may include a sofa, settee or two easy chairs as well as a coffee table high enough to use for meals. Good lighting and soft surfaces also contribute

to a pleasant ambience.

Don't choose a scratchy or "hard" fabric such as raw linen, polished chintz or leather. Instead, opt for visually sensual fabrics such as shimmery silk-like synthetics and soft cottons. Any fabric chosen should be soft to the touch. Pastel colors—often known as ice cream or sherbet colors—and deep jewel tones are both terrific. Some colors which she says have wide appeal include mauve, peach, apricot, pale blue, strawberry and hot pink.

White or cream goes well with colors and floral prints are appealing because of their associations with fragrance.

Avoid bland beige, she advises. Two design choices to avoid are brown and hard-edge geometric prints. "I don't know why but brown and geometric prints just aren't sensuous—nice but not sensuous," she said.

She regards carpeting as essential and says fabric on the walls is preferable to paper because it is softer to the eye and touch.

Terms builders use

Better Homes and Gardens' Home Plan Ideas defines some of the terms builders use to help you communicate with the contractor and designers working on your remodeling project:

COLLAR BEAM — Usually made from 1 x 6s, the collar beam is a horizontal structural member that ties the rafters together. Collar beams are usually found on every second or third pair of angled rafters.

RAFTER — A structural member found in pitched roofs, rafters support the roofing plus the weight of any snow loads. The lower end of each rafter is cut so it can rest on the sidewall.

FASCIA BOARD — These horizontal trim boards are attached to the outside ends of rafters. They box in the eaves area of the house.

JOISTS — These horizontal framing members support floors and ceilings.

SOLID BRIDGING — This wood member is cut to fit between the floor joists. It stiffens the joists and keeps them from

twisting. Inadequate bridging can cause floor squeaks.

DIAGONAL BRIDGING — Just like solid bridging, diagonal bridging adds rigidity to the floor joists. Wood or metal bracing runs from joist to joist in a crisscross pattern.

HEADER — Consisting of heavier framing, usually 2x4s doubled and laid on edge, the header sits on the top of a window, door or other opening. It provides added support to replace the missing studs.

TOP PLATE — This wall structural member is the topmost element in a stud-fram wall. The size of lumber used in the top plate and the sole plate affects the width of the wall.

SOLE PLATE — The opposite of the top plate, the sole plate is the bottommost horizontal member of a stud partition. When a plate rests on a foundation, it's called a sill plate.

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Get more out of contract with contractor

The lion's share of dollars spent on new homes and remodeling passes through the hands of general contractors. Assure your satisfaction and a job well done by insisting on a fair contract. Here are a few key points Better Homes and Gardens suggests you consider before signing on the dotted line.

WAIVER OF LIEN — Even if you've paid the contractor in full, you can be held liable if subcontractors or materials suppliers aren't paid. Always ask your contractor to provide signed lien waivers from the subcontractors and suppliers before work begins, or arrange to make checks payable to the builder's vendors so you're sure the money gets through.

SCHEDULE OF PAYMENT — Larger projects usually require a percentage to be paid to the contractor in advance and partial

payments to be made after each major stage of work is completed. Try to limit the advance payment to 15 percent or less and hold a small percentage of the last installment for 30 days past completion of that job. This ensures prompt service on calls.

OPTIONS — Make sure that all building materials are listed by brand and grade, and that all fixtures are specified by brand and model number. These items

should be indexed by number; protecting you against unauthorized substitutions.

INSURANCE AND WARRANTIES — Your contractor should carry liability insurance on workers and on your property. The contractor should also be bonded against damage to adjacent properties and public utilities. Your contract should clearly state these coverages and further release you from legal liability in these cases.

COMPLETION BONDS — Your builder may agree to a completion bond that pays you a living allowance for each day the job runs over schedule. You need to know, however, that this bond will exclude circumstances beyond the builder's control, and that the bond's cost may be passed on to you. Even without a bond, you should insist on a firm completion date.

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Hanging it up the right way

Where there's a wall, there's a place to hang just about anything you can think of. The only things you need to know are which device to use for your kind of wall, and how much the item you're hanging weighs. If possible, try to locate the wall studs (wood supports placed at 16-inch intervals behind the walls): Tap along the wall until you hear a solid sound, then hammer nails or screws through the plaster until you hit the wood. (To avoid cracking the plaster, place a small piece of masking tape over the spot you intend to drive the nail into.) If you want to hang items on areas between wall studs, you may need one of the following:

MOLLY BOLTS — These are your best bet for hanging heavy objects on walls or ceilings. Molly bolts have two parts: a bolt that fits inside a split-sleeve shield. Drill a hole the size of the bolt, then hammer the sleeve part into the hole. Insert the bolt and

tighten. (As you turn it, the sleeve fits snugly against the wall.) Unscrew and remove the bolt, place the object you want to hang against the shield, then reinsert the bolt.

TOGGLE BOLTS — Intended for very heavy objects, toggle bolts have wings that flare out on the inside of the wall after they're inserted. Drill a hole that's large enough to accommodate the toggle with its wings compressed. Remove the bolt and put it through the items you want to hang. Then push the folded wings through the hole and screw the bolt until it's tight.

SHIELDS AND ANCHORS — These are hollow tubes made out of nylon or lead, threaded through the middle. They go into holes drilled in solid walls to give screws something substantial to grip. Consult a local home center or hardware store to find out which type and size anchor is right for the screws you're using.

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