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BANK ROBBED OF \$40,000



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SOLITARY SKATER — Scott Gentilcore, of 155 Grissom St., enjoys some solitary hockey at Center Springs Park Friday. Gentilcore, a freshman at Franklin Pierce College in New Hampshire, is home for the holidays.

Second incident on Spencer St.

The second bank robbery in two months occurred on Spencer Street Friday afternoon when an armed man robbed a branch of Manchester State Bank of about \$40,000.

The gunman, wearing a dark blue mask, according to initial police radio reports, reportedly brandished a small, black handgun. He robbed the bank at 185 Spencer St. shortly after 1:30.

Nathan Agostinelli, president of the bank, confirmed late Friday that the robber made off with about \$40,000. Agostinelli said he was confident the robber was filmed by the bank's camera.

The film was being developed Friday night, he said.

Initial police radio reports described the robber as a white man, possibly a teen-ager, with dark hair.

Reports also described the robber as approximately 5 feet 10 inches tall and weighing 165 pounds. He was initially reported over the police radio to be wearing a gray wool jacket, denim pants, and white sneakers.

Friday night police would not give a description of the suspect. They would confirm only that the suspect is a white male, who was carrying a gun and left the scene on foot.

Richard Lauzier, vice president and security officer at the bank, said the gunman "came in, jumped over the counter, demanded the money, jumped over the counter and left."

The alarm was set off as the robber left, he said. Agostinelli praised the actions of the three bank tellers working at the time of the robbery.

"I am feeling very fortunate no one was injured and our people did just an outstanding job of just complying with procedure," Agostinelli said. "The three young ladies just kept their cool and I commended them for it."

Agostinelli also said the bank is fully insured and customers need not worry about their accounts.

Initial radio reports said the robber ran out of the bank and into the K mart shopping plaza parking lot after the heist. Reports also said he had dropped his mask along the way.

Five employees were in the bank at the time of the robbery, Lauzier said. He said he wasn't sure how many customers were there.

Two more police cruisers searched the parking lot and woods behind the shopping plaza, radio reports indicated.

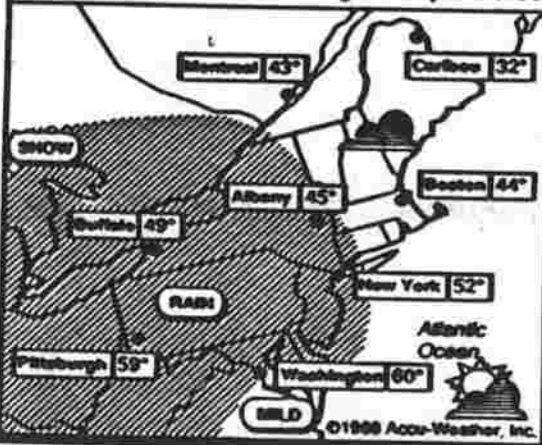
Police radio reports indicated the robber was seen running towards the rear of Edwards Food

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Connecticut Weather

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British viewed plane threat as confidential information

By The Associated Press

The British government issued no public warnings about a threat made against Pan Am flights because the information was considered confidential, an official said Friday.

The Department of Transport said British airports also were not told about the information passed on by U.S. authorities. The threat mentioned a Pan Am flight from Frankfurt, West Germany, and did not specifically mention Britain.

A New York-bound Pan American World Airways jumbo jet that took off from London's Heathrow Airport broke up at 31,000 feet Wednesday night, killing all 258 people aboard and bombarding the Scottish countryside with flaming wreckage over a 10-mile radius. An undetermined number of people on the ground also were killed.

The flight originated in Frankfurt with a Boeing 727 and passengers and luggage were transferred to the Boeing 747 at Heathrow.

Mick Charles of the department's Air Accident Investigation Branch, who is heading a team of 40 U.S. and British investigators at the crash site, said: "We have no evidence whatsoever yet of sabotage."

Speaking about the warning, Transport Minister Michael Portillo said in a British Broadcasting Corp. television interview that the warning was not made public because "this was confidential, classified, U.S. intelligence information and we didn't have the right to divulge it."

The opposition Labor Party's transport spokesman, John Prescott, said the government's failure to publicize the threat ended in "the poor, ignorant traveling public taking greater risk."

An Air India jumbo jet bound for New York with 250 people aboard returned to London on Friday after a bomb threat, and a Heathrow Airport terminal was evacuated after officials spotted an unattended suitcase.

Nothing suspicious was immediately found on the plane, the airline said.

The incidents came hours after a British Airways Tristar, which was forced to make a 10-hour unscheduled stop in Rome because of a bomb threat, arrived at Heathrow Airport, the airline said.

At Heathrow, large crowds of Christmas holiday travelers waited for their flights Friday apparently undeterred by the crash of the jumbo jet.

There was no indication of any increase in security, which is considered to be on a continuous high level, and there appeared to be no new security checks.



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LOCK IT UP — An unidentified employee locks the door of the Spencer Street branch of Manchester State Bank

after it was robbed of about \$40,000 Friday afternoon.

Robbery

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Warehouse in the plaza. Town police called state police for a search dog after turning up empty-handed, according to radio reports.

On Friday afternoon, Nov. 4, a masked man armed with a handgun made off with an undetermined amount of cash during a holdup of the Spencer Street branch of the Savings Bank of Manchester. That bank, located at 244 Spencer St. in a shopping plaza that includes a Shop-Rite Supermarket, is across the street from the Manchester State Bank.

No arrest has been made in the Savings Bank of Manchester holdup. Police would not comment Friday night on whether they were investigating any connection between the two holdups.

Agostinelli said he was aware that there were similarities between the two holdups.

Herald reporters Nancy Concelman, Maureen Leavitt and Andrew J. Davis contributed to this report.

Sleet, snow, rain create havoc for drivers

By Maureen Leavitt
Manchester Herald

Dozens of motorists in the greater Manchester area slid off roads and sometimes into each other after sleet, snow and freezing rain fell Friday.

Manchester residents had a slippery start to their holiday weekend when the snow, sleet and freezing rain began falling around noon Friday. Driving conditions on Manchester secondary roads were hazardous as temperatures hovered around the freezing mark in downtown Manchester into the early evening hours, officials said.

A string of weather-related accidents occurred in Manchester throughout the afternoon and early evening, police and fire officials said.

Peter Beckwith, deputy chief of the Town of Manchester Fire Department, reported a one-car accident at the 600 block of Lydall Street around 2 p.m. Friday.

Beckwith said a car being driven by a female slipped off the road and broadsided a utility pole. She suffered head and leg injuries, Beckwith said. He said her name was not immediately available.

Vernon ambulance service was on stand-by because several Manchester ambulances were tied up during the time of the Lydall Street accident. Beckwith said Manchester was able to produce an ambulance "fairly quickly" and there was no long delay.

"We've been busy," Beckwith said. At one point Friday afternoon, while he was at Manchester Memorial Hospital, Beckwith said he saw four ambulances in the emergency section and another was coming in.

Another car apparently rolled over in front of the Lowe Program Center of Manchester Community College Friday afternoon, Beckwith said. The driver, a female, failed to negotiate a turn, slipped and the car rolled over. Her name was not available.

Beckwith also reported two accidents on Camp Meeting Road near the Bolton line Friday afternoon.

Outlying roads in Manchester and roads with higher elevations like Lydall Street were still slick because of lower temperatures Friday night, Beckwith said.

Bolton and Coventry police reported some minor weather-related accidents Friday afternoon because of slush buildup on secondary roads.

A spokeswoman for the Manchester highway department said some crews who were sanding roads all afternoon were called back Friday evening to tackle some isolated slippery spots reported by local police.

No one was available for comment Friday night at highway departments in Andover, Bolton and Coventry.

Bradley International Airport in Windsor Locks received about a half-inch of frozen precipitation Friday and by nightfall skies were clear.

Walt Waterman, a spokesman for airport operations, said the airport was experiencing some icing by early evening but that crews were working to de-ice runways. He said that was causing minor delays in departures and arrivals.

The state Department of Transportation said Friday that state highways were wet but were being sanded by the state's entire force of sanding trucks. Dick Poole, operations superintendent for DOT, said the full crew was called out because holiday traffic was expected to be heavy.

"Crews will be out until the threat of inclement weather is out," Poole said.

Weather reports are calling for rain this afternoon, highs in the 40s, with rain tonight accompanied by gusty winds. Temperatures are expected to be 35 to 40 degrees. Christmas day is forecast to be partly sunny, windy and mild, with highs of from 45 to 50 degrees.

Higher age on drinking cuts fatalities

CHICAGO (AP) — Tougher penalties for drunken driving have no effect on fatal auto accidents among 19- and 20-year-olds, but raising the drinking age to 21 leads to a dramatic reduction in deaths, a study suggests.

The fatality rate in single-vehicle, nighttime crashes involving drivers 19 and 20 years old declined 38 percent in the 28 months after Tennessee raised its drinking age from 19 to 21, said Dr. Michael Decker of the Vanderbilt University School of Medicine.

Tougher penalties for drunken driving, imposed by Tennessee in 1982, did not change the nighttime fatality rate among 19 and 20 year olds, said Decker, whose study appears in today's Journal of the American Medical Association.

"The threat of penalty in and of itself is not enough to solve the problem (of drunken driving)," he said. "The true risk of being apprehended is so small that however Draconian the penalties are, it's not worth worrying about getting caught."

In another JAMA report today, two studies found that requiring the use of seat belts significantly reduced injuries and deaths and that accident victims who do not wear the seat belts pay nearly triple the health care bills of those who do.

Those studies examined accidents in North Carolina from 1981 to 1983 and accident victims taken to the trauma units of four Chicago-area hospitals.

The Tennessee study examined statistics on drivers ages 15 to 24 in 1980 through 1986, said Decker, an assistant professor of preventive medicine.

Tennessee's drinking age was 21 until 1971, when it was reduced to 18. The limit was raised to 19 in 1979 and 21 on Aug. 1, 1984.



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READY FOR TOW — Town of Manchester Fire Department Chief John C. Rivosa watches his car being towed after a two-car accident involving four employees of the fire department Friday afternoon near exit 62 on Interstate 84.

Town fire chief in head-on collision

By Andrew J. Davis
Maureen Leavitt
Manchester Herald

Town Fire Chief John C. Rivosa was one of five people involved in a head-on automobile collision Friday near the Exit 62 ramp off Interstate 84, said Gary Albert, deputy chief of the Eighth Utilities District Fire Department.

A Chevrolet Beretta, driven by Nicholas Depasquale, 21, of South Windsor, was traveling off the exit ramp of Exit 62 when the car slid, crossed over a grassy area and struck a Town of Manchester Fire Department car driven by Rivosa, said State Trooper William Freeman. Rivosa was approaching I-84.

Freeman said Depasquale was given a citation for driving too fast for

conditions.

The trooper said the weather had "a great deal to do with it (the accident). But of course, the operator is required to maintain control of the vehicle at all times."

At the scene of the accident, a dazed Rivosa said, "He hit me."

Town Deputy Fire Chief Rudy Kissmann took Rivosa to the hospital after talking with state police and Eighth Utilities District officials. Kissmann said Capt. Jack Hughes, also of the town of Manchester Fire Department, and two department secretaries, Lynn Accarpio, and Jean Warren, were in the car driven by Rivosa.

All four were treated and released from Manchester Memorial Hospital early Friday night, said Margaret

Farley, night nursing supervisor at the hospital.

Deputy Fire Chief Peter Beckwith said Hughes' upper body struck the windshield of the car, a four-door Dodge Diplomat. Kissmann said Rivosa's upper body hit the steering wheel of the car.

Depasquale was treated for lacerations of the head at Manchester Memorial Hospital and released. Freeman said.

Farley said she did not have information on what injuries, if any, Rivosa and Hughes suffered.

Accarpio, of Hackmatack Street, was treated for three fractured ribs and a fractured clavicle, Farley said. Warren, of Joyce Lane, was treated for a broken leg and facial cuts and was also released, Farley said.

LOCAL & STATE



SHARING TALK - Seventh-graders from Bennet Junior High School spend some time together with their "grandparents" at Meadows Convalescent Home. From left is resident Ann Nannery, and students Debbie Vasco, and Dollar Chanthavone.

'Grandparents,' kids share talk, hugs, letters

By Maureen Leavitt
Manchester Herald

Some seventh-graders at Bennet Junior High School were recently found hanging around with some new, "mature" friends.

They were singing Christmas carols, sharing their hobbies and goals and talking about their favorite football teams. Those, after all, are the kinds of things new friends would share with each other... even if they are two generations apart.

This friendly exchange is part of the seventh-grade curriculum at Bennet Junior High School called the Adopt-A-Grandparent program. The seventh grade is split up into two groups and both are matched up with residents of Meadows Convalescent Home on Bidwell Street.

The students write letters and visit with their "grandparents" two times during a semester. The other half of the seventh grade will get to know their grandparents next semester.

The residents at Meadows have made many young friends during the five years the program has existed. Although the students move on, some still remember their "grandparents" by paying them visits, sending them gifts, writing letters and postcards while on vacation.

Kathy Thornton, a seventh-grade teacher at Bennet and one of the

creators of the program, said she wanted children to become aware of the elderly.

"One of the real goals was to promote a sense of responsibility to the community, to enlighten them that yes, we do have elderly and their lifestyles are different... and we're all here together," Thornton said.

Because of high divorce rates, children don't always spend time with grandparents. So the program was designed with the family unit in mind. "We purposely used the word grandparent, as a family connotation," Thornton said.

This year's first group recently made its last visit of the semester to the convalescent home and put on a Christmas show for the residents. Some students played their school instruments while others recited poetry and sang with their friends. Residents like Ann Nannery looked on and enjoyed the performances.

For Debbie Vasco, 12, of Carriage Drive, her second visit with her "grandparent" proved to be an enjoyable experience.

"It (the visit) went better than the first time," Vasco said, recalling during the first visit that it was a little difficult thinking of things to say.

For other students, a visit to the Meadows meant a bit of nervousness at first, but later most felt at home. "I never went to a convalescent

home before so I was a little nervous," said Susan Conklin, 12, of Lookout Mountain Drive. "The first time we visited, everything went pretty well and I was looking forward to the next time," Conklin added.

Conklin and Vasco agreed the "grandparents" seemed to enjoy the holiday entertainment.

"They started singing, and when we left they were kind of sad," Vasco said. "They all seemed happy we were there, they told us they were happy and they didn't get to see kids often," Conklin said.

Many youngsters aren't accustomed to being with the elderly, so before the students actually visit the Meadows, Bennet teachers hold an orientation program, explaining some of the ailments and problems the elderly deal with.

But students also realize that many of the patients lead active lives.

Frances Lombardo, a seventh-grade teacher at Bennet, whose students participated in the program this semester, said she tells the students to guess her age — which is 62 — to show them being older doesn't necessarily mean you look that way.

Rich Henderson, 12, of 61 Hamlin St. talked football with his "grandmother," Ann Frye.

"It was pretty cool, she was pretty neat," Henderson recalled. "We were talking about football and she likes it.

It was fun being with her because sometimes I can't always go to my grandmas'."

Bob Loeb is one of the "grandfathers" who has participated in the program for the last few years. Although he doesn't speak too clearly, he made it clear he has made many friends.

"Grandmother" Frye said, "I thought the program was terrific. I thought they would be shy and restless, but there was none of it. They were wild little Indians but they were fun."

Carol Corliss, also a "grandmother," still receives letters from a young woman who had been involved in the program.

"I find that I like to hear their different ideas," Corliss said of the visitors. She said she always asks the kids what they want for Christmas and she is amazed by the requests.

"One boy said he wants a car and I almost fell off my seat," Corliss said. "In our day we didn't think of asking for cars or computers. Today kids are much more advanced. Christmas is kind of commercial for these kids."

Although some pupils come out of the program with negative feelings, Thornton sees this as an awareness builder.

"For some of them, there is a sense of caring, that I can do something for someone else," she said.

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Holidays become 'a downer' for some

By Maureen Leavitt
Manchester Herald

The holidays are a time of joy for many, but for others they mean sadness, isolation and depression that last well into the new year.

"We see everything on TV as being perfect, families together, singing carols, when probably the next door neighbor has the same problems as we do," said Marie B. of South Windsor.

Marie B. is no stranger to depression. She suffered from depression for 19 years trying to cope with a miscarriage. Two years ago she helped to get a support group to meet at her house. Now it meets at 6:30 every Tuesday night in room CL 131a in the Lowe Program Center of Manchester Community College.

The support group, called Depression Anonymous, follows the Alcoholic's Anonymous program, which allows group members to anonymously share their problems with depression. Group members reveal only their first name and last initial.

Marie said the group put out a special notice suggesting that people with holiday depression attend one of the meetings during the holiday season.

The holidays also remind people of loved ones lost through death or broken relationships. For people who are alone, the holidays can seem bleak and empty, she said.

"The holiday causes you to think how are you going to spend them?" said Ann, (not her real name), who is also a member of the support group. Ann, a widow, has experienced periods of depression for more than 40 years caused mainly by failed or broken relationships.

Gema Guanco, a psychiatrist in Manchester affiliated with Manchester Memorial Hospital, agrees there is added stress and high expectations during the holidays.

"Everyone is trying to please everyone, trying to do everything, trying to be nice to everyone around," Guanco said recently from her Main Street office. "The family is expecting a lot. People feel mother expects them to spend Christmas dinner with her.

"People are expecting a lot of emotional support and material things. A daughter is expected to call her parents on the holiday," Guanco explained.

Lori J. says, "Come the holidays, I tend to look at what others have and what I don't have."

Lori, 30, of Stafford Springs, has had bouts of depression since she was a teen-ager. She said she cannot compare financially to friends and family when it comes to buying Christmas gifts.

Guanco stresses that people need to be in touch with what they can and want to do for the holidays.

"They have to learn to buffer their expectations. They have to be assertive, they have to prioritize activities," Guanco said. "If family knows where you stand, they will not be expecting so much.

"Also, be honest with yourself. If you can only afford a few items, then appreciate and enjoy them," Guanco said.

After the excitement of the holidays fade, after family members have gone their own ways, people tend to feel let down too.

"I think the worst thing is right after (the celebration). Then you have to wait a whole year before you get to be together like that," Lori said.

Marie B. said when her children returned to their own homes after Thanksgiving, she was sad.

"It was a little bit of a downer," she said. Guanco noted that the holidays can take people away from reality and afterward they are hit with responsibilities, like bills from the holidays and taxes.

A good attitude is the best way to deal with the holidays, according to Guanco.

"Attitude has to be changed. Christmas is a very transient part of life—not the whole, just a part of it. Responsibility is still there," Guanco said.

Jann Gingold, a psychotherapist in South Glastonbury and the assistant director of the Glastonbury Counseling Center, said she agrees people spend too much time trying to please others around the holidays and not doing what they want to do.

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Lori J.

in touch with themselves and share feelings with those who are close," Gingold said. "Take time for yourself. Take a walk, a bath. The times you put into the holiday—give time to come home to yourself," Gingold advised.

Gingold also said people shouldn't feel obligated

to give gifts to people. She said a better gift would be to try and express love for people.

"The real gift is the gift of the heart. It's not going to come in a box. You can't get it at the mall. Really, part of the gift to ourselves should be to find some way of touching into love, into the peace and joy of the time," Gingold explained.

She suggests spending time with people suffering from losses.

"Spending time or doing something together fun or just really being there—it's just sharing the experience together and enjoying it," she said.

Guanco said people should try to do a little extra for those hurting from a lost loved one.

"Give them a call. Just try to be there, be supportive," she said.

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by Roy D. Katz, R.Ph.

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Caucus dispute will go to FOI attorney

By Alex Girelli
Manchester Herald

An attorney with the state Freedom of Information Commission will be appointed to help resolve a dispute between Democratic and Republican town directors over the legality of the Democrats' caucuses, an official said.

A spokesman for the FOI Commission said Friday that a staff lawyer for the commission will be appointed to meet with Republican Director Ronald Osella and the Democratic members of the Board of Directors to try to settle the matter. Osella filed a complaint with the FOI seeking a ruling on whether the Democrats, who represent a quorum on the Board of Directors, can legally caucus in private with others present, including Democratic Town Chairman Theodore R. Cummings.

Meanwhile, however, a date will be set soon for a hearing at which the parties will be asked to appear if the ombudsman fails to resolve the problem to their satisfaction. If a hearing is held, other persons may seek to enter the case as parties to the action or as intervenors.

The spokesman said the case will very likely be heard by a single FOI commissioner who will report his findings to the full commission for action.

In a related development, Republican Town Chairman John Garside said he plans to continue to attend caucuses of the Republican members of the Board of Directors. Garside said that because the Republicans are in the minority they do not make up a quorum of the Board of Directors.

Because of that, he said the question of whether his presence at their caucuses makes them meetings that should be held publicly does not arise.

Cummings said Friday he had not made up his mind whether to continue to attend caucuses until the FOI Commission rules on Osella's complaint, but he said he feels both town chairmen should be at their respective caucuses.

Town Attorney William Shea issued an opinion Thursday in which he said the attendance of the

party chairman does not cause a caucus to become a "meeting" under the FOI act.


He said that decisions and advisory opinion issued by the FOI Commission are inconsistent on the subject. He cited a decision involving Tolland in which the commission held that a gathering was a meeting and not a caucus because the Democratic town chairman was present and he was not a

member of the Board of Selectmen.

Shea also cited an advisory opinion in a Prospect case in which the commission said that since a caucus cannot act on behalf of the town, it is not a public agency. The caucus of four Democratic members of the Prospect Town Council was attended by two Republican members of the council who did not participate in the deliberations.

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PROBLEMS? — The North Elm housing for the elderly project is ready for occupancy, according to the Housing Authority. But based on a month-old inspection, Republican director Theunis "Terry" Werkhoven says there may be some construction problems at the site.

N. Elm site inspection showed some problems

By Andrew J. Davis
Manchester Herald

Town Director Theunis "Terry" Werkhoven has compiled a list of 14 "problems" with the North Elm Street housing project for the elderly based on his inspection of the property more than a month ago.

Werkhoven said Friday he submitted the list to Housing Authority Executive Director Carol Shanley on Thursday. He said the list stems from an inspection he made of the project on Nov. 21.

The list of problems includes a seepage of water onto one apartment's floor, poor storm drainage and grading problems, said Werkhoven, who has experience in engineering and construction.

"I'm just pointing out some of the design problems," said Werkhoven. "I don't mean to condemn the entire purpose. (It's) just to enlighten Mrs. Shanley."

"We're dealing with elderly people. We have to be very much concerned."

Werkhoven said he has been at or near the project twice since Nov. 21, but has not had time to inspect it. He said he submitted the list to Shanley this week because he has not had the opportunity to see her since the inspection.

Shanley said Friday that she has not had time to review the list. The project has been completed, she said.

"It has been awhile," she said. "Some of

the things have been fixed."

Fifteen of 20 tenants for the project will move in on Jan. 1, Shanley said. The remaining six tenants should move in by mid-January, she has said.

The tenants were chosen in a special lottery held Nov. 30. Thirty-four people originally applied to become tenants.

Shanley has said the housing authority is still in the midst of trying to contact some of the remaining tenants to inform them of the availability of apartments.

The Housing Authority is continuing to take applications from people who may want to be put on a waiting list for an apartment, she has said.

The project contains four two-bedroom apartments and 16 one-bedroom apartments. The rent for a one-bedroom apartment has been set at \$430, about \$45 less than a two-bedroom apartment, for the first year, with projected yearly increases to \$1,555 in the 20th year.

Loans from the town's General Fund will supplement the rents the first 10 years of the project.

Werkhoven said he hoped that Shanley would understand his reason for submitting the list.

"I like to be knowledgeable of what's going on," he said. "I'm just trying to help somebody. I'm not trying to be critical. I hope people understand me."



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Search firm to develop profile of town manager

A consulting firm is preparing a profile of the new town manager based on comments from town staff and will begin advertising the position after the holidays. Mayor Peter P. DiRosa Jr. said Friday.

Korn-Ferry International, a Stamford firm hired by the town as a consultant in the search, interviewed administrative department heads earlier this month about qualities and abilities the new town manager should possess, DiRosa said. The profile drawn up by the firm will have to be approved by the Board of Directors, he said.

DiRosa said he would not comment further on the profile because it is a personnel matter.

The town has not received any applications or inquiries about the job, he said. The position will be advertised in professional journals, including the National League of Cities, International Managers Association and Connecticut Conference of Municipalities newsletters, DiRosa said. Korn-Ferry also plans to contact possible candidates.

Members of the committee have said the

new manager's salary should be at least \$75,000.

The Korn-Ferry consultant working with the town on the search could not be reached for comment Friday.

The five-member committee has been meeting since Oct. 20 on the search for Robert B. Weiss's replacement. Weiss, 66, announced in early September that his last day of work will be June 23, 1989. He has been town manager for more than 22 years. The manager search committee consists of DiRosa, Directors Stephen T. Cassano and Ronald Osella and former Mayors Nathan G. Agostinelli and Stephen T. Penny.

Osella and Agostinelli are Republicans, the rest of the committee members are Democrats.

Korn-Ferry is charging \$15,000 for its services, but DiRosa and other directors have said the cost for the search will likely be double or more. Total cost for the search will also include about \$5,000 for transportation of candidates to town, \$3,000 for committee members to travel to different towns and \$7,000 in contingency fees.

Teachers' union, administrators OK settlements

BOLTON — The Board of Education has reached tentative contract agreements with unions representing teachers and school administrators, said School Superintendent Richard Packman.

Packman on Friday would not release details of the agreements reached with the Bolton Education Association and Bolton Administrators Association. He said the school board would vote on the agreements at its Jan. 12 meeting.

"I really can't (provide details) at this time," said Packman. "You don't want to jeopardize things at this point."

Though the administrators' union approved the contract Thursday, the seven-member school board did not vote on that pact at its Thursday meeting because members John Muro and Michael Parsons were absent, he said.

The teachers are in the second year of a four-year pact, but the contract specifies that salaries be renegotiated over the last two years, Packman has said.

Angela Rose, co-president of the Bolton Education Association, said the 75 members of the union will vote on the contract Jan. 5. She also would not release details of the tentative settlement.

"We're very pleased with the outcome," she said. Joseph V. Fleming, principal of Bolton High School and head of the administrators union, said the administrators approved their contract Thursday. He refused further comment.

"We signed it," he said. "Obviously, that speaks for itself."

The administrators' two-year pact expires June 30, 1989. Fleming, K-8 Principal Anne L. Rash, and K-8 Vice Principal Steven Bent are the only members of the union.

Mass times to change

Manchester Memorial Hospital will hold Christmas Day and New Year's Day masses at 12 noon this holiday season, said Andrew Beck, hospital spokesman.

The mass will be held in the hospital chapel, Beck said. In past years, the mass has been held at 3:45 p.m., he said.



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Cheerleader is killed in Route 8 car crash

WATERTOWN (AP) — A high school cheerleader was killed and a basketball player and another cheerleader were seriously injured Friday when their car bounced between guardrails on Route 8, throwing them through the rear window, state police said.

Three other teen-age students from Torrington High School — another cheerleader and two other basketball players — were not seriously injured when the car skidded out of control on the icy roadway at 12:50 p.m., state police said.

The youth who was killed was identified by state police as 16-year-old Shawn Collins, a cheerleader. Chris Samele, a basketball player, and Dawn Storrs, who

are also 16, suffered severe leg injuries, state police said.

Torrington radio station WSWG reported that Samele lost a leg in the accident and that surgeons at Waterbury Hospital were attempting to save Storrs' severed leg.

The six students, all of Torrington, were apparently on a shopping trip to Waterbury when the car, being driven southbound near exit 38 by Elizabeth Masucci, also 16, skidded and struck the right guardrail before bouncing across traffic and hitting the left guardrail, state police said.

The other passenger in the car was identified by state police as 15-year-old Brian Anzelliti.

Seven face drug charges

HARTFORD (AP) — Seven people were arrested on drug charges after state police seized seven pounds of suspected cocaine from a Shelton condominium, state police said.

The suspect originally targeted for arrest Thursday afternoon escaped out the back door of the condominium, but investigators identified four other people and seized what they believe is cocaine, state police said.

Three other people who came to the condominium to purchase cocaine while investigators were present were also arrested, police said.

The four people arrested on a charge of narcotics possession with intent to sell were: Susan Fischer, 18; Joseph Salvaggio, 21; Louis J. Gable, 23, and Scott W. Intondi, 22. They are all residents of the condominium.

Intondi was also charged with possession of narcotics because additional drugs were found on his person, police said. Fischer was being held on \$10,000 bond while awaiting arraignment at Superior Court in Derby. The others were released on written promise to appear in court.

Arrested on a charge of criminal attempt to possess narcotics were Joseph J. Gawe, 21, and Peter Jurgens, 17, both of Stamford, and Lisa E. Vlash, 23, of Norwalk, state police said.

Holiday closings

Monday, Dec. 26, is a legal holiday. Municipal, state and federal offices: All are closed Monday.

Post offices: Are closed Monday. There will express mail delivery only.

Libraries: All public libraries will be closed Monday. The Bentley Memorial Library in Bolton will reopen at 2 p.m. Tuesday.

Retailers: Some will be open Monday.

Schools: Andover, Bolton, Coventry and Manchester public schools and the Howell Cheney Regional Vocational Technical School will be closed Monday through Jan. 2.

Motor vehicles: All Department of Motor Vehicles offices will reopen Tuesday. All auto emissions testing stations will reopen Tuesday.

Banks: All banks are closed Monday.

Liquor: All package stores are closed Monday. Bars will be open.

Garbage collection: There will be no curbside pickup in Manchester Monday. Pickup will be delayed one day. The Manchester and Coventry landfills will be closed Monday.

Emergency numbers: In Manchester, for water and sewer: 647-3111; for highway: 647-3233; for refuse: 647-3248.

Manchester Herald: The Herald will not publish a Monday edition. Offices are closed Monday.

Motels close their doors to homeless

BRIDGEPORT (AP) — Two motels that in past years accepted homeless families when city shelters were filled have decided not to open their doors to the poor this year, city officials say.

With homeless shelters at or above capacity for the last several months, city Welfare Department workers have faced a few cases in which they were forced to tell clients there was simply no place to put them.

Sometimes social workers are not successful in securing a place until well after 5 p.m.

Obituaries

Agnes Johnson

Agnes (Oden) Johnson, 86, of Linnmore Drive, widow of P. Rudolph Johnson, died Thursday (Dec. 22, 1988) at an area convalescent home.

She is survived by two sons, Warren O. Johnson of Bristol and Richard N. Johnson of Chapel Hill, N.C.; a sister, Florence L. Oden of Manchester; five grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren.

The funeral was today with burial in Rose Hill Memorial Park. The Watkins Funeral Home, 142 E. Center St., was in charge of the arrangements.

Memorial donations may be made to the Emanuel Lutheran Church, 60 Church St., Manchester 06040, or to the Alzheimer's Disease and Related Disorders Association of Greater Hartford, 705-A New Britain Ave., Hartford 06106.

An obituary published in the Herald Friday for Joseph H. Dodd incorrectly listed the residence of one of the survivors. Alan H. Dodd lives in Londonderry, N.H.

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Carousel museum set

BRISTOL (AP) — Bill Finkenstein has been going around in circles for years and says there's nothing else he would rather do with his life.

Finkenstein plans to open the East Coast's first carousel museum next spring in a turn-of-the-century factory in Bristol. It's a matter of a passion started in childhood becoming a profession.

"My father used to work for General Electric and got transferred all around. We enjoyed as a family going to parks and we got to see a lot of different parks and carousels over the years," he said Friday.

Finkenstein said he got thoroughly involved with carousels about 11 years ago when he was running an art studio and the owner of a small carving shop nearby came in with a carousel horse for painting and restoration.

"We gave that one back and five more came in. We now have about 500 (carousel) figures under our belt," he said.

Finkenstein eventually converted his business to woodcarving, specializing in carousel restoration. One of the carousel figures he restored was sold recently for \$95,000.

Now Finkenstein is moving his company, R & F Designs Inc., from its small workshop to a 30,000-square-foot building

in Bristol. The move will begin by mid-January, he said, and the New England Carousel Museum should be ready to open in April with "close to 300 figures."

"There's nothing I've done, and I've done a lot of things — I was a teacher in high school and my wife also was — we're both doing this and there's nothing we'd rather do in our lives," he said.

Finkenstein, a longtime merry-go-round enthusiast, said there are only two full-fledged carousel museums in the United States, in Portland, Ore., and in San Francisco.

Finkenstein said about half the space in the two-story museum will be devoted to the daily operations of R & F Designs, including the renovation of Middlebury's Quassy Amusement Park's carousel menagerie. The rest of the space will showcase privately owned figures and displays that explain carousel history and lore.

"Because we are former educators, we will set up a working carousel museum which will be uniquely different. People will see the carvers and gold leafers at work," he said.

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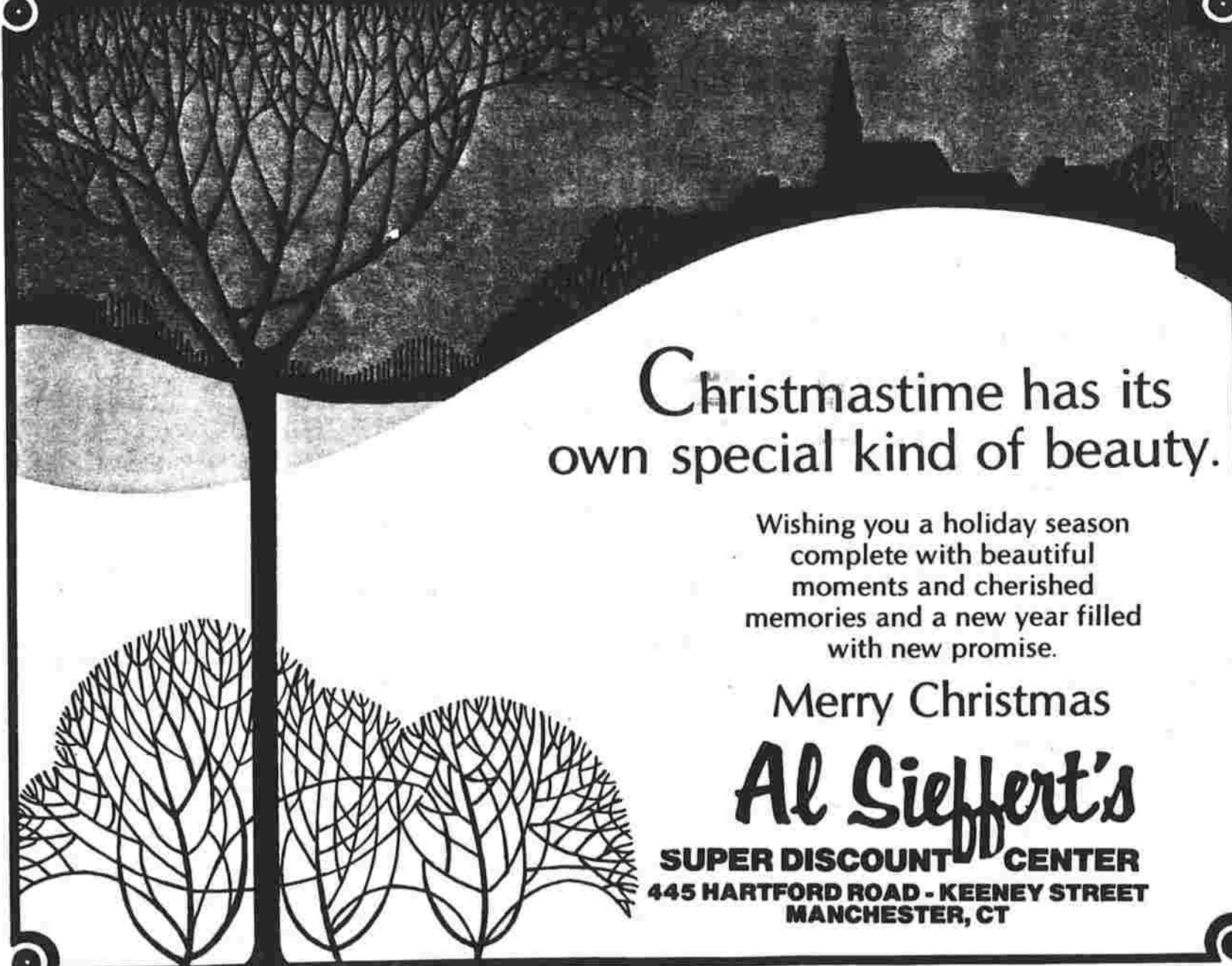
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Wooden bridges may replace steel, concrete

MIDDLETOWN (AP) — The solution to the state's problem of replacing hundreds of aging bridges at an affordable price might exist in Connecticut's lumberyards, according to researchers.

A pair of civil engineering professors from Central Connecticut State University and the University of Connecticut, together with the state Department of Transportation, are experimenting with wooden bridges that would replace aging steel and concrete spans.

"These bridges could be built relatively inexpensively by town crews and put in place relatively quickly," said Robert Laxon, a research engineer for the state.

A model wooden bridge was dedicated Thursday at Wadsworth Falls State Park in Middletown. A 37-ton dump truck rolled across the one-lane span on Thursday as a demonstration of the bridge's strength.

"We're testing with the heaviest truck we can find to see if it would be feasible for towns to use (wood) to replace their concrete and steel

bridges," said Edward Sarisley, a Central associate engineering professor.

"The bottom line is saving the towns money," he said.

Sarisley worked with UConn assistant engineering professor Michael L. Accorsi and Eric D. Ott, a state Department of Environmental Protection civil engineer, to design the wooden bridge.

"A big problem with concrete and steel bridges in New England is the corrosion and decay from winter road salt," Accorsi said. "Properly treated, timber bridges will not be affected by salt. The bridges should last 50 years."

In January, the Department of Transportation reported that Connecticut has 1,215 municipal bridges 20 feet long or longer, but only 182 were in good condition. The department said it could cost as much as \$362 million to repair 571 municipal bridges in fair condition and 462 bridges in poor condition.

Wood is less expensive than concrete and steel, which is one attrac-

tive aspect of a wooden bridge, Sarisley said.

Further savings could be realized because "a timber bridge is easy to construct," he said. "Here's no need for sophisticated equipment to install heavy girders. A local public works department with four or five workers can construct one in a matter of days."

The largest piece of wood used on the model bridge was 20 feet long and weighed only 200 pounds. Ott estimated that a wooden bridge could be constructed at half the cost of a steel-and-concrete structure.

The bridge constructed at the state park is made of Southern Yellow Pine and is 50 feet long and 15 feet wide. It has no cover, but Accorsi and Sarisley said a roof could easily be put over the bridge they designed.

The modern modifications they have added to the wooden bridge include 17 steel rods to clamp together the deck's 84 planks. An epoxy coating also is used to prevent corrosion of the rods.

Sarisley said once the deck is

clamped together with the rods "it acts like one big slab of wood."

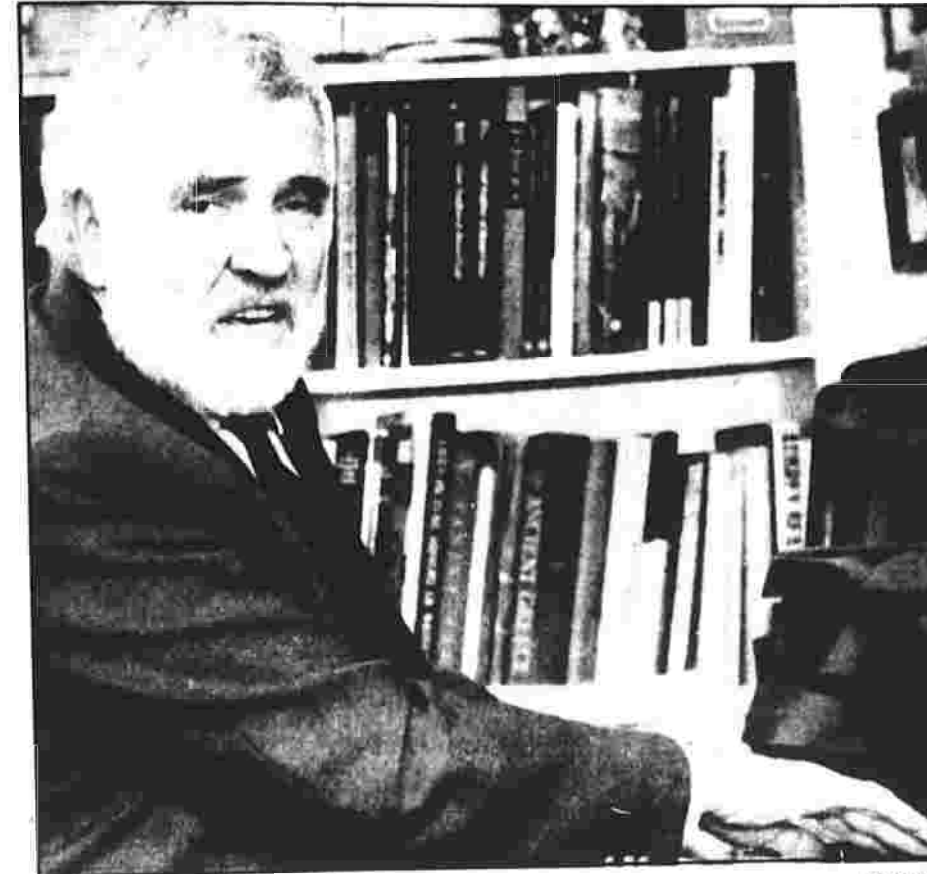
Traditional wooden bridges used nails to hold down planks, but such a method couldn't withstand the constant pounding of modern traffic.

"The nails would loosen up, and the bridge would fall apart," Sarisley said.

University graduates find green pastures

MADISON, Wis. (AP) — Nearly 100 graduates of the University of Wisconsin-Madison's Turf and Grounds Management Program now care for what's called grass by amateurs and turf by professionals.

After spending years learning the professional way to do it, they are being paid to do what many homeowners hate: seed, fertilize, mow, spray, rake, de-thatch and otherwise manage grounds at baseball diamonds, golf courses, parks, institutional grounds and just plain lawns.



CHRISTMAS COMPOSER — Noel Regney of Bethel, author of "Do You Hear What I Hear," which became a big hit in 1963 when Bing Crosby recorded it, plays the piano and sings at his home in Bethel.

State composer recalls writing holiday classic

By Dean Golembek
The Associated Press

BETHEL — In the spirit of the season, Noel Regney sat at his piano and shared his gift of music with guests.

The 66-year-old artist smiled through his thick white beard as his deep voice mingled with piano's soft tones and filled his study with the sounds of a Christmas song he helped write more than two decades ago.

The song was "Do You Hear What I Hear," a tune first recorded by Harry Simeone in 1962. It didn't become a runaway hit until 1963, when Bing Crosby recorded it and sold more than a million records.

Since that time, the song has been recorded by such artists as Perry Como, Andy Williams, and most recently, Whitney Houston. About 3 million copies of the song sell each year, Regney said.

But there are probably few who know that the song of peace and hope had its origins in one of the most frightening events of modern times — the Cuban missile crisis.

In September 1962, Regney was in a New York City, arranging and conducting for Columbia records. Much to his surprise, the studio asked him to come up with another song for the "B" side of a record for Simeone.

But given an opportunity to produce something original in the fall of 1962, Regney drew a mental blank. He couldn't come up with a song that captured the essence of the holiday.

"Christmas, it seemed to me, in America was totally commercial. It meant trying to

get rid of all those ridiculous images like Rudolph the Red Nose Reindeer and trying to get to the essence of it," he recalled.

Inspiration finally came one day while working at the Columbia recording studio. The missile crisis was at its height.

"Between the takes, the producer would come on the talkback and tell us what was going on in the confrontation between Khrushchev and Kennedy. Obviously, in New York City we knew we were sitting ducks for whatever might happen," Regney recalled.

During a lunch break, as he walked home along New York's 52nd Street to his apartment, Regney saw a familiar scene that inspired him.

"At one point, I saw two strollers standing there and two babies gurgling at each other and two nannies talking... and the idea of the bomb hanging over the heads and those babies somehow did something to me... something quite violent," he said.

Regney determined that the solution to the crisis was to pray for peace. This simple idea formed the final lines of his Christmas song: "Pray for peace, people everywhere. Listen to what I say."

"It was meant to be a peace song," he said. "Babies, children are not supposed to be deprived of their lives."

Regney recalled that he wrote the song backward, starting with the last lines and working his way back to the beginning.

As he struggled with the words at his apartment, his wife arrived home. He told her what he was doing, and in a matter of minutes she created the melody. Now divorced from Regney, Gloria Shayne of Greenwich, shares in the song's royalties and is recognized as a co-author.

Attorney denies letter knowledge

HARTFORD (AP) — The chief state's attorney says he doesn't know anything about a letter written on his stationery that an expert on the state Freedom of Information Act says might be encouraging municipal police departments to wrongfully withhold information from the public.

Mitchell W. Pearlman, executive director of and general counsel to the Freedom of Information Commission, said the letter is mistakenly leading some police departments to believe that they enjoy a blanket exemption from the state's freedom of information law.

The unsigned, undated letter appears on the stationery of Chief State's Attorney John J. Kelly, but Kelly said neither he nor a staff attorney who deals with freedom of information issues knew anything about it.

"It's just not ringing a bell with me," Kelly said Thursday.

Pearlman said the letter came to his attention in the past month after several police departments used it to defend themselves against complaints filed with the Freedom of Information Commission.

The letter says, in part, that police departments are "by implication" covered under a statute that exempts the Division of Criminal Justice from the state Freedom of Information Act except in matters involving department administration.

He said he expects the commission to examine the letter and issue an opinion on its legal soundness in response to a request by the Connecticut Council on Freedom of Information, a news media group.

Pearlman said the letter has been cited in as many as six cases recently, but its effect could be much greater because many people don't complain when their requests for information are rebuffed.

"That's just the tip of the iceberg," Pearlman said. "The chilling effect that it's having is unknown."

Hand washing is important

NEW YORK (AP) — Your hands may be the culprit when it comes to picking up viruses responsible for a winter cold or flu, reports Health magazine.

Scientists say the viruses, called rhinoviruses, responsible for most common colds are frequently transmitted through hand contact.

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NORTH PLATTE, Neb. (AP) — Leanna Baker wants a small, intimate Christmas Day wedding, so she limited herself to 30 maids of honor.

"They've been dear friends since childhood and I think it's wonderful they'll be here for the wedding," Baker said.

The wedding will be held in the Baker family living room, but the attendants won't take up much room. The maids of honor are

Story Book dolls that Baker, 24, began collecting as an 8-year-old.

Each has a special position on the white-flocked Christmas tree that stands in a corner of the room.

Baker and Darius Michaels had been planning a large church wedding this spring.

"The whole thing just seemed like it was getting out of hand and it suddenly seemed like too much," Baker said.



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Crossing guard killed

STRATFORD (AP) — A school crossing guard was struck and killed by a car whose driver was distracted while looking for the windshield wiper switch, police said.

Kingsley Hill, 73, of Stratford was walking west across Main Street at Church Street at 8:48 a.m. Thursday when a car hit him, police said.

The driver, Angela Keane, 30, of Stratford said that just before her car struck Hill, she was looking for the wiper switch to clean a dirty windshield, police said. The woman told police that when she looked up, Hill was in front of the car and it was too late to stop.

Hill, who would have been 74 next Tuesday, was taken to Bridgeport Hospital, where he was pronounced dead, police said.

No charges have been filed against Keane, who was celebrating her birthday Thursday.

School Superintendent Walter Dunbar said a social worker assigned to Center School counseled several students who witnessed the accident, which occurred while Hill was on duty.

Man pleads guilty in murder

MIDDLETOWN (AP) — A Clinton man faces a minimum of 25 years in prison for the fatal stabbing of his wife after pleading to the crime in Middletown Superior Court.

Michael J. Tuccito, 28, entered the guilty plea Thursday under the Alford doctrine, which means he doesn't admit guilt but concedes that the state would have enough evidence to convict him if the case went to trial.

In exchange for Tuccito's plea, Judge William T. Drose said he would impose the minimum sentence for murder, 25 years, on Jan. 27. The maximum sentence is life, or 60 years.

In a statement to police taken after his arrest, Tuccito said he stabbed his 25-year-old wife on Jan. 29, one day after he was served with divorce papers, with a kitchen knife after an argument. The couple had been married eight years and had two children.

"I wanted to scare Kimmy, and when she came out of our bedroom, I raised the knife, coming towards her in the hallway between the kitchen and the bedroom, Tuccito said in a statement to police. "She started to scream, and I yelled at her that I loved her and the kids, but couldn't take this anymore."

Authorities said Mrs. Tuccito was stabbed nine times.

Tuccito told police that he and his wife had fought frequently in the previous year about money and his drinking. Tuccito was ordered by a judge to refrain from assaulting or harassing his wife at one point.

Dealerships to pay \$500,000

BRIDGEPORT (AP) — A state lawsuit against two Stratford car dealerships has resulted in a court award of more than \$500,000 in damages against the dealerships for selling more than 300 cars with rolled-back odometers.

The award, ordered in U.S. District Court in Bridgeport on Monday, is against Stratford Quality Car and Stratford Rent to Buy as well as the companies' officers, President Matthew Ballaro of Stratford and Vice President Thomas List of Milford.

The award could result in payments of up to \$1,500 for as many as 337 consumers.

The civil suit was filed in August 1986 by the state attorney general's office.

Of the 342 cars cited in the lawsuit, 108 were sold to consumers and 234 were sold to other car dealers. Thirty-nine vehicles were sold out of state and could not be traced and 34 have since been resold to other consumers, who also are eligible for damages.

In August, 16 Connecticut car dealers that bought the vehicles from the Stratford companies agreed to pay \$189,000 to settle a lawsuit brought by the attorney general's office. That lawsuit contended the dealers sold the cars even though they had reason to believe the odometers had been tampered with.

Multistate burglar said caught

GREENWICH (AP) — A criminal-law student sought in connection with more than 50 burglaries in four states and with a knack for eluding authorities was in the custody of New York police, Greenwich police said Friday.

Cornelius Stephens, 31, of Brooklyn, N.Y., was arrested Dec. 16 by officers in Colonie, N.Y., after a routine computer check on his license plate showed he was wanted by Greenwich and New York state authorities, said Greenwich police Capt. Peter Robbins.

The arrest of Stephens, who had avoided escape at least three times, culminated a four-month investigation headed by Robbins.

Robbins said Stephens, a senior at the John Jay College of Criminal Justice in New York, is a suspect in nearly 20 burglaries during the past three years in Greenwich, as well as more than 30 others in Stamford, New Canaan, Wilton, New Haven, Orange and 17 other towns in Connecticut, New York, New Jersey and Rhode Island.

Stephens allegedly stole hundreds of items, including jewelry, briefcases, wallets, cameras, silver, pocketbooks and computer components, Robbins said.

"He had a habit of saving expensive pocketbooks," Robbins said. "It's not uncommon for burglars to keep souvenirs."

Robbins said police suspect that Stephens stole more than \$50,000 worth of goods during the burglaries.

Stephens also is suspected in a sexual assault in Greenwich, although no charges have been filed in that matter, Robbins said.

Stephens was arrested on a Greenwich warrant charging him with a felony count of second-degree burglary and a misdemeanor count of sixth-degree larceny in connection with an October 1985 crime, police said.

He will face other charges, but no warrants have yet been obtained in those cases, Robbins said.

Robbins said his department also is investigating the possibility that Stephens had accomplices who worked with him in his burglary sprees in Connecticut.

"It's a very intensive investigation," Robbins said.

Although Stephens was the subject of a Greenwich-based manhunt, it's likely he won't be returned to Connecticut until sometime next year, Robbins said. New York authorities have charges pending against the suspect and they will get first crack at him, Robbins said.

Stephens has been charged by New York state authorities with being a fugitive from justice for a parole violation, according to police.

Stephens was being held without bond at Rikers Island in Queens, N.Y., as a fugitive from Connecticut and from New York, according to police and a Rikers Island official.

Police said they didn't release

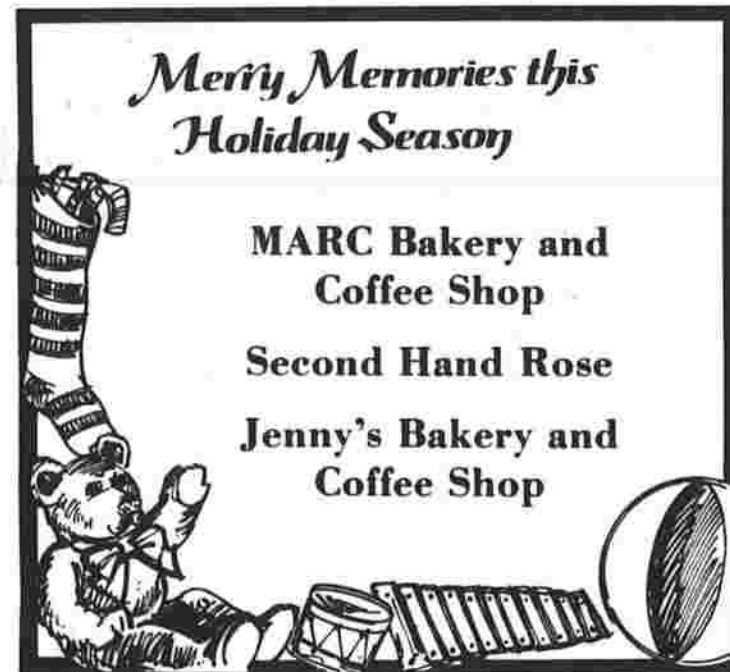
news of the arrest for nearly a week because they were still completing reports and continuing the investigation.

Police said they were aided in the search by a woman they

identified as Stephens' girlfriend, who became an informant and arranged to meet Stephens several times in New York City. Police staked out the meetings, but Stephens managed to escape arrest on each occasion.



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Nuns get rooms

CHESHIRE (AP) — Dozens of central Connecticut families have offered rooms to six nuns left homeless by a fire that destroyed their convent earlier this month.

"We've had about 30 offers in Meriden, Wallingford and Cheshire for a room, or two rooms or a two-bedroom house," Sister Suzanne Gross said. "It's just unbelievable."

The six Franciscan sisters, a sister-in-training and student who lived in the two-story, 15-room convent had left for the order's mother house in Meriden to attend Mass just before the blaze broke out on Dec. 18.

Gross says she doesn't know when their new home will be ready.

"They started the demolition yesterday, and once we get clearance from the fire marshal and the building inspector, we'll start to rebuild," she said.

How soon work begins, she said, depends on the extent of damage to the convent's foundation.

Theft suspect pursued by crowd

NORWALK (AP) — A purse snatcher got much more than he bargained for when the victim was joined in pursuit by a police dog and more than a dozen shopkeepers who "finally got fed up" with the street crime near their stores, police said.

The incident began about 12:40 p.m. Wednesday when a Christmas shopper walking along Orchard Street in Norwalk had her purse plucked and the thief headed up the street, according to Sgt. Richard Rilling.

The woman screamed and began to give chase. She was soon followed by as many as 10 to 15 store owners and employees in the area, police said.

The thief ran into a house, which his pursuers surrounded as police arrived on the scene.

Pratt has 3 plant sites

EAST HARTFORD (AP) — Pratt & Whitney is looking at three locations in Connecticut as possible sites for a new \$20 million repair center, a company official said.

The center would be used to service Pratt's new-model jet engines that the commercial airlines are not yet able to handle themselves, according to Horst O. Pohlman, vice president for world overhaul and repair operations.

Pohlman, who did not specify where the sites under consideration are located, said he would prefer a location south of Hartford to be close to Pratt's aircraft-engine testing facilities at the main manufacturing complexes in Middletown and East Hartford.

The company began studying the need for the new repair center about three months ago in response to strong sales this

year of the company's new PW4000 and PW2000 engines, according to Pohlman.

The PW4000, Pratt's biggest engine, has won 16 of 20 engine competitions this year for wide-body aircraft. The figure translates to about 50 engines, or 47 percent of the total market.

The problem is that the airlines will not have enough capacity to handle the number of engines that are expected to enter service over the next several years, Pohlman said.

The new center will absorb about 350 workers now at Pratt's Southington plant, which would become a parts-repair center exclusively, Pohlman said. There would be additional hiring right away and further increases over time, depending on the number of engines that come in, Pohlman said.

Death threats against cops

MIDDLETOWN (AP) — Police Chief George R. Aylward and Sgt. Frank C. Violissi, the department's top drug investigator, said Friday that they have been the targets of death threats over the past year.

The threats have been made in the wake of a series of drug investigations and an internal investigation overseen by Aylward of alleged ties between drug dealers and a few police officers.

The department was informed Wednesday of the latest threat by a neighboring police department and a confidential informant, the two officers said. Violissi said Friday he couldn't divulge the sources of the information.

"We don't know how valid the threats are," said Aylward. He said police were investigating some of the apparently more

serious threats.

"We're going after people who thought they were untouchable. We're taking away their money, their profits, their power. We're addressing areas that these people feel shouldn't be addressed. They feel they are above the law," Violissi said.

A police veteran with 18 years experience, Violissi said threats on an officer's life are unusual.

"It's all based on drugs and the problems that go along with it," he said. Both Violissi and Aylward also have been the victims of property damage, although they declined to discuss the details at length. Violissi said he had the paint on his sports car scratched this summer and the back window in his pick-up truck smashed.

Bill would permit Asian carp

HARTFORD (AP) — Voracious weed-eating Asian carp, banned from ponds across the state, would get a new life under a bill proposed by state Sen. George L. Gunther.

Gunther, R-Stratford, is proposing that ponds larger than 5 acres or with more than one owner be permitted to have sterile carp. Fertile carp already in ponds across the state would be allowed to live out their natural lifespans under the bill.

The bill would also require the state

Department of Environmental Protection to study fertile carp already in ponds.

The possession of carp, also known as amur, is illegal without a permit from the state DEP.

The issue came to a head earlier this year when DEP officials ordered carp in several ponds killed.

The danger in allowing the fish to live is that they could spread into the state's waterways and ruin the habitats of native aquatic wildlife.

A police dog named Rex went into the house and turned up the pocket book in an upstairs room and the suspect in the basement, Rilling said.

David Fagan, 29, of Norwalk was charged with second-degree larceny for the Wednesday inci-

dent and other larceny charges for purse-snatchings in the area on Dec. 14 and 20.

"This guy has had it coming," said one shop owner who spoke on condition of anonymity. "We finally got fed up and said we're not going to take it anymore."

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State writer takes aim at capitalism, socialism

WOODBRIDGE (AP) — A noted Soviet screenwriter and an American are betting that both capitalists and communists can find humor in a film comedy about a failed U.S. businessman's problem-plagued efforts to open a chain of fried chicken restaurants outside Moscow.

Working in a small office in what once was a barn, the two screenwriters, Jeremy Leven of Woodbridge and Valentin Chernyck, and a translator have spent 16 hours a day over four weeks struggling to overcome differences in language and culture to create the first draft of a tale that pokes fun at both socialism and capitalism.

Chernyck, director Alexander Pankratov, who joined the screenwriters two weeks ago, and the translator are all from Mosfilm, the largest of 17 film studios in the Soviet Union.

The movie, "No Money Down In Zagorsk," will tell the story of a staunch but near-bankrupt capitalist, Peter Washington, who is induced by a touring Soviet delegation to come to a small village north of Moscow to open a chain of restaurants known as "Chicken Heaven."

"It's 100 percent a comedy, but it deals with what really would happen if an American capitalist came over to a Soviet village that was struggling financially and was under the gun to become profitable," Leven said. "There are problems and we don't hide them — bad materials, materials they can't get."

"In the end, capitalism absolutely blows up in his (Washington's) face," Leven said.

The first 15 minutes of the two-hour film will take place in New York, while the remainder will be set in a fictional village outside Zagorsk. Filming is to begin no later than this July, Leven said.

Next month, the screenwriters' work will shift from this suburban Connecticut town about 80 miles northeast of New York City to the Soviet Union.

Leven said he met Chernyck, who is also

a producer, in Washington, D.C., last year, and that Chernyck was immediately receptive to the idea of a joint project. Chernyck won an Academy Award in 1980 for "Moscow Does Not Believe In Tears," which was voted best foreign language film.

The film will be a joint Soviet-American production combining the best of what each industry has to offer, said Leven, who will be its American director and executive producer. An American producer has also been hired.

Leven, who is also a novelist, wrote the screenplay for the movie "Creator" as well as the book upon which it was based.

Leven said outside investors will put up \$5 million, plus the cost of the American actor to play Washington, while the Soviets will put up at least an equivalent sum. Leven has not yet lined up a major studio to distribute the film in the United States.

A number of joint Soviet-U.S. film productions are now in the works, according to Vladimir Padunov, a professor at Wheaton College in Norton, Mass., and an authority on the Soviet film industry.

The Soviet studios have recently gained greater independence, although they are still dependent upon a state agency, Goskino, for financing of production and distribution, Padunov said.

In an interview Wednesday, Chernyck said one of the difficulties in writing the screenplay was a result of a difference in approaches to humor.

"Our jokes and humor are not so fast as American humor. When Jeremy told us a joke, we would start laughing after five minutes," he said.

The film will be in both English and Russian, with no dubbing or subtitles. The characters will usually speak no more than a sentence or two, so that if the viewer does not understand one part of the dialogue, the meaning will become clear in the response.

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Pipe bomb found

NORWALK (AP) — A pipe bomb was found along a residential roadside Friday, the second such device found in the city since November, police said.

The bomb was discovered a block from Norwalk High School at 8:36 a.m. by a resident who was walking along the road, police Sgt. Peter E. Randall said. It was dismantled by a bomb squad from the Stamford Police Department, he said.

Randall said the bomb consisted of an 8-inch length of pipe, which was capped at both ends and carried a fuse similar to one used with M-80 firecrackers. It was not immediately clear what type of explosive and how much of it was used in the bomb, he said.

Randall said police have not determined how long the bomb was in the road or who may have placed it there.

Police don't believe it was linked to a pipe bomb found near a parking space at Norwalk-based U.S. Surgical Corp. in November, Randall said. Fran Stephanie Trutt, an animal rights activist, was arrested in connection with planting that bomb and is scheduled to appear in Stamford Superior Court on Jan. 12.

Animal rights groups criticized U.S. Surgical's use of live dogs for experiments involving, among other things, surgical staples.

"It (the second incident) doesn't seem as if it is related at this point," Randall said. "It's a different part of town and the bomb has a different design."

Relatives, friends remember crash victims

By The Associated Press

A young college woman who once canceled a trip to Europe out of her fear of terrorists was among at least eight people from Connecticut or with relatives in the state who perished in the crash of a New York-bound Pan Am jet in Scotland.

Shannon Davis, 19, was a junior at Syracuse University, majoring in child and family studies. The Shelton resident had thoughts of opening her own day-care center, said her older sister, Whitney Davis.

As reports terrorists are taking credit for planting a bomb in the aircraft that crashed Wednesday night, killing all 258 aboard, Whitney Davis said it would be ironic if that turns out to be true.

"In her senior year at Shelton High, Shannon canceled plans to go on a trip to Europe because of the terrorist attacks going on there at the time. I'm not a very political person," Whitney Davis said. "But violence isn't a way to solve anything. I don't think my sister deserved this."

The other victims from Connecticut were: Patricia Coyle, 20, of Wallingford; William G. Atkinson III, 33, formerly of Ledyard, but recently a resident of London; Thomas Schultz, 20, of Ridgefield; Elizabeth Marek, 30, formerly of Brookfield and most recently of Los Angeles and New York; Scott Cory, 20, of Old Lyme; and Amy Shapiro, 21, of Stamford.

Shannon Davis was the third member of her family to attend Syracuse. Whitney is a senior and will graduate in the spring; their brother James, 23, graduated in 1987. Shannon Davis was the first of her family to participate in Syracuse's semester-in-London program.

Coyle's interest in German and children is what moved her to study abroad; she hoped the experience would prepare her for a job teaching German, said her grandfather, Leonard Dombroski of North Haven.

She was on the dean's list at Boston College during her first two years, where she was studying early childhood education. She traveled to Austria in a program arranged through Webster College in St. Louis. She planned to return to Boston College after the holidays.

"She was always looking out for somebody else," said Beth Boudreau, who played with Coyle on Sheehan High School's tennis team. Later they worked together as playground directors for Wallingford during the summer.

"It's hard to explain somebody totally," Boudreau said. "All I can say is that she was really nice."

Atkinson, an architect, had been traveling back to the United States with his wife, Judith Bernstein of Minneapolis, who also was killed, his father, William G. Atkinson Jr. said. The couple was married May 28 in Boston, where Atkinson had lived for 13 years before moving to London, the father said.

Atkinson, who earned a bachelor's degree from Washington University and a master's degree from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, was remembered as a top student

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— Professor Michael Good

at Ledyard High School, where he graduated in 1973.

"Gary was one of the brightest. We don't have valedictorians, but he did lead his class," said Robert J. Gaucher, Ledyard High School's principal.

"He was one of those kids who was remembered by all his teachers," Gaucher added, noting that Atkinson also was active in music and drama programs at the high school.

Gaucher, who followed Atkinson's career, said he had developed a reputation as one of the nation's leading architects, having helped with a major renovation around Boston Harbor.

Atkinson had moved to London to head a team responsible for a major redevelopment project along the Thames River, Gaucher said.

Schultz had studied terrorism in one of his classes at Ohio Wesleyan University in Delaware, Ohio.

"He had a class with me and we talked about terrorism," said Professor Michael Good, who teaches politics and government. "One reason we recommend to our students that they have this experience abroad is that it can lead to greater understanding among people and a lessening of tension, which would lead to less terrorism."

"Now he is a victim of terrorism," Good said. "It's a tragic irony that it occurred."

Schultz graduated from Suffield Academy before enrolling at Ohio Wesleyan. According to Good, Schultz was "the kind of student you dream of, really kind of a sponge in many respects, soaking in all the knowledge and information he could gather."

Marek was a young actress who grew up in Brookfield. She was returning from a London holiday after working on a theatrical production in New York.

Marek had been a dedicated peace activist, and two years ago she joined an eight-month march across the country to call for peace and nuclear disarmament.

Adelaide Marek, a mother of six who also is a Brookfield registrar of voters, said her daughter was always full of life. Idolizing actresses such as Bette Davis and Carol Burnett, she majored in drama at the University of Connecticut.

Marek had been living in California until September, when she returned

me very angry, makes me sick to my stomach," he said.

Doris Cory, the victim's mother, said she returned from a Christmas luncheon and holiday food shopping when she heard from her youngest son, James, that there had been a plane crash.

"I said, 'Don't worry. There's a lot of plane crashes,'" Mrs. Cory said.

She soon realized that the plane was the one her son was scheduled to be aboard. Still, the Corys held out hope that he missed the plane, and it wasn't until late Wednesday night, when a television news report listed their son as a passenger, that they knew the worst had happened.

"It was an awful way to find out," said John Cory, the victim's father.

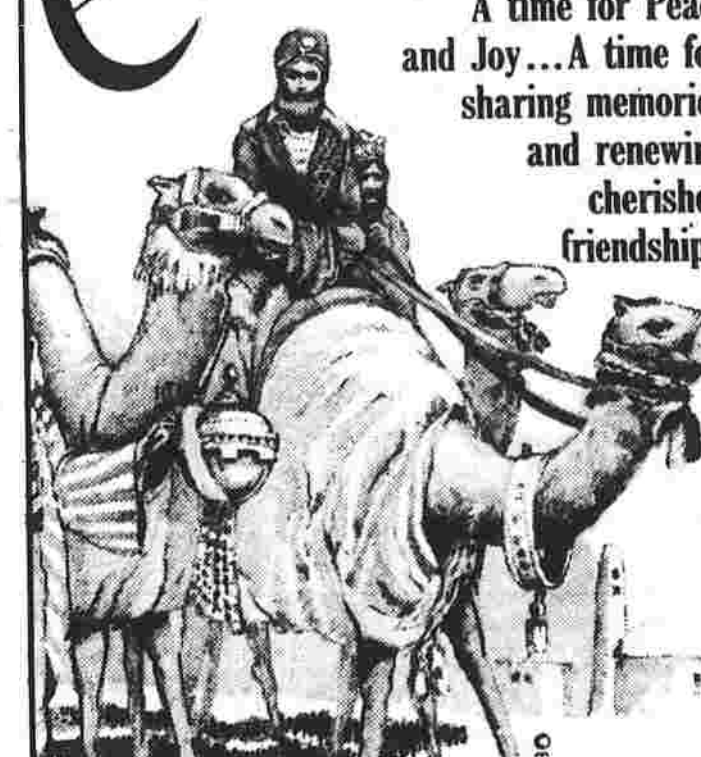
Shapiro was a senior at Syracuse majoring in photojournalism. Close friends of her family said her relatives were in shock and unable to talk about their daughter's death.

"I just can't believe Amy was on that plane," said Lisa Curryto, a close friend of Amy while the two were in junior high school in Stamford. "We were very close."

Shapiro was one of two children and the oldest in the family. Her father, Richard Shapiro, is an executive with Christian Dior Co. in New York, and her mother, Madeline Shapiro, is a real estate broker.

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OPINION

Don't wait for a crisis

By Peter Coy

NEW YORK — If the economy were a good book, there would be a crisis one of these days.

The stock market would crash and stay crashed, or inflation would shoot up, or unemployment would soar.

Things would get bad. But there would be a silver lining. Everybody would realize that something had to be done about the problems that caused the crisis.

The crisis would galvanize the country into action. "Great crises produce great men and great deeds of courage," John F. Kennedy wrote in 1956 in "Profiles in Courage."

In a good book, the stock market crash on Oct. 19, 1987, would have been the perfect crisis to climax a tale of greed, short-sightedness and easy living.

Unfortunately, at least from a literary point of view, the recalcitrant economy kept chugging along and the moral of the story got lost.

The economy, it seems, is not a good book. It's kind of a bad book, actually.

Realizing this, some people who believe the economy really does have serious problems have stopped waiting for a crisis to galvanize the country into action.

These people are starting to say there may never be a crisis. Instead, they say, there could be gradual, imperceptible decay — what is sometimes known as "the British disease."

They're reaching for a literary device again to explain their ideas, but this time it's the metaphor.

"A failure to move quickly on the (federal budget) deficit doesn't necessarily mean a recession of the kind people like to write about," Paul Samuelson of Massachusetts Institute of Technology said in an interview recently in *The Wall Street Journal*.

"It's more like the radon problem in the basement of the new house I'm building," Samuelson said, coining a memorable phrase. "The clock is ticking all the time, but nothing big happens that you can suddenly write about in *The Wall Street Journal*."

Samuelson is not alone in the metaphor concoction business.

"It's like one more pack of cigarettes. It isn't a wolf at the door; it's termites in the basement," says Charles Schultze, a Brookings Institution scholar who is the former chairman of President Carter's Council of Economic Advisers.

Schultze is of two minds about the new metaphorical approach. He is not so sure, he said, that talk of cigarettes, radon and termites will galvanize the American public as effectively as a good, old-fashioned crisis would.

"The real tragedy of the budget deficit is it's never been a tragedy," Schultze said in an AP interview this week, using yet another literary device, the paradox.

The United States has in recent years become the world's largest debtor, obliging future generations to pay a fat chunk of the national income to foreigners in the form of rents, dividends and interest.

But as long as the economy keeps perking along, it has been hard to focus attention on the underlying deterioration in the U.S. investment accounts.

Come to think of it, T.S. Elliot may have seen it coming six decades ago in this economic forecast: "This is the way the world ends / Not with a bang but a whimper."

Peter Coy writes for *The Associated Press*.



We should all live so long

By Chuck Stone

We should all live so long. All things considered ... *ceteris paribus* (all other things being equal) ... if my luck holds out ... and I can equal the average ... I've got 5.4 more years to live.

That's one of the actuarial projections from a recent study by the National Center for Health Statistics — black Americans have a life expectancy of 69.4 years. That's such a disappointment. I've been feeling so good lately that I thought I was good until at least the turn of the century. (White folks will fake you out every time.)

But I can't blame them for the pentamorous limitation of my pending demise. During the last two years, the black life expectancy rate has declined to 69.4 years because black Americans are victimizing themselves with wanton homicides, gang wars, drug abuse, AIDS (mostly from the use of intravenous drugs) and a disproportionately high cancer rate (from smoking and poor health care). Simultaneously, the white life expectancy rate has risen during the last two years to 75.4 years. Blacks, on the average, just don't take care of themselves with the same fastidiousness as other segments of the population.

One major reason for the black-white longevity disparity of six years, says the center, is the 15 percent increase in black murder victims in the last two years. It's triple the number for whites. The number of black murder victims jumped from 6,855 in 1984 to 8,509 in 1986.

That's a dangerous paragraph. A burgeoning homicidal trend shifts the emphasis for many from a discussion of structural racial discrimination to a condemnation of self-inflicted destruction. "Even if we improve their schools and raise their employment rates, they still cause most of their problems," many critics will say.

But race isn't the only factor that determines longevity. Sex, nationality and even form of government are equally strong factors.

Black women, with a life expectancy rate of 75.1 years, live longer than white men, with a life expectancy rate of 72.0 years, for example. If race is such an important factor in longevity rates, one would expect white men to outlive black women. But they don't.

The other two groups — black men and white women — make the most extreme actuarial combination. White women have a life expectancy of 78.9 years while black men have the lowest life expectancy of all — 67.6 years. (Good Lord! In only eight paragraphs, I have already managed to lose two years of my life-expectancy rate. I'd better quiet while I'm still alive.)

Nationality also makes a difference. Sushi-eating Japan and the ice skating Netherlands have the highest longevity rates in the world — 76 years. But if you compare the same nationalities under democratic and communist governments, freedom wins with a higher longevity rate every time. The Chinese on the island of Taiwan have a longevity rate of 72 years; those in the People's Republic of China live an average of 65 years. The same discrepancy exists between the two Germanies and the two Koreas: East Germany's longevity rate is 72 years, while West Germany's is 74 years; and South Koreans are estimated to live two years longer than North Koreans.

This connection between freedom of association and old age is worldwide. Of the 19 countries in the world with longevity rates of 70 or more years, 11 are democracies.

But democracy does nothing for the longevity rate of black American males. And it's their fault. They live in a country with the world's third highest longevity rate, yet they are dying faster than the comparatively poorer Cubans.

I'd like to raise my longevity odds. But I can't stand sushi, and I never did learn how to ice skate on a frozen canal. I'll just take my chances on beating the odds of 5.4 more years. *Ceteris paribus*.

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Spending Christmas in the war room

By Tom Tiede

WASHINGTON — Ever since the Japanese bombed Pearl Harbor to initiate World War II, the United States has had a healthy respect for the military sneak attacks. The first priority for the nation's armed forces is said to be a constant vigil against another surprise, around the clock, every day of the year.

That goes for Christmas as well. The Department of Defense even keeps a well known radar eye on the aerial visit to Santa Claus. The last time our Army went through a sneak attack on Dec. 25 was when Washington crossed the Delaware, and that was advantageous. Yet the thinking is that it's better to be safe than sorry.

U.S. commanders encourage their troops to observe Christmas, where there are no religious objections. They even encourage the off-duty men and women to go home to their families on the holiday. But they keep enough people on guard around the world to react in the event of unforeseen trouble.

The commanders say the working force on Dec. 25 varies from installation to installation. The Strategic Air Command retains a larger number of its people at the office, because it must continue to keep the doomsday missiles and planes ready. Training posts, on the other hand, normally release everyone except skeleton maintenance staffs.

The exact numbers are naturally classified. The United States presently employs about 1.7 million service personnel within its boundaries, there are some 500,000 more stationed in foreign countries. Pentagon officials suggest that only 20 to 30 percent of them will work on Christmas Day.

As for those Pentagon officials, they will for the most part be off. Fewer

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than 5 percent of the 23,000 people who work at the nation's defense headquarters will be on the job. Capt. Peter Scott, a Department of Defense spokesman, says the five-story office complex in Arlington, Va., will "operate on a normal holiday schedule."

That means it will all but close. And nothing in the military closes like the Pentagon closes. The building is like a small town under one roof. There are 3.7 million square feet of flooring, 18 miles of hallways; it has its own post office, its own telephone exchange — and all business stops on Christmas.

With one exception. Scott says the ominously reputed "war room" will be active, as usual. The National Military Command Center functions as the eyes and the ears of the U.S. defense establishment, and also as the board room. It is one of the places from which the nation can direct its

combat operations.

The war room is 77,000 square-feet of space on the Pentagon's second floor. Scott says it is one of three elements in the National Military Command System. If the war room is destroyed, in other words, military leadership can be shifted to an underground bunker in Maryland, or to a command post in the air.

Scott says the responsibilities in the war room are shared by five teams that alternate over three shifts a day. The teams are said to be comprised of about 20 people who represents everything from the four services to the Central Intelligence Agency. They are directed by star-grade officers.

Scott says the teams gather intelligence, mostly. That is to say, they monitor the war room's internationally arranged computers — reportedly the most sophisticated defense electronics in history. These ma-

chines are the heart of the American military vigil, and they do not deserve the holidays.

The Pentagon claims the computers can look at what's happening in Moscow one minute, and then summon an evaluation from Brussels the next. The equipment apparently ties every soldier in the world to the commander-in-chief. In case of an emergency, all U.S. units can evidently be alerted in three minutes.

That three minutes is the ideal, to be sure. And it is at best subject to other considerations. The computers in the war room caught fire in the early 1970s; the Pentagon says the damage was "minor," and it was "repaired immediately," but it might still have been a lousy time to retaliate against a sneak attack.

Not worry, however. Scott says today's war-room electronics are augmented with back-up systems, and the alternate command centers are also computerized. He thinks if there is a problem on Christmas Day, the system could inform and recall most of the entire Pentagon force by Christmas night.

And there is always the possibility for the need. Last year, for example, an Iranian gunboat fired on a U.S. helicopter on Dec. 24, and subsequently sank a civilian freighter on Dec. 25. The Pentagon did not find it necessary to recall many people to duty, but it "was ready to do so if the situation deteriorated."

Scott says it will be ready again his year. Not that he has any expectations. The Iranians have stopped the fight with Iraq; the Soviet Union is also on good behavior; and there are other respites, from Angola to Nicaragua. With any luck, then, this could be a relatively peaceful Christmas in the war room.

Tom Tiede is a syndicated columnist.

Drug concealment has become a fine art

By Jack Anderson and Joseph Spear

WASHINGTON — The Ayatollah Khomeini frowns on the use and production of drugs in Iran. Maybe that's why some clever drug smugglers put the frowning visage of the ayatollah on a batch of pictures and plaques shipped from Iran to New York. They must have figured customs officials would never suspect the plaque had opium hidden in their hollow backing.

They figured wrong. Customs inspectors in New York didn't buy the idea that an importer had found a market for the ayatollah's face in the United States. They tore the plaques apart and found more than 28 pounds of opium sticks.

That kind of police work deserves to be touted, and it is touted quietly among drug enforcement agencies who share such finds so their sister agencies can be on the alert for similar smuggling techniques.

The El Paso Intelligence Center is a federal information-sharing agency that gathers intelligence about drugs

and distributes it to nine federal departments involved in the drug war, including the Drug Enforcement Administration and the U.S. Customs Service. Our associate Dale Van Atta has seen a secret report from the center warning drug agents to expect the unexpected.

Wide picture frames are used by drug traffickers to conceal their drugs. U.S. Customs inspectors at Los Angeles International Airport once discovered 5,000 methaqualone tablets inside wooden picture frames.

Wooden furniture is also a favorite. Eight pounds of heroin were found inside four hand-crafted wooden room dividers being shipped from Thailand to San Francisco. Wooden lamps and gaming tables from Lebanon were shipped to San Diego with 260 pounds of hashish in the backgammon tables and 15 pounds in the lamps.

DEA agents in Seattle noticed a crack in a wooden bust arriving from Rio de Janeiro. They suspected the figure had been cut in half and glued back together. They were right. When they popped open the bust, four kilograms of cocaine fell out.

Traffickers will also hollow out the

frames and runners of wooden shipping crates and pallets to conceal drugs. One load of crates arriving in Miami from Colombia carried 94 pounds of cocaine. One smuggler tested that method by hiding 43 bottles of wine in the false floor of a shipping crate coming from Portugal. Customs agents found it.

That drug smugglers have experimented with plywood sheets that are laminated together to create internal holes. DEA agents noticed a pile of plywood with sheets that were more than one inch thick. Plywood is usually less than an inch, so the agents went to work. They found marijuana inside.

How do drug agents know where to look? They search for anything that looks irregular — container numbers that are unprofessionally stenciled, wood that sounds hollow when tapped or a commodity that is unusual for its country of origin. Containers coming from countries where drugs are produced are automatically suspect.

Internal squabbling

The recent agreement by OPEC to

restrict oil production in order to raise prices to \$18 or more a barrel has been greeted with skepticism by the world markets. No one thinks the oil producing nations can cooperate enough to make the accord stick.

Although OPEC may fail in the short term, there is no guarantee that the next effort won't succeed. The results could be horrendous for the homeowner. During the Arab oil embargo of 1973, there were still credible federal controls on electricity and natural gas prices. Now, with the Reagan administration's emphasis on deregulation, what little controls there are lie with the states, many of whose regulators are paties for the industry. If oil is pinched and prices go up, home heating costs rise with it.

With oil prices boosted, natural gas becomes more in demand, and its prices will go up, too. Electricity, the third major energy source, will also become more expensive.

Jack Anderson and his associate, Joseph Spear, are syndicated columnists.

Weddings



Mr. and Mrs. John Dundon Jr.

Dundon-Evans

Karen Ann Evans, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James B. Evans of Manchester, and John Joseph Dundon Jr., son of John Dundon Sr. of East Hartford, and the late Dorothy S. Dundon, were married Sept. 17 at Assumption Church.

The Rev. Edward S. Pepin officiated at the double ring ceremony, assisted by Deacon J. Fernand Chamberland.

Diane Tatelman, sister of the bride, was matron of honor. Bridesmaids were Elizabeth Evans, Deborah Dundon, Joanne LaRochelle and Wanda Parent. Lisa Prattson was flower girl.

After a reception at The Colony in Vernon the couple left on a wedding trip to Puerto Rico. They are making their home in Manchester.

Gerald Dundon, brother of the groom, was best man. Ushers were Michael Evans, Bill Tatelman, John LaRochelle and Dan Barone. Jason Dundon was ring bearer.

The bride is a graduate of East Catholic High School and Manchester Community College. She is employed by Aetna Life & Casualty of Windsor, as a senior production analyst.

The bridegroom is a graduate of Howell Cheney Technical School and is a partner of Corporate Electric of West Hartford.



Mrs. David A. Patelli

Patelli-Meister

Suzanne Elizabeth Meister, daughter of Richard Meister of Natick, Mass., and Helen Meister of Manchester, and David Arthur Patelli, son of Mr. and Mrs. Hugo Patelli of South Windsor, were married Oct. 29 at Wapping Community Church, South Windsor.

The Rev. Richard Tosh officiated. The bride was given in marriage by her father, Stefanie Bernardo, step-sister of the bride, was maid of honor. Bridesmaids were Lianne Bolduc, Ann Marie Harris and Deena Patelli. Erin Marie Patelli was flower girl.

Kevin Harris, brother-in-law of the bride, was best man. Ushers were Dave Lairia, Ed Peterson and Michael Meister.

After a reception at Jesters Court the couple left on a wedding trip to St. Marten. They are making their home in South Windsor.

The bride is employed by Platt, Wall and McCormack of Windsor. The bridegroom is employed by Custom Electric of Manchester.

Helpful tips for honeymoon

- To be and feel secure, take most of your money in traveler's checks.
- Make a list of all traveler's checks, credit cards and checking account numbers. Take it with you but keep in a separate location.
- Take national credit cards, if any, for things like car rentals, hotel and medical expenses.
- Label your luggage with names, your address and phone number on the inside as well as outside.
- Make a list of luggage contents.

- The list will be helpful if needed for claiming any losses.
- Don't forget a camera; have it well labeled, as well. And ensure that your lenses are well protected.
- Carry with you the names, addresses and phone numbers of your family in the event of an emergency.
- Make sure that you have homeowner's or renter's insurance that covers your belongings, including all your new gifts. If not, increase your coverage.

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COMPUTER HELP — Marianne Later, left, leans over to assist Christine Charette, who is working on balancing a checkbook by using a computer. The Bolton High School seniors are taking a course called "occupational planning."

Learning life skills

Bolton students get practical lesson

By Andrew J. Davis
Manchester Herald

To some Bolton High School students, school is not just a place where the worlds of science, history and mathematics come into focus. At Bolton High, the practical side of living also comes to light.

How to keep a checkbook, get insurance, and file tax returns are part of the school's Occupational Planning course. Resume writing skills also are included in the course, says Tino Bertolini, Bolton High Cooperative Work Experience and Computer Coordinator.

"The basic design of the course is to give students skills they'll use," he said. "They do get practical life skills. It's all practical activity."

Most of the students taking the course are not going on to college after graduation, so the course will help them absorb the every day aspects of running their lives, Bertolini said. There are 13 students in the first level of the course, and three students in the advanced level, or the second part.

"It's the kind of thing a kid needs to run a household," said Bertolini. "A household is a pretty big business."

Also, many of the students use the skills learned in the class in their careers, Bertolini said. Working in restaurants and retail jobs are common jobs for the students, he said.

"Most of these kids have already picked what's going to happen to them after high school," he said.

The students receive a half-credit for course work and up to two credits for working at a job outside school, said Bertolini. The work credits are given depending upon how many hours a student works. Because a student has to maintain a regular class load, a student is not allowed to work more than 20

hours, he said.

Bertolini shares teaching credit with Patricia Forkner, a business education teacher. The teachers were teaching separate courses, but combined the courses this year after realizing they were teaching much of the same material, Forkner said.

While some people may question the need for teaching such subjects, Forkner said some people do not understand how to handle some of life's basic demands.

"Many people don't know about insurance," she said. "Where do you go for a loan? It just makes life easier."

Also, since Bolton High is one of the smallest high schools in the state, the course allows the school to combine many subjects that could be taught separately at larger schools, Forkner said.

Bolton High School seniors Marianne Later and Christine Charette are two of the students in the course. Both students said they took the course because they wanted to prepare for a career, even though college may not be in either teen-agers' future.

Later said her future plans include owning her own day-care center. She said the course has helped her learn how to deal with people.

Later is employed at the Willington After School Program, where she looks after elementary and junior high school students whose parents work after school closes.

Charette currently works as a supervisor at Phelps Market in Willington, but she wants to work in a bank after graduation. She also said the program has helped her gain self-confidence and she is better able to work with people.

"It helps me dealing with people, different people," she said. "It's going to help me in the future."

Singapore students suicidal over studies

SINGAPORE (AP) — At 13, Sharanne Au sees childhood passing by in a blur as she scrambles to excel in school and join what researchers call a cheerless, over-pressured, and sometimes suicidal generation of Asian scholars.

"I am ordered by adults to hurry, to go faster and faster, to rush into adulthood while I am still a child."

"We must be successful. Nothing else counts. Honesty, compassion, understanding are given lip-service, but all that counts is to be the best in material things... There is schoolwork, extra-curricular work, homework, holiday homework and work to 'enrich' my life. They have taken away time," the schoolgirl wrote in a letter to a local newspaper.

In this island republic of 2.6 million and throughout Asia, youths are seeking psychiatric help in increasing numbers because parents relentlessly pressure them to achieve academic credits they hope will lead to the good life.

Competition for university enrollment is hotter than in the

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Schoolgirl in Singapore

West, in part because Asia has fewer colleges and in part because of the emphasis placed on education here.

According to one survey from Singapore's Advisory Committee on Youth, the number of new cases at the Child Psychiatric Clinic jumped from 677 in 1983 to 1,071 last year.

Seven- and 10-year-olds talked of suicide because they could not cope with their studies.

"To most of them, education was stress and pressure," said teacher Geraldine Loh, chairman of the committee, which recommended reducing the emphasis on tests, widening curriculum and hiring full-time counselors at schools.

Another study described the typical 19- to 24-year-old in Singapore as out of shape, unap-

preciative of the arts, uninvolved with community service and obsessed with high grades.

"All of them equated a degree with a well-paying job and better standard of living," said civil servant Goh Song How, whose committee conducted the survey.

Educators blame the parents and parents blame the system, which begins separating children by academic levels at the age of nine.

Tutoring has become a multimillion-dollar business and some find work prepping kindergarten children. There are no dropouts in Singapore — the official label is "premature school leaver."

One teacher said some parents also suffer from neurotic anxiety when children do not excel. "It is not just the children losing the rat

race, it is a reflection on their heredity," he said.

When college admission examination results are announced, student suicides peak in Japan and several other countries. Failure is regarded as a stunning loss of face.

About 9,700 Singaporeans study overseas, mostly in the United States, Britain, Canada, Australia and New Zealand, compared to 15,000 at the National University of Singapore. Some opt to go abroad to gain foreign credentials, but most of those who can afford it have little choice after failing to gain admission to NUS.

The International Association for the Evaluation of Educational Achievement said in an analysis issued in New York this year that students from Japan, Hong Kong, South Korea or Singapore scored best in four out of five science tests it conducted in 17 countries in North America, Asia and Europe.

This appears to be partly the result of "streaming," the phasing out of the less academically bright. Students in some coun-

tries have to choose between science and art when they reach 14. Those who pick science then concentrate almost exclusively on math, physics, chemistry, biology and computers.

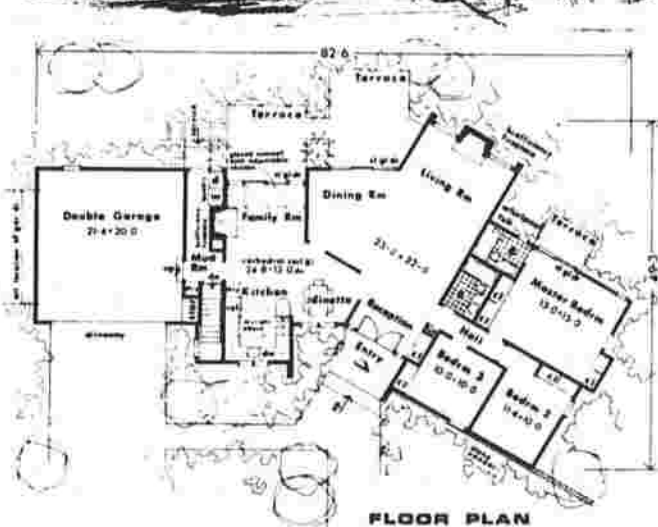
In Singapore, streaming starts at the end of third grade, when students are about nine years old, and further streaming takes place at the end of primary school.

Education experts also ascribe the test results in part to parental pressure, based on stronger motivation linked to the emphasis their cultures traditionally placed on learning, and the material and social rewards promised by a college degree.

Families in China are pushing their children to learn too much too fast in their attempt to get their kids on the fast track, an official newspaper said recently.

Parents have stopped teaching their children values, such as morality and the joys of labor, because they are spending too much time cramming their heads with facts, the paper said.

FOCUS / Home



HOUSE OF THE WEEK — This three-bedroom ranch is finished in horizontal cedar and stone veneer. Double front doors open into a reception area that offers a view of the open and airy interiors. Plan HA1500K has 1,510 square feet. For more information, write to architect Charles Koty, 27 Barry Park Court, Searingtown, N.Y. 11507. Enclose a stamped, self-addressed envelope.

Cleaning up after a fire

By Andy Lang
The Associated Press

There were 551,500 residential fires in the United States last year, according to the National Fire Protection Association. They caused \$3.7 billion in property damage.

Thanks to modern technology and techniques much of that property can be saved and restored. The chances of fire losses can be minimized by following a few simple steps. Very important is that cleanup and deodorizing can be relatively routine if done quickly. But if smoke and soot are allowed to set in fibers, carpeting, clothing and draperies, cleaning becomes very difficult. If water damage is involved, time becomes even more critical. Mildew and rot set in. Odors get worse. And if water seeps through carpeting to wood floors, warping and buckling are inevitable.

To get a first-hand report on the subject, we talked to John Gellately, vice president of Steamatic Inc., a company specializing in fire and flood restoration. An area where the greatest advances have been made in recent years is the restoration of books, documents, photographs and other valuable and cherished papers. Gellately explained how documents are often frozen on the

On The House

site to stop bacteria and mildew growth until they can be shipped to vacuum drying chambers. The chambers dry large quantities quickly, minimize warping, stop bacteria and mildew growth and keep papers from sticking together.

When fire and soot do not penetrate the wood, even though it has a "burned" appearance, a special wood restoration process restores the old finish on location, often in as little as an hour or two.

Gellately says home owners should be sure they have a replacement cost insurance policy, which pays whatever it costs to replace damaged or lost property. If you have only a "cash value" policy, it will pay only the depreciated value of the property, which can be far less today than when you bought and less than it will cost to replace it. Also keep receipts of value no matter how old they are, since a large amount of them can be kept in a small box. Make sure your insurance company has a list of property that is of unusual value, which may include antiques, jewelry, furs and stamp or coin collections.

Getting electric equipment, such as TV sets, video cassette recorders, computers, etc., back in service following a fire is part of the cleanup task. Soot and smoke can cause corrosion, which may not be visible in its early stages. If left as is, irreparable damage will result.

(Do-it-yourselfers will find much helpful information on a variety of subjects in Andy Lang's handbook, "Practical Home Repairs," which can be obtained by sending \$2 to this paper or Box 5, Teaneck, N.J. 07666.)

Because there are things that

cannot be restored or replaced, they should be kept in a fireproof safe, vault or bank safety deposit box. If you have a good insurance policy, it may have a deductible of as little as \$250. That means you should not have to pay any more than that if your home is damaged by fire.

Headquartered in Grand Prairies, Texas, Steamatic got its start 40 years ago when two college buddies, Bill Blackmon and Scott Mooring, got a furniture cleaning contract at the Crazy Water Crystal Hotel in the Texas town of Mineral Wells. Today, they have franchises all over the United States. The company often is called in for major fire cleanups, like the multimillion dollar job following one of the biggest high-rise fires ever in Los Angeles at the First Interstate Bank Building last May.

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Exhibit of seeds to cereal

By Earl Aronson
The Associated Press

Ask a child where his breakfast cereal comes from and the answer might be "the supermarket." An exhibit, currently at the New York Botanical Garden, shows how cereals are made from plants.

Called "Post Cereals Presents: From Seeds to Cereal," the exhibit is designed for adults as well as children. It opened this past fall and is scheduled to remain at the Botanical Garden for about three years.

Among its features are: living plant beds of grains and fruits; a big watering can visitors spin to animate pictures showing the plant life-cycle; grains to touch and grind into flour; a working model of a cereal-making machine, where children can press cereal shapes; and a demonstration of photosynthesis, explained through the image of a whimsical food factory.

The exhibit was created to help make the connection between familiar packaged foods and their plant origins. It shows the production of cereal, from its beginnings as a seed in the soil, through growth, harvest and processing.

"Most children today grow up in cities and suburbs, far from where food is grown," says Jane Sokolow, the Botanical Garden's educational development director.

"Few understand that what

Weeders Guide

they eat out of a box was once a living plant. When they learn this, they are amazed. Post and the Botanical Garden developed this exhibit to respond to the basic curiosity that children have about where their food comes from and how it is grown.

A talking image of C.W. Post, who founded the company a century ago, appears on panels that explain the four ways cereals are processed: baking, flaking, puffing and pressing into shapes (extruding). Featured are growing specimens of wheat, corn, rice, barley, banana plants, coconut palms and sugar cane.

The display is the first corporate venture at the Botanical Garden. It was designed to withstand the humid, greenhouse environment of the End A Haupt Conservatory.

"Each organization brought its own specialized knowledge to the project," says William B. Korab, group vice president of General Foods USA and president of Post. "Our common interest was in seeing that everything would be presented in ways to amaze and teach children in a fun, involving manner."

There is a grist mill where visitors can grind seeds into flour. Floating above the entrance is a mobile sculpture of a bowl-like sun, 6-foot-tall spoon and giant

cereal seeds. There is also a breakfast table, a grocery shelf where youngsters can match the cereals they eat to the live plants, and plant beds with information about their culture.

(Did you know, for example, that the first yellow bananas to arrive in the United States were eaten with knife and fork at a dinner party in Boston in 1874?)

Among the interesting facts the exhibit points out are:

- Everything we eat comes from plants — or from animals that eat plants. And not only is breakfast cereal made from plants, but the milk poured onto it comes from cows that eat plants.

- The cultivation of plants is the foundation of civilization. Early man secured his food by hunting and gathering. Men began to farm about 10,000 years ago. Over centuries, farming allowed families to settle down, giving rise to communities.

- Although plants are alive like humans, plants cannot move about. They grow in soil and on rocks. Some grow on other plants. There is great diversity in the plant world. Some are so small they're almost invisible; others, such as redwood trees, are giants.

- Plants make their own food using sunlight, air, water and, in most cases, minerals from the soil. This action, which happens inside the plants' leaves, is called photosynthesis.
- Every seed is a package that contains a new plant.

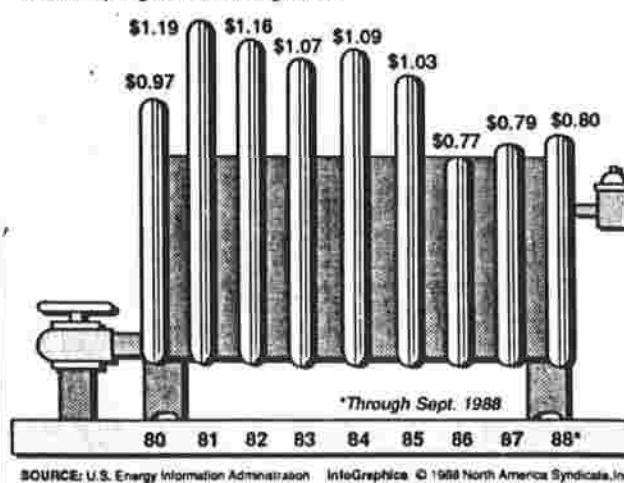
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The comfortable price of U.S. residential heating oil

The price of residential heating oil in the U.S. was painfully high in the early 1980s, peaking in 1981 at an average of \$1.19 per gallon. More recently, heating oil prices have dropped from an average \$1.09 per gallon in 1984 to about 80 cents per gallon in 1988.

AVERAGE U.S. RETAIL PRICE OF RESIDENTIAL HEATING OIL, 1980-88
In dollars per gallon, excluding taxes:



Tax Adviser

By George W. Smith

QUESTION: Next year I will probably have enough medical payments to take me over the 7.5 percent limitation. This year, though, I don't have enough to qualify for a tax deduction. What year-end tax advice can you give me?

L.H.
CLAYTON, N.J.

ANSWER: In certain situations, incurring medical expenses may not be discretionary, although there are some that can be deferred or accelerated without any serious health consequences. For instance, paying for your eyeglasses or dental bills in January versus December may enable you to "bunch" your medical expenses into a particular tax year and thus exceed the 7.5 percent floor limitation for your deductible medical expenses. That's called good year-end tax planning.

QUESTION: Can I pay my final federal estimated income tax payment in December 1988? Does it make any difference if it's paid in 1988 or 1989?

M.E.
FORT WAYNE, IND.

ANSWER: Except for a dent in your pocketbook, the answer is, no, it doesn't make any difference when you pay your final federal estimated payment as long as you do it by Tuesday, Jan. 17, 1989. It could make a difference, however, if it was your state income tax payment. For state tax you take a deduction for 1988 or 1989 return. Make a payment in 1988

and the deduction goes on your 1989 tax return. Proper year-end tax planning could save you some extra dollars in this type of situation.

QUESTION: We own a 40-foot sailboat and spend many enjoyable weeks on it during the summer months. Is the finance charge we are paying on the loan only 40 percent deductible in 1988?

D.J.
BEAUFORT, N.C.

ANSWER: Basically, that's the idea. And, it's even lower for 1989. However, if your boat is equipped to be lived on, you can deduct this interest as mortgage interest expense for a second home and take a 100 percent deduction provided you can itemize on Schedule A of Form 1040. Your boat must have basic living accommodations which would include sleeping space, lavatory and cooking facilities.

QUESTION: I recently bought a summer home near Vancouver, British Columbia. Can I take a deduction for the real-estate taxes I paid on the home?

R.K.
SEATTLE

ANSWER: The rule book says that real-estate taxes include any state, local or foreign tax incurred on real property levied for the general public welfare. Enjoy your deduction.

Send your questions to: The Tax Adviser, George W. Smith & Co., P.C., 29229 Northwestern Highway, Southfield, Mich. 48034. Due to the volume of mail, personal replies cannot be provided.

Timing can save you money

The smart money is getting that tax rates will never be lower than in 1988. If you agree, accelerate any income you can into 1988 and defer deductions into 1989.



Sylvia Porter

If your philosophy, though, is to pay the least possible tax each year (and next year worry about next year) then in general you should defer income until 1989 and accelerate deductions into 1988.

If you want to pay the least amount of tax in 1988, your strategy is to start by paying state and local income taxes and charitable contributions in December, 1988, that you might otherwise pay in 1989, suggests William B. Rosenberg, CPA, and Richard A. Klass, CPA of the New York-based Weiner & Co.

In addition, for those itemized deductions that are subject to limitations based upon your adjusted gross income — such as medical expenses and miscellaneous expenses (say, unreimbursed employee business expenses) — it may be beneficial to "bunch" such expenses for 1988 and 1989 into 1988 to assure that your deductions will exceed any limitations stated in the current law.

For example, you could have elective medical or dental work performed and paid for in 1988 instead of waiting until 1989. Similarly, you could pay certain miscellaneous expenses (investment expenses or fees for tax advice, and the like) in 1988

instead of paying them in 1989. However, if you determine that you will not exceed the limitations even by paying in 1988 all 1989 expenses you know about, pay no expenses in 1988. Then, when you pay them in 1989, your 1988, 1989 and early-paid 1990 expenses together will exceed the 1989 limitations.

We know that personal interest will be 40 percent deductible if paid in 1988 and only 20 percent deductible in 1989. Therefore, pay any personal interest you have incurred in 1988 by the end of this year to avoid the smaller deduction in 1989. Personal interest includes interest incurred on such items as credit cards and car loans.

If you are in the process of an IRS audit and will owe taxes interest, it would be wise to have the audit completed and pay the interest in 1988 so that 40 percent of the interest will be deductible.

If you have personal debt outstanding, seriously consider replacing it with fully deductible home-equity debt. Generally, debt not incurred to purchase your home, but secured by your home in an amount of up to \$100,000 will qualify for deduction. Because this is an extremely technical area, consult your tax adviser to make sure your loan

qualifies. The standard deduction (\$5,000 for joint returns and \$3,000 for single taxpayers) can be used to create a tax savings if your actual deductions will approximate the standard deduction. Taxpayers in this position should use a bunching strategy.

For example, assume you're a married couple with itemized deductions that will approximate \$4,500 in 1988 and 1989. Since this is less than the standard deduction of \$5,000, you will deduct \$5,000 in both 1988 and 1989 (disregarding the inflation adjustment in 1989), or a total of \$10,000. By accelerating \$2,500 of your 1989 deductions into 1988, you can deduct \$7,000 in 1988 and the standard deduction in 1989, or a total of \$12,000 of deductions.

Typical taxpayers receiving interest income often forget that they may have losses from bonds they own — and you may be a typical taxpayer in this sense. Do not forget that these losses can be converted into tax savings by selling the bonds and using the losses against capital gains or, if you have no capital gains, up to \$3,000 of losses may be applied against ordinary income. Similarly, you can sell stocks on which you have capital losses.

After reviewing all deductions, review your income items to see if you can defer receipt of any until 1989. For instance, you might want to invest in a U.S. Treasury bill or certificate of deposit with a maturity of one year or less that doesn't come due until 1989. Also, you might want to postpone a sale of stock until 1989 or in other ways postpone the income until 1989, while locking in the gain.

Electronic trading stamps!

LOUISVILLE, Ky. (AP) — Merchants have been offering lick-and-stick trading stamps since 1956 when shoppers received a handful before they left the checkout counter.

The green stamps went into special books and were exchanged for gifts — everything from bird cages to microwave ovens — but that process is being streamlined for a new generation of consumers.

"We're now offering Green Seals and electronic cards because we've learned that people like convenience," says Gil Lewis, vice president of sales for Sperry & Hutchinson in Atlanta.

"Shoppers get one seal for each \$5 purchase. That seal equals 50 stamps and is much easier to use," he says. "Just peel off the back, and you're in business."

The electronic cards resemble credit cards. "The card has a magnetic strip that records all transactions at the cash register and holds the equivalent of 20 books of stamps," says Lewis.

There are retailers who still prefer the original stamps, and they will be available as long as the demand exists, he says.

The company hit its peak in 1969 with \$369 million in sales and more than 100,000 stores distributing stamps.

"Discount coupons came along about that time," says Lewis, "as supermarkets looked for ways to reward customers for their patronage."

"We also had to cope with the energy embargo

in 1973 when service stations, our second-largest client, didn't need to give away stamps or anything else because they had nothing to sell."

Today, S&H sales are still in excess of \$100 million, and its outlets include grocery stores, supermarket chains and truck stops scattered around the country, Lewis says.

Stamps often find their way into dresser drawers, purse bottoms or boxes stored on closet shelves, and a few have been used inadvertently to mail letters.

Lewis says, however, that the redemption rate runs about 90 percent.

"And there's no expiration date. We recently received a book of stamps that had been issued in Illinois in 1913," he says.

Some families have used stamps to furnish their living rooms with sofas, chairs or curtains. "You name it, and we probably have it," says Lewis, adding that S&H once worked out a deal to help purchase a tiger for the zoo in Norfolk, Va.

The company doesn't hesitate to change or expand its line of merchandise. "We're now including sporting goods and a device that fits on a television set to pick up programs for hearing-impaired viewers."

It's been 92 years since S&H's first customer traded a book of stamps for a wrought-iron lamp, but the electric can opener, says Lewis, is one of the most popular items. More than 35,000 ended up in America's kitchens in 1986.

FOCUS / Advice

Is this the only treatment?

DEAR DR. GOTT: I have a very stubborn painful case of trigeminal neuralgia/neuritis. Is the drug Tegretol the only treatment?



Dr. Gott
Peter Gott, M.D.

DEAR READER: Trigeminal neuralgia (also known as tic douloureux) is a condition of the trigeminal facial nerve, marked by electrical shocklike pains that affect a portion of the face. It is caused by pressure on the nerve or by a poorly understood breakdown of the nerve. The pains can appear without warning or they can be triggered by touching the face, chewing or brushing the teeth. When severe, the discomfort is incapacitating.

Several treatments are effective.

Phenytoin (Dilantin, a drug used for seizures) is a safe medication that may reduce both the severity and the frequency of trigeminal attacks.

Tegretol is also an anti-convulsant that is frequently used to treat trigeminal neuralgia. However, it does have several side effects, including drowsiness, suppression of blood cell formation, jaundice and kidney damage.

Sometimes, surgery (to release pressure on the nerve or to cut parts of the nerve to relieve pain) is necessary.

DEAR DR. GOTT: Everyone tells me something different about the change of life: I will/won't need hormones. I will/won't enjoy sex anymore. Can you set me straight?

DEAR READER: I'll try. As women age, their ovaries produce less of the female hormone called estrogen. Eventually, the production of hormone falls to such a low level that women no longer ovulate or have menstruation. This is called the menopause.

Many menopausal women experience no discomfort whatsoever when their menstrual periods cease. In fact, they may feel a sense of freedom and relief because they can no longer become pregnant. They don't require synthetic hormone supplements and they continue to enjoy active sex lives.

Unfortunately, this is not always the case. Some women's bodies react violently to the decrease in hormone secretion. They have uncontrollable flushing (hot flashes), experience extreme emotional instability and suffer from a general unwell

feeling.

Because calcium-uptake in bones is dependent on estrogen, these women can develop soft and brittle bones, as calcium is "washed out" of them during menopause. They may notice that sexual intercourse is difficult or painful because of shrinkage and dryness of the vaginal lining.

Such women can be helped with supplemental hormones in pill, patch or cream forms. Each case must be individualized and a woman should work with a gynecologist to determine what her needs are and whether hormone therapy is advisable.

In short, menopause is not the end of a happy, healthful and sexual life; it is simply the culmination of a woman's fertility. Not all women need (or should have) hormone therapy.

However, for those women who would be helped by hormones, ample assistance is available. Although hormone treatment may improve a woman's sense of well-being and reduce bone calcium loss, the use of these medications is associated with some side effects — in particular, an increase in the incidence of uterine cancer. Check with your gynecologist to determine if you are a candidate for hormone replacement.

For more information, I am sending you a copy of my Health Report "Menopause." Other readers who would like a copy should send \$1 with their name and address to P.O. Box 91369, Cleveland, Ohio 44101-3369. Be sure to mention the title.

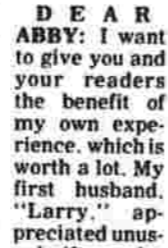
Where to Write



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Tattooed testimonial stings second hubby



Dear Abby
Abigail Van Buren

DEAR ABBY: I want to give you and your readers the benefit of my own experience, which is worth a lot. My first husband, "Larry," appreciated unusual gifts, so for our first anniversary I had his name tattooed on my left breast. Above my heart. Larry loved it. After 14 years of marriage, he died in an automobile accident. Two years later I married "Mark," who never really liked seeing "Larry" over my heart, so I found a tattoo parlor and had "Larry" covered with a fancy floral design. It took a lot of doing, but it was well worth it.

Please tell your readers never to have anybody's name tattooed on their bodies where it will show. One never knows what tomorrow will bring.

MARK'S WIFE

DEAR WIFE: Thanks for the wise counsel. It will be appreciated by tattoo fanciers who are not eager to hold still for additional needling.

DEAR ABBY: My husband and I are close friends with another married couple. We see each other frequently and usually have a great time together.

Very often, the wife will criticize or ridicule her husband in front of us — and others as well. This is obviously embarrassing for him, and it makes us feel very uncomfortable.

Is there anything we could say to avoid this in the future, or to break the tension when it does happen? Or should we just keep quiet and mind our own business? **UNCOMFORTABLE FRIENDS**

DEAR FRIENDS: Much depends on how close you and this woman are. If you are sufficiently close to speak frankly with her, tell her what you have told me. It would be the friendly and generous thing to do because most people avoid the company of those who make them uncomfortable.

DEAR ABBY: A girlfriend of mine is getting married soon and she's planning to have "thank-you scrolls" printed to hand out during the reception. These "scrolls" contain a message from the bride and groom thanking the guests for their gifts. I think this is a lovely idea — except they are doing it instead of sending personal thank-you notes.

When I told the bride I didn't think the scrolls were in good taste, she said she had already attended two weddings where this was done. Tacky?

Although personal thank-you notes take time, I truly hope they "scrolls" are not a new trend. Do you agree, Abby?

THANKS, BUT NO THANKS

DEAR THANKS, BUT NO THANKS: There is no substitute for a personal thank-you note for any kind of gift. And to send out printed "form" letters or hand out "scrolls" is improper.

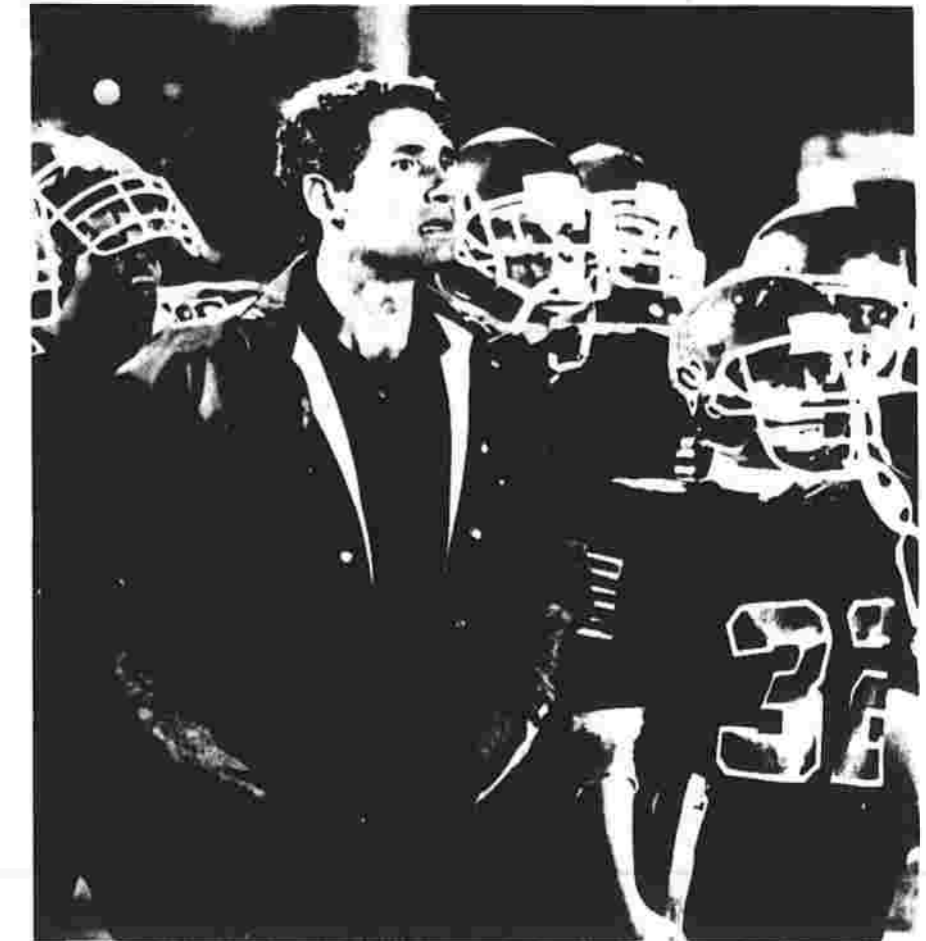
CONFIDENTIAL TO YOU: Just to ensure that everybody has a Merry Christmas, if you're drinking, don't drive tonight. And if you're driving, don't drink.

"How to Write Letters for All Occasions" provides sample letters of congratulations, thank-yous, condolences, resumes and business letters — even how to write love letters! It also includes how to properly address clergy, government officials, dignitaries, widows and others. To order, send your name and address, plus check or money order for \$2.99 to: Abby's Letter Booklet, P.O. Box 447, Mount Morris, Ill. 61054. (Postage is included.)

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Saturday, Dec. 24



Michael Nouri stars in the title role of "Quiet Victory: The Charlie Wedemeyer Story," as the former all-star football player who developed Lou Gehrig's disease and went on to coach his team to victory. The movie airs Monday, Dec. 26 on CBS.

- 5:00AM** (1) Paid Programming
(1) Weekend with Crook and Chase (CNN) Crossfire
[USA] Night Flight: Video Profile: Rod Stewart
- 5:15AM** [TMC] MOVIE: 'I Own the Racecourse' An Australian teen-ager has the mistaken impression that he owns a horse-racing track. Gully Cootie, Tony Barry. 1984. Rated NR.
- 5:30AM** (1) Love Lucy
(1) INN News
[CNN] Showbiz Today
[DIS] Scheme of Things
[ESPN] Bodyshaping
[USA] Night Flight: Second Coming of Rock 'n' Roll
- 6:00AM** (3) Young Universe (R)
(5) Make \$1000 Cash Every Five Hours
(9) Sustaining
(1) INN Magazine
(1) Home Shopping Network (3 hrs.)
[CNN] Daybreak
[DIS] You and Me, Kid
[ESPN] Bodyshaping
[USA] Night Flight: Cartoon Fiesta
- 6:05AM** [MAX] MOVIE: 'The Boy Who Could Fly' (CC) A 14-year-old boy who has never spoken a word believes so strongly in magic that he becomes an inspiration to all those around him. Jay Underwood, Lucy Deakins, Bonnie Bedelia. 1986. Rated PG. (In Stereo)
- 6:15AM** (1) Davey & Goliath
- 6:30AM** (3) Captain Bob
(5) Dangerous
(1) Laurel and Hardy
(1) At the Movies Rex Reed, Dixie Whitley. Scheduled: 'Rain Man' (Dustin Hoffman, Tom Cruise)
(3) New Zoo Revue
(1) Follow Me
(1) Comic Strip (In Stereo)
[CNN] International Correspondents
[DIS] Mousercise
[ESPN] Speedweek Weekly auto racing highlights
[HBO] Tales of Little Women
[TMC] MOVIE: 'Killing Stone' A freelance writer, released from prison after serving a ten-year murder sentence, encounters a belligerent sheriff while trying to find the real killer and clear his name. Gil Gerard, J.D. Carrion, Nehemiah Persoff. 1978. Rated NR
- 7:00AM** (3) Young Universe
(5) Plasticman
(3) Fantastic World of Hanna-Barbera
(1) BraveStarr (CC)
(2) Daffy Duck and Tweety
(2) Dr. Fd.
(3) Ring Around the World
(3) AM Boston (R)
(4) Kidzongs (R) (In Stereo)
(4) Ulises
[CNN] Daybreak
[DIS] Welcome to Pooh Corner
[ESPN] SportsCenter
[HBO] Emmet Otter's Jug-Band Christmas. Emmet and his mother compete in a local talent contest. (60 min.)
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| USA | USA Network (USA) | 11 |
- 7:30AM** (3) Garfield and Friends
(5) Forever Lean
(1) BraveStarr (CC)
(2) Kidzongs
(2) Rin-Tin-Tin
(3) Completely Mental Misadventures of Ed Grimley (CC)
(3) It's Your Business
(4) Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles
(1) Princess Caballero
[CNN] Sports Close-up
[DIS] Dumbo's Circus
[ESPN] Thoroughbred Sports Digest
- 8:00AM** (3) Adventures of Raggedy Ann and Andy (CC)
(5) World Tomorrow
(1) Flintstone Kids (CC)
(1) Hit Videos USA
(2) Popeye
(2) Kaseybah (CC)
(2) Zoobles Zoo
(2) MOVIE: 'They Came to Cordura' An Army officer, accused of cowardice, is sent to find five men worthy of the Medal of Honor. Gary Cooper, Rita Hayworth, Van Heflin. 1955
(3) Wall Street Journal Report
(1) Remi
(5) Rod and Reel Streamside
[CNN] Daybreak
[DIS] Good Morning Mickey!
[ESPN] Outdoor Life
[HBO] MOVIE: 'Roxanne' (CC) A modern-day 'Cyrano de Bergerac,' completely with an oversized nose, coaches his shy buddy in the art of courtship. Steve Martin, Daryl Hannah, Rick Rossovich. 1987. Rated PG. (In Stereo)
[MAX] MOVIE: 'The 30-Foot Bride of Candy Rock' An Amateur scientist turns his girl into thirty foot giant. Lou Costello, Dorothy Frazee. 1958
[USA] Financial Freedom
- 8:30AM** (3) Superman
(5) Face to Face With Cardinal O'Connor
(1) 40 New Adventures of Winnie the Pooh (CC)
(1) Hee Haw (R)
(2) Porky Pig
(2) Disney's Adventures of the Gummi Bears (CC)
(2) Sesame Street (CC)
(3) Ask the Manager
(1) Voltron
(5) Great American Woodlots
[CNN] Big Story
[DIS] Wuzles
[ESPN] Outdoor Sportsman
[TMC] MOVIE: 'For Heaven's Sake' An angel comes to the aid of a down-on-his-luck professional basketball player who wants to win the respect and admiration of his daughter. Ray Bolger, Kent McCord. 1982
- 9:00AM** (3) Jim Henson's Muppet Babies (CC)
(5) McCreary Report
(3) Superman
(1) America's Top Ten
(1) Home Shopping Network (3 hrs.)
(2) Bugs Bunny and Friends
(2) Smurfs (CC)
(3) MOVIE: 'Castle in the Desert' Charlie Chan investigates a death at a millionaire's medieval castle. Sidney Toler. Arleen Whelan, Richard Derr. 1942.
(1) Captain Castella
(5) La Plaza
(1) Denver, the Last Dinosaur
[DIS] Donald Duck Presents
[ESPN] Fishin' Hole
[USA] Your Kids: Hidden Keys
- 9:10AM** [CNN] Healthweek
(1) 15AM [MAX] MOVIE: 'End of the Line' Two Arkansas railroad workers stage an unusual protest when corporate bosses close down their yard. Wilford Brimley, Levon Helm. 1988. Rated PG
- 9:30AM** (3) Slimer! And the Real Ghostbusters (CC)
(3) Superman
(1) Dick Clark's Golden Greats
(2) Sesame Street (CC)
- (1) Isla del Tesoro
(5) Say Brother
(1) Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles (CC)
[CNN] Moneyweek
[DIS] Raccons Part 2 of 2. (In Stereo)
[ESPN] Motorweek Illustrated
[USA] Update: Making it Happen
- 10:00AM** (3) Pee-wee's Playhouse (CC)
(5) WWF Superstars of Wrestling
(3) Munsters Today
(1) Soul Train (R)
(2) G.L.O.W. Wrestling
(2) The Chipmunks (CC)
(2) Ramona (CC)
(2) Wrestling: World Class Championship Wrestling
(1) El Tesoro del Saber
(5) Tony Brown's Journal (R)
(1) World Wide Wrestling
[DIS] MOVIE: 'The Magic Snowman' Roger Moore is the voice of a friendly Finnish snowman who helps two children prepare for the annual skating event. Justin Fred, Dragana Marjanovic, Jack Aronson. 1987. Rated NR
[ESPN] Monster Truck Challenge
[HBO] Inside the NFL Hosts: Len Dawson, Nick Buoniconti. (60 min.) (In Stereo)
[TMC] MOVIE: 'The Conversation' A surveillance expert makes the mistake of becoming involved with a murder. Gene Hackman, John Cazale, Allen Garfield. 1974. Rated PG
[USA] Morgan Brittany on Beauty
- 10:10AM** [CNN] Showbiz Week
10:30AM (3) Little Rascals
(1) 40 Pup Named Scooby Doo (CC)
(3) My Favorite Martian
(2) 30 ALF (CC)
(2) Three Stooges
(1) Capitan Poder
(5) Adam Smith's Money World: How to Win With the Gambling Industry (R)
[CNN] Style With Elsa Klensch
[ESPN] K.I.D.S.
[USA] Profile
- 11:00AM** (3) Hey, Vern, It's Ernest!
12:00PM (3) Sun Bowl: Alabama vs.
- (1) Learning the Ropes Mark wants to drop out of school to seek fame with his band. (R) (In Stereo)
(1) Bugs Bunny & Tweety Show (CC)
(1) Buck Rogers
(1) Star Search (60 min.)
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(2) MOVIE: 'A Dream for Christmas' A monster learns that his church is soon to be razed to make way for a shopping center. Hari Rhodes, Beah Richards, Lynn Hamilton. 1973.
(2) On Pit Road
(1) El Reino Salvaje
(5) Washington Week in Review (CC)
(1) Fall Guy
[CNN] Science and Technology Week
[ESPN] Scholastic Sports America: Japan Holiday Special (R)
[HBO] A Dangerous Life (CC) Part 3 of 3. (In Stereo)
[MAX] MOVIE: 'Raising Arizona' After discovering that they can't have children, a young couple decides to borrow an infant from a wealthy local family. Nicolas Cage, Holly Hunter, Trey Wilson. 1987. Rated PG-13. (In Stereo)
[USA] New Healthy Diet
11:30AM (3) Teen Wolf (CC)
(5) Small Wonder (CC) Harnet, Jamie and Vicki learn a tough lesson when they have more than one date for the same night. (R)
(2) Completely Mental Misadventures of Ed Grimley (CC)
(2) Greatest Sports Legends
(3) Career Media Network
(1) Embajadores de la Musica Colombiana
(5) Wall Street Week
[CNN] College Football Preview
[DIS] Small One A young boy must sell his flop-eared dog because his father decides it is too old to work.
[ESPN] NFL Gameday Preview of to-day's NFL Football schedule.
[CNN] Where There's a Will There's an A
- (1) Army (CC) From El Paso, Texas. (3 hrs., 30 min.) (Live)
(5) MOVIE: 'Babes in Toyland' The evil Mr. Barnaby menaces a pair of young lovers in his efforts to control all of Toyland. Tommy Sands, Annette Funicello, Ray Bolger. 1961.
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These may be worth a stamp

Help with child care

NEW YORK (AP) — By 1990, nearly 17 million children 6 years and younger will receive some form of child care outside the home, according to the U.S. Census Bureau, and millions of older children will be caring for themselves at least part of each day.

Two pamphlets are available to help parents sort out what they need in day care and what is provided by the more than 220,000 child care centers currently operating in the United States. They were prepared by the National Association of Pediatric Nurse Associates and Practitioners and by Lysol Brand Products.

For a free NAPNAP Child Care Guide and/or NAPNAP Parent's Guide, write to Lysol Brand Products, P.O. Box 5990, Westbury N.Y. 11592.

After-school assistance

Experts estimate that the numbers of school-age children who spend some time at home alone each day range from 2.1 million to 6 million.

The American Home Economics Association and the Whirlpool Foundation have joined forces to find alternatives in after-school programs for latchkey children through Project Home Safe.

They are working locally to qualify home economists to work locally to assess needs; identify available resources and develop a plan to solve community problems of children in self-care; provide life-skills training for children

in self-care; create a national awareness of the needs and problems of young children who care for themselves.

Anyone seeking information related to school-age child care or children in self-care can contact the group's resource center toll-free by calling 1-800-252-SAFE. For information about programs near your area call 1-800-424-8888.

Selecting a sleeping bag

Du Pont has reissued its "Guide to Family Camping" and "How to Select a Sleeping Bag" brochures. The camping guide was written by John Roskelley of Spokane, Wash., one of America's foremost mountaineers. Both offer good tips, along with a few plugs for Du Pont fibers.

For free booklets write to P.O. Box 5043, Ronks, Pa. 17573.

Dealing with stress

"The Soothing Facts" is a booklet on how to recognize the harmful effects of stress and some tips on how to manage it. It was produced by Dazey Corporation and Gail North, co-author of "Women's Burnout: How to Spot It, How to Reverse It and How to Prevent It." It's interesting even if you're not interested in the three paragraphs about Dazey's TurboSpa.

Send a self-addressed, stamped No. 10 envelope to Dazey TurboSpa Stress Book, P.O. Box 263, Gardner Kan. 66630.

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12:30PM (8) To Be Announced.

(22) **NFL Playoffs: AFC Wild Card Game.** Starting time to be announced. (3 hrs.) (Live)

(24) **Day of Christmas With the Soldiers Chorus.**

(CNN) Evans & Novak
(MAX) **Max Movie Show** A preview of theatrical releases, movies in production and interviews with screen stars.

1:00PM (8) **Barnaby Jones**

(9) **WWF Wrestling Spotlight**
(11) **MOVIE: 'A Christmas Without Snow'** A group of choir members struggle under the leadership of a perfectionist director, Michael Learned, John Houseman, Ramon Bieri. 1980.

(24) **Antiques (R)**

(46) **Let's Go Bowling (60 min.)**

(57) **Ramona (CC)**

(CNN) Newsday

(ESPN) **Triathlon: From Nice, France.** (60 min.) (Taped)

(HBO) **MOVIE: 'Harry and the Hendersons'** (CC) A Washington family's life is turned upside down after they run into Bigfoot during a camping trip and take the lumbering creature home. John Lithgow, Melinda Dillon, Margaret Langrick. 1987. Rated PG. (In Stereo)

(MAX) **MOVIE: 'High Tide'** A down-on-his-luck Australian singer attempts to re-establish a relationship with the daughter she abandoned years before. Judy Davis, Jan Adelaide, Claudia Karvan. 1987. Rated PG-13

(USA) **MOVIE: 'Animal Crackers'** The Marx Brothers wreak havoc when a family throws a party for them. Marx Brothers, Margaret Dumont. 1930.

1:30PM (24) **Quilting: Two Quiltmakers (R)**

(57) **Computer Chronicles**

(CNN) **Newsweek Saturday**

(DIS) **Animals in Action** An examination of animals that live in herds, flocks, swarms, skeins and shoals.

1:45PM (5) **MOVIE: 'Lili'** A sixteen-year-old French orphan regains her zest for living when she joins a carnival puppet show. Leslie Caron, Mel Ferrer, Jean-Pierre Aumont. 1953

2:00PM (8) **Superior Court**

(9) **Hawaii Five-O**

(20) **MOVIE: 'The Night They Saved Christmas'** A mother and three children intervene when Santa's toy factory is threatened by an Arctic ice rig. Jacklyn Smith, Art Carney, Paul LeMat. 1984

(23) **Joy of Country Painting**

(26) **MOVIE: 'The Black Stallion'** A mystical relationship is formed between a boy and a horse when they are shipwrecked on a deserted island. Mickey Rooney, Kelly Reno, Ten Garr. 1979

(36) **MOVIE: 'Don't Give Up the Ship'** A mid-winter naval lieutenant is accused of stranding a destroyer. Jerry Lewis, Dana Merrill, Mickey Shaughnessy. 1959

(40) **Hollywood Christmas Parade** From Los Angeles, Grand Marshal Tony Danza ("Who's the Boss?") tops the list of entertainment stars appearing in this 57th annual parade. Host: Bob Eubanks, Lee Meriwether. (2 hrs.) (Taped)

(43) **Resumen NFL**

(47) **Woodwright's Shop**

(51) **MOVIE: 'Tales That Witness Madness'** An anthology of four tales about an invisible tiger, a time-machine bicycle, a killer tree and a sacrificial virgin. Kim Novak, Joan Collins. 1973

(DIS) **Another Evening With Fred Astaire** Astaire and his partner Renee Chase dance to numbers including "That Face" and "Waltzing Matilda," accompanied by the Jonh Jones quartet. Winner of eight Emmy Awards. (60 min.)

(ESPN) **CHL Diving: Wiesnes Falls Championships (R)**

(TMC) **MOVIE: 'Cross My Heart'** Lies designed to impress one another backfire on a nervous young couple during their fib-filled third date. Martin Short, Annette O'Toole, Paul Reiser. 1987. Rated R. (In Stereo)

2:10PM (CNN) **Healthweek**

2:30PM (8) **Family Medical Center**

(24) **Joy of Painting: Emerald Waters**

(47) **Lucha Libre (60 min.)**

(57) **Woodcarving With Rick Butz (In Stereo)**

(CNN) **Style With Elsa Klensch**

3:00PM (8) **Learning the Ropes** Mark wants to drop out of school to seek fame with his band. (R)

(9) **Knight Rider**

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(16) **Home Shopping Network (60 min.)**

(24) **Madeleine Cooks (In Stereo)**

(57) **Motorweek** Testing the V-6 powered four-wheel drive Toyota 4Runner, buying collectible cars, previewing Ford's new Taurus SHP

(CNN) **On the Menu**

(DIS) **MOVIE: 'Bright Eyes'** (CC) Three people vie for the right to adopt an adorable orphan. Shirley Temple, James Dunn, Jane Withers. 1934. (Colorized Version)

(ESPN) **Women's Golf: World Wide Pro-Am Championship** From Kauai, Hawaii. (60 min.) (Taped)

(HBO) **Transplant: America Undercover** (CC) Narrator Richard Kiley chronicles the real-life story of a woman whose death brought a second chance at life to four transplant patients.

(MAX) **MOVIE: 'Where Eagles Dare'** Commandos parachute behind enemy lines to discover the names of German spies that have penetrated British forces. Richard Burton, Clint Eastwood, Mary Ure. 1969. Rated PG. (In Stereo)

(USA) **Hollywood Insider**

3:30PM (3) **Out of This World**

(5) **MOVIE: 'It's a Wonderful Life'** A guardian angel saves a depressed businessman from suicide by showing him what his hometown would be like if he had never been born. James Stewart, Donna Reed, Lionel Barrymore. 1946

(8) **Starting From Scratch**

(22) **NFL Live: NFL pregame show.** Starting time is tentative. (Live)

(41) **Santo Domingo Invita**

(57) **Paint With Pittard: Daisy Floral in Bloom**

(CNN) **Your Money**

(HBO) **Emmett Otter's Jug-Band Christmas** Emmett and his mother compete in a local talent contest. (60 min.)

(TMC) **Short Film Showcase**

(USA) **Cover Story**

4:00PM (3) **MOVIE: 'It Happened One Christmas'** A small-town banker is dissuaded from suicide by a guardian angel who shows her how much she has done for her town. Marlo Thomas, Wayne Rogers, Orson Welles. 1977

(9) **St. Elsewhere**

(20) **Knight Rider**

(26) **Soul Train (R) (In Stereo)**

(26) **MOVIE: 'Three Godfathers'** While escaping across the desert, three outlaws come upon a dying mother and her child. John Wayne, Ward Bond, Pedro Armendariz. 1948

(22) **NFL Playoffs: AFC Wild Card Game.** Starting time to be announced. (3 hrs.) (Live)

(26) **Police Story**

(36) **Bosom Buddies**

(40) **Star Search (60 min.)**

(57) **Victory Garden (CC) (R)**

(61) **MOVIE: 'I, The Jury'** Mike Hammer sets out to avenge the brutal death of a friend. Armand Assante, Barbara Carrera. Alan King. 1982

(ESPN) **PGA Golf: Long Drive Championship** From the Bahamas. (60 min.) (Taped)

(TMC) **MOVIE: 'My Demon Lover'** A young woman falls in love with a man who literally turns into a monster when sexually aroused. Scott Valentine, Michelle Little. 1987. Rated PG-13

(USA) **Cartoons**

4:10PM (CNN) **Sports Close-up**

4:30PM (24) **Yan Can Cook: Classics With Chinese Flair**

(47) **El Cuarto Rey Mago**

(57) **Frugal Gourmet (In Stereo)**

(CNN) **Man of the Year**

(DIS) **Art of Disney Animation** An examination of the techniques used to create classic animated Disney features.

(HBO) **A Christmas Card** Animated. The Charles Dickens classic about the mean-spirited Ebenezer Scrooge who decides to change his miserly ways after an unusual dream. (75 min.)

5:00PM (8) **Public People/Private Lives**

(9) **A-Team**

(11) **Twilight Zone (CC)** A down-on-his-luck hotel manager finds a steamer trunk that grants his wishes. (In Stereo)

(16) **NWA Main Event**



SANTA CLAUS: THE MOVIE

The ambitious and lovable Patch (Dudley Moore) prepares to leave the North Pole in his search for fame, fortune and Santa's love. In "Santa Claus: The Movie" airing SATURDAY, DEC. 24 ON ABC.

CHECK LISTINGS FOR EXACT TIME

(24) **International Cooking School: Complete Italian Dinner**

(26) **The Saint**

(35) **Friday the 13th: The Series** A cursed coin plays a major role in resurrecting the bodies of powerful devil worshippers. (60 min.) (R) (In Stereo)

(40) **Great Escape** This week: San Diego, Richard Burton, Clint Eastwood, Mary Ure. 1969. Rated PG. (In Stereo)

(47) **Tu Musica**

(57) **Julia Child and Company: Informal Dinner (R)**

(CNN) **Newsweek**

(DIS) **A Matter of Principle** Alan Arkin and Barbara Dana star in this humorous story about a poor Virginia family of 12 whose holiday celebration is threatened by the father's refusal to buy a Christmas tree. (60 min.)

(ESPN) **Women's Volleyball: NCAA Division 1 Championship Semifinal** from Minneapolis, Minn. (2 hrs.) (Taped)

(USA) **Bustin' Loose**

5:30PM (11) **T and T (CC)** Detective Jones searches for his wife's attacker. (R) (In Stereo)

(24) **Victory Garden (CC) (R)**

(47) **Fight Back! With David Horowitz**

(57) **Noticiero Unision**

(57) **This Old House (CC) (R)**

(CNN) **Newsweek Saturday**

(TMC) **MOVIE: 'Water'** The discovery of a special brand of mineral water sets off a series of conflicts on a Caribbean island. Michael Caine, Valerie Perrine, Brenda Vaccaro. 1985. Rated PG-13. (In Stereo)

(USA) **Throb**

5:45PM (HBO) **MOVIE: 'The Christmas Wife'** (CC) A holiday friendship with a special woman brightens the life of a lonely widower. Jason Roberts, Julie Harris. 1988. Rated NR. (In Stereo)

(MAX) **MOVIE: 'King Rat'** An American POW in Singapore tries to improve his conditions through shady dealings with the camp's guards. George Segal, Sir John Mills, Tom Courtenay. 1965

6:00PM (3) (8) **News**

(9) **These's Company**

(11) **A-Team**

(11) **Charles in Charge (CC)** Charles and the Powells are stranded in a mountain cabin for the holidays after a storm hits. (R)

(16) **McCloud**

(24) **War of the Worlds** A New Jersey town celebrates the 1938 radio broadcast of a Martian invasion, not realizing the aliens have returned. (60 min.) (R) (In Stereo)

(24) **DeGrassi Junior High Season Premier (CC)**

(26) **Record Guide**

(35) **Misdeed's Hollywood**

(41) **Misa de Gallo**

(47) **Doctor Who Part 2 of 2.**

(57) **Star Trek**

(CNN) **Newsweek**

(DIS) **Hans' a Boomer Boomer** must rescue his new-found canine love from kidnappers. Part 2 of 2.

(USA) **Mike Hammer**

6:30PM (3) **CBS News (CC)**

(9) **Too Close for Comfort**

(11) **Stakel & Ebert Scheduled: 'Talk Radio': 'The Accidental Tourist'** (William Hurt, Kathleen Turner)

(11) **Starting From Scratch** Frank believes he put a contract out on the life of his daughter's boyfriend. (R)

(16) **Power of Choice (CC)** Staying out of drunk driving predicaments.

(26) **Three Stooges**

(35) **Starting From Scratch**

(47) **ABC News (CC)**

(CNN) **Pinnacle**

(DIS) **Good Morning, Miss Bliss**

7:00PM (3) **Lifestyles of the Rich and Famous** Mimi Gaylor, actress Deirdre Hall ("Our House"); actor Jim Backus ("Gilligan's Island"); "Jeopardy!"; host Alex Trebek. (60 min.) (R)

(9) **Family Ties (CC)**

(11) **Wheel of Fortune (CC)**

(11) **It's a Living** Tod takes a job as a theatrical casting assistant.

(11) **Little House on the Prairie**

(26) **Friday the 13th: The Series** An angelic radio scares an ambitious psychiatrist's patients to death. (60 min.) (R) (In Stereo)

(24) **CE News Magazine (CC)**

(26) **How Haw (R)**

(36) **News**

(36) **War of the Worlds** While investigating radioactive waste, a TV reporter uncovers an alien scheme to colonize Earth. (60 min.) (R) (In Stereo)

(40) **National Geographic** A look at treasure hunter Mel Fisher's discovery of a Spanish galleon which sank off the Florida Keys more than three centuries ago. (60 min.)

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Monday, Dec. 26

- 5:15PM [HBO] MOVIE: 'Superman II'** Superman must choose between his love for Lois Lane and his pledge to protect Earth when three Kryptonian criminals take over the U.S.A. Christopher Reeve, Margot Kidder, Gene Hackman. 1980. Rated PG. (In Stereo)
- 5:30PM [ESPN] K.I.D.S.**
- 6:00PM [3] [5] [30] [40] News**
- [3] Three's Company**
- [1] Matt Houston**
- [1] Gong Show**
- [1] Cagney & Lacey**
- [2] A-Team**
- [22] News (Live)**
- [2] Doctor Who**
- [2] Charlie's Angels**
- [2] Family Ties (CC)**
- [4] Noticias**
- [47] World of Survival (R)**
- [61] MOVIE: 'How to Beat the High Cost of Living'** Three housewives turn to robbery to beat inflation. Susan Saint James, Jane Curtin, Jessica Lange. 1979.
- [DIS] MOVIE: 'Willy Wonka & the Chocolate Factory'** Willy Wonka, the world famous confectioner, offers a grand prize to the five children holding lucky candy bars. Gene Wilder, Jack Albertson, Peter Onorati. 1971. Rated G.
- [ESPN] SportsLook**
- [MAX] MOVIE: 'La Bamba'** (CC) A fact-based account of Ritchie Valens' (1941-59) rise to musical stardom before his death in a plane crash. Lou Diamond Phillips, Esa Morales, Rosanna De Soto. 1987. Rated PG-13. (In Stereo)
- [TMC] Short Film Showcase**
- [USA] Fat Albert**
- 6:30PM [3] CBS News**
- [5] Family Ties (CC) Part 1 of 2**
- [4] ABC News (CC)**
- [1] Hollywood Squares**
- [22] NBC News (CC)**
- [24] 57' Nightly Business Report**
- [38] Family Ties (CC)**
- [41] Noticiero Univision**
- [CNN] Showbiz Today**
- [ESPN] SportsTalk**
- [TMC] MOVIE: 'Dirty Dingus Magee'** A slippery badman keeps sliding through the fingers of the law. Frank Sinatra, George Kennedy, Anne Jackson. 1970. Rated PG.
- [USA] Cartoons**
- 7:00PM [3] USA Today Scheduled: a review of 1988 in sports**
- [5] News**
- [22] Wheel of Fortune (CC)**
- [3] Cosby Show (CC)**
- [11] Cheers (CC)**
- [18] Rockford Files**
- [20] M*A*S*H**
- [24] 57' MacNeil/Lehrer Newshour**
- [26] Your Show of Shows**
- [30] Current Affair**
- [40] Win, Lose or Draw**
- [41] Mi Nombre es Coraje**
- [CNN] Moneyline**
- [ESPN] SportsCenter**
- [USA] Miami Vice**
- 7:30PM [3] PM Magazine Featured: a profile of George and Barbara Bush**
- [5] Current Affair**
- [22] Jeopardy! (CC)**
- [3] MOVIE: 'Pocketful of Miracles'** A gambler who believes that apples bought from a Broadway street vendor are lucky tries to get his next apple by impressing the vendor's daughter. Glenn Ford, Bette Davis, Hope Lange. 1961.
- [11] INN News**
- [20] M*A*S*H**
- [26] The New Liar's Club**
- [30] Win, Lose or Draw**
- [38] NHL Hockey: Boston Bruins at Buffalo Sabres (2 hrs., 30 min.)**
- [40] Cosby Show (CC) (In Stereo)**
- [CNN] Crossfire**
- [ESPN] College Basketball: Penn State at Temple (2 hrs.) (Live)**
- [HBO] Encyclopedic: The "O" Volume (CC) (In Stereo)**
- 8:00PM [3] Newhart (CC) (In Stereo)**
- [3] MOVIE: 'National Velvet'** A little English girl wins a horse in a raffle and doggedly proceeds to train him for famed Grand National. Elizabeth Taylor, Mickey Rooney, Anne Revere. 1945.
- [1] [40] MOVIE: 'Ewoks: The Battle for Endor'** (CC) A girl and her Ewok friend join forces with a hermit in an attempt to res-

- cue other Ewoks from a barbaric king and an evil sorcerer. Wilford Brimley, Warwick Davis, Aubrey Miller. 1985. (R) (In Stereo)
- [1] MOVIE: 'Ford: The Man and the Machine (Part 1)'** Fact-based account of the life of pioneer automobile manufacturer Henry Ford (1863-1947). Adapted from the book by Robert Lacey. Cliff Robertson, Hope Lange, R.H. Thomson. 1987. Part 1 of 2.
- [18] MOVIE: 'Just the Way You Are'** A handicapped young woman conceals her disability while vacationing at a French ski resort. Kristy McNichol, Michael Ontkean, Kaki Hunter. 1984.
- [20] MOVIE: 'Airport'** Dangerous weather, a demented bomber and personal frictions create tense drama on the ground and in the air. Burt Lancaster, Dean Martin, Jean Seberg. 1970.
- [22] [30] ALF (CC)** ALF spends Christmas Eve in the hospital where he meets an assortment of patients and learns the true meaning of the holiday. (60 min.) (R) (In Stereo)
- [24] National Geographic Modern Hawaiians** undertake a 3,000-mile voyage from Hawaii to Tahiti in a double-hulled canoe. (60 min.)
- [26] MOVIE: 'For Me and My Gal'** Love and heartbreaks in vaudeville are brought on by World War I. Judy Garland, Gene Kelly, George Murphy. 1942.
- [41] Primaversa**
- [47] Nature: The Nature of Australia: A Portrait of the Island Continent (CC)** The unique wildlife that live in Australia's outback. (60 min.) Part 4 of 6. (In Stereo)
- [61] MOVIE: 'Oh Heavenly Dog'** A private eye is sent down to earth as a dog to solve his own murder. Chevy Chase, Jane Seymour, Robert Morley. 1980.
- [CNN] PrimeTimeLive**
- [DIS] Swiss Family Robinson**
- [HBO] MOVIE: 'Amazing Grace and Chuck'** (CC) A Little League baseball player imitates an unusual anti-nuclear protest by quitting his favorite sport. Joshua Rattiner, Alex English, Jamie Lee Curtis. 1987. Rated PG. (In Stereo)
- [TMC] MOVIE: 'Summer School'** Forced into summer service, a high-school gym instructor uses a variety of unorthodox teaching methods to maintain his sanity. Mark Harmon, Kriste Alley, Robin Thomas. 1987. Rated PG-13. (In Stereo)
- [USA] Murder, She Wrote (60 min.)**
- 8:30PM [3] Kate & Allie (CC)** Kate panics when Haven's best friend proposes moving in with them. (In Stereo)
- 9:00PM [3] MOVIE: 'Quiet Victory: The Charlie Wedemeyer Story'** (CC) Though struck with Lou Gehrig's disease, a former pro football player guides his high-school squad to the state finals. Michael Nouri, Pam Dawber. 1988. (In Stereo)
- [22] [30] MOVIE: 'Miracle on Beekman's Place'** Premieres. (CC) An idealistic hospital administrator leaves his post to open an inner-city clinic for the poor. Scoey Mitchell, Robert Costanzo, Theresa Merritt. 1988. (In Stereo)
- [24] First Eden (CC)** A look at war's impact on the environment, including the fall of the Roman Empire and the Crusaders' defense of the Holy Land. (60 min.) Part 3 of 4. (R)
- [26] Songs From My Fair Lady** Soprano Kit Culgan, Jeremy Irons and the London Symphony Orchestra and Chorus perform an abridged version of Lerner and Loewe's "My Fair Lady." (60 min.) (In Stereo)
- [CNN] Larry King Live**
- [DIS] MOVIE: 'Follow the Fleet'** Songs by Irving Berlin underscore this story of two sailors romancing two singing sisters. Fred Astaire, Ginger Rogers, Randolph Scott. 1935.
- [USA] WWF Prime Time Wrestling**
- 9:30PM [ESPN] College Basketball: Long Beach State at Alabama-Birmingham (2 hrs.) (Live)**
- 10:00PM [3] [9] [26] CNN News**
- [8] [40] Koppel Report: News From Earth** (CC) Former president Richard Nixon, U.S. Surgeon General C. Everett Koop and Bishop Desmond Tutu are among those who describe significant events of our time. (60 min.)
- [11] INN News**
- [20] On The Line**
- [24] Out of Solidarity: These Polish Families in America** A profiles of three Solidarity activists and their families, chronicling personal events during their first two years

- in America. (60 min.) (Subtitled)
- [28] Odd Couple**
- [41] Noticiero Univision**
- [47] Madonna of Medjugorje** A report on the controversial contemporary miracle in which the Virgin Mary is said to have appeared before six young children in the small village of Medjugorje, Yugoslavia. (60 min.)
- [61] Star Trek**
- [HBO] MOVIE: 'The Witches of Eastwick'** (CC) Three divorcees get more than they bargained for when they unwittingly conjure up "the man of their dreams." Jack Nicholson, Cher, Susan Sarandon. 1987. Rated R. (In Stereo)
- [MAX] MOVIE: 'The Living Daylights'** (CC) James Bond battles villainous forces planning to arm the Russians in Afghanistan. Dalton's debut as 007. Timothy Dalton, Maryam d'Abo, Jeron Krabbbe. 1987. Rated PG. (In Stereo)
- [TMC] MOVIE: 'Beverly Hills Cop II'** Detroit police officer Axel Foley tangles with the vicious California gang that wounded his police captain friend. Eddie Murphy, Ronny Cox, Judge Reinhold. 1987. Rated R. (In Stereo)
- 10:30AM [1] [10] Odd Couple**
- [20] Morton Downey Jr.**
- [26] INN News**
- [38] Hogan's Heroes**
- [41] Super Estelar**
- 11:00PM [3] [10] [40] News**
- [5] M*A*S*H**
- [3] Benny Hill**
- [11] Cheers (CC)**
- [18] Career Media Network**
- [22] News (Live)**
- [24] South American Journey** A portrait of the Incan empire, visiting both ancient ruins and modern-day slums where many Incan descendants live today. (60 min.) Part 2 of 6. (In Stereo)
- [26] Crook and Chase**
- [30] M*A*S*H Part 1 of 2**
- [41] Mala Noche...No**
- [57] News (CC)**
- [61] Love Connection**
- [CNN] Moneyline**
- [DIS] Best of Ozzie and Harriet**
- [USA] Miami Vice**
- 11:30PM [3] Taxi**
- [8] [40] Nightline (CC)**
- [3] [38] Morton Downey Jr.**
- [11] Honeymooners**
- [18] Winning at Losing**
- [20] Hunter** A former rock star helps Hunter search for the assailant of a woman who is being kept alive on a life-support system. (70 min.) (R)
- [22] [30] Tonight Show (In Stereo)**
- [26] Soap**
- [37] MacNeil/Lehrer Newshour**
- [41] Hill Street Blues**
- [CNN] Sports Tonight**
- [DIS] The 1988 Prince's Trust All-Star Concert** Taped in June, musicians including Elton John, Peter Dinklage, Phil Collins and Eric Clapton perform to benefit the Prince's Trust Fund for disadvantaged youths in the United Kingdom. (60 min.) [ESPN] SportsCenter
- 11:35PM [3] Night Court**
- 12:00AM [5] Kojak**
- [8] St. Elsewhere**
- [11] Star Trek: The Cage** Capt. Christopher Pike (Jeffrey Hunter) is captured by aliens as he investigates an Earth crew's crash landing on the planet Telos IV. Susan Oliver and Majel Barrett also star in this pilot for the original series. (2 hrs.)
- [18] Home Shopping Network (3 hrs.)**
- [20] Wyatt Earp**
- [40] Current Affair**
- [41] PELLICULA: 'Alegres Vacaciones'** Cuando los dibujantes de una editorial se van de vacaciones, los personajes de las tiras cómicas también deciden tener las suyas propias. Animados.
- [CNN] Newswatch**
- [ESPN] NFL's Greatest Moments: Super Seventies (60 min.) (R)**
- [HBO] Transplant: America Undercover** (CC) Narrator Richard Kiley chronicles the real-life story of a woman whose death brought a second chance at life to four transplant patients.
- [TMC] MOVIE: 'Remote Control'** A teen-ager uncovers an alien plot to subliminally encode a popular videotape with a homicidal message. Kevin Dillon, Deborah Goodrich. 1987. Rated R.
- [USA] Dregnet**
- 12:05AM [3] Entertainment Tonight**
- Actress Glenn Close (In Stereo)**
- 12:15AM [MAX] MOVIE: 'Deliverance'** A weekend canoe trip turns into a nightmare struggle for survival for four Atlanta businessmen. Burt Reynolds, Jon

- Voight, Ned Beatty. 1972. Rated R
- 12:30AM [3] [38] Alfred Hitchcock Presents**
- [22] [30] Late Night With David Letterman (R) (In Stereo)**
- [26] Sea Hunt**
- [40] Hollywood Squares**
- [61] Gene Scott**
- [DIS] Another Evening With Fred Astaire** Astaire and his partner Barrie Chase dance to numbers including "That Face" and "Waltzing Matilda," accompanied by the Jonah Jones quartet. Winner of eight Emmy Awards. (60 min.)
- [HBO] MOVIE: 'Sister Sister'** A Congressional aide's Louisiana vacation turns nightmarish when he checks into a hotel operated by two mysterious sisters. Eric Stoltz, Jennifer Jason Leigh, Judith Ivey. 1988. Rated R. (In Stereo)
- [1] INN News**
- [38] Home Shopping Network (3 hrs.)**
- [CNN] Headline News Overnight.**
- [ESPN] 18 Best Holes of Golf**
- [USA] Paid Programming**
- 2:00AM [5] McCreary Report**
- [3] Family Medical Center**
- [8] Joe Franklin**
- [38] Hart to Hart**
- [CNN] Crossfire**
- [ESPN] NFL's Greatest Moments Profiled: Vince Lombardi. (60 min.) (R)**
- [USA] Search for Tomorrow**
- 1:05AM [3] Love Boat**
- 1:30AM [3] Superior Court**
- [30] Later With Bob Costas (R)**
- [CNN] Newswatch Update**
- [DIS] MOVIE: 'Solo'** A family is brought closer together as they await word from their mother, a pilot whose plane has apparently crashed. Randy Hamilton, Sandy Kearns. 1983.
- [USA] Paid Programming**
- 2:00AM [5] Can You Be Thinner?**
- [38] Home Shopping Overnight Service (3 hrs.)**
- [11] Celebration of Caring**
- [22] NVR Showcases**
- [30] Dating Game**
- [ESPN] SportsLook**
- [TMC] MOVIE: 'Summer School'** Forced into summer service, a high-school gym instructor uses a variety of unorthodox teaching methods to maintain his sanity. Mark Harmon, Kriste Alley, Robin Thomas. 1987. Rated PG-13. (In Stereo)
- [USA] Paid Programming**
- 2:05AM [3] News (R)**
- [HBO] MOVIE: 'Black Moon Rising'** (CC) A professional thief working for the government stages the daring theft of a futuristic automobile. Tommy Lee Jones, Linda Hamilton, Robert Vaughn. 1986. Rated R.
- [MAX] MOVIE: 'The Big Easy'** (CC) A New Orleans homicide detective falls for an investigator assigned to uncover suspected departmental corruption. Dennis Quaid, Ewan Barkin, Ned Beatty. 1987. Rated R.
- 2:30AM [3] Improv Tonight** Guest host: Julia Duffy ("Newhart"). Comics David Wood, Thom Curley, Mike McDonald. (R) [CNN] SportsCenter
- [ESPN] Paid Programming**
- 2:40AM [3] Nightwatch** Joined in Progress
- 3:00AM [3] MOVIE: 'Silk Stockings'** A Russian commissar tries to lure back a defector, while an American producer is determined to thwart her every move. Fred Astaire, Gail Patrick, Peter Lorre. 1937. Rated R.
- [1] INN News**
- [38] Home Shopping Network (3 hrs.)**
- [CNN] Headline News Overnight.**
- [ESPN] 18 Best Holes of Golf**
- [USA] Paid Programming**
- 3:10AM [DIS] MOVIE: 'Follow the Fleet'** Songs by Irving Berlin underscore this story of two sailors romancing two singing sisters. Fred Astaire, Ginger Rogers, Randolph Scott. 1935.
- 3:30AM [1] Twilight Zone**
- [ESPN] Home Run Derby**
- [USA] Paid Programming**
- 3:45AM [TMC] MOVIE: 'Beverly Hills Cop II'** Detroit police officer Axel Foley tangles with the vicious California gang that wounded his police captain friend. Eddie Murphy, Ronny Cox, Judge Reinhold. 1987. Rated R. (In Stereo)
- 3:50AM [HBO] MOVIE: 'Deja Vu'** A screenwriter and his fiancée discover that they are the reincarnations of a long-dead ballerina and her choreographer. Judy Smith, Nigel Terry, Shelley Winters. 1985. Rated R.
- [MAX] MOVIE: 'Fiona'** A British sex symbol tells the story of her rise to notoriety and fame. Fiona Richmond, Anthony Steel. 1980. Rated R.
- 4:00AM [1] Streets of San Francisco**
- [CNN] Larry King Overnight**
- [ESPN] Home Run Derby**
- [USA] Paid Programming**
- 4:30AM [ESPN] Guinness World of Sports (60 min.)**
- [USA] Paid Programming**

ABC goes after universal ratings

By Kathryn Baker
The Associated Press

NEW YORK — ABC has figured out a way around those low Nielsen ratings for news specials — produce one for a potentially vast new audience in outer space.

No kidding. "The Koppel Report: News From Earth," beamed by ABC on Monday, is a year-in-review by Earthlings for any alien intelligence out there that might tune in, demographics unknown.

It might seem a silly notion, but it is an often enlightening and occasionally amusing hour of self-examination that, who knows? might be the first interplanetary newsmagazine. And what better Earthling to represent us than Ted Koppel? Unless Mean Joe Greene. Or perhaps Pat Sajak and Vanna White.

See, while newspapers pile up in a corner and turn yellow, a television signal travels into space at 186,000 miles per second. "The thought may fascinate or horrify you," says Koppel, in an

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aside to fellow Earthlings who are probably more fascinated and horrified by the absence of "Monday Night Football." "But what if someday, a thousand light-years from now, some alien intelligence decoded the signal?"

In case they do, Koppel and guests address themselves to extraterrestrial viewers: "So what do we tell you, out there in the far reaches of space, about us and our planet? Well, for one thing, by the time you see this we'll all be long dead," Koppel informs them cheerily.

"During this year just past, we took detailed note of a great many things that were so important to us, and must seem so irrelevant to you," says Koppel, explaining the concept of the year-end wrap-up. No doubt many here on Earth found such news nuggets as the resignation of U.S. Attorney General Ed Meese just as relevant as Venutians will.

FOCUS / Hobbies

Recalling the 'first Santa'

Here's a Santa there a Santa everywhere a santanta-santa. They started showing — wasn't it right after Labor Day this year?



Collectors' Corner Russ MacKendrick

The pen-and-ink drawing at right by Thomas Nast (the Gary Trudeau of his day), is accepted as the forerunner of the legion of Santas on this part of the globe. It appeared in an 1866 number of Harper's Weekly.

The name Santa Claus comes, as we all know, from Saint Nicholas, who was a real person, born A.D. 280 in Turkey. He became the Bishop of Myra and was revered as the patron saint of sailors and children.

Depictions of the Bishop of Myra exist in hundreds of sculptures, icons, paintings, stained glass windows and other religious objects, but are never remotely like the Santa Claus of Thomas Nast.

The transformation from an ascetic bishop to the plump and cheery Kris Kringle figure got its impetus from Washington Irving's "Diedrich Knickerbocker's History of New York."

Here the grinchy saint is made to ride over the treetops in a wagon, bringing presents to children, and finally, "laying his finger beside his nose," he disappears into the sky. Irving's book was first published in 1809.

It is agreed that Thomas Nast, working in black-and-white, was the first artist to give us a visual presentation of Santa as overstuffed, jolly and bearded.

Martin Ebon, in his "Saint Nicholas: Life and Legend," tells of Clement Clarke Moore reading his old fable "... Visit ... to his youngsters gathered 'round on Dec. 23, 1922. This was the first word-picture of an exuberant creature with a bundle of toys on his back. "His eyes how they twinkled! His dimples how merry! His cheeks were like roses ... He had a broad face a little round belly."

One further step, resulting in

the present-day uniform of red coat and pants trimmed with white fur, was taken by an artist employed to dream up ads for the Coca-Cola Company in the 1920s.

This creation caught the public fancy but still might not have endured without the "Yes, Virginia" story that ran in The New York Sun for years and years until 1949 and somewhere else ever since.

So now we have it: From the Bishop of Myra, to the legendary patron saint of children, to Washington Irving, Thomas Nast, Clement Moore, the Coke ads to give color and through the Virginia double-speak to the omnipresent present.

Russ MacKendrick, a Manchester resident, is an authority on many types of collectibles. Questions should be sent to him at: Collectors' Corner, P.O. Box 591, Manchester 06040.



ORIGINAL — Pen and ink drawing by Thomas Nast appeared in 1866 in Harper's Weekly.

When Lee surrendered

The Civil War was at a virtual end on April 9, 1865, as Confederate Gen. Robert E. Lee surrendered his army to Union Gen. Ulysses S. Grant at Appomattox Court House in Virginia.

The ABC's of 18K

NEW YORK (AP) — Shopping for fine jewelry, whether it is a gift for a loved one or a treat for oneself, requires some basic research prior to the search.

You want to be satisfied that you made a smart investment, not to learn later that you were ripped off.

"Always buy from a reputable jeweler or jewelry department," says Steffan Aletti, president of the Jewelry Industry Council. "Don't look for the kinds of deals that lead you to the perpetually 'going-out-of-business' stores or the outfits that always have '50 percent off' sales.

"To be a sale, that merchandise should be sold for its full retail value a substantial amount of the time. Ask yourself, and the retailer, '50 percent off what?'"

Also, Aletti says, beware of advertised 'wholesale' prices; the public does not get wholesale prices, only wholesalers do. And be aware that all properly-made jewelry metal will have two marks: a "fineness" mark and a trademark.

The fineness mark, such as 14K for gold, indicates the type and quality of the metal. The trademark is the manufacturer's signature.

"The Marking and Stamping laws of the United States specify that if a fineness mark is present," says Aletti, "the

piece must bear a manufacturer's trademark — an identifiable symbol or initials.

"It is illegal to sell jewelry that has a fineness stamp but no trademark. The only exception is when the piece is too small or delicate to be stamped — a light, filigree earring, for example. In such cases, a string tag with the trademark must be affixed to the piece instead."

While there are no laws mandating a fineness mark, jewelry lacking it is assumed to be of non-precious metal.

Gold jewelry is generally made from an alloy for durability and color. Pure gold, uncommon because of its softness, is 24K; 18K is three-quarters gold, 14K is 14-24ths gold and 10K, common in emblematic or fraternal jewelry, is less than one-half gold. Gold jewelry sold in the United States must be a minimum of 10K to be designated by the word "karat."

Platinum, a valuable, heavy white-silver metal, is marked by its full name or by "plat."

Sterling silver, the highest quality silver, is marked by one of three designations: STERL., Sterling, or 925. The silver alloy designated "900" has less silver than sterling and is known as coin silver.

Gold filled, rolled gold plate and gold overlay are mechanical bonding processes that place gold over a base metal.

Making decisions about film

By Sandy Colton
The Associated Press

Recently, at a local drugstore, I overheard a customer complain that she couldn't find regular 35mm Kodacolor film.

"What is this Kodacolor Gold?" she asked the sales clerk. "Will it do the same thing the other film did?"

The clerk was unable to answer her, so I stepped in to inform the customer that the newer Kodacolor Gold film would indeed do what the older Kodak film did, and do it better, since it was an improved product.

The customer seemed relieved and bought the film.

Even though many drugstores carry only a limited variety of films, I can see where someone who only shoots pictures now and then would become confused when he doesn't see that old familiar film on the store shelves.

It's going to get worse, or better, depending upon your viewpoint. Over the past year, and throughout early next year, a number of new, improved films — for both amateur and professional use — have been and will be introduced by several manufacturers. It can only add to the confusion for those who shoot pictures rarely and may buy film only once or twice a year.

Therefore, I address this column to the occasional shooters, in the hope of taking some of the mystery out of film-buying and helping them choose the type of film that best fits their needs. I

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won't recommend any specific brand now.

First, let's assume the occasional shooter uses a simple point-and-shoot camera and wants small, wallet-size color prints.

In that case, you'll want a negative color film. Check the box. No matter which brand, it should be marked as either negative color film or color print film. Such film usually also has "color" in its name, such as Kodacolor, Agfacolor, Fujicolor and Vericolor.

You do NOT want a film that has "chrome" in its name, such as Kodachrome, Agfachrome, Fujichrome and Scotchchrome. These are transparency films used for making slides that are later projected onto a screen through a projector.

Nor do you want a black-and-white film, like Kodak Tri X, Plus X and T-Max. Ilford's HP films, Fujifilm's Neopan line and others. The box should indicate that it contains film for black-and-white prints.

These are films used mostly by those who do their own processing and printing. Most stores will not process or print this film for you.

Next, look for the film's ASA-ISO number. This is sometimes part of the film's name, as in

Kodacolor 100 (an ASA 100 film), Vericolor 400 (an ASA 400 film) and Agfacolor XRC 200 (an ASA 200 film). "ASA" refers to the film's speed; the higher the number, the faster the film, which means you can shoot pictures in less light.

For the average amateur who doesn't need the confusion, I'd recommend sticking with ASA 200 film. If you want to experiment and most of your shooting will be indoors with flash, try ASA 400 film. If most of your shooting will be outdoors at a beach or in the bright sun, try ASA 100 film.

As I said, the higher film speed will allow you to shoot in less light, but your pictures will be grainier and not as color-saturated as with a slower-speed film. However, since you will probably rarely want a large blowup, I wouldn't worry about that.

By using a slower film your pictures will appear sharper and more color-saturated, but — unless you are shooting in very bright light — you open up the possibility of getting fuzzy pictures because of camera shake. That's why I recommend compromising with the ASA 200 film. Unless your camera can handle a faster or slower film — and very few simple point-and-shoot cameras can — stay away from them.

Finally, look for the number of exposures on the roll. On 35mm film, it will normally be 12, 24 or 36. If you are going to shoot only a few pictures, try a roll with 12 or 24 exposures rather than 36.

FOCUS / Computers

Some tips on buying software for holiday gifts

By Larry Blasko

'Tis the season when parents and grandparents, aunts and uncles get nostalgic for the times when it didn't require an engineering degree to buy a child a holiday gift.

But with computers estimated to be in one of five homes, computer games and other software are going to be high on a lot of wish-lists, and Santa better get with the program. Here's a quick checklist for software-shopping aimed at those who have mastered only the most important thing about home computing: earning enough money to afford it.

system the recipient has and find out in as much detail as possible. You want to know the make, the model number, the amount of memory, the number and kind of disk drives and the kind of display. Make and model number are easy, usually on a tag on the machine. The amount of installed memory is sometimes displayed when you power up the machine, but getting the amount right is important. Many of the popular programs require at least 256,000 (256K) characters of memory and simply won't work with less. If in doubt, ask the kid, even if the kid's pushing 40 and is likely to figure out what's up.

buy some of the magazines that correspond to the target computer. (A subscription to one of these is good gift idea in itself.) Use the magazines to do some pre-shopping, both by reading the ads and the reviews. Here are some suggestions: Apple II products, read *iCider Magazine* (IDG Communications, \$2.95), which is reviewing the top 10 products of 1988 in its December issue. Commodore Products, read *RUN* (IDG Communications, \$2.95), which has a December issue featuring software products selected by readers as best in their category. IBM compatibles can find some information in *COMPUTE!* (COM-

PUTE! Publishing, \$2.95), but the magazine covers the entire spectrum of home computing and has information for Atari, Macintosh, Commodore, Apple II and Amiga products as well. There's a gift guide in the December issue. Also worth looking at is the December issue of *Home Office Computing*, (Scholastic Inc., \$2.95), which reviews products from the home-business perspective, but still has entertainment software reviews at the back of the book, including a top-selling list by system.

The magazines will give you an idea of the content of the software. Remember, the pictures in the ads won't usually appear on the screen. Check your

list of what your computer has against the descriptions of what the software requires and make your selections. Remember, most software is upward-compatible, meaning that if you have more system than the software needs, things will still work. You only get into trouble by having less system than the software wants. If you have the time, start your shopping with the mail-order ads in the magazines.

Third: Unless you are desperate don't pay the suggested retail price. Software is so routinely discounted in major cities and through mail-order that the going price can be substantially less.

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FOCUS / Books

'Gracie' is a love story that readers will cherish

GRACIE: A Love Story. By George Burns. Putnam. 319 Pages. \$16.95.

By Norm Goldstein
The Associated Press

Burns and Allen. Little more need be said to conjure up a comic and comfortable image of a cigar-puffing straight man and his delightfully ditsy partner. They go together like love and marriage, show and business. George Burns (Nathan "Nattie" Birnbaum, born in New York, 1896) and his wife Gracie (Grace "Google" Allen, born in San Francisco, 1906) were married for 38 years and worked

together in vaudeville, radio, television and movies their entire mutual lives. She retired from the "Burns and Allen" TV show after its June 4, 1958, showing and died of heart disease in 1964.

In a virtual history of mass entertainment, they did vaudeville, a national radio show for 19 years, then a television reprise for eight more — a comic couple who brought joy to generations and continue to do so in TV reruns. It's rare not only to find entertainment couples happily — yes, happily — married for that long, but to survive generations of changing taste and technology at the same time is astounding

indeed. This book is something of a last will and testament to the woman, wife, mother, partner that Burns loved, multifold.

Some of it is familiar to readers of Burns' previous books, but this is more personal, has more substance and a better focus — Gracie.

It is the comprehensive Burns and Allen routine, now between covers. It is written with candor and love, love of Gracie and of the show business Burns always knew; it is written with nostalgia, in straight lines and punchlines. This is the ever-adorable and adored Gracie Allen, whose logic was always illogical but incontrol-

vertible. Hard-working, she was smart enough to be the dumbest woman in show business, Burns writes.

"Gracie was my partner in our act, my best friend, my wife and my lover, and the mother of our two children. We were a team, both on and off the stage. Our relationship was simple: I fed her straight lines and she fed me....

"For 40 years my act consisted of one joke. Then she died."

He writes, "She was Gracie and I hung around." But in saying so, he belittles his own talent (which was far from only marrying Gracie). Now 92, Burns, who wrote much of the team's material, has had some 20 years of

entertainment success without his "better half."

This is an autobiography (with acknowledged writing help from David Fisher) of an inseparable couple, a New York Orthodox Jew and a petite California Irish Catholic, from their meeting in vaudeville through marriage and two adopted children, to show business friendships in radio, television and movies.

An extra treat is Jack Benny and the anecdotes of practical jokes only the rarest of friends play on each other.

Yes, it's a funny book, often a very funny book. But it's warm and touching, as well, and unusually candid in its details.

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FOCUS / Senior Citizens

Senior Center plans for 1989

Editor's note: This column is prepared by the staff of the Manchester Senior Citizens' Center.

By Jeannette Cove
Director

The staff of the Manchester Senior Citizens' Center extends a happy holiday greeting to all.

While activities have slowed, the staff has been busy planning for next year.

CLASSES:
Quilting I — Jan. 9 through Feb. 27, Mondays, 1 to 3 p.m.
Quilting II — Jan. 9 through Feb. 27, Mondays, 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. Filled.
Western civilization — Jan. 4 through March 8 (first semester), Wednesdays, 1:45 to 3:45 p.m.
Exercise with Cleo — Jan. 17, Tuesdays, 1:30 to 2:30 p.m., and Fridays, 11 to noon.
Driver's education — Jan. 17 and 18, 12:30 to 4 p.m., fee \$7 made payable by check to AARP.

Oil painting — Jan. 31 through April 4, Tuesdays, 9:30 to 11:30 a.m.
Ceramics — Jan. 23 through April 7, Mondays and Fridays, 9:30 to 11:30 a.m.

Basketweaving (Intermediate) — Jan. 31 through March 21, Tuesdays, 2 to 4 p.m. Beginners welcome.
Basketweaving (Advanced) — Feb. 2 through March 23, Thursdays, 2 to 4 p.m., students must have made five baskets on their own.

Canning — Feb. 1 through March 1, Wednesdays, 9:30 to 11:30 a.m.
Home repair — Feb. 1 through Feb. 15, Wednesdays, 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. Video presentation followed by discussions.

Exercise with Rose — Feb. 6 Mondays, Wednesdays, Fridays, 1:30 to 2:30 p.m.

THURSDAY PROGRAMS:
Dec. 29 — No program.
Jan. 5 — To be announced.
Jan. 12 — Herb Bengtson, Manchester Historical Society, "Visiting Old Manchester."
Jan. 19 — Roland Chirco, Manchester Community College professor, will

do musical presentation on the Big Band Era.

Jan. 26 — Presentation on probate with attorney Jacqueline Wilson. (Date was incorrect in last week's column.)

TRIPS:

Any suggestions for trips should be directed to any trip committee member: Bobbie Strom, Frank Ringrose, Marie Walsh, Tina DePumpo, Evelyn Slater, Florence Ryan, Ann Hebert, Jan Sayre, program assistant, or trip office.

Trips scheduled so far are:
Dec. 28 — Coachlight registration for Feb. 1 performance of "Gentlemen Prefer Blondes." Registration begins at 9:30 a.m. Register for Coachlight "Gentlemen Prefer Blondes." Cost is \$28 per person.
Jan. 10 — Registration for Lily Langtry and the Philadelphia Flower Show. The show will be held March 5 and 6. Cost is \$148 per person. A \$50 deposit per person is required at registration.
Jan. 14 — Ice Capade. Filled.

MISCELLANY:

In case of inclement weather, listen to radio stations WDRC and WTIC. When the Manchester schools are closed, the center's programs are canceled. However, the center will remain open for business. In preparation for the winter snow, you can make arrangements for snow shoveling by area youths. Lists of youngsters available for snow shoveling can be picked up in the center's office.

The "Health Insurance for People with Medicare" pamphlets have been delivered to the Senior Center. You may pick one up at the front office.

Don't forget the seniors who are ill. Best wishes are extended to Clint Hendrickson, Mary McKeever, Agnes LeDuc, Charlotte Butcher, and Theresa Hubbard.

Our sympathies are extended to the families of Gertrude Lohr.

Our prayers are with Ervin Booker, Northeast Utilities representative who does the energy program for the Senior Center, whose son died last week.

Transportation to and from the

center is available. Call a day in advance.

There will be a blood pressure clinic on Wednesday, Jan. 4, from 9 to 11 a.m. for those whose last names begin with the letters A through K. A clinic will be held on Wednesday, Jan. 18 from 9 to 11 a.m. for those whose last names begin with the letters L through Z.

Legal aid will be available on Thursday, Jan. 19, by appointment. Call 647-3211.

There will be no meals this week.

ON-GOING ACTIVITIES:

Monday — Closed — holiday.

Tuesday — Square dancing, 10 a.m.; grocery shopping (Stop & Shop), call a day in advance for ride; non-grocery shopping K mart, call a day in advance for ride.

Wednesday — Pinochle, 9:30 a.m.; bridge, 12:30 p.m.

Thursday — Next orchestra rehearsal will be Jan. 19, 9 a.m.

Friday — Setback, 12:30 p.m.

SCORES:

Setback — Dec. 16: Joe Peretto 134; Edna Ziptkovich 128; Pat Fales 124; Ralph Trial 123; Edith Albert 123.

Pinochle — Dec. 19: Helena Gavello 670; Ernestine Donnelly 659; Helen Bensche 648; Gert McKay 638; Helen Silver 631; Betty Turner 628.

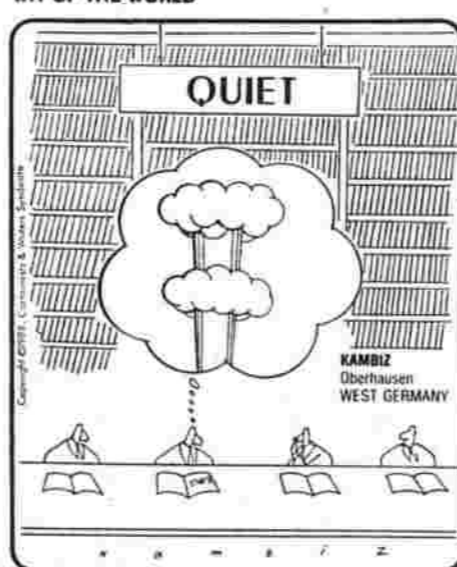
Bowling — Dec. 20: John Greszko 507; Phil Washburn 204; Paul Venza 538; John Kravonka 549; Harold Hinkel 212, 557; Al Rodonis 517; Mike Pierrro 505; Ray Chittick 201, 511; Paul DesJeuines 516; Harvey Duplin 208, 580; Norm Lasher 572; Andy Lamoureux 557; Stan Wlochowski 504; Bruno Giordano 515; Andy Lorentzen 514.

Byrtle Lingham 200; Yoland Burns 475; Rose Hamilton 454; Celeste King 203, 452; Jennie Leggett 176, 461; Pat Olcavage 466; Ann Siniscalci 456; Alice Lepak 183; Vi Pulford 485.

Pinochle — Dec. 21: Peter Casella 898; Clara Hemingway 838.

Bridge — Dec. 21: Tom Giordano 5,040; Nadine Malcom 4,970; Sol Cohen 4,850; Tom Regan 4,470; Bill Manning 3,260.

WIT OF THE WORLD



PEOPLE

Melanie's got Don's ring

LOS ANGELES (AP) — The publicist for Don Johnson said he will make a statement Monday that "will leave no questions unanswered" about the actor's on-again, off-again romance with actress and former wife Melanie Griffith.

Miss Griffith, wearing a huge diamond ring given to her by Johnson, was escorted by the "Miami Vice" star to a splashy party this week for Miss Griffith's new movie "Working Girl."

Spokesman Elliott Mintz said during the party that he would explain the meaning of it all on Monday.

Johnson and Miss Griffith were married in 1976, but the marriage dissolved less than two years later. More recently, Johnson has been dating singer Barbra Streisand.

Russell draws fire

DENVER (AP) — Actor Kurt Russell served venison stew from his recent "Celebrity Hunt" to the homeless and needy at a Salvation Army center, but the act of charity failed to offset the ire of animal rights activists.

Russell, who held a hunt that drew 32 athletes, actors and popular musicians, donated 500 pounds of the big game meat to the Salvation Army in Denver and 500 pounds to the Rescue Mission in Grand Junction in western Colorado.

The actor, who wore a flannel shirt and blue jeans while serving meals Thursday, said he wanted the hunt to "show the reason that you take game is for providing either for yourself or your family or, in this case, for other people."

Mayor pays off a bet

CINCINNATI (AP) — Mayor Charles Luken says he's through betting on the Cincinnati Bengals after paying off a bet he lost to Cleveland Mayor George Voinovich over a Bengals-Cleveland Browns game.

"I'm not going to make any bets because I don't want the Bengals to carry the Luken hex into the playoff game," Luken told reporters Thursday.

He lost the bet with Voinovich when the Browns defeated the Bengals 23-16 on Oct. 30 in Cleveland. Luken had to pay with a plate of chili-covered spaghetti, which the mayors ate together at Luken's City Hall office.

Luken also had to fly Cleveland's city flag over the Cincinnati City Hall. Asked when the flag was flown, Luken said, "Dec. 21 — it's the shortest day of the year."

Had Voinovich lost, he was to supply Luken with some Slovenian klobase, an ethnic sausage.

Church Bulletin Board

Candlelight and wassail

There will be three Christmas Eve services at Center Congregational Church, at 5:30, 7:30 and 10 p.m. Between the 7:30 and 10 p.m. services, a wassail reception will be held. The Christmas Day service is at 10 a.m.

Party is planned

A birthday party for Jesus is planned at 10 a.m. Thursday at St. George's Episcopal Church in Bolton. Youngsters are encouraged to bring their favorite Christmas gift with them, so that they can thank Santa Claus personally. There will be a movie and popcorn will be served. Parents should plan to accompany their children.

Worship is set

The First Baptist Church of Manchester will have a Christmas Eve service today at 7 p.m. Christmas Day worship is at 11 a.m., with Sunday school at 9:30 a.m.

Pageant is planned

Members of the Full Gospel Interdenominational Church will present a Christmas program, with music, plays and treats for the tots, at 7 p.m. Monday. Christmas Eve candlelight service is tonight at 8, and Christmas Day worship is at 7 p.m. There will be no morning service on Sunday.

A New Year's Eve water baptism is planned for 9 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 31.

Evangelism worship offered

Catholics in Bolton, Coventry, and the vicinity are invited to a day-long workshop on evangelism, Jan. 14. It will be at St. Mary Church, Valley Street, Willimantic, from 8:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. The workshop theme is "Invitation, Inspiration, Perspiration: The Ministry of Evangelization." One of the speakers will be Rev. John L. Surprenant, pastor of Holy Family Parish in Hebron and president of the National Council of Catholic Evangelization. Those interested must register by Jan. 6 with the Office of Evangelization, Bishop Flanagan Ministry Center, 1595 Norwich-New London Turnpike, Ucasville 06382.

Peace is theme

The Christmas Eve services at Trinity Covenant Church are tonight at 5 and 11:15, with a sermon titled "Prince of Peace."

A brassy concert

The Clarion Brass Quintet will be featured at 10:45 tonight at Concordia Lutheran Church. Also performing at that time will be the Ecumenical Choir School and the Concordia Choir. It will be followed at 11 p.m. by a candlelight Eucharist. Family Eucharist will be at 7 p.m. Christmas Day service will be at 10:30 a.m.

Bring warm clothing

Those attending the 6 p.m. Family Christmas Eve service at 6 this evening, at the Unitarian Universalist Society: East are asked to bring warm clothing for the Shelter Tree, a Christmas tree decorated with items for the Samaritan Homeless Shelter in Manchester. The service will feature music and stories. At 10:30 p.m., another Christmas Eve devotional will be presented. Christmas morning service is at 10:30.

Australian woman ordained

HALEDON, N.J. (AP) — An Australian woman, Caroline H. Pearce, who completed her theological studies in this country, was ordained an Episcopal priest here last Saturday although the Australian branch of that communion does not ordain women.

After her ordination by Bishop John Shelby Spong of Newark, she was to return in January to Australia to serve the Anglican Church there.

Holiday baskets delivered; Christmas dinner on Sunday

Editor's note: This column is prepared by the staff of the Manchester Area Conference of Churches.

By Nancy Carr
Executive Director

Teddy bears and Tonka trucks, transformers and turkeys, dinosaurs and dimpled dolls, apples and afghans, handmade hats, mittens and shawls in every color of the rainbow, sweaters and slippers, books, boots and blankets, warm flannel shirts. Exciting and heartwarming bedlam as all through the community youngsters and oldsters and inbetweeners reached out to share the joy of Christmas with their neighbors.

Christmas boxes piled high with food and treats and gifts for every member of the family have been delivered to over 400 homes. Over 55 shut-ins will receive a hot Christmas dinner tomorrow with a basket of Christmas candles and a bright flower. Those who would be alone are invited to join their Manchester family at the Community Christmas dinner hosted by St. James Church.

"You all come" says Art Kissman. "Don't eat alone." Members of the Social Action Committee of Temple Beth Shalom (Dvora and Aba Caspi and Janet and Burt Meisner) are staffing Samaritan Shelter Christmas Eve and Christmas night so that their Christian brothers and sisters can spend Christmas with their families. Dave Wichman, Mollie Kovinsky, Carol Goldstein will be helping with Christmas dinner.

So many good folks doing so many good things. Students at Howell Cheney Technical School arrived Wednesday morning in a bus followed by a state dump truck filled with 7 to 8,000 cans and boxes of food for the Food Pantry and Soup Kitchen, all sorted and packed. "Incredible job" says Kathleen Miele, shaking her head.

CHRISTMAS ANGELS

Thank you to: Ruth Squatro who made 12 pairs of children's mittens with darling little faces and Margaret Lewin who knits for our mitten tree all year and every year and brought in 27 pairs. Mrs. Kockyer knitted 9 warm caps that can be pulled down over the ears and the Thistle Needlework Shop in Glastonbury for 10 more.

Jinny Barker made 74 marvelous favors for our shut-ins — candy filled baskets on which she had needlepointed lovely Christmas designs. Stasia Murawski arrived with 2 boxes fixed with lollipop dolls, all wearing her hand-crocheted doll clothes. Savings Bank of Manchester filled a table at our Toys for Joy program with 175 teddy bears all dressed and ready to go. Members of

MACC News

Police Union 1495 bought extra toys for our children when they bought for their own and brought in boxes of snazzy race cars, little girls' make-up sets, clown dolls, Labyrinth and soccer games, other great gifts.

Betty Sadlowski thinking ahead, bought warm jackets and velour shirts during sale time last spring for children of special need and donated them along with a turkey and strawberry jam for Marina; Frances Gordon provided our teenagers with 4 gift certificates to Weathervane; Mrs. Edward Glenny provided beautifully decorated gifts for our older neighbors.

Manchester Chapter of UNICO donated \$1,000 worth of toys from Russ Berrie Industries and Leo Diana drove all the way to New Jersey with Pete DiRosa's van to pick them up.

The British American Club donated fresh fruit, candy and popcorn balls and the wonderful Ruth Circle from Emanuel Lutheran had a baby shower for our coming little ones and brought in a whole supply of soft little shirts and gowns, little play suits, warm sleepers and blankets.

The young ladies of the 3 cheerleading squads at East Catholic High School came to the rescue and took up special collections to purchase warm jackets for 2 boys identified by a school social worker as unable to attend school in cold weather for lack of coats. Bless them. And students at Assumption Junior High adopted 4 families to give both food and gifts.

So many Christmas Angels helping dreams come true are: Shirley Ross, John and Jean Reed, Louise and Ernest Stokes, Enrico and Teresa Monaco, Lorena Dutelle, William and Doris McKinney, John and

Betty Hyde, William Luftgens, George and Esther Burgess, Carolyn Foster, Israel and Shirley Snyder, Edward and Barbara Moriarty, The Grandmothers' Circle, William and Mittie Kesh, William and Barbara Loftstrom, Clara Wray, Cosmopolitan Club, Fred and Margaret Gayer, Arthur and Nancy Pierce, William Stielh, Virginia Mosher, Beverly Taylor, Alan and Elizabeth Lamney, Pennlube, Inc. and Robert J. Smith Inc.

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Thoughts

Tom Porter is a lawyer and an ordained minister. Years ago I read his ordination sermon. It was about angels. At the time it seemed like a frivolous subject.

As near as I could make out, his belief in angels had something to do with his two daughters. But that was a long time before Carolyn was born. My views on angels and daughters have changed a lot since then.

On this night of nights, I want to believe in angels.

Frederick Buechner tells of leading chapel services at a private school, where the weekly offering went to a home for retarded children. When the plate was passed, some of the students would put in a penny, or nothing at all, to show their resentment at being required to come to chapel, and to show how tough and

worldly-wise they were.

But then, Buechner explains, a friend would drag one of them out to see where the money went, and he would get to know some of the children a little. And when he went back another day, this child would come running across the courtyard to him, shouting his name. Then the student would see what kind of panic, that for this child, the very sight of him was Christmas morning and New Year's eve and the Super Bowl, all rolled into one, and suddenly he realized that there were choices to be made and that life mattered.

What had happened, in simplest terms, was that he had seen an angel. And that makes all the difference. Merry Christmas!

Rev. Dr. William C. Trench
North United Methodist Church



AP photo

VATICAN MEETING — Pope John Paul II admires a wood carving of the Nativity scene given to him Friday by PLO leader Yasser Arafat. The pope met with Arafat for 20 minutes.

Pope meets with Arafat

VATICAN CITY (AP) — Pope John Paul II told Yasser Arafat during a 20-minute meeting Friday he believes Palestinians and Jews have "an identical fundamental right" to their own countries, the Vatican said.

He also called for negotiations and urged Israelis and Palestinians to live in peace "in that land where the Prince of Peace was born," Vatican spokesman Joaquin Navarro said.

Navarro said the pontiff and the Palestine Liberation Organization chairman had a "cordial" talk.

This audience did not provoke the protest from Israel and Jewish groups caused by the one Arafat was granted six years ago.

In mild criticism, spokesman Alon Liel of the Israeli Foreign Ministry said: "Peace in the holy land can hardly be served by such a meeting."

Israeli leaders also have met with John Paul, but the Vatican does not have formal relations with the Jewish state, citing Israel's unsettled boundaries and the Palestinian problem as reasons.

John Paul appeared more receptive to Arafat this time, greeting him in the private library where he usually sees heads of state and other dignitaries. In 1982, they talked in a small room in the

modern Paul VI audience hall.

A Vatican statement said the pontiff met Arafat "in order to encourage dialogue, the only means to find an equitable solution to the Mideast conflict, ruling out every form of recourse to arms and violence and above all, terrorism and reprisals."

It said: "The pope expressed his hope that both peoples would soon see the beginning of a real process of understanding and of peace, which would put an end finally to their suffering and their fears."

"The holy father reiterated that he was profoundly convinced that the two peoples had an identical fundamental right to their own homelands in which they could live in liberty, dignity and security, in harmony with the neighboring peoples."

Arafat's meeting with John Paul occurred after the PLO chief conferred with Italian government leaders. He is touring Europe to seek support for an international Middle East peace conference and the independent Palestinian state proclaimed Nov. 15.

Navarro told reporters Arafat briefed the pope on Middle East developments and that John Paul asked questions, but would not provide details.

John Paul has long supported some form of homeland for Palestinians.

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Assumption Church

Christmas Eve services at Church of the Assumption, 285 W. Center St., will be at 5, 7:30 p.m. and at midnight. Christmas morning services are at 7:30, 9 and 10:30 a.m. and noon.

Bolton Congregational Church

The Bolton Congregational Church, 228 Bolton Center Road, Bolton, will have a Service of Lessons and Carols Christmas Eve at 7:30. The worship Christmas morning will be at 10 a.m. Participants are urged to dress casually, and bring Christmas baked goods to share.

Center Congregational Church

At Center Congregational Church, 11 Center St., there will be a Christmas Eve service at 5:30 p.m., featuring the children's pageant, and candlelight and Communion services at 7:30 and 10 p.m. In between, at 9 p.m., there will be a wassail reception. The one Christmas Day service is at 10 a.m.

Church of Christ

There is no Christmas eve service at the Church of Christ, 394 Lydall St. Christmas morning service is at 10 a.m.

Church of the Living God

There will be no Christmas Eve service at the Church of the Living God, 372 Main St. Christmas morning service is at 10 a.m.

Church of the Nazarene

There will be no Christmas Eve service at the Church of the Nazarene, 236 Main St. The service on Christmas morning is at 10 a.m.

Community Baptist Church

The Christmas Eve service at Community Baptist Church, 585 E. Center St., will begin at 7:30 p.m. with candlelight and caroling. Child care will be provided. The Christmas morning service is at 10:30 a.m.

Concordia Lutheran Church

The Christmas Eve services at Concordia Lutheran Church, 40 Pitkin St., will be as follows: 7 p.m., family Eucharist with carols and children's sermon; 11 p.m., festival Eucharist with special music beginning at 10:45 p.m., featuring the Ecumenical Choir School, Concordia Choir and the Clarion Brass Quintet. There will be one service, at 10:30 a.m., on Christmas morning.

Emanuel Lutheran Church

The 4 p.m. Christmas Eve service at Emanuel Lutheran Church, 60 Church St., is for families, with a theme "Where is the Baby?" Other services are at 7:30 and 11 p.m. A Christmas music concert is planned for 10:30 p.m. Christmas Day, worship will be at 10 a.m.

Bibles to Soviet Union

NEW YORK (AP) — The American Bible Society says another 100,000 Bibles and 50,000 Bible storybooks for children are to be shipped shortly to the All-Union Council of Evangelical Christians in the Soviet Union.

The request for the additional Bibles was made through the United Bible Societies, an international partnership of Bible societies. The new shipment will bring to 369,000 the number of Scriptures sent to the Soviet Union in the last year.

Scientists meet with theologians

MADISON, Wis. (AP) — The Earth is "under siege by the invasion of human products that destroy its atmosphere, its water, its flora and fauna," says a conference of 40 scientists and Christian theologians.

Citing damage to the ozone layer, degrading of land, pollution of water below and above ground, toxic materials injected

into the air, deforestation intensifying droughts and floods, the conference says:

"God's earth faces a crisis... As the recognition of God's land ownership gave way to the notion of human ownership, land became a commodity... Humans began treating the land as a resource rather than a created

partner."

The conference was jointly sponsored last month by the North American Conference on Christianity and Ecology and the World Alliance of Reformed Churches, embracing 161 Reformed and Presbyterian denominations totaling about 70 million members.

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Faith Baptist Church

There will be no Christmas Eve service at Faith Baptist Church, 52 Lake St. Christmas day services will be at 10:30 a.m. and 6:30 p.m.

First Assembly of God

The First Assembly of God, 1492 Silver Lane, will not have a Christmas Eve service. Christmas morning worship will be at 10:30 a.m.

First Baptist Church

The Christmas Eve worship at First Baptist Church of Manchester, 240 Hill-stown Road, will be at 7 p.m. Christmas day Sunday school classes will be at 9:30 a.m., and worship service at 11 a.m.

Full Gospel Interdenominational

A Christmas Eve candlelight service will be held at 8 p.m. at Full Gospel Interdenominational Church, 745 Main St. Worship on Christmas Day will be at 7 p.m. The Christmas program will be Monday, Dec. 26, at 7 p.m.

North United Methodist

At North United Methodist Church, 300 Parker St., there will be a Service of Lessons and Carols at 7:30 p.m. on Christmas Eve, for children and adults. Christmas Eve Communion at 11 p.m. The service on Christmas Day will be at 10:30 a.m.

Presbyterian Church of Manchester

There is no Christmas Eve service at the Presbyterian Church of Manchester, 43 Spruce St. The Christmas morning service is at 10:30.

St. Bartholomew Church

Christmas Eve worship services at St. Bartholomew Church, 45 Ludlow Road, will be at 5 p.m. and midnight. Christmas Day services are at 8:30, 10 and 11:30 a.m.

St. Bridget Church

Christmas Eve, there will be two masses at St. Bridget Church, 80 Main St., at 5 p.m., one in the school auditorium and one in the sanctuary. Christmas morning masses will be at 7:30, 9 and 10:30 a.m. and at noon.

St. George Episcopal

The services Christmas Eve at St. George Episcopal Church, 1150 Boston Turnpike, Bolton, will begin at 4:30 p.m., with a Baptism, Eucharist and Baptismal party. There will be carols and hymns at 11 p.m., and Eucharist at 11:30 p.m. Christmas day Eucharist is at noon.

St. James Church

The Christmas Eve services at St. James Church, 896 Main St., will be at 4, 6:30 p.m. and midnight. Christmas Day services are at 7:30, 9, 10:30 a.m. and noon.

St. John the Baptist

Christmas Eve worship service at St.

John the Baptist Polish National Catholic Church, 23 Golway St., will be at midnight, with a Mass of the Shepherds. Christmas Day service is at 9 a.m.

St. Mary's Church of Coventry

The Christmas Eve services at St. Mary's Roman Catholic Church, 1600 Main St., Coventry, will be at 5:15 p.m., for children, and at 10 a.m. Christmas morning service is at 10 a.m.

St. Mary's Episcopal

The Christmas Eve services at St. Mary's Episcopal Church, 41 Park St., will be at 4 p.m., for families, and at 11 p.m. Christmas morning worship will be at 10 a.m.

St. Maurice Church

The Christmas Eve services at St. Maurice Church, 32 Hebron Road, Bolton, will be at 5 p.m. and midnight. The Christmas morning services will be at 9 and 10:30 a.m.

Second Congregational

The Christmas Eve candlelight service at Second Congregational Church, 385 N. Main St., will be at 7:30 p.m. The Christmas Day worship service will be at 10 a.m.

Salvation Army

The Christmas Eve service at the Salvation Army Citadel, 661 Main St., will be at 11 p.m. Christmas Day service is at 10:45 a.m.

South United Methodist

There will be two Christmas Eve services at South United Methodist Church, 1226 Main St., a family service at 7:30 p.m., and a traditional candlelight service at 11 p.m. The only Christmas morning service will be at 10 a.m.

Trinity Covenant Church

Christmas Eve services at Trinity Covenant Church, 302 Hackmatack St., will be held at 5 and 11:15 p.m. The theme will be Jesus is Peace.

Unitarian-Universalist

The Christmas Eve services at the Unitarian Universalist Society, East, 153 West Vernon St., will include a 6 p.m. family service, with music and stories, and a 10:30 p.m. devotional and vespers service. The service on Christmas morning will be at 10:30 a.m.

United Pentecostal

The Christmas Eve service at United Pentecostal Church, 187 Woodbridge St., will be at 6 p.m. Christmas morning service is at 10.

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Southern Baptists speak out freely

LOUISVILLE, Ky. (AP) — Southern Baptists now feel free to speak out on social issues because they no longer bear the shame of racial segregation, says the head of the denomination's moral concerns agency.

The Rev. Richard Land, executive director of the Southern Baptist Christian Life Commission, told seminary students that Southern Baptists had hesitated to deal with social problems because of fear of being criticized for segregation.

"I think we at least had the decency at some level of consciousness to be ashamed of the segregation captivity of our churches for most of our history."

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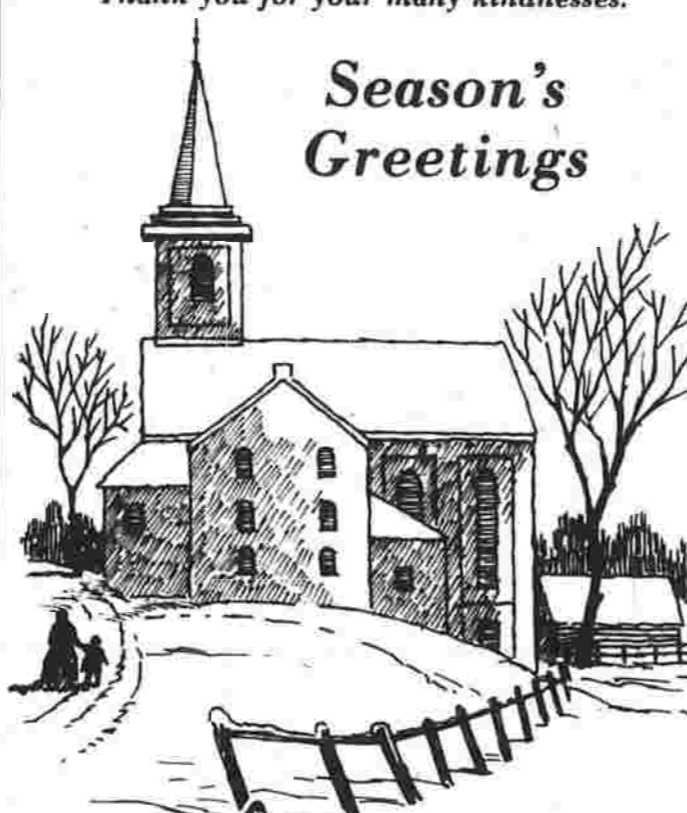
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'Test-tube' conception assailed

VATICAN CITY (AP) — The Vatican said Friday that Roman Catholic university clinics were challenging church teaching by continuing research into test-tube conception, which the church rejects.

An editorial in the Vatican's newspaper, L'Osservatore Romano, said the church feels determined "as never before" to safeguard the common good against "technological manipulation of the very founts of life."

"The oscillations and discord in the Catholic camp have contributed to rendering the question more complex," said the editorial.

"Above all, the gravity of the decision of several Catholic university clinics to continue, under certain conditions, the practice of homologous 'in vitro' fertilization, cannot be undervalued."

"Such resolve, from the moment it was made public, has become a challenge as well," the newspaper said.

In January, a Vatican meeting failed to resolve a dispute between the Vatican and three Catholic universities in Europe on researching test-tube conception.

In 1987, a Vatican document approved by Pope John II had condemned test-tube conception, surrogate motherhood and experimentation on live embryos.

It also branded as immoral the freezing of embryos, cloning, attempts to fashion animal-human hybrids and the implantation of embryos in artificial or animal uteruses.

Shortly after the document's publication, the Catholic University of Lille, France, announced it will continue experiments with "in-vitro" fertilization to help couples who otherwise couldn't have children.

The January meeting was with rectors of the Lille institution, Universite Catholique de Louvain, in Belgium, and Holland's Katholieke Universiteit of Nijmegen.

Roman Catholic teaching holds that the only moral way to create human life is normal sexual acts between a married couple. In "in vitro" methods, an egg is taken from a woman's ovary and united with sperm outside the womb. When life begins to grow, the fertilized egg is then implanted.

Referring to the universities' decision, the editorial continued: "The directors of this ... very serious rebellion, try still to justify themselves by claiming to respect the Roman teaching."

The editorial said the clinics claim not to understand the reasons for the stance of the Vatican's Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith.



NOT MUCH LEFT — The remains of a propane Memphis Friday after it skidded off an exit ramp into a wall and exploded, killing six people.

Tanker skids, explodes, kills 6

MEMPHIS, Tenn. (AP) — A propane truck exploded Friday on a highway, killing six people, sparking a massive fireball and sending the tanker crashing into a house 125 yards away, officials said.

Four people were critically burned, and eight others were taken to hospitals.

"I heard the explosion and saw the tanker flying through the air. It fell on the house and just blew up," said Marvin Mitchell, a resident.

The house was destroyed and two children inside died, authorities said.

The four other deaths, including the driver of the truck, and most of the injuries occurred on Interstate 240 near downtown as the fireball engulfed the truck and several other vehicles, said fire Capt. Benny McDow.

Fog-caused crash kills 1, injures 20

COOKEVILLE, Tenn. (AP) — A short but dense bank of fog was blamed for a pileup of at least 28 cars that killed one holiday traveler and injured 20 other people Friday morning, officials said.

"I was driving and the next minute, there it is," said Clinton Gregory of Nashville, whose car was near the front of the mass of smashed vehicles. He received minor injuries.

Dana Knapp, 25, of Tulsa, Okla., was killed and her husband, Joseph, 27, was injured, said Debe West, spokeswoman at Cookeville General

Hospital.

Ms. West said the 20 injured people — including Joseph Knapp — were all treated and released.

"We put some on a bus. One couple we sent by limousine service to Nashville for a rental car," she said. "Others have contacted family members."

The accident occurred at 8:30 a.m. on Interstate 40, about four miles west of Cookeville, said Highway Patrol Lt. Mason Black.

Anita Wilborn of Blackstone, Va., was in the third car in the pileup. She

watched the accident start.

"This tan colored car, as soon as we hit the bank of fog, it panicked and ran right in front of a navy colored van," she said. "That van slammed on his brakes and hit the car. From then we started braking and hitting each other in the rear end."

Black said it was unlikely that charges would be filed because the fog made an accident almost unavoidable. "They couldn't see anything," he said.

Black said the fog bank, about 500 feet long, cleared about an hour after the accident.

Troops move to Bethlehem

BETHLEHEM, Occupied West Bank (AP) — Hundreds of Israeli army troops moved into Bethlehem on Friday to guard against violence as Christian pilgrims gather for Christmas celebrations.

Holiday activities in this West Bank town of 35,000 were to be reduced from previous years in sympathy with the yearlong Palestinian uprising against Israeli rule in the occupied territories.

Israel has controlled the territories since the 1967 Middle East War, when it captured the West Bank from Jordan and the Gaza Strip from Egypt.

Israeli troops took up positions on the roads into Bethlehem, in its central Manger Square and on roofs of the nearby market. The square is in front of the Church of the Nativity, which was built over the grotto where Jesus was born.

Helmeted soldiers manned rooftop machine gun posts, and dozens of military jeeps and trucks clogged the Manger Square parking lot.

Army officials declined to say how many soldiers were sent to the area, citing security reasons.

The pro-PLO underground leadership of the uprising has called on residents in the territories to strike on Saturday in remembrance of the 333 Palestinians killed in the revolt. Most have been shot to death in clashes with Israeli troops. Fourteen Israelis also have died.

The strike was expected to close all shops and offices in the territories, including in Bethlehem.

In one deserted clothes shop Friday, a merchant named Khalad complained that "Bethlehem is being reoccupied by the army. I see more soldiers than I saw in 1967 when we were first occupied. How can people shop? They are afraid to leave their homes."

He asked not to give his last name for fear of reprisal.

In the center of Bethlehem, slogans painted on the wall by uprising supporters said "Remain home on the 24th of December" and "Let's escalate the intifadeh," which is Arabic for uprising.

In Jerusalem, a Foreign Ministry official said he expected Israel's new coalition government to consider two ideas toward peace.

One would be calling elections in the occupied territories to select Palestinian negotiators acceptable to Israel and the PLO. The other is seeking a Soviet-American meeting to launch direct Arab-Israeli negotiations. The previous coalition government considered both options.

The official, who briefed reporters on condition of anonymity, said Israeli leaders already have rejected the option of giving the occupied lands autonomy.

Palestinians have demanded an independent state.

Official welcome

WASHINGTON (AP) — The United States on Friday welcomed the formation of a new government in Israel, and Secretary of State George Shultz congratulated former Israeli Ambassador Moshe Arens on becoming his country's new foreign minister.

"The U.S.-Israeli relationship has been marked by frequent and close consultations and cooperation on a number of important bilateral and regional issues," the State Department said in a brief statement.

"We look forward to continuing this consultative process with our Israeli friends to strengthen further the enduring ties between our two countries and to advance the Middle East peace process."

Shultz telephoned Israeli Ambassador Moshe Arens on Thursday night to convey his best wishes for the new government and his "high regard" for Arens, whom he described as a personal friend from the former envoy's time in Washington, said embassy spokesman Yossi Gal.

The American-born Arens served here from 1982 to 1983, when he was recalled to Israel to take over as defense minister.



AP photo

DID YOU EVER SEE A TREE WALKING? — This Christmas tree appears to have legs of its own as it is carried home Friday by a woman in Hamburg, West Germany.

China White deaths up in Pennsylvania

PITTSBURGH (AP) — China White, a powerful synthetic heroin that plagued California in the early 1980s, has resurfaced in western Pennsylvania, killing 18 people, and authorities blame a drug ring allegedly headed by a research chemist.

The rash of China White deaths and illnesses in the Pittsburgh area led to an investigation that officials say broke up the drug operation earlier this month. Twelve people have been arrested in the case.

China White — its chemical name is 3-methylfentanyl — is several hundred times more powerful than heroin, and even extremely small amounts can be fatal. It can be manufactured by anyone with a background in college chemistry, according to the National Institute on Drug Abuse in Rockville, Md.

The drug has been confirmed as the cause of 18 area deaths, according to Allegheny County Coroner Joshua Perper. Lab tests are under way in five other

deaths. China White also is suspected in as many as 60 non-fatal overdoses in the Pittsburgh area.

"This is really the first major incident outside of California from a clandestine laboratory putting material on the street," said Gary Henderson, professor of pharmacology at the University of California-Davis medical school. "And it's certainly the most fentanyl activity we've seen since 1984."

Henderson developed a method of testing for the presence of China White and drugs with similar compositions, fentanyl analogs, in overdose victims, and he is helping officials in Pittsburgh with their investigation.

Federal authorities first noticed the presence of China White, also known as Persian Heroin and Gasoline Dope, in December 1979 when two users died in California, Henderson said.

Since 1980, 115 people have died from fentanyl overdoses in California, Arizona and Oregon.

N-plants scrapped by Soviets

MOSCOW (AP) — Six nuclear power projects have been halted in the Soviet Union because of earthquake danger or tougher standards imposed after the Chernobyl accident, the nuclear power minister said Friday.

Official media has reported cancellation of several projects because of growing public opposition after the Chernobyl disaster.

But the list provided at a news conference by Nikolai Lukonin, minister of the nuclear power industry, was the first comprehensive report on the state of the Soviet nuclear power industry.

Cancellations were "partly due to highly seismic areas, and the second reason were changes in regulations and norms of building power plants," Lukonin said.

He said projects had been scrapped in Azerbaijan; Minsk, Byelorussia; Odessa; and Krasnodar; and that additional units to existing plants in Armenia and Georgia had been canceled. Those projects had a combined capacity of 28 million kilowatt hours.

Officials also temporarily suspended work on a third reactor in the Baltic republic of Lithuania because of public concern about possible environmental damage to a lake and earthquake danger, Lukonin said.

The nuclear plant located near the Armenian capital of Yerevan is built on a geological fault. It was shaken but undamaged by the Dec. 7 quake that killed an estimated 55,000 people in northern Armenia. But Premier Nikolai I. Ryzhkov said in Yerevan on Dec. 12 that the plant will be closed in two years because of the danger of future quakes.

The Georgia, Azerbaijan and Krasnodar sites also are located near Armenia in the earthquake-prone Caucasus Mountain region of the southern Soviet Union.

The Soviet Union has 16 nuclear power plants containing 45 reactors that now produce 12.7 percent of the country's electricity. Officials are looking for new sites in more stable areas such as Karelia in the far north near Finland, Lukonin said.

Despite the cancellations, planning and construction is continuing at 15 other sites, and it is "impossible" to develop the Soviet economy without further reliance on nuclear power, Lukonin said.

Soviet officials have acknowledged a fear of nuclear power among citizens since the April 1986 Chernobyl accident in the northern Ukraine that killed at least 31 people and released a cloud of radiation that eventually circled the globe.

Opposition to nuclear power has brought Soviets out on the streets of several cities and some residents of Kiev are inclined to blame unexplained health problems on the Chernobyl accident.

Nation & World

Hunt ends for survivors

LENINAKAN, U.S.S.R. (AP) — No more survivors will be found from the Dec. 7 earthquake in Soviet Armenia, and crews will concentrate on clearing 8 million tons of rubble in the crumbled cities, a government official said Friday.

"The gigantic problem now is the cleanup," Vardkes Artsruny, a deputy prime minister of the Armenian republic, said in an interview in makeshift offices previously used as a handicraft center for children.

Fields around Leninakan, whose shoddy buildings collapsed when the earth shook, are filled with debris. Twisted wire and remains of stairs protrude from piles of formless rubble trucked from the city.

Rescuers said a teen-age boy was found alive Monday, 12 days after the quake, in the remains of a nine-story building. A bed apparently shielded him from tons of concrete raining down.

Economic changes in Poland

WARSAW, Poland (AP) — The parliament on Friday approved bills to encourage private ownership and foreign investment in an attempt to reverse four decades of state economic control.

The Communist government pushed the two pieces of legislation, which become law Jan. 1, to radically alter the structure of Poland's socialist economy.

Poland's 460-member Sejm, or parliament, unanimously approved the new Law on Economic Activity, which eliminates limits on the size of businesses that can be privately owned. There were two abstentions.

The foreign investment bill drew two "no" votes and six abstentions, the official PAP news agency reported.

Private business now accounts for about 6 percent of Poland's non-farm economy, but Industry Minister Mieczyslaw Wilczek — calling the bills' passage a "historic breakthrough" — has said he hopes thousands of new businesses will open next year.

The new law on economic activity removes past discrimination against private ownership, treating state-owned, cooperative and private businesses the same for legal purposes.

Shuttle problems cited

WASHINGTON (AP) — The chairman of a scientific advisory group monitoring the redesign of the space shuttle's booster rockets said Friday the panel has concerns about NASA's efforts to assure continued flight safety.

H. Guyford Stever, chairman of the panel set up by the National Research Council, said he has a "broad concern, namely that the continuing program be carried out" now that the National Aeronautics and Space Administration has returned to space with two successful flights in the wake of the 1986 Challenger accident.

"Success breeds confidence, and that's what you want, but it can also threaten you with complacency," Stever said in an interview.

"I don't see complacency developing, but I do know they have budget problems, and how they'll solve that is difficult to say," he added.

Prison inmates mutiny

TEPIC, Mexico (AP) — Armed inmates angry that they were denied Christmas pardons for good behavior took 15 people hostage at a state prison Friday after the warden and a convict died in a gunfight, authorities said.

"The mutineers demanded that the attorney general provide an armored car and high-powered firearms with the apparent intention of leaving the place. But this morning they said they did not want the vehicle," Francisco Flores, a spokesman for the state government, said in a telephone interview.

Flores said about 200 soldiers, police and guards had surrounded the Venustiano Carranza penitentiary in Tepic, capital of the state of Nayarit and about 500 miles northwest of Mexico City.



AP photo

PALM TREES AND SNOW — Gary Wittenmyer of the Riverside Ice Co. sprays a lawn in Riverside, Calif., with shaved ice Thursday to produce a white Christmas.

California White Christmas is artificial but it's a big hit

RIVERSIDE, Calif. (AP) — Shortly after 9 a.m., a freak snowstorm hit the Stewards' house with fury, burying the green lawn and blooming rose bush and plastering the windows with white stuff.

For \$500, Gregg Steward had bought his family a white Christmas.

Since Dec. 13, the Riverside Ice Co. has shaved dozens of tons of ice to cover more than 20 green Southern California lawns with inches of pure white snow. Under blue skies, palm trees and basking in 70-degree temperature, children who have grown up with surfboards and skateboards have tried out sleds and toboggans for the first time.

While sun, sand and surf might sound attractive to Northerners shivering in their hats and mittens, Southern Californians apparently tire of the tanned life at Christmas time.

An Arcadia shop sells plastic icicles that customers use to cover the front of their homes, and sales of spray-can snow are up.

"They like a little taste of the Midwest," says Chuck Carter, general manager of the ice company, which usually blows its ice on vegetable trucks traveling to the East Coast in hot weather.

As ice company owner Gary Wittenmyer directed the blasting snow onto the Stewards' yard Thursday, 6-year-old Brett waited, wearing puffy blue mittens and Amazing Spiderman boots.

Beside him, in pink ribbons, pink turtleneck, bib-overalls and Reeboks, was his girlfriend Ashley Cunningham, 6, who already knew what the snow was for.

"I'm going to snow fight Brett," she said.

Gregg Steward, 31, said he had taken Brett and his wife, Bobby, 31, to the mountains the year before for Christmas, and they had enjoyed playing in the snow.

But this year's schedule — Steward works as both a Costa Mesa firefighter-paramedic and a Riverside real estate agent — didn't allow the time.

"So we decided to bring the snow here" to the family home close to the Mojave Desert, he said.

By 9:30 a.m., his New England-style home was sprinkled with five tons of snow that coated the roof and windows. It lay 6 inches deep on the lawn, blocking the front door. Brett and the neighborhood kids attempted a snowball battle.

"Some of his friends coming over have — what do you call them? — those little round things," Steward said.

There's just not much need to know what toboggans are here, 50 miles inland from Los Angeles.

The company that coated Steward's yard has had calls from 60 miles west in Beverly Hills and Manhattan Beach, since news broke of their mini-blizzards. They are booked solid for Christmas Eve and have lined up jobs for New Year's and Valentine's Day.

The minimum snow-job costs \$300 for 20 300-pound blocks of ice that are shaved into three tons of snow. Last week, the company put 15 tons of snow on a Moreno Valley lawn for a neighborhood block party.

The snow, which consists of fine ice pellets similar to snow cone

ice, lasts for two to three days without rain, about one day with rainfall. The green grass usually survives despite the cold shower.

Wittenmyer said the ice company has made more snow in the past two weeks than in all his 15 years at the company, all because his wife, Sandy, ran an ad for the usually low-key business in the newspaper.

"It's just gone wild," he said. But as a transplanted Ohioan, Wittenmyer sees the irony in his new business.

"I came to California to get out of that stuff," he said. What would the folks back home think now?

"They're going to think I'm really a whiz kid selling ice and snow to Californians."

Orthodontics for animals

VANCOUVER, British Columbia (AP) — The company dental plan doesn't cover it, but that isn't stopping Anne Marie Orser from getting braces for Maddie, her 6-month-old golden retriever.

"I always hoped I wouldn't have to put braces on my daughter," said Orser of Maple Ridge, a Vancouver suburb. "I never thought my dog would have to have braces."

The dog is being given a perfect smile and snarl by Vancouver veterinarian James Anthony, one of the few in Canada who performs animal orthodontics. His prices range from \$150 to \$500.

BUSINESS

Fed policy is a year-end question mark

By Chef Currier
The Associated Press

NEW YORK — Wall Streeters will have to wait until after Christmas to learn whether the Federal Reserve has a "present" for the markets in the form of an increase in its discount rate.

For several weeks now there has been widespread speculation in the financial world that the central bank would raise the rate, which it sets on loans to private financial institutions.

But the discount rate has remained where it stood since last Aug. 9, when the Fed increased it from 6 percent to 6.5 percent.

During this period, analysts say, the Fed has indeed been taking steps to tighten its credit policy in an effort to stave off a revival of inflation.

The central bank has chosen, however, to pursue that policy by more subtle means than a discount rate change — specifically, by maneuvers creating upward pressure on the federal funds rate. Federal funds are overnight loans between banks.

The result has been a rise in all short-term interest rates that are determined by the money markets. So when and if the discount rate is changed, it could well be interpreted on Wall Street as nothing more than a "catch-up" move.

"The cutting edge of monetary policy is the federal funds rate," said Darwin Beck, an economist at First Boston Corp., in a bulletin to the firm's clients. "The Fed will raise the discount rate when it suits its purposes."

When the Fed raises the discount rate is less important than what it signifies.



"Will it reflect the end of a firming phase or the beginning of a further tightening? For the answer we will have to wait for the announcement and the justification the Fed gives for the hike."

The hope on Wall Street is that the Fed will be able at some point in the

new year to change gears and start loosening credit conditions.

For that to happen, analysts reason, Chairman Alan Greenspan and his fellow policymakers would want to see convincing evidence that economic growth was slowing.

And the Fed might also hold out for

an agreement between President-elect Bush and Congress on substantial measures to reduce the federal budget deficit.

The tricky part of slowing the economy and shrinking the budget deficit is to do so without causing a recession.

Amid hopes that that mission could be accomplished, the stock market continued its tentative, low-volume year-end rally in the past week.

The Dow Jones average of 30 industrials rose 18.22 points to 2,168.93.

The New York Stock Exchange composite index gained .90 to 156.06; the NASDAQ composite index for the over-the-counter market added 1.54 to 377.34, and the American Stock Exchange market value index was up 4.85 at 302.22.

Volume on the Big Board averaged 140.57 million shares a day, against 144.43 million the week before.

If fears of an approaching recession intensify in the months ahead, argues David Resler, economist at Nomura Securities International, they could actually help prevent one from occurring.

"That could happen," he said, "if worries about the future took some of the exuberance out of current spending so that growth could slow enough to let the Fed reverse some of this year's credit-tightening."

"Some might judge that scenario as too much to hope for, but the lessons of 1988 seem to suggest it is not."

"The economy has shown itself to be both more resilient and less prone to inflation than most economists believed possible."

Fear of the racketeering law moved Drexel

By Rick Gladstone
The Associated Press

NEW YORK — Like Clint Eastwood's Dirty Harry Callahan, U.S. Attorney Rudolph W. Giuliani put a 357 Magnum to Drexel Burnham Lambert Inc.'s head, saying maybe he had one bullet left, maybe he didn't.

Drexel decided he did. After a protracted battle fought in the courts, the press and the canyons of Wall Street, the nation's fifth-largest securities firm elected not to risk getting its head blown off.

Drexel decided to settle the biggest securities fraud case in history by paying a record \$650 million in fines and restitution and pleading guilty to six felonies, reversing its longstanding claims of innocence.

The battle had already cost the firm nearly \$2 billion in attorneys' fees and lost business. Drexel also agreed to cooperate with Giuliani's expanding probes into financial trading abuses spawned largely by the downfall of Ivan F. Boesky, the convicted speculator who fingered Drexel and others more than two years ago.

The decision came moments before

a deadline set by Giuliani to Drexel following weeks of bluffs, counter-bluffs and leaks to the newspapers that a climax was imminent.

Post-mortem accounts of this historic showdown reveal Giuliani told Drexel's directors he was going to make an announcement at 4 p.m. Wednesday.

"He said, 'It's going to be either an indictment or a settlement. You decide,'" said one source familiar with the final pre-deadline maneuvering, who requested anonymity. "It was a game of blink, and Drexel blinked."

The biggest weapon in Giuliani's arsenal was his threat to subject Drexel to the Racketeer Influenced and Corrupt Organizations act, commonly known as RICO, a widely feared, far-reaching statute originally designed to combat drug runners, gangsters and pimps.

If Drexel had been indicted under that act, the government could have frozen much of its assets and seized what prosecutors had reason to believe were the firm's ill-gotten gains, before trial, to hold as security.

Individuals named in the indictment would have been forced to surrender their earnings during the

period of alleged wrongdoing. A trial could have taken months or even years, diverting time, energy and money from a firm that has prided itself on efficiency, aggressiveness and big profits.

Moreover, convictions would have exposed Drexel to multiple civil lawsuits that could have resulted in many hundreds of millions of dollars in fines, because of the racketeering act's provision for triple damages to victims.

A racketeering indictment would have come at the worst possible time for Drexel, which has been playing crucial financing roles in nearly every multibillion-dollar takeover of the year, most notably a \$5 billion bridge loan for Kohlberg Kravis Roberts & Co.'s \$24.5 billion acquisition of RJR Nabisco Inc.

Drexel executives were known to be anxious to protect their interest in that deal, which could net as much as \$300 million in fees.

In other economic and business news this past week:

• British conglomerate Grand Metropolitan PLC acquired Pillsbury Co. for \$5.68 billion, ending the

Minneapolis-based food and restaurant concern's feeble effort to thwart the takeover, largely by relying on its poison-pill shareholder rights defense. Grand Met's triumph raised new questions about the effectiveness of poison pills, which have been repeatedly challenged in court.

• Government figures presented more mixed evidence of the economy's health. Inflation eased slightly in November, while consumer spending and orders for large durable goods rose. For the third quarter of the year, the broadest measure of economic growth was 2.5 percent, down slightly from an earlier estimate of 2.6 percent. None of the figures pointed decisively to a slowdown or an overheated economy. But there was speculation that the Federal Reserve would move soon to hike interest rates if it viewed inflation as a threat.

• The Big Three automakers said vehicle sales jumped 15.3 percent during the mid-December period, paced by a 35.9 percent leap in Ford Motor Co. car sales. The performance reflected a major improvement over the same time a year earlier, when consumers spooked by the October 1987 stock market crash cut back on spending for expensive items.

California offers a lot for the filthy rich

By Jeff Wilson
The Associated Press

LOS ANGELES — The holiday spirit isn't lost on Southern California's filthy rich who've decked the Rolls with boughs of holly and set out on an annual quest for the perfect gift that is opulent, unusual and expensive.

The posh shops on Rodeo Drive this season offer entertainment's aristocracy the usual collection of magnificent gems, crystal and oddball dust catchers, such as the \$4,000 Scrabble word game at Carrol & Co.

Alfa-sprouting Chia Pets and the as-seen-on-TV Clapper power switches — hot items elsewhere in the country — won't be under the Yule trees of the Beverly Hills, Bel-Air or Malibu gentry.

Living up to the region's car-crazy image, shoppers are buying up facsimile and answering machines to hook to cellular telephones. Also hot at Beverly Hills Motoring Accessories: see-through hood covers to prevent road nicks.

The perfect gift for high rollers is the new two-door Rolls-Royce Silver Spirit for \$254,500 featured at Gregg Motors in Beverly Hills. For a brief moment in the fast lane, though, a Budget Rent-a-Car's luxury outlet down the street will rent a Rolls, Mercedes-Benz or Ferrari for about \$500 a day.

Gearys in Beverly Hills sells the popular \$16 Christmas wreath for Rolls-Royce grills and limousine-traveling shoppers have shown a fond-

ness for \$20 miniature poinsettias available locally to decorate the interior.

Lila Greene of Renta Yenta, a San Fernando Valley specialty service, has fulfilled a variety of unusual gift wishes this year. The well-to-do parents of one youngster hired a trapeze act that, for \$5,000, features a man walking a high wire while playing an oboe.

Ms. Greene has created several winter wonderlands by dusting a back yard with snow for \$1,200, provided Santa and Mrs. Claus for \$325 an hour and decorated trees at \$100 each for her bi-coastal clientele.

But pricey real estate is the Christmas granddaddy gift for Southern California's affluent.

A giant red bow wraps around Zsa Zsa Gabor's estate in Bel-Air, just around the corner from President Reagan's new digs. "We are giving it away for \$15 million," real estate broker Mike Silverman said of the Gabor house.

The president and Mrs. Reagan will spend the Christmas holidays in the Bel-Air house, their first stay at the residence that will become their main post-White House homestead.

For those who want to rub elbows with the likes of Sylvester Stallone and Carroll O'Connor, Malibu broker Paul Gresante of Jon Douglas Real Estate has a \$4.2 million ocean cottage on Broad Beach Road.

Another holiday special is the ocean bluff residence Sea Pavilions, an \$11.5 million estate featuring "a symphony of exotic woods and French

limestone," boasts Gresante. It also has a spa that seats 25.

But presents for many well-heeled recipients will be measured by horsepower rather than square footage.

At least one widely known Hollywood personality will be getting a custom Harley-Davidson motorcycle. His name wasn't divulged because the gift is a surprise.

"Every year I stick one or two in someone's home under the tree," said bike builder Gene Thomson of Bartels' Harley-Davidson. Regular Bartels customers include Stallone, Billy Idol and Mickey Rourke. Another is actor Gary Busey, who is recovering from serious head injuries suffered in a Dec. 4 motorcycle accident.

The Christmas morning deliveries are memorable, he said.

"The houses are so big I could have driven through their living rooms at 50 mph. You should see the steps I have to go up. I almost hit a sofa last year," said Thomson, who has a \$28,000 Harley in the Neiman-Marcus catalogue.

Unwrapping gifts culminates a Hollywood holiday season ritual of lavish parties, many of them presided over by Brady White, the show business Santa to the Stars.

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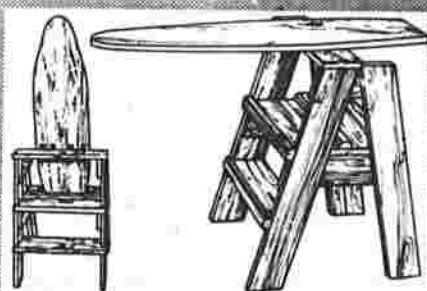
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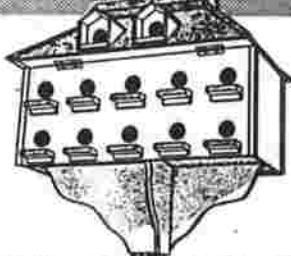


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OILER BACK — Houston's Mike Rozier
(30), shown in a file photo, and his
teammates will meet the Cleveland

Browns today in Cleveland in the AFC
wild card game.

Browns not taking Oilers lightly

By Chuck Melvin
The Associated Press

CLEVELAND — Coach Jerry
Glanville would have you believe
his Houston Oilers are a despondent,
beaten team merely going
through the motions.

The Cleveland Browns aren't
buying it for one minute.
"After losing a game like that?
Put yourself in their position,"
says Cleveland receiver Webster
Slaughter. "If it was me, I'd want
to come back and play that much
harder. I'd be pumped up."

The Browns overcame a 16-
point third-quarter deficit and
beat the Oilers 28-23 last Sunday,
setting up a rematch in Satur-
day's AFC wild card game —
same teams, same stadium.
Houston would have eliminated
the Browns and would have
earned home field advantage for

the wild-card game if it had held
onto its lead.

"I don't know that we're over it
yet," a subdued Glanville said by
telephone before a practice this
week. "I guess the way that game
ended up, you don't have the joy
of going into the playoffs. Instead,
you have the downer of losing a
game you really felt you had a
chance to win."

An Oilers' publicist pointed out
that Glanville's mood might have
been affected by a knee injury he
suffered when he was hit by one of
his players before last week's
game.

"I feel like I've got a flat tire,"
Glanville said.
Before the Oilers think about
forfeiting, however, Glanville
noted that they've survived some
tough times before.

"We rebound," he said. "We
haven't lost two in a row in a year

and a half (since November 1987).
When you lose to a division rival,
our team treats it like it's a death
in the family. But we've always
managed to come out of these
things."

The Browns expect anything
but a letdown by the Oilers this
week.
"It's tough to play an opponent
two weeks straight, especially
when you beat them the first
week," said Slaughter, who
caught the game-winning 22-yard
touchdown from Don Strock in the
fourth quarter Sunday. "They're
not going to want to get beat twice
in a row."

Strock, 38, was scheduled to
start for the Browns because of
the sprained knee suffered by
Bernie Kosar on Dec. 12. Kosar
resumed practicing Wednesday
but didn't work out Friday, said
Browns spokesman Kevin Byrne.

Vikings bench will be critical

By Mike Nadel
The Associated Press

EDEN PRAIRIE, Minn. — Defensive end Doug
Martin is out. Linebacker Jesse Solomon and
running back Darrin Nelson are questionable. Nose
tackle Henry Thomas is trying to come back from
an injury and his backup, Tim Newton, may be done
for the season.

It's obvious that if the Minnesota Vikings are to
get by the Los Angeles Rams in Monday's NFC
wild-card game, they will need more production
than ever from their bench.
"Fortunately, the depth of the club has
improved," said Coach Jerry Burns, who three
years ago took over a team with few quality
reserves. He now has a bench full of one-time
standouts and, the club hopes, future standouts.

Al "Bubba" Baker arrived early in the season
when Martin was a contract holdout. Now that
Martin is done for the year with a knee injury,
"Bubba is a godsend," Burns said.

"This may be the last chance I get to play in a
Super Bowl," said Baker, whose 11 seasons have
been divided between four teams. "This is the most
important game of my career. If we're fortunate
enough to win, the next one will be the most
important game of my career."

Baker has 5 1/2 sacks, giving him 122 1/2 in his career
including 23 his rookie year with the Detroit Lions.
He was also involved in one of the Vikings' least
proud moments of the season. Against Philadelphia
on Sept. 25, he got into a disagreement with Eagles
tackle Ron Heller and poked Heller in the eye. Baker
was suspended for a game.

Solomon has been the Vikings' most unsung and
valuable defensive player. When healthy, he is on
the field for every defensive down because he is the
only linebacker who plays the pass as well as he
plays the run.

His strained knee has forced Burns to replace him
by committee. Second-year pro Ray Berry will start
if Solomon can't play, and Burns said he also might
use Walker Lee Ashley. Darrell Fullington, Joey
Browner and David Howard at Solomon's weak-side
spot in given situations.

Berry, the team's second-round draft choice in
1987 who played little after a training-camp holdout,
admitted that he is preparing a bit differently this
week.

"During the season, I always had to prepare well
because any of the linebackers could get hurt at any
time," he said. "But, oh yeah, this is different.
We're in the playoffs now. It's going to be exciting.
The Rams may try to take advantage of me. I'll be
on the spot."

Nelson has had his most frustrating season. His
hamstring pull is only the latest of a rash of injuries
that held him to 380 rushing yards.

With D.J. Dozier experiencing another injury-
filled season, Nelson will be replaced by Allen Rice,
the Vikings' second-leading rusher with 322 yards.

Bills facing a possible team unity problem

ORCHARD PARK, N.Y. (AP) — At
a time when the Buffalo Bills would
like to gearing up for their first playoff
game since 1981, the team appears to
be struggling to maintain team unity.
Earlier this week, running back
Rob Riddick said he was "unhappy
with the quarterback situation" and
complained that Jim Kelly was not
throwing enough passes to running
backs.

"I just don't feel Jim is doing the job
he's being paid to do," Riddick said.

Riddick made the comments Mon-
day during taping of a cable television
show broadcast Friday in Rochester.
He later retracted some of his
remarks after they were published in
the Rochester Times-Union.

But Bills coach Marv Levy said
Thursday the comments were foolish
and that he hoped they wouldn't be
disruptive to the team.

"It's always a foolish thing for a
player to publicly assess his team-
mate," Levy said.

Levy said he expected Riddick and
Kelly to meet and "iron it out."

Riddick criticized Kelly for being
one-dimensional in his passing.

"He likes to throw the ball deep ...
To me, Jim doesn't really throw a
good long ball. In the USFL, he was
considered a long-ball passer, but his
receivers were running 4.2s and 4.3s.
He'd stand back there and throw the
ball as far as he (could) and the
receivers would outrun the ball. That
made him look good."

"Even a lot of the time this year
there have been a lot of good catches
by the receivers where he'd just throw
the ball out there and they'd get it," he
said during the show.

Riddick later told the Buffalo News
it was "stupid and unprofessional" for
him to criticize Kelly's passing
ability.

The Bills, 12-4, have struggled since
clinching the AFC East Division title.
The team lost three of its last four
regular season games.

Sports in Brief

Whalers host Penguins

HARTFORD — The Hartford Whalers, after the Christmas break, will host the Pittsburgh Penguins Monday night at 7:30 (SportsChannel, WVIC) at the Civic Center.

Dawn Martin contributes

WILLIMANTIC — Junior Dawn Martin, a Manchester High graduate, is a contributor with the Eastern Connecticut State University women's basketball team to date. Martin has started eight of the nine games for the 6-3 Warriors and is averaging 6.9 points and 23.6 minutes per game. She is third on team in assists with 18 and is averaging 3.4 rebounds per game.

Carter wants Cowboys

DALLAS (AP) — Dallas Mavericks owner Donald Carter backed up an offer for the Dallas Cowboys team with a \$10 million deposit and a written letter expressing his interest, a television station reported Friday.

Carter met with Cowboys' owner Bum Bright Thursday night to discuss his \$130 million offer for the team, the report said. Bright had rejected that offer from Carter and an undisclosed investor this week.

"He reiterated his offer is for 100 percent of the team and 100 percent of Texas Stadium," Jack Veatch, of the Dallas office of Salomon Bros., the New York investment company handling the offers, told KXKX-TV in Dallas.

NBA levies fines

MILWAUKEE (AP) — An NBA official said Chicago star Michael Jordan and Milwaukee assistant coach Frank Hamblen will be fined for criticizing referees following the Bulls' 112-93 victory over the Bucks Dec. 17.

Rod Thorn, the NBA's director of operations, said the league is completing its investigation of the matter and would announce the fines at a later date. Chicago coach Doug Collins and Milwaukee coach Del Harris were ejected from the game and will be fined the standard \$250.

Hamblen took over for Harris, who was ejected in the third quarter for racing onto the floor and screaming at referee Bennett Salvatore.

Jordan, who scored 29 of his 36 points in the second half, also was critical.

"The NBA does not allow coaches and players to publicly criticize officials. Thorn said some players and coaches have been fined as much as \$10,000 for doing so.

Television and Radio

TODAY

12:30 p.m. — Sun Bowl: Alabama vs. Army, Channel 3
1:30 p.m. — AFC wild card game: Oilers at Browns, Channel 30, WPOP

SUNDAY

1 p.m. — CBA: Cedar Rapids at Topeka, ESPN
3:30 p.m. — Lakers at Jazz, Channel 3

MONDAY

9 a.m. — High School Football: Texas 5A championship, ESPN
2:30 p.m. — NFC wild card game: Rams at Vikings, Channel 3, WPOP (AM-1410)
7:30 p.m. — College basketball: Penn State at Temple, ESPN
7:30 p.m. — Penguins at Whalers, SportsChannel, WVIC

7:30 p.m. — Bruins at Sabres, Channel 38
9:30 p.m. — College basketball: Long Beach State at Alabama-Birmingham, ESPN

Scoreboard

Basketball

NBA standings

EASTERN CONFERENCE				
Atlantic Division				
W	L	Pct.	GB	
New York	18	7	.720	—
Philadelphia	14	10	.583	4
Boston	12	12	.500	5 1/2
New Jersey	11	15	.423	7 1/2
Charlotte	7	17	.292	10 1/2
Washington	6	18	.250	12
Central Division				
Cleveland	18	5	.783	—
Detroit	18	7	.720	1 1/2
Atlanta	17	9	.654	2 1/2
Milwaukee	13	10	.565	5
Chicago	13	11	.545	5 1/2
Indiana	5	19	.208	13 1/2
WESTERN CONFERENCE				
Midwest Division				
Dallas	15	8	.652	—
Houston	16	9	.640	—
Denver	15	10	.600	1
Utah	14	11	.560	2
San Antonio	7	17	.292	8 1/2
Miami	2	21	.087	13
Pacific Division				
L.A. Lakers	16	8	.667	—
Portland	15	10	.600	1 1/2
Phoenix	13	10	.565	2 1/2
Golden State	13	11	.545	3
San Jose	10	13	.435	5 1/2
L.A. Clippers	9	14	.393	7
Sacramento	5	17	.227	10
Friday's Games				
Late Games Not Included				
Miami 101, Utah 80				
Atlanta 131, Indiana 114				
Cleveland 119, Seattle 107, OT				
Charlotte 103, Chicago 100				
L.A. Clippers 114, San Antonio 108				
Dallas at Milwaukee, (n)				
Denver at Phoenix, (n)				
Golden State at Portland, (n)				
Saturday's Games				
No games scheduled				
Sunday's Games				
L.A. Lakers at Utah, 3:30 p.m.				
Washington at Philadelphia, 7 p.m.				

Big East standings

Big East Conference				
W	L	W L	O'all	
Seton Hall	1	0	1	0
Providence	1	0	8	0
Syracuse	0	0	11	0
Connecticut	0	0	6	1
Pittsburgh	0	0	5	3
St. John's	0	0	6	4
Boston College	0	1	6	3

NBA results

Heat 101, Jazz 80

UTAH (88)

Jordan 11-12, Malone 11-18 10-19 32, Eaton 2-5 0-4, Griffin 4-11 2-9, Stockton 5-11 3-3 13, Bailey 2-4 1-2, Lusk 1-2 2-2 4, Hansen 1-2 0-2, Les 1-2 0-4, Ortiz 0-0 0-0 0, Kolbe 0-1 0-0 0, Totals 28-64 24-62 80.

Jordan, who scored 29 of his 36 points in the second half, also was critical.

"The NBA does not allow coaches and players to publicly criticize officials. Thorn said some players and coaches have been fined as much as \$10,000 for doing so.

Hawks 131, Pacers 114

INDIANA (114) Person 2-10 1-25, Williams 3-11 2-8, Smith 4-13 7-11 19, Fleming 7-11 5-3 17, Miller 6-13 0-4, Tisdale 7-13 6-7 20, Frederick 0-1 0-0 0, Dreiling 0-1 0-0 0, Stephens 1-3 0-0 3, Totals 38-71 23-41 114.

Atlanta (131) Levington 7-15 3-16, Wilkins 11-25 5-28, Malone 9-11 12-19, Rivers 6-10 0-13, Thomas 6-15 3-13 41, Carr 2-4 3-7, Battle 1-1 0-0 0, Koncok 2-4 0-4, Webb 3-0 0-0 0, Bradley 1-3 0-0 2, Tolbert 1-0 0-2, Ferrell 2-3 1-5, Totals 50-104 29-35 131.

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CHARLOTTE (163)
Tropucko 10-22 9-12 30, Rambo 3-8 2-2 8, Hopson 2-0 2-4, Holton 4-12 1-9, Reid 0-2 2-2 2, Curry 5-7 0-11, Cureton 3-2 4-7, Kempton 7-10 2-4 16, Green 0-1 0-0 0, Bogues 2-5 0-2 4, Lewis 0-0 0-0 0, Totals 41-98 19-29 163.
Charlotte 28 24 29 30-183
3-Point goals—Paxson, Tropucko, Curry.
Fouled out—None. Rebounds—Chicago 47 (Carrwright 12), Charlotte 61 (Cureton 9).
Assists—Chicago 22 (Vincent 10), Charlotte 24 (Holton 10), Totals—Chicago 23, Charlotte 22, A.—21, 388.

Cavallers 118, SuperSonics 107 (OT)

SEATTLE (107) Cape 2-4 3-7, McKey 6-16 2-14, Lister 5-8 1-11, McMillan 1-8 0-0 2, Ellis 14-19 0-1 32, Dugas 0-2 0-4 18, Thurst 5-6 0-0 11, Schaene 0-2 0-0, Polynice 0-1 0-0, Lucas 4-6 0-11, Reynolds 0-2 0-0, Totals 45-91 14-107.

CLEVELAND (119)

Sanders 9-16 0-0 18, Nonce 12-19 3-3 27, Dugas 0-2 0-4 18, Thurst 5-6 0-0 11, Schaene 0-2 0-0, Polynice 0-1 0-0, Lucas 4-6 0-11, Reynolds 0-2 0-0, Totals 45-91 14-107.

Friday's college hoop scores

PEPPERDINE (70)
Wilson 1-30 0-2, Davis 4-10 2-11, Lewis 10-16 6-8 27, Crawford 1-5 3-5 5, Howard 6-14 4-16, Lear 1-4 2-3, Ferch 1-0 0-3, Welch 1-2 0-3, Totals 25-42 15-27.
CONNECTICUT (78)
Robinson 5-15 4-9 14, Williams 0-4 5-6 5, DePriest 1-3 0-2, Gombie 9-14 4-28, George 3-7 0-6, Smith 3-6 1-7, Gwynn 1-3 0-2, Sellers 1-5 0-2, McClelland 2-4 4-8, Cvrulik 1-1 0-2, Totals 26-45 17-26.
Hartford Connecticut 44, Pepperdine 38.
3-Point Goals — Pepperdine 5-20 (Davis 2), Welch 1-2, Lewis 1-4, Ferch 1-4, Howard 0-1, Tolbert 1-0 0-2, Ferrell 2-3 1-5, Totals 50-104 29-35 131.

SOUTHWEST
Arkansas 97, San Houston 51, 79
TOURNAMENTS
Cheminda Christmas Classic
St. Louis 61, Miami, Fla. 71
Old Style Classic
Austin Peay 62, N. Carolina A&T 68

NBA today

Scoreboard
No games are scheduled. Sunday, the Los Angeles Lakers and Utah Jazz meet in a nationally televised game at the Salt Palace (3:30 p.m. EST) and Washington visits Philadelphia (7 p.m.).
Stars
Thursday
Akeem Olatunju, Rockets, had 20 points, 18 rebounds, six steals, five blocks and three assists, leading Houston to a 125-109 victory over the Los Angeles Clippers.

Transactions

BASEBALL
SEATTLE MARINERS—Named Gene Clines batting coach.
National League
ATLANTA BRAVES—Signed Darrell Evans, infielder, to a minor-league contract. A.—15,857.
CINCINNATI REDS—Announced the relocation of their Gull Coast team to Plant City, Fla., from Kissimmee, Fla.

BASKETBALL

MIAMI HEAT—Activated Davyine Washington, guard, from injured list. Requested waivers on Clinton Wheeler, guard.
Continental Basketball Association
CEDAR RAPIDS SILVER BULLETS—Released Jeff Moe, guard, and Tony Korosak, center. Activated Steve Hayes, center, and Keith Smart, guard.
ROCHESTER FLOWERS—Signed Andre Patterson, forward. Released Glen Clem, forward.

FOOTBALL

NATIONAL FOOTBALL LEAGUE
SAN FRANCISCO 49ERS—Placed Doug DuBoise, running back, on injured reserve.
HOCKEY
National Hockey League
NEW JERSEY DEVILS—Returned Chris Ferreri, goaltender, to Utica of the American Hockey League.

COLLEGE

COLORADO ST.—Named Earle Bruce head football coach.
MIAAMI (101)
ILLINOIS—Named John Mackovic athletic director.
MIAAMI (101)
Cedar Rapids—Named Walt H. Harris head football coach.
WASHINGTON—Named Keith Gilbertson offensive line coach.
WYOMING—Extended the contract of Paul Roach, football coach, through the 1997 season.

Bowling

Eastern Businessmen's
Mike Roux 140, Steve Oulmette 148, Lou DeLoferro 141, Mike Attruck 140, Mark Holmes 140-143-122, Al Bonini 141, Ding Balch 402, Bub Holmes 141-153-431, Carl Ball 161-153-480, Emil Roux 141, Greg Menton 160, John Kunz 145, Lon Annulli 140-145, Bob Waulet 144-401, Paul Beck 149, Aceto 142, Lar Metza 140, Pete Scott 152, Don Toce 147-171-455, Ren Joiner 147-168-464, Pat Duggan 144, Larry Fahey 148, Tom Fahey 142, John Menzen 140, Andy Soabo 140.

GOP Women

Allye Darling 178-478, Eleanor Brennan 180-492, Firoza Sivjee 468, Joyce Tyler 489.

U.S. Mixed

Linda Skoglund 199-488, Lou Ann Pecker 189, Dale Pecker 185-202-191-578, Sheila Bonetti 181, Ruth Urban 183, Linda Lotulipe 184-492, Sue Cole 200-517, Sheila Coppola 195-180-511, Jenny Fenn 183, Dave Fenn 214-220-614, Marje DeLisle 488, Edith Mason 194-486.

Sports in Brief

Braves sign Evans

ATLANTA (AP) — The Atlanta Braves on Friday signed free agent infielder Darrell Evans, 41, who started his big-league career in Atlanta 20 seasons ago.

Evans technically signed a minor-league contract, with incentive bonuses available if he makes the major league team. That move was needed because the Braves' 40-man big-league roster was filled.

Last season with Detroit, Evans hit .208 with 22 home runs and 64 runs batted in, after hitting .257 with 34 homers and 99 RBI in the Tigers' pennant-winning 1987 season. Detroit did not offer him a contract for 1989.

A lifetime .249 hitter, the left-handed hitting Evans is 22nd on the all-time home run list with 403.

NHL denies invitation

NEW YORK (AP) — The National Hockey League and its players' union Friday denied reports from Moscow that the league had invited the Soviets to field an NHL team.

Wyoming rewards Roach

LARAMIE, Wyo. (AP) — Wyoming football coach Paul Roach today received a contract extension that runs for nine years and provides a \$10,000 pay raise.

Under the extension approved by university trustees, Roach, 61, can serve either as athletic director, as football coach, or as both during the nine years. The new contract pays Roach \$80,000 annually.

Roach, with a 21-4 coaching record in two years, currently holds both positions for the Cowboys, who are heading to their second straight Holiday Bowl appearance.

Magic meets deadline

ORLANDO, Fla. (AP) — An Orlando businessman has purchased the 10,000th season ticket for the NBA expansion team to be called the Orlando Magic, meeting a league requirement before a Dec. 31 deadline.

The NBA establishes ticket sale minimums when it awards franchises and the Magic could have possibly faced cancellation if it failed to sell 10,000 season tickets.

Greg Wallace, a 27-year-old automobile parts store owner, purchased eight season tickets Thursday at a cost of \$5,840 to hit the 10,000 mark.

"I wasn't going to buy any tickets at all because the price was kind of high," said Wallace. "But being the 10,000th person, that kind of became a goal of mine."

Wallace said he'll use the tickets as perks for employees and customers.

Bruce takes new post

FORT COLLINS, Colo. (AP) — Former Ohio State coach Earle Bruce was named Friday as head football coach at Colorado State University, athletic director Oval Jaynes announced.

Bruce, 57, "brings to our program a history of success," Jaynes said. "We're extremely excited to have him join our staff."
Bruce had been considered CSU's leading candidate for the job for the past week, but an agreement was stalled because of Bruce's difficulty in getting a release from the final three years of his four-year contract at Northern Iowa. Bruce resigned at Northern Iowa last Saturday.

In 16 years of coaching at the major-college level, Bruce has compiled a 132-66-1 record. In nine seasons at Ohio State, he guided the Buckeyes to an 81-26-1 record, including two Big 10 titles, a pair of co-championships and eight bowl appearances. Bruce was 5-6 last year at Northern Iowa, a Division I-AA school.

Scoreboard

Hockey

NHL standings

WALDES CONFERENCE						
Patrick Division						
W	L	T	Pts	GF/GA		
Pittsburgh	21	11	3	45	165	141
Philadelphia	19	17	2	40	151	130
NY Rangers	17	14	5	39	137	133
Washington	17	14	5	39	122	121
New Jersey	13	15	7	33	121	138
NY Islanders	8	24	2	18	101	146
Adams Division						
Montreal	23	10	6	52	153	120
Boston	14	14	9	37	117	111
Buffalo	14	17	4	32	124	143
Quebec	13	21	3	29	132	167
Hartford	10	18	6	28	120	120
CAMPBELL CONFERENCE						
Norris Division						
W	L	T	Pts	GF/GA		
Detroit	11	5	4	16	130	103
St. Louis	13	6	2	13	116	111
Toronto	12	22	2	26	111	160
Minnesota	10	18	6	26	131	131
Chicago	8	22	4	20	131	165
Smythe Division						
Calgary	23	6	5	5		

Resurgent Knicks drawing plenty of attention

By Bill Barnard
The Associated Press

NEW YORK — Two seasons after winning 24 games, the New York Knicks have a team that will be disappointed if it doesn't win more than twice as many.

The team's resurgence actually started in the second half of last season, when they put together 13 straight victories at Madison Square Garden. But a poor start and a woeful 9-32 road record doomed them to a first-round playoff defeat by Boston.

This season, the Knicks are proving to be even tougher at home, and a .500 record on the road has given them their best start overall since 1972-73.

Since that happens to be the last time the Knicks won an NBA championship, it hasn't taken long for the fans and media to take notice.

Attendance is up more than 4,000 per game from last year, and as starting guard Gerald Wilkins said in front of a crowd of microphones at his locker room cubicle, "You don't see media like this in any other city except maybe the playoffs."

Such a reaction less than one-third of the way into the season is prompting Coach Rick Pitino and General Manager Al Bianchi to put the emergency brakes on the hoopla express.

"Other up-and-coming teams like the Cleveland Cavaliers (with the best record in the NBA) are allowed to mature the right way — slowly," Pitino said. "In New York, you're not allowed to grow up for three or four years."

"People talking about a championship here are way ahead of themselves. You can speed up a team's offense or defense or speed up a player's shot, but you can't speed up experience and maturity."

"We're enjoying what we have and will take what we get at playoff time, whether it's the first round or second round," Bianchi added. "Whether we can compete for the division championship or the NBA championship, I honestly don't know. We're awfully young and inexperienced."

There are some similarities to 1972-73, when center Willis Reed and point guard Walt Frazier led a bench full of role players.

Once again, a center and point guard are the focal points of a team of role players.

While Pitino downplays his team's chances this season, he praises 7-foot center Patrick Ewing and stocky point guard Mark Jackson without

Illinois names Mackovic AD

CHAMPAIGN, Ill. (AP) — John Mackovic was named athletic director at Illinois on Friday, less than a month after his first-year success in rejuvenating the football program earned him Big Ten coach of the year honors.

Mackovic will remain coach and will take up his new duties in about six weeks.

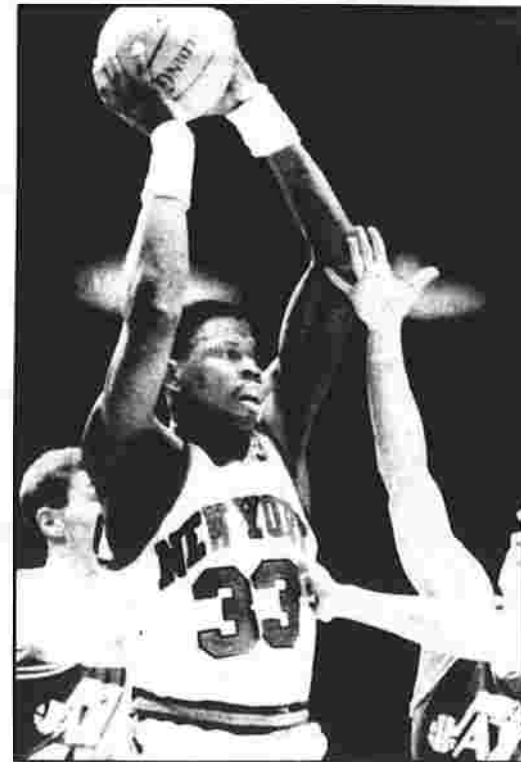
Chancellor Morton Weir said Mackovic would receive a multi-year deal, but details have yet to be worked out.

"I've always liked to feel I could do more than be a football coach," said Mackovic, who joins Michigan's Bo Schembechler as holding dual roles.

Noting that he and Schembechler are both from Barberton, Ohio, Mackovic said, "I don't know if that's in the Guinness Book of World Records, but it's probably a Barberton High School record. Although I hope no one will start calling me little Bo."

Mackovic, who earned a reputation for rebuilding programs as head coach at Wake Forest and the NFL's Kansas City Chiefs, pulled off another quick recovery at Illinois, after football coach Mike White and Athletic Director Neale Stoner resigned amid charges of NCAA violations and other improprieties.

"We wanted somebody who had management skills and experience, somebody who had put together successful athletic programs, and somebody of unquestionable integrity," Weir said.



TOWER OF POWER — Patrick Ewing, shown in a file photo, has been one of the keys as the New York Knicks have proven to be a force in the NBA to date, currently leading the Atlantic Division with an 18-7 record.

hesitation. "Mark is just as bright with his head as he is with his athletic ability," Pitino said, "and Patrick's the main reason we're playing outstanding basketball. There's no doubt about it. He's right alongside Akeem Olajuwon as the best center right now. Actually, I think he's the best by himself, but I'm prejudiced because I'm his coach."

"They're the new Reed and Frazier," Indiana's Chuck Person said. "What happens is you concern yourself with Jackson and Ewing, and the other players end up getting easy shots."

Ewing is among the NBA leaders in scoring, shooting percentage and blocked shots and is rebounding with an intensity rare in a 7-footer.

"Patrick is our go-to guy," Jackson said. "Everyone understands that. He's our leader."

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Without him, we go nowhere." Indeed, the Knicks gave up a strong backup center when they traded Bill Cartwright to Chicago for Charles Oakley, who is filling nicely the rebounding forward's role. But Cartwright's absence leaves the Knicks especially vulnerable to two circumstances: Ewing in foul trouble and Ewing on the sidelines with an injury.

"He had some problems with his knees his first two years and we're going to find out if they will hold up," Bianchi said of Ewing, who missed 51 games with injuries in his first two years before appearing in all 82 games last season. "Last year he was getting in foul trouble too much, but now he's playing more minutes and isn't getting in foul trouble."

Ewing is averaging nearly 38 minutes per game, seven more than last season. He is committing a foul every 9.4 minutes this season compared to every 7.7 minutes a year ago.

"I really can't explain why I'm not getting in foul trouble," Ewing said. "I'm trying to be just as aggressive as I ever was. I'm going for rebounds and blocks, just like I'm supposed to. The only thing I know that's different is we're having more fun. Winning is what it's all about."

While Ewing, Oakley and backup forward Sidney Green — who's averaging 14 rebounds per 48 minutes — take care of the heavy-duty inside work, the rest of the Knicks are gaining a fast reputation as mad bombers.

Their 120 points per game is second in the NBA and an eye-popping 14.5 more than they averaged last season. With 121 3-pointers in their first 24 games, they are on a pace to break Boston's single-season record by more than 100.

Is there a method to their 3-point shooting? "Madness," Pitino replied glibly. "Actually, we're taking good threes and I think the 3-point line is a good spot for spacing the offensive players correctly."

Pitino spreads the responsibility for the 3-point shooting among five players — Wilkins, Jackson, rookie and backup point guard Red Strickland, Trent Tucker and small forward Johnny Newman. When the Knicks set a single-game record with 11 3-pointers on Dec. 8, no player had more than three.

Pitino said it remains to be seen if the team can handle the pressure of New York expectations.

"We want them to have fun playing the games because it adds to their intensity," Pitino said. Wilkins, one of the Knicks' best philosophers, has his own ideas about winning in New York.

"New York always wants to be first or nothing," he said. "But if you win in New York, you get more No. 1 benefits. When you win in New York, everyone knows you're a winner. If you win in Cleveland, maybe nobody notices."

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IRISH SMILES — Notre Dame quarterback Tony Rice (9) and Mark Green, shown in a file photo, will be two keys for the Irish when they meet West Virginia in the Fiesta Bowl on Jan. 2.

Irish maintain a Faust look

By Thomas P. Wyman
The Associated Press

SOUTH BEND, Ind. — Lou Holtz is being hailed for coaching Notre Dame through an unbeaten football season and to the brink of a national championship.

Former coach Gerry Faust, not fondly remembered for his reign, is blamed by many for leading Notre Dame into a football morass.

Yet, the team that will play West Virginia on Jan. 2 in what is generally regarded as the game to decide the national championship bears a Faust look.

The team's seniors were picked by him. The class of 1989 includes such standouts as Linemen Frank Stams, who is an All-American, and Andy Heck; Wes Pritchett, who leads the team in tackles; Mark Green, who rushed seven touchdowns this season; George Streeter, who broke up seven passes and intercepted three more; Ned Bolcar, who ranked fourth in tackles despite not starting; and Cory Southall, with three interceptions before a knee injury.

"Coach Faust was a great recruiter," says Southall. At the postseason football awards banquet, Holtz praised Faust for bringing so many strong players to the team.

Yet this year's seniors, the last Faust players to dress for Notre Dame, endured the leanest years in recent Irish football history. They opened their college careers with successive losing seasons, 5-6 in 1985 and again in 1986 under Holtz. Worse, under Faust they found a team rife with bickering, indifference and egotism.

The seniors seem uncomfortable talking about those days, but they have talked freely with the underclassmen. Sophomore George Williams recites a litany repeated by numerous younger players.

"No one cared about each other, no one talked to each other," said Williams. "Everyone was out for personal gain, instead of team gain, and it showed in the records over the years."

"Coach Holtz, when he came in, installed a new feeling of togetherness and having pride in Notre Dame, and it's paid off for us over these two years."

Green says Holtz injected new discipline from his very first meeting with the team.

"The first thing he said was 'Hey, sit up in your seats,' and we all sat at attention," he said. "This guy really took charge right from the start and laid things down on the line right then and there."

Cadets looking to rush Tide

By Wendy E. Lane
The Associated Press

EL PASO, Texas — When Alabama meets Army Saturday in the Sun Bowl, the Cadets hope the rush is on.

Alabama, 8-3, is favored over Army, 9-2, by two touchdowns in the first meeting between the teams. Kickoff for the nationally televised game is scheduled for 11:13 a.m. CST.

Army has thrown only 61 passes this season, the fewest of any Division I school. And Coach Jim Young isn't planning on changing it, even though Alabama's rushing defense is the ranked

fifth in the nation. Both the Cadets' losses, to Washington and Boston College, have come in games where the Cadets threw the ball 10 times or more.

Directing Army's wishbone offense will be sophomore Bryan McWilliams, who began the season as a third-stringer and finished as the team's starting quarterback and second-leading rusher.

McWilliams has 1,070 all-purpose yards, rushing 140 times for 815 yards and eight touchdowns. Alabama's defense, mean-

while, has held opponents to fewer than 96 yards rushing this season.

Keying the Crimson Tide's multiple defense is AP All-American and Butkus-award winning linebacker Derrick Thomas, who has 88 tackles and 27 quarterback sacks this season.

Alabama's defense forced 33 turnovers, but Army has lost the ball a scant 11 times this season.

The Crimson Tide will be making its 41st postseason appearance, the most of any school. Army, playing in only its third bowl game, has received all its bowl invitations under Young's tenure.

Aloha clubs are pass happy

HONOLULU (AP) — Protection of the quarterback figures to be the key in the Aloha Bowl between Houston and Washington State, two pass-minded teams.

Two of the nation's most potent offenses meet at Aloha Stadium Christmas Day. No. 18 Washington State and No. 14 Houston are ranked third and fourth, respectively, in the nation in total offense.

"I believe it will be a shootout," said Washington State quarterback Timm Rosenbach, the nation's most efficient passer. "I don't think 30 or 40 points is out of the question for both teams."

Houston, 9-2, is favored by four points over Washington State, 8-3. "The defense that's successful at rushing the quarterback and not giving the quarterback time is going to win," Houston coach Jack Pardee said.

"The strength of our football team is our offensive line," Washington State coach Dennis Erickson said. "Houston is good up front. That matchup will be a key to the game."

Rosenbach, a junior, was rated first in the nation in passing efficiency this season. He completed 66 percent of his passes for 2,791 yards and 23 touchdowns,

helping Washington State to only its fourth bowl appearance in the school's 93-year football history.

Rosenbach led the Pac-10 Conference and was third in the nation in total offense, averaging 285 yards per game. He finished seventh in the Heisman Trophy balloting.

Steve Broussard rushed for 1,141 yards and Rich Swinton ran for 980 yards.

Sophomore quarterback Andre Ware leads Houston's run-and-shoot offense, which ranked first in the Southwest Conference and second in the nation in passing offense.

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East triumphs; off to best start since '76-77

Scholastic Roundup

If any year East Catholic was going to make some noise in the All Connecticut Conference, this was thought to be the year.

Watch out ACC. The Eagles, holding off a late charge by St. Bernard, ended a 11-year drought against the Saints Friday night with their 60-55 verdict at the Eagles' Nest.

East (3-0), off to its best start since 1976-77, hadn't beaten St. Bernard since the opening game of the 1977-78 campaign and had lost 12 in a row since the Saints rejoined the Hartford County Conference — now the ACC — in 1983-84.

"All I know is this is my first win against them," said a happy Eagle Coach Ray Page. "We felt we had to beat St. Bernard to prove we could beat a good team in the ACC. And we did it. This helps our confidence."

St. Bernard falls to 0-1 in the ACC and 1-3 overall. East resumes play Tuesday night in the MCC Rotary Club Classic against Windsor High at 7:30. The Eagles then take on crosstown Manchester High Wednesday at 6 p.m.

East jumped to a 17-10 lead after one quarter with Scott Altrui (19 points) canning a pair of 3-pointers along with a 2-point field goal. Integral for the Eagles was their diamond-and-one defense with Dan Callahan shadowing the Saints' Jim Rourke. "(Callahan) held him to five points the first half and that enabled us to jump out ahead. And the frustration caused him to pick up three fouls (in the first half)." Page cited.

East led at the half, 28-20, and 44-37 after three quarters. "They cut it to three in the fourth quarter, we lost our composure a little bit. But then we regrouped and spread the floor and got some good shots," Page explained.

Senior Scott Senseny provided a big boost for the Eagles off the bench with 8 of his 10 points in the fourth quarter. Reid Gorman also was in twin digits for the Eagles with 14 points.

Shawn Velasquez led the Saints with 16 points. Rourke finished with 11.

EAST CATHOLIC (40) — Scott Altrui 5-7-19, Reid Gorman 7-0-14, Ted Olivo 2-1-5, Dan Callahan 3-0-17, Pete Lopatka 1-0-3, Scott Senseny 4-2-10, Bill Evans 0-0-0, Chris Conklin 0-0-0, Brett Mikelsen 1-0-2. Totals 23-10-14-60.
ST. BERNARD (55) — Jim Rourke 4-3-11, Dennis Vonosse 2-0-4, Shawn Velasquez 8-0-2-16, Rusty Ellington 2-0-1-6, Keith Boutill 1-2-4, Dan Henderson 5-4-14. Totals 22-9-13-55.
3-point field goals: EC—Altrui 2, Callahan, Lopatka; SB—Ellington 2.

Glastonbury tops MHS

GLASTONBURY — It's back to the basics for the Manchester High boys' basketball team. The Indians lost their second in a row in the young '88-89 season Friday night, 87-70, to host Glastonbury High.

The Tomahawks are now 2-0. "We just have to go back to the basics," said Indian Coach Frank Kinel. "We're giving up points too easily."

Glastonbury had a 47-34 halftime lead and 64-49 margin after three periods.

Manchester was coming off an emotional opener against Wilbur Cross. It fell in that one on a last-second shot. "I don't think we had a letdown. We just played poorly. We played the whole game like we did the first half against Wilbur Cross. We were very sloppy and didn't execute properly. We played very poor fundamental defense," a downcast Kinel said.

Manchester resumes play Wednesday in the MCC Rotary Club Classic against East Catholic at 8 at the Eagles' Nest.

Cory Goldston had 20 points and Jason Goddard 16 to lead Manchester. Eric Peterson led four Glastonbury performers in double digits with 21.

GLASTONBURY (87) — Paul Ritter 2-10-14, Eric Peterson 7-7-21, Tyrone Berger 8-0-17, Mark Skoglund 5-3-13, Scott Spencer 2-4-5, Josh Shloman 2-3-5, Dave Abelas 1-2-4, Dave Worthington 1-0-2, J.J. Toothman 0-1-2. Totals 28-26-39-87.

MANCHESTER (70) — Cory Goldston 8-5-20, Eric Widmer 3-0-7, Jason Goddard 5-6-16, Chuck Little 2-0-4, Willie Bura 2-0-4, Calvin Meggett 5-3-14, Cory McGee 1-0-2, Darren Goddard 1-1-3. Totals 27-12-19-70.



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GOING UP — The Eagles' Scott Senseny goes up with a shot over the defense of St. Bernard's Rusty Ellington.

3-point field goals: M—Goldston 2, Widmer, Meggett; G—Berger.
Halftime: 47-34 Glastonbury.

Cheney nipped

TOLLAND — Much improved over its last performance, Cheney Tech saw a last-second shot fall harmlessly away as homesteading Tolland High garnered a 57-56 verdict Friday night in non-conference boys' basketball action.

The Eagles fly to 2-1 with the win while Cheney slips to 1-2. Cheney is back in action Tuesday at home at 7:30 p.m. against East Windsor.

Tolland had a couple of chances to put it away but missed two one-and-one opportunities. "We had the last chance, but the shot didn't go," said Cheney Coach Aaron Silvia. Six-foot-7 senior Terrance Phillip (25 points) took the last shot for the Beavers after they gained possession with six seconds left, but it hit off the backboard without drawing iron.

It was a nip-and-tuck affair most of the way. Tolland had a 14-12 lead after one period with Cheney in front at halftime, 30-28. Tolland regained the lead after three periods, 44-39.

"Both teams played pretty well. We played a lot better than we did against Rocky Hill," Silvia said. "They (Tolland) scored a lot off their press. "Most of their (Tolland) offense was off the press. Although we handled it better, how many times in a one-point game does it have to be the deciding factor," he asked.

Kevin Toolan was also in twin digits for Cheney with 11 points.

Mike Blake led Tolland with 22 markers.

TOLLAND (57) — Mike Blake 9-4-22, Adam Matson 20-0-4, Pat Tracey 5-0-10, John Darling 5-3-4-13, Scott Gromling 1-0-0-2, Keith Slattery 3-0-6, Mike Brewer 0-0-0. Totals 25-7-12-57.
CHENEY TECH (56) — Troy Maxfield 21-3-5, Kevin Toolan 4-0-11, Chris Howes 2-0-4, Tony Evans 2-3-4-8, Terrance Phillip 9-7-11-25, Sean Wolstedt 10-1-3, Doryl Taylor 0-0-0, Jim LeBlanc 0-0-0. Totals 20-11-19-56.

3-point field goals: CT—Toolan 3, Wolstedt, Evans.
Halftime: 30-28 Cheney.

Bolton whipped

BOLTON — The second half was a disaster for Bolton High as the Bulldogs couldn't keep up with

in their ACC game Friday night at the Eagles' Nest. East won its third straight, 60-55.

visiting East Granby High and succumbed, 81-55. Friday night in non-conference boys' basketball action.

The win was the first of the year for the Crusaders after three losses while Bolton is winless in three outings. The same two clubs will hook up Tuesday at 7:30 p.m. in East Granby.

"We just fell apart in the second half," cited Bolton Coach Craig Phillips. "Mental mistakes (killed us)," he added.

East Granby had a slender 37-36 halftime bulge before extending that to a comfortable 61-42 margin after three periods. Bolton held the lead after eight minutes of play at 17-13. "We came out flat the second half and couldn't score. We just shot poorly,"

Garrett Kelly and Scott Cabrera were two of four Crusaders in double digits with 21 and 20 points, respectively. Jim Stickle added 14. Craig Windsor netted 14 points and Drew Pinto 10 to pace the Bulldogs.

EAST GRANBY (81) — Jim Stickle 7-0-14, Bill Flanagan 2-8-11, Garrett Kelly 9-3-21, Scott Cabrera 8-4-20, Jeff Yorks 1-3-5, Brett Hyman 0-5-5, Matt Gauthier 0-0-10, Mike Hickey 1-3-5, Brian McDermott 0-0-0, Mike Quinn 0-0-0. Totals 28-25-33-81.

BOLTON (55) — Drew Pinto 40-0-10, Mike Deronleau 13-4-5, Craig Windsor 7-0-14, Mike Haugh 2-3-7, Frank Tozzoli 1-3-4-5, David Boles 1-2-4, Zac Martford 0-0-0, Justin Hermon 1-0-0-2, Rob Palmer 1-0-1-3, John Hoar 0-2-4, Mark Yavinsky 1-1-4-3. Totals 19-14-24-55.

3-point field goals: Bolton—Pinto 2, Palmer.
Halftime: 37-36 East Granby.

Girls Basketball

East wins first

NORTH HAVEN — After three opening losses, in which it averaged close to 40 turnovers a game, East Catholic held onto the basketball and recorded its first win of the year, 39-22, over South Catholic High Friday night in the first round of the North Haven Girls' Tournament.

The Eagles (1-3) will play the winner of the North Haven-East Haven battle Monday night at 8 for the

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Heat a winner

MIAMI (AP) — Rory Sparrow scored 19 points, including eight during a key third-quarter run, as the Miami Heat upset the Utah Jazz 101-80 Friday night for its first-ever victory at home.

Miami, which lost its first 17 games before winning against the Clippers at Los Angeles on Dec. 14, won at Miami for the first time in 12 games. The Heat is 2-21 overall.

Kevin Edwards added 18 points and Pat Cummings 17 for Miami. Utah was led by Karl Malone with 32 points, but no other Jazz player scored more than 13.

Trailing 50-49 at halftime, Miami came out of the dressing room with a 12-4 run, highlighted by four long-range jumpers by Sparrow. The Heat took a 61-54 lead on a baseline shot by Cummings midway through the third period.

Utah responded with baskets by Malone and Thurl Bailey to cut the lead to 61-58 a little over a minute later.

The Heat, however, put the game out of reach with a 24-6 spurt that spanned the end of the third and the start of the fourth periods.

Cavaliers 119, Sonics 107: At Richfield, Ohio, Larry Nance scored 27 points to lead six double-figure scorers and the Cleveland Cavaliers outscored the Seattle SuperSonics 14-2 in overtime to earn their fifth consecutive victory, 119-107, Friday night.

Cleveland owns the NBA's best record, 18-5, and has won 10 of its last 12 games. Brad Daugherty and Mike Sanders each scored 18 points for the Cavaliers.

Hawks 131, Pacers 114: At Atlanta, Dominique Wilkins had 13 of his 28 points in the decisive third quarter and Moses Malone also scored 28 points as the Atlanta Hawks beat Indiana 131-114 Friday night, keeping the Pacers winless on the road this season.

Reggie Miller led Indiana with 24 points and 10 rebounds. Wayman Tisdale added 20 points, and rookie Rik Smits had 19 points and 10 rebounds.

Hornets 103, Bulls 101: At Charlotte, N.C., Kurt Rambis retrieved a loose ball for a layup at the buzzer, lifting Charlotte to a 103-101 basketball victory over Chicago Friday night.

Rambis' game-winner completed a strong fourth-quarter comeback by the expansion Hornets, who trailed 85-77 after Michael Jordan's free throw at 8:14 left.

Reserve center Tim Kempton scored six of his 16 points in a run of 10 straight points, and his free throw gave the Hornets an 87-85 advantage at the 6:23 mark.

From that stage, Jordan scored 12 points as the game was tied seven times.

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tournament championship. South (2-2) will play in the consolation game at 6 p.m.

"We cut our turnovers down by two-thirds," East Coach Donna Ridel cited. "We didn't give up the basketball and played a more controlled game."

The Eagles also played some defensive, limiting the Rebels to a single free throw in the third quarter to widen their halftime edge to 28-11.

Ridel was more than pleased with the victory. "It feels great. The kids are happy. It takes the monkey off our back to get the first win in."

Karen Mozdierz led the Eagles with a game-high 16 points while Barbara Chorazycwski chipped in 6 points, 9 rebounds and 3 assists. Ann Hickey led South with 13 points.

EAST CATHOLIC (39) — Heather Olsinski 2-3-6, Karen Mozdierz 7-2-16, Margaret Riley 21-2-5, Maura McPadden 3-0-6, Sue Fligueredo 0-0-0, Ann Woykovsky 0-0-0, Peg Olliviera 0-0-0, Stephanie Rechorat 0-0-0, Kelli Bender 0-0-0, Barbara Chorazycwski 3-0-6. Totals 17-5-7-39.

SOUTH CATHOLIC (22) — Ann Hickey 4-5-13, Sue Rohan 0-0-0, Sheri Murphy 1-2-4, Judy Rodriques 0-3-4, Traci Berry 0-0-0, Aurora Contrino 10-0-2, Kathleen Curry 0-0-0. Totals 10-12-22.
Halftime: 18-10 East.

Bullard, Flyers topple Whale

NHL Roundup

PHILADELPHIA (AP) — Mike Bullard's goal with 29 seconds spoiled Hartford's comeback and gave the Philadelphia Flyers their seventh straight victory, a 5-4 triumph over the Whalers Friday night.

The Flyers' winning streak is their longest of the season. Hartford has lost four straight games and is 0-5-1 in its last six.

Bullard got the rebound of Doug Sulliman's shot and slammed the puck past Hartford's goalie Mike Liut at 19:31 of the final period.

Joel Quenneville and Sylvain Cote scored goals within a five-minute span to enable Hartford to climb back from a 4-2 deficit in the third period.

Hartford closed to within 4-3 when Cote scored from the right faceoff circle, beating Flyers goalie Ron Hextall to the glove side 8:15 left in the game.

Quenneville tied it when he intercepted a pass in the Philadelphia zone and fired a 45-footer past Hextall at 16:13.

Murray Craven's goal early in the third period gave the Flyers a 3-2 lead. Craven took a pass from Ron Sutter behind the net and beat Liut to the stick side at 3:11 of the final period.

Sutter made it 4-2 when he was credited with a goal that deflected off both Sutter and Whalers defenseman Mark Reeds in the crease at 6:00.

Philadelphia had tied the game at 2-2 when Tim Kerr tapped the puck past Liut on a power play with 8:38 remaining in the second period.

Hartford jumped out to a 1-0 lead when Carey Wilson tipped in Ray Ferraro's shot at 4:57 of the first period. Scott Melnyk tied the game with his 16th goal of the season at 15:13, but Jody Hull's fourth of the season 25 seconds later gave the Whalers a 2-1 lead.

Nordiques 5, Jets 4

WINNIPEG, Manitoba (AP) — Rookie Joe Sakic scored a power-play goal and added two assists as the Quebec Nordiques held off a late Winnipeg rally to beat the Jets 5-4 Friday night.

The Nordiques were ahead 5-2 when Winnipeg's Randy Gilhen scored with 3:03 to play. Just 43 seconds later, Gaetan Duchesne was assessed a five-minute major



AP photo

KNOCKED AWAY — Hartford goalie Mike Liut, right, drops to the ice to break up a shot on net by Philadelphia's Ron Sutter in their NHL game Friday night at the Spectrum. The Flyers won, 5-4.

and a game misconduct for high-sticking Winnipeg's Dale Hawerchuk.

The Quebec win, coupled with the Hartford Whalers loss to the Philadelphia Flyers, moves the Nordiques into fourth place in the Adams Division, one point in front of the last-place Whalers.

Sabres 5, Leafs 2

BUFFALO, N.Y. (AP) — Ray Sheppard, Christian Ruuttu and Mike Donnelly scored second-period goals as the Buffalo Sabres downed the slumping Toronto Maple Leafs 5-2 Friday night.

The victory extended Buffalo's longest unbeaten streak of the season to four games — two wins and two ties. The Leafs are now 1-11-1 in their last 13 games and 1-2 under new coach George Armstrong, who took over from John Brophy on Monday.

Penguins 2, Devils 2

EAST RUTHERFORD, N.J. (AP) — Defenseman Tom

Kurvers scored on a 40-foot shot 8:54 into the third period to give the New Jersey Devils a 2-2 tie with Pittsburgh Friday night, extending the Penguins unbeaten streak to seven games.

The tie was the second between the two teams in the past two weeks. New Jersey is 5-0-2 in its last seven meetings with Pittsburgh since their last loss to the Penguins on Dec. 17, 1987.

Rangers 2, Capitals 2

LANDOVER, Md. (AP) — Kevin Miller, making his NHL debut, and Brian Mullen scored goals one minute apart late in the third period to lift the New York Rangers into a 2-2 tie with the Washington Capitals Friday night.

The tie gave the Rangers a 3-0-1 record against the Capitals this season. The two clubs are tied for third in the Patrick Division with 17-14-5 records for 39 points, six points behind first-place Pittsburgh.

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And it was George who, perhaps, turned in the key play of the game.

After trimming the lead to 65-63 with 4:42 to go, Pepperdine came down court with a chance to tie the score. George then picked the pocket of Rick Welsh and went in for a slam dunk and the Huskies led, 67-63.

Robinson, who was 4-for-9 from the foul line (all in the first half), finished with 14 points on a dismal 5-for-15 shooting and eight rebounds. Freshman Chris Smith out of Kolbe Cathedral High in Bridgeport, who hit his first three shots of the game,

finished with seven points and five assists. Willie McCloud had eight points, six after half.

UConn limited Davis to one point after the intermission while Lewis had a team-high 27.

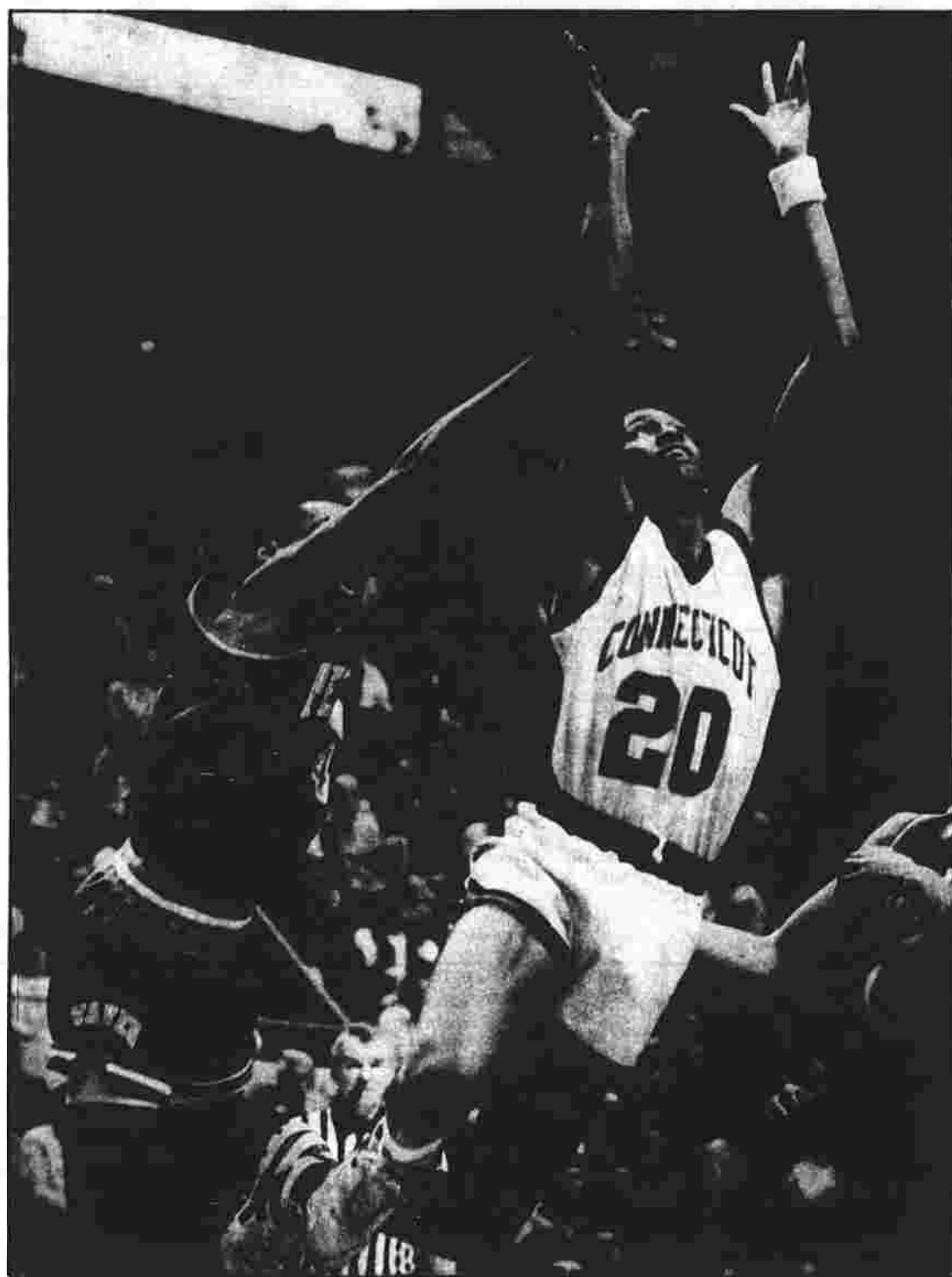
"I'm very happy with the performance," Calhoun said. "We played like a team that knew how to win." Next up for UConn is the 11th Connecticut Mutual Classic which begins Wednesday night. The Huskies will meet Harvard at 9 while Davidson will take on Air Force in the opener at 7 at the Civic Center. The consolation and final games are set Thursday at 7 and 9 p.m., respectively.

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UConn STOPS THE WAVE



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GOING UP — UConn's Murray Williams (20) soars past the Waves' Dexter Howard during Friday night's game at

the Civic Center. The Huskies won, 76-70.

Patrick Flynn/Manchester Herald

Gamble scores career-high 28

By Jim Tierney
Manchester Herald

HARTFORD — Christmas came early for Phil Gamble and the University of Connecticut basketball team.

The 6-4 senior guard pumped in a career-high 28 points, including a school-record six 3-pointers, as the Huskies defeated Pepperdine University, 76-70, Friday night before 12,217 fans at the Civic Center.

The Huskies (6-1) hadn't played since defeating Fairfield on Dec. 13. The visiting Waves (7-4), hailing from Malibu, Calif., saw their three-game win streak come to an end along with a perfect 4-0 road record.

After 6-11 senior Cliff Robinson hit a 15-foot baseline jumper to open the scoring, Pepperdine ran off the next 11 points. A free throw by Lamar Wilson gave the Waves their biggest lead (26-15) of the game with 9:49 left in the first half.

"Nine minutes into the game and they (Pepperdine) have 25 points. . . I knew things weren't going too well for us," UConn Coach Jim Calhoun said. "We do have such things as exams, holidays, moms and dads. We do think about other things occasionally. That's why we couldn't get it going early."

UConn outscored Pepperdine, 20-7, over a seven-minute span and regained the lead (35-33) on Gamble's fourth 3-pointer with 2:41 to go in the half. Freshman Dan Cyrulik ended the first half with a slam dunk and the Huskies led, 44-38, at the intermission.

Gamble poured in 19 of his points during the first 20 minutes. Tom Lewis and Craig Davis had 16 and 10 points, respectively, for the Waves in the first 20 minutes.

"We obviously lost Gamble in our zone (defense)," Pepperdine Coach Tom Asbury said. "We knew who he was (but) we didn't always know where he was. We lost our composure the last seven minutes of the first half. They're a sound team."

Gamble attributed his hot shooting (9-for-16, and 6-for-9 from 3-point range) to nothing but hard work.

"I was just waiting for the open shot," Gamble said. "The last 10 days, I've been staying after practice and shooting."

Calhoun had nothing but praise for his senior guard. "It was a great performance by Phil Gamble certainly. The last four or five days in practice, he was burying every jump shot."

With 12:14 left in the game, Gamble nailed his sixth and final 3-pointer and UConn led, 57-51. Junior point guard Tate George, who only had six points, was the emotional leader and grabbed six rebounds and dished out four assists.

"Tate George was the most inspirational I've ever seen him as far as a leader defensively," Calhoun said.

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