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CONSOLING A FRIEND — Terry Kotsch, a secretary at the Manchester Senior Citizens' Center, consoles John Churila after his wife, Lois, was injured in an accident Tuesday. Lois Churila was flown by Life Star helicopter

to Hartford Hospital after she was struck by a car outside the center and pinned between two vehicles. Story in Police Roundup, page 2.

MMH board backs doctor in quote flap

By Nancy Pappas
Manchester Herald

Manchester Memorial Hospital officials said today they believe a staff physician who says two newspapers misquoted him when they reported he supported a call for the death of British novelist Salman Rushdie.

Dr. Ali Imran Hashmi, the president of the Islamic Society of Hartford, is the hospital's medical director of respiratory therapy. He was quoted in the Manchester Herald on Feb. 18 and the Journal Inquirer on Feb. 20 as saying that he supported the execution of the author of "The Satanic Verses" as called for by Iran's religious leader, the Ayatollah Ruhollah Khomeini.

Hashmi issued a statement today denying the newspaper stories. The Herald has made repeated, unsuccessful attempts to interview Hashmi during the last week.

The hospital's stand was announced during a news conference today. Hashmi was not at the news conference.

Hospital President Michael R. Gallacher read a brief statement which came out of a 90-minute executive session of the hospital Board of Trustees on Tuesday. The statement said, in part, "It is the opinion of the Board of Trustees and Medical Staff that Dr. Hashmi recognizes and agrees with the laws of this land and has no aberrations in his moral or ethical standards that would prohibit him from remaining a member in good standing of the Manchester Memorial Hospital Medical Staff as well as part-time Medical Director of Respiratory Services."

More than a dozen members of the 11-member Board of Trustees refused to comment when contacted by the Manchester Herald Tuesday night and today. One of the trustees, Thomas F. Ferguson, last week wrote letters to the editors of both newspapers calling for disciplinary action to be taken against Hashmi.

In answering reporters' questions, Gallacher said, "We believe that he (Hashmi) was misinterpreted and misquoted and that we do not find that he is unfit to continue in his role as a medical director."

Gallacher said the hospital's Ethics Committee and its Medical Staff Executive Committee met early last week on the issue. Hashmi was on vacation.

When Hashmi returned from vacation on Wednesday, Feb. 22, he requested a meeting with Gallacher, according to Gallacher. Gallacher said he met with



MICHAEL R. GALLACHER ... supports Dr. Hashmi

Statement by Hashmi

Here is the text of a written statement by Dr. Ali Imran Hashmi, dated Tuesday, on stationery of the Islamic Center of Connecticut:

"Assassinations—Death Threats—Not Islamic.

"Islam means peace. It professes social justice, individual rights, freedom of religion and equality, not assassinations nor death threats. Recent statements attributed to me in the newspapers are entirely inconsistent with Islamic teachings and were not statements made by me. I am completely opposed to taking the life of another human being and can not accept the Ayatollah Khomeini's order to kill Mr. Rushdie as acceptable Islamic behavior."

"The Muslim community in Hartford is outraged by the book, 'The Satanic Verses,' because it makes a mockery of our religion. Outrage brings strong emotional reaction, but a reaction which calls for the killing of another human being is unacceptable Islamic behavior."

"The Ayatollah Khomeini is not the leader of the vast majority of Muslims. He has no jurisdiction over us or other Muslims in the United States. His orders are not

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Charter plans fuel friction in parties

By Andrew J. Davis
Manchester Herald

BOLTON — Some top members of the Republican Town Committee are divided on whether to support proposed changes in the Town Charter, but neither the GOP committee nor the Democratic Town Committee will take a formal stand on the issue.

Republican candidates for the Board of Selectmen, Board of Education and Board of Finance met Tuesday night with party Chairman Virginia Wickersham, said Robert R. Morra, Republican candidate for first

selectman. The group agreed not to take a formal stand, he said.

The Republican Town Committee will discuss the matter at its Tuesday meeting, Morra said. The meeting will be held at 7:30 p.m. at the Community Hall.

Voters will vote on proposed changes in the charter on May 1, the same day as the municipal election. Among the proposals are changing to a town manager form of government and eliminating the Board of Finance.

"Individually, there are varying positions," Morra said. "Obviously, there are differences of opinion. It's an individual deci-

sion. It should be made that way."

Morra said he has not made a decision on whether to support the charter revision. He said he would like to give more responsibility to the town's administrative assistant, but he could work with a town manager.

The town committee would not be upset if one group decided to support the charter while others worked to have it defeated, said Morra.

"That's fine. The party has no problem with that," he said. Robert L. Campbell, a Republican member of the Board of

Finance, said Tuesday afternoon that friction was forming between two groups: one that supports the charter revisions and one that is against them.

Campbell is against the charter, while Wickersham, secretary of the Charter Revision Commission which proposed the revisions, is for it.

Campbell said candidates should take a stand on the charter because that would fuel debate. He said voters would defeat the charter if they knew more about it.

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Don't take extra vitamins, says study

WASHINGTON (AP) — Vitamin, calcium and fiber supplements that Americans consume by the millions of doses are useless and potentially harmful, said a report today by the National Research Council.

The massive NRC study called "Diet and Health: Implications for Reducing Chronic Disease Risk" recommends that higher-than-needed doses of vitamins be avoided and says that neither fiber nor calcium supplements have any value to health.

Instead, the 1,300-page report said, people should eat a variety of foods that provide nutrients naturally. Particular attention should be paid to reducing dietary fat, alcohol consumption and salt

intake, it said.

The findings on dietary supplements come at a time when Americans are spending millions of dollars on vitamin pills, calcium powders and capsules, and on high fiber compounds.

On vitamins, the NRC study said a good health recommendation is to "avoid taking dietary supplements in excess of the RDA (recommended daily allowance) in any one day."

A daily dose of multiple vitamins with 100 percent of the RDA "is not known to be harmful or beneficial," the report said.

"However, vitamin-mineral supplements that exceed the RDA and other supplements (such as protein powders, single amino

acids, fiber and lecithin) not only have no known health benefits ... but their use may be detrimental to health."

Though the study recommended foods high in calcium, it noted that "the potential benefits of calcium intakes above the RDAs to prevent osteoporosis or hypertension are not well documented and do not justify the use of calcium supplements."

Dietary fiber, the study said, could be acquired by eating fruits and vegetables. "The committee does not recommend the use of fiber supplements," the study said.

"Fruits and vegetables ... contain high levels of fiber, but there is no conclusive evidence that the

dietary fiber itself" is a protection against cancers of the stomach, intestine or lungs, the study said.

Healthful diets should include five or more servings of fruit and vegetables daily, and six or more servings of breads, cereals and legumes.

On fermented beverages, the report was blunt: "The committee does not recommend alcohol consumption."

The study said pregnant women should avoid alcohol, and those who do drink should limit their intake to one ounce of alcohol a day, equivalent to two cans of beer, two glasses of wine, or two average cocktails.

'Classified' documents confusing North trial

WASHINGTON (AP) — Oliver North's Iran-Contra trial is in disarray over a new secrecy issue, following the judge's discovery that memos the government claimed were classified had already been made public.

At a hearing Tuesday, U.S. District Judge Gerhard A. Gesell said he will reconsider how he will handle classified material at North's trial.

"For 2½ weeks, a jury has been ready to try this case and hasn't been able to try it," said Gesell. "Now I hear we are dealing with classified documents that can be

classified ex post facto," or after the fact.

The memos written by Robert Owen, a onetime courier for North, were censored before the trial by U.S. intelligence agencies, which claimed that release could endanger national security.

However, the same memos had already been turned over to a private group in a separate legal case eight months before.

Owen's lawyer, Thomas Hyden, turned over copies of the memos last June to the Christie

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Close vote likely

Votes on two hotly contested bills — one prohibiting discrimination against homosexuals and the other designed to open up the political nominating process — were headed for "incredibly close" votes today in the state House of Representatives. Story on page 4.

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Rescue of Tower needs time

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Bush and his Republican allies are jockeying for more time to save the faltering nomination of John Tower as defense secretary, promising a lengthy debate that could push a Senate vote back to next week.

"I would assume it's going to take more than a couple of days," Senate Republican leader Bob Dole said after a day of personal appeals by Bush failed to produce any public conversions among the Democrats who control the Senate 55-45.

"We want the American people to know that this is an affront to the president of the United States who was elected last November to

save the faltering nomination of John Tower as defense secretary, promising a lengthy debate that could push a Senate vote back to next week.

These rules also give members great leeway to extend debate. While Dole said Republicans weren't trying to stall, he added: "There's plenty to say."

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Daley faces tough general election

CHICAGO (AP) — Richard M. Daley's Democratic primary victory over Mayor Eugene Sawyer carried him to the door of the City Hall office his father held for 21 years, but a new foe and an old nemesis want to bar his entry.

By defeating Sawyer Tuesday, Daley advanced to the April 4 general election and a contest Democrats have won without fail since 1931 — including five straight terms captured by Richard J. Daley, the late legendary boss of Chicago politics.

The 46-year-old white nominee faces third-party candidate Alderman Timothy Evans, previously Sawyer's chief black rival and now Jesse Jackson's choice. He also faces the Republican primary winner, a title claimed by Edward Vrdolyak, who backed GOP leaders by launching a write-in candidacy a week ago.

Daley, Cook County state's attorney, rarely invoked his father's name during the primary, but said in a reflective moment Tuesday night, "Today, when I was walking down to vote

with my wife ... when I looked up, I know he was looking down on me."

He then repeated advice he received from the man who died in 1976, three months into his third decade in office.

"You're going to have ups and downs, you're going to win, you're going to lose," he recalled his father saying. "Remember, (choosing politics) is your decision."

With 2,843 of 2,911 precincts reporting, or 98 percent, unofficial totals showed Daley with 481,376 votes, or 56 percent, to 367,919 votes, or 43 percent, for the black acting mayor. Three other candidates shared the remaining votes.

"This is not the end of Eugene Sawyer," said the 54-year-old Daley in conceding, "I will continue to work ... to heal, to build and to bring people together in this city."

Daley rode overwhelming white support to win, capping a three-month campaign that was largely free of racial strife and, by Chicago standards, rancor.

Poor children increasing

WASHINGTON (AP) — The number of poor families with children is growing rapidly, increasing the number of youngsters without proper health care, the National Association of Children's Hospitals and Related Institutions said today.

In a report, the group predicted that by the end of the century one-third of all American children will live below the poverty line, and that youngsters from such families are at the highest risk for poor health.

"The No. 1 key to the poor status of our nation's children relative to their health is insurance, and ... we see that 12 million of them, one in every five, do not have insurance, either public or private," William Cosidine, chairman of the association, said on NBC's "Today" show.

He said the study's authors found that 7 million children do not receive routine medical care from the ages of 1 to 4. The parents delay care, he said, "because they cannot access the care because of the inability of insurance."

Thus, Cosidine added, "those children do not come to our children's hospitals throughout the country until their course (of illness) is well-developed, and it's at a state where it's more costly and the consequences already more developed and set in."

The report also noted: "Nearly 46,000 of the 3.8 million children born in 1987 in the United States died before their first birthday."

Since 1979, nearly a quarter of all pregnant women received little or no prenatal care.

Low birth-weight infants in the U.S. have remained at 6.8 percent of the infants born, in contrast to 4 percent in western Europe.

Child abuse and neglect increased by 35 percent between 1981 and 1985.

The rate of suicide among people aged 15 to 19 has doubled in two decades.

Repair plan approved for aging airliners

WASHINGTON (AP) — Major airlines are agreeing to a plan that would require \$900 million in work on aging airliners, and Transportation Secretary Samuel Skinner says steps are being taken to write the proposal into law.

Investigators into the incident in which nine passengers were hurt by their deaths over the Pacific Ocean say they have found no signs of metal fatigue or corrosion associated with aging. Instead, they have focused on possible mechanical problems with the cargo door that ripped off along with a portion of the airliner's skin.

An official of Boeing Commercial Aircraft Co., which manufactured the affected airliners, said the older jetliners covered by the plan are safe and should last indefinitely if the recommended work is done.

"We believe that the aircraft out there flying are safe," said Ben Cosgrove, Boeing engineering vice president who sits on the task force.

Clyde Kizer, transport association vice president, said the proposals had nothing to do with damage to United's oldest 747 on a flight from Honolulu to Auckland, New Zealand, on Friday.

Officials of United, Delta and American airlines who worked on an aging airliner task force joined Tuesday in endorsing the group's far-reaching recommendations to increase the safety of older Boeing airliners.

The task force, which also included other U.S. and foreign industry and government safety experts, called for \$600,000 in modifications and replacements on each of more than 1,300 older Boeing 747s, 727s and 727-200s.

Bob Doll, United Air Lines vice president for technical services, said the proposals conform with steps the airline is already taking to keep its older airliners in shape.

"We don't anticipate anything over and above what we've

NATION & WORLD

Likud upsets Labor

JERUSALEM (AP) — The Labor Party lost key strongholds to Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir's right-wing Likud bloc in nationwide municipal elections that Likud had billed as a referendum on the Arab-Israeli conflict.

Shamir told Israeli radio today that the results will show the world "who is dominant in the Israeli political system, who is the one who determines, who has the stronger voice."

He had called Tuesday's elections a referendum on Israel's refusal to negotiate with the PLO.

Political analysts said the results showed Labor's historic dominance of the grassroots level had eroded.

"The Likud has now in effect become the dominant party in the country. It has finally translated its gains in national politics to the municipal scene," Hanan Crystal, a political scientist, said on Israel radio.

Labor leader Shimon Peres acknowledged in a radio interview that Labor "has definitely been dealt a blow, and I don't want to underestimate its force."

Fewer seniors use drugs

WASHINGTON (AP) — Drug use among high school seniors is declining, even though more than half of all students still had used an illegal drug at least once, according to a new report.

"The news is very encouraging," said Charles R. Schuster, director of the National Institute on Drug Abuse, which sponsored the study. "But we don't want to imply that the war is won."

Some 16,300 high school seniors from 135 schools nationwide were polled in the survey.

The survey, which has been conducted every year since 1975, found that the share of high school seniors who reported having ever used an illegal drug dropped from 56.6 percent in 1987 to 53.9 percent in 1988. That's the lowest level recorded since the survey began, when the rate was 55.2 percent.

Trains bring in snow

OSLO, Norway (AP) — Trains loaded with snow have been rattling into this usually frozen capital in a costly battle to create the winter that wasn't and save an annual tradition.

A record warm winter threatened to melt away the Holmenkollen Ski Festival, which begins Thursday, so organizers hauled in 5,000 tons of snow by rail at about 15 cents a pound to rescue the event.

"Snow costs about the same per pound as wholesale sugar," said Knut Almuquist, secretary general of the Association for Promotion of Skiing, which has organized the annual festival since 1922.

Last month was the mildest January ever recorded in Oslo and southern Norway.

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OPINION

Budgeting messages not needed

When Police Chief Robert D. Lannan submitted a budget request calling for 10 more employees in 1989-90, he must have realized that Town Manager Robert B. Weiss could not possibly have done anything but make severe cuts.

Heads of other departments had apparently worked with Weiss to reduce personnel requests in light of what will obviously be a difficult budget year.

Weiss said Lannan didn't do that because he felt the added employees were needed to satisfy community needs. Surely, some other department heads, too, must have been convinced that extra staff in their operations would serve the community well.

Lannan's request appears to be an example of old-fashioned three-battleship budgeting: You ask for more than what you can expect to get in order to be sure you don't get too much less than you expect.

It may be that the budget submitted by the Police Department was designed to make a statement, to remind the Board of Directors there is a need. If the directors had been neglecting the needs of the Police Department in recent years, there might be more justification for submitting a "message budget," but that has not been the case.

When it is obvious that tight budgeting is necessary because sources of revenue are diminishing, the budgeting process goes more smoothly if the paring begins at the beginning, with the department requests.

A message budget more obvious than the police request is the proposal submitted by the Eighth Utilities District Fire Department to the district directors Monday.

It called on the directors to consider spending \$1,098,865 for fire protection in 1989-90, compared with \$423,773 this year. The proposed increase is far too much to be taken seriously. The request may have been designed to bring home the point: While the district is about to grow greatly in the amount of its taxable property, it is also about to grow in the scope of its responsibility and in the cost of its operation.

Cancer causes need regulations

Poison at the dinner table?

You start your dinner with a salad, include fresh vegetables with the meal and then pass up the sweets and have fruit for dessert. You're being health-conscious, right?

Perhaps not.

All the benefits the vitamins and other good things these "healthy" foods provide could be nullified by something on the food that can't be seen, tasted or touched — pesticides.

Scientists are becoming increasingly concerned about pesticides, particularly those suspected of causing cancer, like alar, which is used to make apples redder and firmer.

Of the 560 million pounds of pesticides used annually by American farmers, 375 million may be cancer-causing, according to the Environmental Protection Agency.

We are especially concerned about the danger to young children, the ones who are often forced to sit at the table until they finish their vegetables.

Pound for pound, children eat more than adults, especially foods like fruit juice and apples. In fact, studies show young children eat 42 times as many apple products, relative to their weights, as adults.

Can they handle this exposure to pesticides? That question is still being debated. But a major two-year study of pesticides and children concluded that the "good things" children eat may actually act like poison to them.

This study should be enough to prompt the EPA to toughen its standards.

Unfortunately, many Americans are becoming blasé about cancer warnings, since every thing seems to be causing cancer these days. But the pesticide problem is one that can be controlled, one that we can do something about.

We're not insensitive to the plight of farmers. But as EPA statistics show, farmers manage to use 185 million pounds of pesticides a year that aren't in the cancer-causing category.

The EPA must go further and ban suspected cancer-causers, especially ones that aren't really necessary, like using alar just for redder apples.

Our children depend on it.

—Haverhill (Mass.) Gazette



O'Neill-Fauliso team effective

By Bob Conrad

The staff at the governor's office in Hartford was happy to welcome the new boss back from vacation last week if for no other reason than to put an end to those darned phone calls.

Bill O'Neill may have been in Florida — and Joe Fauliso may have been technically in charge as lieutenant governor — but O'Neill never let them forget who was No. 1.

"He'd call at 10 in the morning and we'd think that was it for the day," said a staffer who will remain anonymous. "Then he'd be back in the phone again in the afternoon." It was a daily routine.

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Capitol last week when he put out a flyer with a capsule biography which noted that it "may be helpful as background information in the coming days." Cebes said, with a grin, it was just something to let the public know what he is doing.

The second spot on the ticket is not the only place, of course, where — if I may borrow from the TV soap — the young and restless Democrats can aim. But Cebes and the others may as well know, if they don't already, that it's risky politics to break up a winning combination. And that's what O'Neill and Fauliso are.

It's also poor politics to ignore and frustrate a force within a party as motivated, bright and determined to be recognized as the Democrats have come along.

Political notes

A new GOP initiative to build on future elections is the conference of Republican mayors and first selectmen organized this week in Waterbury — the biggest city run by one in their party. Mayor Joe Santopietro. Their contests are this year.

Is Joe McGee serious about seeking the GOP nomination for governor in 1990? The Fairfield man had campaign-type pictures taken at the state Capitol with its gold dome in the background when he was in Hartford recently to meet party leaders.

Bob Conrad, a Bristol resident, writes weekly about Connecticut politics.

Open Forum

Vernon bond issue deserves 'yes' vote

To the Editor:

I support the upcoming school bonding referendum and encourage every eligible voter to vote "yes" in the referendum on March 7. In a special referendum, such as this one, typically low turnout makes every vote critical. Let your voice be heard!

By adopting the bond issue, Vernon taxpayers will spread the cost of school repairs and code-compliance work over a 20-year period. This term of payment will minimize the impact on the tax rate. The undesirable alternative is to pay full project costs within the three- to four-year construction period, which would result in a tax increase.

Nancy Wyman, representative from the 53rd Assembly District and a member of the House Education Committee, recently stated that failure to pass the bond issue by June 30 could cost Vernon taxpayers approximately \$300,000 in state reimbursements. We must avoid this possibility.

The quality of education we provide for our children is our highest priority! Safe, clean, well-equipped and properly maintained school facilities contribute to this goal. In addition, good schools enhance property values.

Construction costs will inevitably rise. We must approve this referendum now and complete the work already begun in a timely and efficient manner. To vote "no" would only delay the process and increase costs.

I am confident that passage of the March 7 school-bonding referendum is the right choice, and I trust that, with your support, the referendum will pass.

David G. Kemp, Treasurer
Friends of the Referendum Committee, Vernon

Loomis wanted library in home

To the Editor:

There seems to be a concerted (or orchestrated?) effort on the part of some townspeople to push the idea of turning the Loomis property into a police station. I would like to put in my two cents' worth.

I knew June Loomis very well for many years. Her world was her home on Boston Turnpike and the church, Grange, and Porter Library, all across the street. Her wish to have to all. This may not be possible, but I believe a compromise could be worked out.

A couple of the big rooms could be used as library/reading rooms. There is a need for a meeting place, since the church Community House is bulging at the sides with rooms being used for community groups. The remaining rooms in the Loomis house could be turned into offices for town use. I agree with Pamela Papanos when she shouldn't cost the town all that much, since money would be available through grants, bequests and fundraising.

It would be nice to have the police station in the North End, but it would be a "crime" to let the house which, built in 1853, still retains original woodwork, fireplaces, etc.

Marjorie Glenney
44 Stage Road, Coventry

Doctor should get chance to explain

To the Editor:

Tom, I want you to know how well I'll sleep at night knowing that you and Vic are on the jobs as watchdogs of American morals. I don't think Dr.

Tiny town base for smugglers

By Jack Anderson and Dale Van Atta

WASHINGTON — The joke around Mena, Ark., is that everyone works for the Central Intelligence Agency.

Mena is a tiny town of 5,000 nestled in the Ozark Mountains, far from the interstate. Its most noteworthy landmark is what locals call "The Barry Seal Memorial Airport," in memory of a notorious drug smuggler.

From 1982 to 1986, Seal used the airport as the headquarters for a massive drug-dealing, arms-smuggling and money-laundering operation. During part of that time, he was both a smuggler and an undercover federal informant posing as a smuggler. Seal put the ultimate price on playing both sides of the fence. He was killed in 1986 by the Medellin cocaine cartel of Columbia.

The State and local police suspect that the Mena airport is still being used by smugglers. But efforts to prove that have been stymied at every turn. Police have been stonewalled by the Justice Department, the Drug Enforcement Administration, the FBI and even the Internal Revenue Service. When the heat is on, the young and restless Democrats can aim. But Cebes and the others may as well know, if they don't already, that it's risky politics to break up a winning combination. And that's what O'Neill and Fauliso are.

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Foreclosure holdings down

WASHINGTON (AP) — The wave of bankruptcies and foreclosures that engulfed thousands of financially troubled farmers during the mid-1980s has lessened in the hands of banks, insurance companies and other lenders, says an Agriculture Department report.

But the situation is slowly improving, according to the department's Economic Research Service.

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Mini-editorial

Commerce Secretary Robert Moshbacher whined to The New York Times that not enough fat-cut contributors to the Bush campaign were rewarded with high-level government jobs. Tsk, tsk. We thought big contributors were buying influence, and all along they were buying jobs. Moshbacher belittled that "quite a high percentage of those who have been helpful haven't gotten anything..." Correction: They got the president they wanted.

Jack Anderson and his associate, Dale Van Atta, are syndicated columnists.

BUSINESS

Carlucci on Kaman board

BLOOMFIELD (AP) — Frank C. Carlucci, former secretary of defense during the Reagan administration, was elected to the Kaman Corp. board of directors, the company announced Tuesday.

Carlucci, 58, was the Pentagon chief from November 1987 to January of this year.

Kaman is a diversified company with operations in defense-related high technology, as well as the distribution of industrial replacement parts and music products.

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New Pioneer parachute firm meeting owner's projections

By Maureen Leovich
Manchester Herald

A year after financial problems nearly sank a Manchester parachute manufacturing company, its new owners say sales are as high as they expected.

Pioneer Systems Inc. of Manchester was purchased by the Zodiac Group of Paris, France, eight months ago and renamed Pioneer Aerospace Corp. In October, the company moved from its location on Hale Road in Manchester to an 18,000-square-foot building the company is leasing on 46 South Satellite Road in South Windsor, according to Michel LaBarre, company president.

Pioneer Systems Inc. had posted losses in operating assets of \$7.4 million and a significant decrease in working capital since 1985 despite winning contracts worth \$6.5 million before it was sold last year. Those contracts were from NASA, Boeing Aerospace, and the Department of Defense.

LaBarre said his company does not have to recover the losses of the previous company because it only purchased the assets.

But he did say the company will do better than Pioneer Systems. "We feel we're doing reasonably well," LaBarre said. He said the company has had to manufacture anything other than parachutes.

"We're good with parachutes," LaBarre said.

Engineers at the South Windsor plant produce prototypes, or models of parachutes. They also produce models for defense and aerospace mechanisms, known as deaccelerators. Deaccelerators slow down missiles and vehicles that re-enter the earth's atmosphere from space, LaBarre said.

After the models are tested, the parachutes and deacceleration systems are produced in manufacturing plants located in Melbourne, Fla., and Columbia and Liberty, Miss.

Pioneer Systems, formerly Pioneer Parachute, began in Manchester in the 1930s and was one of the last remnants of the Cheney silk mill empire. It merged with Pioneer Systems of New York in 1984 and began shifting its focus from the manufacture of parachutes to aerospace products.

Before the buyout, the company had announced it was going to develop more high-tech recovery systems for the aerospace and defense industries.

Premier goes up in smoke

Smokers reject experimental cigarette

BOSTON (AP) — Premier was a cigarette designed for people who hate cigarettes: a butt that didn't taste very good. And that apparently is what made the planned billion dollar project go up in smoke.

On Tuesday, R.J. Reynolds Tobacco Co. announced that after five months of test marketing in Missouri and Arizona, it had snuffed out Premier because it was "inadequate consumer acceptance."

During its short life, Premier attracted cigarette smokers and non-placed cigarette haters. Despite its label, it was not exactly smokable. It gave off a steamy vapor reminiscent of cigarette smoke.

It was a clever bit of engineering, so light that it was probably the first cigarette to come with instructions on how to smoke it.

Its advantages seemed impressive. It produced almost no tar, so it probably can't cause lung cancer. And no smoke curled off

Charter Oak Bridge/I-91 Advisory

Ramp to Close Permanently

On Thursday, March 2, after the morning rush hour, we will permanently close the ramp from the Charter Oak Bridge to I-91 northbound in Hartford as part of the Charter Oak Bridge construction projects.

This ramp closure will not affect thru traffic southbound on Rte. 5/15 over the bridge, except for a four hour period on Thursday when the right lane of the bridge will be closed.

Alternate Routes

Motorists who use this ramp to reach I-91 northbound should use the Putnam Bridge/Rte. 3 (Exit 5D) in Glastonbury from Rte. 2 westbound or the Bulkeley Bridge in Hartford from I-84.

To reach Downtown Hartford or the Capital Area, motorists should use the Founders Bridge from Rte. 2 or I-84.

Signs will be placed on the expressways to direct motorists to the appropriate alternates.

For Information

For more information on this ramp closure or the alternate routes, contact the HOTLINE at 528-4023.

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Suit cites Doctor missing stop sign

By Nancy Conclimin
Manchester Herald

A woman seriously injured in an accident at Gardner Street and Clover Lane in September is suing the town and state, claiming that the lack of a stop sign at the intersection was partially responsible for the accident.

Naomi Peck, 33, of 207 Millpond Drive, South Windsor, is also suing the driver of the truck that police said struck her vehicle.

Also named as defendants are Bedding Barn Inc. of Newington, the company he worked for; Edart Truck Rental Inc. of West Hartford; and Ernest J. Reed Inc. of 94 Jefferson St., Manchester, the contractor for construction on Clover Lane.

The lawsuit was filed Tuesday in Hartford Superior Court.

The accident occurred at about 8:45 p.m. on Sept. 9 when Peck's vehicle, traveling south on Gardner Street, was struck by a truck driven by Curtis L. Slaughter, 38, of 512 Garden St., Hartford, according to police reports.

Peck was "violently thrown about in her vehicle" and received multiple injuries, the suit said. She was flown by Life Star helicopter to Hartford Hospital.

The suit said she suffered multiple fractures of her right elbow, left wrist, right knee and leg; and fractured facial bones, left shoulder, right arm and foot; a damaged left eye; and other injuries. Some of the injuries may be permanent, the suit said.

The suit claims the town and J. William Burns, state transportation commissioner, are partially responsible because a stop sign should have been at the intersection. A week after the accident, police had a stop sign installed.

Peck is suing for more than \$15,000 to cover hospital bills and other damages.

Directors to discuss lot plans

By Nancy Conclimin
Manchester Herald

The Board of Directors is scheduled to vote Tuesday on whether the town should accept proposals for uses of a town-owned parking lot at Main and Forest streets.

The agenda item is the result of a proposal by a Philadelphia developer to build a \$15 million commercial complex and parking garage on the municipal parking lot at Main and Forest streets.

The Parking Authority Feb. 7 voted to authorize the town administration to further examine the proposal from Pacitti Construction Co. and consider negotiating with the firm or soliciting proposals from other developers for use of the property.

Manchester attorney Dominic J. Squatrito, who represents Pacitti, told Parking Authority members that 167 parking spaces could be available for public use, representing a gain of 15 to 30 spaces.

But Main Street merchant George Marlow and members of the Heritage Group, a condominium association that runs the Heritage Place office condominiums on Main Street, oppose Pacitti's proposal.

Heritage Group members have also opposed the Main Street reconstruction in part because it will mean a loss of parking. The group plans to file a lawsuit against the town and state for approval of an access road to be used during reconstruction.

Dr. Robert H. Fish, head of the Heritage Group, has said members would also fight the Forest Street lot proposal.

The Economic Development Commission is scheduled to review the proposal Thursday.

The town directors are also scheduled to vote Tuesday on allocating \$20,000 in state funds for an architect to draw plans for a renovated and expanded town hall, based on recommendations from the Municipal Space Needs Study Committee.

The citizens' committee, appointed by the directors to study future space needs at the municipal building and police station, recommended renovating and expanding the Municipal Building and Lincoln Center to save money and preserve the structures.

Committee members said the town should hire an architect to draw plans and get concrete cost estimates before making a final decision.

Doctor

Hashmi for about 90 minutes on Thursday morning, and was then present as an observer on Thursday afternoon, when the Medical Staff Executive Committee questioned Hashmi at what Gallacher termed "a discretionary interview."

The report from the executive committee and Gallacher's own opinions formed at his private meeting with Hashmi were presented to the Board of Trustees at its meeting Tuesday night. Almost all of the hospital's 27 trustees were present for the meeting, Gallacher said.

"There were diverse points of view as the meeting began," Gallacher said. "People were presenting their personal views."

However, by the close of the meeting, the consensus was to support Hashmi as "an effective physician, and a member in good standing of the hospital's staff," Gallacher said.

During the investigation, only Hashmi has been questioned, Gallacher said. He said no attempts were made to question other physicians, members of the Islamic Society, newspaper reporters, or others who might have been present during interviews Hashmi granted to newspapers.

Gallacher said that the hospital could not address the original statements that were made at a time when hospital officials were not present.

"We found that Dr. Hashmi's statements challenging what was in the paper to be plausible," Gallacher said.

Hashmi's written statement, dated Tuesday, said the Muslim community in Hartford is outraged by the novel "The Satanic Verses."

The statement also said, "Recent statements attributed to me

Bolton

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In the newspapers are entirely inconsistent with Islamic teachings and were not statements made by me."

Hashmi's denials were first published last week in The Hartford Courant. At that time, Herald Executive Editor Douglas A. Bevin and Journal Inquirer Managing Editor Chris Powell said their newspapers stood behind the stories. Bevin reiterated the Herald's stand today as did the Journal Inquirer through News Editor Robert H. Boone.

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followed by the Muslim Community in Greater Hartford. Our community respects and abides by the laws of the United States and these laws are consistent with the fundamental Islamic laws.

"As a doctor, trained to save and preserve human life, I am particularly offended by Khomni's order to kill Mr. Rushdie and to fully understand why those who have read the statements attributed to me in the newspapers also were offended. I have taken an oath to care for and protect human life and have always done so. This physician's oath is consistent with the tenets of Islam which value all human life and inconsistent with the assassination of another human being.

"Muslim men and women share with all good people the values and concerns for human life. Please do not associate me or the Hartford Muslim Community with acts of terrorism in any form. We cherish life."

Tower

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"If the people know what's going on, it wouldn't have a chance," Campbell said. "The average guy doesn't know what's in the charter."

Instead of switching to a town manager, the town should give more responsibility to other town employees, Campbell said.

If candidates think they can win the election by inking a stand against the charter, then they may be in for a surprise, Wickershaw said.

"It's going to be on the ballot. It's up to the people to decide," Wickershaw said. "If they think they can win by going against it, they may be eating chili."

Wickershaw admitted there was some friction on the committee about the charter, but said she did not think the problem would cause problems.

Henry Kelsey, chairman of the Democratic Town Committee, said today that the Democrats are happy that the charter was brought to referendum, but he said the party would not take a stand. He noted that three Republican selectmen — Carl A. Prews, Douglas T. Cheney and Lawrence A. Converse III — voted against bringing the charter to referendum. Democratic First Selectman Sandra W. Pterog, and Democratic Selectman Michael A. Zipske voted for it at the selectmen's Dec. 6 meeting.

The charter was brought to referendum after 300 residents signed petitions.

"People have a right to their opinion," he said. "If they choose to use it in an election, it's their right. There are a variety of opinions. It's not set on party lines."

North

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Institute as part of a lawsuit the activist group filed alleging a criminal conspiracy to supply the Nicaraguan Contra rebels. In the memos, Owen spelled out for his boss a wealth of detail about the private Contra supply network overseen by North.

North is accused of lying to Congress and the attorney general about secret Reagan administration efforts to aid the Contras when Congress had banned U.S. aid to the rebels.

The trial was halted Monday when North's lawyers wanted to use the name of a Costa Rican official, former security minister Benjamin Piza, from one of Owen's memos in cross-examining Owen. Piza's name had been censored by U.S. intelligence agencies.

Owen's lawyer, Thomas Hylden, had informed independent counsel Lawrence Walsh's office on Feb. 10 that the Christie Institute already had the memos. But North's lawyers said they didn't find out until it was Monday night.

Prosecutors working for Walsh said inaction by the office security director and inattention on their part, rather than any intent to hide information, was the reason North's lawyers hadn't been notified.

The defense alleged prosecutorial misconduct, but Hylden said he was "not trying to look for sanctions" against anyone. However, D-Ga., the lawmaker who was concerned about "getting to the bottom of what's going on" regarding the classified information at the trial.

"My concern is whether this presents an example of looseness in governmental dealings with this problem of classified information," he said.

FOOD

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The next time you need an impressive dessert at a moment's notice, think pecan pie. For those who consider this American classic too time-consuming to prepare at home, guess again!

The cook is the only one who won't be fooled by this "great pretender." That rich, luscious filling which has tantalized many a pie lover is a simple combination of basic ingredients — corn syrup, eggs, sugar, margarine, vanilla and lots of plump, crunchy pecans. Starting with a prepared crust, a traditional pecan pie can be ready to bake in just three easy steps:

1. Combine filling ingredients; stir in pecans.
2. Pour into unbaked pie shell.
3. Bake.

Once this simple preparation is mastered, it's a cinch to create an impressive variation, like chocolate or cranberry-pecan pie or a tempting orange-pecan tart.

Pecan pie also offers time-conscious cooks a make-ahead option. For dessert emergencies which require a quick solution, pecan pie can be fully prepared in advance and kept on-hand in the freezer up to three weeks or in the refrigerator for one week. This versatile, all-occasion pie is also great any time of year.

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Pecan Pie The Great Pretender

Pecan Pie Pointers:
Some helpful tips based upon the most frequently asked consumer questions.

- How should pecan pie be stored?
Can it be made ahead of time?
Store, covered, at room temperature for one to two days or up to one week in the refrigerator. Freeze up to three weeks.
- Which type of corn syrup should be used?
Use light or dark corn syrup or a blend of both. Light, the traditional choice, is lighter in taste and color. Dark gives a richer color and taste and a slightly firmer texture.
- How should pecans be stored?
Pecans retain their freshness and quality when kept cold. Store in tightly sealed plastic containers or bags; freeze up to two years or refrigerate for nine months.
- What's the best way to test for doneness?
Insert a knife between center of pie and edge; blade should come out clean.
- How can a soggy crust be prevented?
For best results, use a homemade crust or a refrigerated ready-made crust; frozen store-bought crusts are not recommended. Do not poke holes in the crust. Bake in the lower third of the oven.

Provided by the makers of Karo corn syrup and The National Pecan Marketing Council.

Basic Pecan Pie

3 eggs, slightly beaten
1 cup sugar
1 cup light or dark corn syrup
1 tablespoon corn oil margarine, melted
1 teaspoon vanilla
1 cup pecan halves
1 unbaked (9-inch) pie shell

In medium bowl stir eggs, sugar, corn syrup, margarine and vanilla until well blended. Stir in pecans. Pour into pie shell. Bake in 350°F oven 50 to 55 minutes or until knife inserted halfway between center and edge comes out clean. Cool on rack. Makes 8 servings.

Chocolate Pecan Pie: Reduce sugar to 1/3 cup. Melt 4 squares (1 oz each) semisweet chocolate with margarine.

Sour Cream Pecan Pie: Stir 1/4 cup sour cream into eggs until blended.
Tip: If desired, turn pecans rounded-side up and arrange decoratively.

Pumpkin Pecan Pie

1 unbaked (9-inch) pie shell
Pumpkin Filling:
1 egg, slightly beaten
1 cup canned pumpkin
1/3 cup sugar
1/2 teaspoon cinnamon
1/4 teaspoon ginger
1/8 teaspoon ground cloves

Pecan Layer:
2 eggs, slightly beaten
2/3 cup light or dark corn syrup
2/3 cup sugar
2 tablespoons corn oil margarine, melted
1/2 teaspoon vanilla
1 cup pecan halves

In small bowl stir all ingredients for pumpkin filling until well blended. Spread evenly in bottom of pie shell. Prepare pecan layer in medium bowl stir eggs, corn syrup, sugar, margarine and vanilla until well blended. Stir in pecans. Carefully spoon over pumpkin filling. Bake in 350°F oven 1 hour or until filling is set around edge. Cool on rack. Makes 8 servings.

Footproof Pie Shell

1 1/4 cups unbleached flour
1/8 teaspoon salt
1/2 cup corn oil margarine
2 tablespoons cold water

In medium bowl mix flour and salt. With pastry blender or 2 knives, cut in margarine until fine crumbs form. Sprinkle water over flour mixture while tossing with fork to blend well. Press dough firmly into ball. On lightly floured surface roll out to 12-inch circle. Fit loosely into 9-inch pie plate. Trim and flute edge. Fill and bake according to recipe.

Cranberry Pecan Pie

3 eggs, slightly beaten
1 cup light or dark corn syrup
2/3 cup sugar
2 tablespoons corn oil margarine, melted
1 cup coarsely chopped fresh cranberries
1 cup coarsely chopped pecans
1 tablespoon grated orange peel
1 unbaked (9-inch) pie shell

In medium bowl stir eggs, corn syrup, sugar and margarine until well blended. Stir in cranberries, pecans and orange peel. Pour into pie shell. Bake in 350°F oven about 1 hour or until knife inserted halfway between center and edge comes out clean. Cool on rack. Makes 8 servings.

Orange Rum-Pecan Tart

2 eggs, slightly beaten
1/2 cup light or dark corn syrup
1/2 cup sugar
2 tablespoons frozen orange juice concentrate, thawed
2 tablespoons dark rum
1 tablespoon corn oil margarine, melted
1 teaspoon vanilla
1 1/2 cups coarsely chopped pecans
1 baked (9-inch) tart shell
(See note)

In medium bowl stir eggs, corn syrup, sugar, orange juice concentrate, rum, margarine and vanilla until well blended. Stir in pecans. Pour into baked tart shell. Bake in 350°F oven 30 to 40 minutes or until knife inserted halfway between center and edge comes out clean. Cool on rack. Makes 8 servings.

Note: For baked tart shell, prepare Footproof Pastry. Fit into 9-inch tart pan. Turn edge; pierce with fork. Chill 20 minutes. Bake in 450°F oven 12 to 15 minutes or until light golden brown; cool.

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Chicken country captain

- One 2½- to 3-pound broiler-fryer chicken, cut into pieces
- ¼ cup chopped onion
- 1 medium green pepper, cut into 1-inch squares
- 1 clove garlic
- One 16-ounce can tomatoes, cut up
- ¼ cup dried currants or raisins
- ½ cup snipped parsley
- 2 teaspoons curry powder
- ¼ teaspoon ground mace or nutmeg
- ¼ teaspoon pepper
- 1 tablespoon cornstarch
- 2 tablespoons cold water
- Hot cooked rice

Spray a large skillet with non-stick spray coating. Brown chicken in skillet for 15 minutes, turning once. Add onion, green pepper and garlic. Stir in undrained tomatoes, currants, parsley, curry powder, mace and pepper. Bring to boiling; reduce heat. Simmer, uncovered, about 30 minutes or until chicken is tender. Remove chicken; keep warm. Skim excess fat from sauce, if necessary. Combine cornstarch and cold water; stir into sauce. Cook and stir until bubbly; cook and stir 2 minutes more. Serve chicken and sauce over hot cooked rice. Makes 6 servings.

Nutrition information per serving: 289 cal., 24 g pro., 39 carb., 4 g fat, 46 mg chol., 189 mg sodium, 11.5% RDA; 13 percent vit. A, 25 percent vit. C, 15 percent thiamine, 11 percent riboflavin, 4 percent niacin, 17 percent iron, 20 percent phosphorus.

Salmon-rigatoni salad

- 4 ounces rigatoni (2 cups)
- 3 tablespoons olive oil salad dressing
- 3 tablespoons lemon juice
- 1 teaspoon honey
- ¼ teaspoon dried basil, tarragon, or thyme, crushed
- ¼ teaspoon salt
- 3 cups torn salad greens
- 1 cup torn spinach
- 1 small cucumber, halved lengthwise and sliced
- One 7½-ounce can salmon, drained, skin and bones removed, and broken into chunks
- ½ cup crumbled feta cheese

Cook rigatoni in boiling lightly salted water 12 to 15 minutes or until al dente. Drain. Rinse with cold water; drain well. For dressing, in a screw-top jar combine oil, lemon juice, honey, basil and salt. Cover and shake well; pour over rigatoni. Cover and chill 2 to 24 hours.

In a large bowl combine rigatoni with marinade, torn greens, torn spinach, cucumber, salmon and cheese. Toss lightly to coat. Serve immediately. Makes 4 servings.

Nutrition information per serving: 339 cal., 16 g pro., 27 carb., 13 g fat, 31 mg chol., 489 mg sodium, 1.8% RDA; 21 percent vit. A, 17 percent vit. C, 23 percent thiamine, 22 percent riboflavin, 27 percent niacin, 24 percent calcium, 12 percent iron, 25 percent phosphorus.

Whole wheat carrot-banana bread

- ½ cup margarine or butter
- 1 cup packed brown sugar
- 2 eggs
- 1 cup all-purpose flour
- 1 cup whole wheat flour
- 1 teaspoon baking soda
- ¼ teaspoon baking powder
- ½ teaspoon salt
- 1 teaspoon ground cinnamon
- 1 cup mashed ripe banana
- 1 cup finely shredded carrots
- ½ cup chopped walnuts

In a mixer bowl beat margarine for 30 seconds. Add sugar; beat until fluffy. Beat in eggs. Combine flours, soda, baking powder, salt and cinnamon. Add dry ingredients and banana alternately to butter mixture, beating after each addition. Fold in carrots, walnuts and nuts. Pour into two greased 7½- by 3½- by 2-inch loaf pans. Bake in a 350-degree F oven for 40 to 50 minutes. Makes 2 loaves, 15 servings each.

Nutrition information per serving: 189 cal., 2 g pro., 15 carb., 5 g fat, 18 mg chol., 152 mg sodium, 1.8% RDA; 12 percent vit. A.

Italian pot roast

- One 2-pound boneless beef round tip roast
- 1 tablespoon cooking oil
- 1 cup water
- 2 teaspoons instant beef bouillon granules
- 1 teaspoon dried oregano, crushed
- ½ teaspoon dried basil, crushed
- 2 bay leaves
- 2 cloves garlic, minced
- ¼ teaspoon pepper
- 1 pound baby carrots
- 1 cup pearl onions
- One 7½-ounce can tomatoes, cut up (do not drain)
- Two 1½-ounce cans tomato sauce
- 2 tablespoons cornstarch

Trim fat from meat. In a 4½-quart Dutch oven brown meat in hot oil. Drain off fat. Add water, bouillon granules, oregano, basil, bay leaves, garlic and pepper. Bring to boiling; reduce heat. Simmer, covered, 1½ hours. Add carrots and onions. Spoon juices over vegetables. Simmer, covered, 25 to 30 minutes or until vegetables are tender.

Transfer meat and vegetables to a platter. Discard bay leaves. Pour juices into a measuring cup; skim off fat. Add water to juices to make 1 cup. Return liquid to Dutch oven. Stir together undrained tomatoes and cornstarch; add to Dutch oven. Cook and stir until thickened and bubbly. Cook 2 minutes more. Serve with meat and vegetables. Makes 6 servings.

Nutrition information per serving: 241 cal., 29 g pro., 12 carb., 8 g fat, 81 mg chol., 257 mg sodium, 1.5% RDA; 27 percent vit. A, 21 percent vit. C, 15 percent thiamine, 21 percent niacin, 25 percent iron, 28 percent phosphorus.

Coffee-cake muffins

- 1¼ cups all-purpose flour
- 2/3 cup quick-cooking rolled oats
- ½ cup packed brown sugar
- 1½ teaspoons baking powder
- ¼ teaspoon pumpkin pie spice
- ¼ teaspoon salt
- 1 slightly beaten egg
- 2/3 cup milk
- 1/3 cup cooking oil
- 1/2 cup chopped walnuts
- Strusel Topping (recipe follows)
- Non-stick spray coating

In a medium mixing bowl stir together flour, rolled oats, brown sugar, baking powder, pie spice and salt. Make a well in the center. Combine egg, milk and oil. Add all at once to flour mixture. Stir just until moistened (batter should be lumpy). Fold in 1/3 cup chopped walnuts. Transfer to an airtight container. Cover and store in refrigerator for up to 7 days.

Strusel Topping: Mix 2 tablespoons chopped walnuts, 2 tablespoons flour and 1 tablespoon brown sugar. Cut in 1 tablespoon margarine. Place in airtight container and store in refrigerator.

To bake: Spray muffin cups with non-stick coating. Without stirring batter, fill muffin cups two-thirds full. Sprinkle 1 teaspoon top mixture over each muffin. Bake in a 400-degree F oven 20 to 25 minutes or until brown. Remove from muffin pan. Serve warm. Makes 12.

Nutrition information per muffin: 182 cal., 4 g pro., 21 g carb., 10 fat, 28 mg chol., 112 mg sodium.

— Recipes from Better Homes and Gardens

Big food stores stay up to date

By the Editors
of Consumer Reports

America's food industry has grown into a huge marketing machine. By turning the supermarkets and supermarket manufacturers and supermarket owners are hoping to influence the two-thirds of all buying decisions that their made until the shopper is actually in the store.

Supermarkets have always reflected their times. The 1930s had the price-wrecking King Kullen. The inflation-plagued 1970s saw the rise of generics and warehouse stores. When times are good, competition shifts to things other than price. Trading stamps and games emerged in a previous prosperous era, the 1950s and early 1960s.

In the 1980s, services seem to be what some people are willing to pay for. About 10 years ago, a handful of supermarket innovators wondered what would happen if the supermarket were made more like European markets, with lots of little shops, fresh fish on ice and displays of fresh flowers and produce.

"If you use the market as a place to keep people entertained and informed, they'll be bored and indifferent and you'll have more customers," says Milton Glaser, a graphic designer who has been redesigning one supermarket chain over the past decade. "It's not about selling. It's about making it fun."

Chains now offer various "brands" of supermarket, much

10 qualities you want in a supermarket

- Good produce 81%
- Good variety 75%
- Good meat department 72%
- Clean, attractive store 67%
- Courteous, efficient staff 66%
- Low prices 64%
- Fast checkout 64%
- Convenient location 64%
- Adequate parking 62%
- Convenient hours 59%

produce, fish, meat and prepared foods, as well as a deli department, a pharmacy and a video-rental facility. Part of the power of all these selling techniques derives from their utter familiarity — every time you shop you walk by the end-aisle displays and shelf-talkers, those little signs that point out products on a shelf. Yet knowledge of how pitches are made can help you give you the will to resist.

Supermarkets, however, are about to increase their knowledge of the shopper considerably, through electronic price scanners. They may end up depriving you of one of your strongest weapons against selling tactics — the ability to walk away.

Supermarkets switched to scanners to save on labor, the greatest expense in running a store. Consumer activists worried that stores would no longer mark the price on individual items. But if enough customers complain about the lack of item-pricing, the store just might respond.

When Supermarkets General

FOCUS/Advice

Teacher's lesson comes from the paper

DEAR ABBY: I took a break from my job of teaching and reading Dear Abby, and there it was: "Confidential to Eunice! All men do not cheat on their wives. But it's a fairly safe bet that the man who says they do, cheats on his."

Abby, I believe what you meant to say was that not all men cheat on their wives, since what you did say stated that there weren't any men who cheat on their wives, and, unfortunately, we all know better than that. Forgive me for being so picky, but I

Dear Abby
Abigail Van Buren

DEAR ABBY: There you go again. Perhaps you meant to say, "Not all men cheat on their wives." What you have said is like saying, "All women are not mothers." It's a writing advice column, not a say-it-that-way." (Some do, including you sister.)

JERRY THOMPSON
DEAR JERRY: It figures. We both cut the same classes.

DEAR ABBY: I want to thank you for your quiz about homosexuality in which you debunked many myths. I am sure you educated many people, but, Abby, you wrote about gays as though they were another species, as if the reader had never known any, as if there were none among your readers. The fact is, we are your readers. We are also your sons and daughters, your grandchildren, your brothers, sisters, cousins, aunts, uncles, mothers, and fathers.

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Phone scams at top of list of new telemarketing frauds

Today in Washington, the Federal Trade Commission's Bureau of Consumer Protection Against Fraud in Telemarketing announced that its list of the 10 most popular telemarketing frauds in the U.S. with fraudulent telephone solicitations the fastest-growing confidence game of all.

Here is how a typical telephone scam works: You answer your phone and the caller asks you to give them a credit card number. He says, "I'm a marketing research company and we're doing a survey. We'll give you a prize. It can be a whole range of things, from cameras to televisions to cars, boats, diamonds."

Once the swindlers have your number, you're sunk. They will begin making charges to your account. Back at the telemarketing centers, the crooked organizers go to the bank daily to exchange the charge slips for cash. Because there is no immediate time between the crooks receiving the money and the charge appearing on your bill, they can remain in operation for weeks before the heat is on and they have to run out of the next town up the road.

It's an enormous and growing problem. VISA estimates that fraudulent telemarketing schemes cost its member banks — not including cardholders — \$40 million a year.

That's why the Alliance Against Fraud in Telemarketing was formed. It consists of consumer groups, credit card and bank companies, telephone companies, the Federal Trade Commission, U.S. Postal Inspector's Office, and many state and local consumer protection agencies.

They agree that educating consumers about the way these scammers work will provide the best protection.

How can you avoid being ripped off? Be extremely leery about anyone who asks for your credit card number over the telephone. It has become too easy, too simple, to rattle off the numbers without even thinking about it.

DEAR BRUCE: I recently responded to an advertisement in a national newspaper about jobs assembling things at home. I received a prompt response, and they want me to buy a book listing companies that hire people.

I desperately need work and I can ill afford to buy a book that will not deliver what it promises. I was all set to send in the money when my husband mentioned that they were very much opposed to these things.

We need the money. The overtime at my husband's job has disappeared, and anything I can bring in would be helpful. But my husband does not want me to order the book without his approval.

DEAR S.P.: I certainly don't want to be put in the position of having to approve or disapprove your actions, but I think your husband is acting prudently. The work is done in your own home, and in almost every instance, the assembler is the loser.

I have dealt with this question on a regular basis, but it seems this scheme still thrives, so no harm will be done by talking about it again. Each of these "assemble things-at-home" schemes, and in almost every instance, the assembler is the loser.

DEAR BRUCE: The Christmas season is over, but it seemed to me during the season that there was



DOROTHY RETURNS — Dorothy (Grace Grieg) holds "Totot" during a promotion for the upcoming live stage show "The Wizard of Oz" at Radio City Music Hall in New York.

PEOPLE

'Mrs. Letterman' returns

NEW CANAAN (AP) — One day after being released from jail, a woman spent a return engagement to the New Canaan home of her show host David Letterman, police said.

Margaret Ray was arrested Tuesday on trespassing charges, marking the third time in recent months that she has been apprehended inside Letterman's home, police said.

New Canaan police said they received a complaint around 2 p.m. Monday of an unwanted person "in Letterman's home." The complaint was not filed by Letterman, Lt. William Ferri said.

Letterman is the host of "Late Night with David Letterman" on NBC. Spokesmen for NBC and Letterman's manager, Jack Rollins, referred all questions to New Canaan police.

Ferri said Ray, 36, was charged with first-degree criminal trespassing and possession of marijuana, after a small amount of the drug was found "in her personal effects."

Ray was being held on \$5,000 bond at the New Canaan police station pending arraignment today in Norwalk Superior Court.

Bryant Gumbel spouts off
NEW YORK (AP) — Bryant Gumbel, who has snipped at David Letterman, Connie Chung and Linda Ellerbee and others, is at it again, this time firing a rocket at fellow "Today" show staffers such as Willard Scott and Gene Shalit.

In a 6-month-old memo made public by New York Newsday on Tuesday, he accused weatherman Scott of holding NBC's top-rated morning talk "hostage" to his "bad taste."

Her co-host, who wrote the memo last August when he was negotiating his three-year, \$7 million contract with NBC, said he was "not very good."

Medical correspondent Art Urene's theme weeks were dubbed "boring," and many of New York-based consumer correspondent Betty Furness' reports "too local."

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Sylvia Porter

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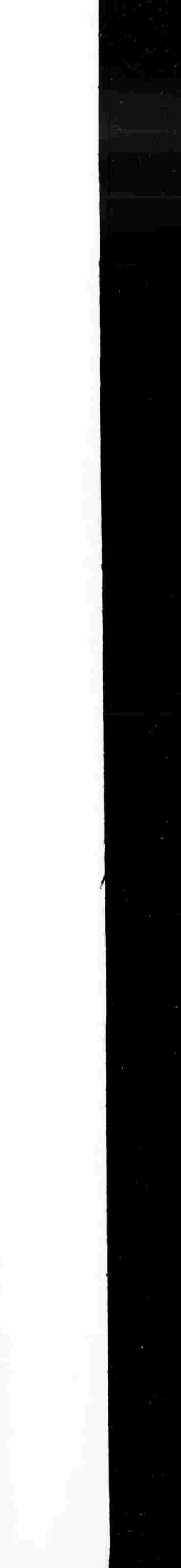
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SPORTS



Thoughts
APLENTY
Len Auster

Sports people knew about Harold Binks

Harold Binks died last Thursday at the age of 62 at a convalescent home in Vernon. His name means little to many people. But those who have been involved for many years in sports knew him well.

"Everybody knew him," Earl Yost, retired Manchester Herald sports editor, said of Binks, a man known as "Binkie" to his many friends. Last spring, a testimonial dinner in Vernon honored Binks. "It was one of the nicest parties I've ever been to. There was an overflow crowd, at least a couple hundred. (Some of) the athletes he knew showed up and helped honor him," Yost said.

Binks served as an unofficial mascot for several independent teams — softball, basketball, baseball, football — when semi-pro clubs were in their heyday. "He was a sports nut and no matter where he went, people knew him. People wanted to be around him; they said he brought good luck," Yost said.

Among Binks' prized possessions were autographs and pictures of himself with the likes of Hank Aaron, Bob Cousy, Gordie Howe and Ted Williams. He was a fan of any team, but the Red Sox and the Whalers were among his favorites.

Binks was born on the west side of Manchester before moving to the North End for a while. He was in Mansfield Training School for a short time but "he was too smart for that," Yost said.

"He was a dumb, I'd stop and see him once in a while," Yost said. "There wasn't anyone to help him back when he was a kid. But he had a million friends."

And all of them will miss "Binkie."

Len Auster is sports editor of the Manchester Herald.

McHale keys easy Celt win
CHARLOTTE, N.C. — It was hard to believe the words that were coming out of Kevin McHale's mouth.

Portland five deflates flat Patriots

By Jim Tierney
Manchester Herald

ROCKY HILL — Coventry High Coach Ron Badstueber saw the writing on the wall after the Patriots' five 85-70 win over Bacon Academy before a packed house Saturday night which gave them the regular season Charter Oak Conference Eastern Division title.

Entering the COC Tournament with the impending Class 5 state tournament to follow, this was no time for a letdown. Badstueber warned, especially against a team Coventry had beaten twice.

"I told the kids after the Saturday game with Bacon this is letdown time," Badstueber explained. "You won't even know it, but you'll play a match below what we did against Bacon."

As fate would have it, the top-seeded Patriots came out flat against fourth-seeded Portland. Nate Turner fired in 12 of his 17 points in the fourth quarter, including three 3-pointers, to lift Portland to a 65-61 upset victory over the Patriots in the COC tournament Tuesday night at Rocky Hill High School.

Conventry, now 17-4, awaits the seedings and pairings for the 5 round night to be announced on Friday. Portland (11-10) will meet Cromwell, a 73-71 winner over Bacon, for the COC title Friday night at 7:30.

Patriot 6-2 senior All-State guard Jack Ayer tossed in a game-high 35 points, including five 3-pointers, yet experienced a cold (10-for-26) shooting night from the floor.

Portland junior guard Van Tate was unconscious during the first half, hitting for 20 of his team-high 25 points.

Portland turned it up a notch because they knew they had to play to beat us," Badstueber said. "And our kids were flat from the Bacon game."



Ronald Photo/Manchester Herald
DUNK — Coventry High's Jack Ayer slams one home against Portland High in COC Tournament play Tuesday night at Rocky Hill High. Ayer netted 35 points, but the Patriots were upset, 65-61.

Douglas sets NCAA mark against UConn

By William Kates
The Associated Press

SYRACUSE, N.Y. — Syracuse's Sherman Douglas says there was no pressure while he was closing in on college basketball's all-time scoring record.

Nevertheless, Douglas led a big sign of relief Tuesday night after achieving both records within minutes of another during No. 6 Syracuse's 88-72 victory over Big East foe Connecticut. It was the only game involving a top-five team.

"I really hasn't been on my mind all that much. There are other things to worry about," said Douglas, who led the Syracuse triumph with 22 points and 11 assists.

"But I wanted to get it out of the way," the 6-foot senior said Tuesday. "I'm definitely happy about it. It was the right time. We were up and we were at home."

The victory, which boosted Syracuse to 9-6 in the Big East and 24-5 overall, means that the Orangemen have evened the score with four of the five teams to deal them losses this season: Villanova, St. John's, Pittsburgh and Connecticut.

SPORTS IN BRIEF

Little League signup set

The Manchester Little League will conduct its second annual signup session for the 1989 season on Sunday at the American Legion Hall, 20 American Legion Drive, from 1 to 4 p.m.

Signups are for children between the ages of 7 and 12. Youths must be 7 by July 31, 1989 and turn 13 after that date. No exceptions will be allowed.

Birth certificates and either a parent or guardian are required at time of registration. There is a \$20 registration fee per player, with a \$30 per immediate family limit. The fee includes team and individual photos.

Tryouts are scheduled, weather permitting, for March 18 and 19. Anyone interested in coaching or umpiring or joining the league auxiliary is asked to attend one of the signup sessions.

For further information, contact Ed Detorre at 643-4487 or Bernie Lidestril at 648-7072.

Bengals don't want Wilson

CINCINNATI (AP) — The Cincinnati Bengals said they have no interest in bringing back Stanley Wilson even if he is reinstated from his suspension for cocaine use.

NFL spokesman Joe Browne said the league is still considering reinstating Wilson, 27, but that Bengals general manager Paul Brown said his team would not be interested in Wilson anyway.

Square grooves banned

CORAL SPRINGS, Fla. (AP) — All square-grooved golf clubs will be banned from PGA Tour competition beginning Jan. 1, 1990. PGA Tour Commissioner George Berman announced Tuesday.

"It's a firm decision," confirmed by the tour's Policy Board, Berman said. "I'm definitely happy about it. It was the right time. We were up and we were at home."

Henderson details problem

FORT LAUDERDALE, Fla. (AP) — Rickey Henderson said Tuesday that former Yankees pitcher Neli Allen was one of the New York Yankees players that drank excessively during the 1988 season.

On Monday, Henderson claimed that alcohol abuse on the Yankees last season hurt the team's pennant chances.

"When we should've been busting our tails, we didn't," Henderson said Tuesday. "We were too drunk. We were getting into our rooms too late and drinking too much. We weren't ready to play."

Fame committee adds pair

TAMPA, Fla. (AP) — Former St. Louis Cardinals second baseman Red Schoendienst and National League umpire Al Barlick were elected to the Baseball Hall of Fame Tuesday by the veterans committee, which was set again snubbed Phil Rizzuto.

Schoendienst, 66, spent 18 years in the major leagues, including 10 with the Cardinals from 1955 to 1967, winning pennants in 1967 and 1968 and a World Series title in 1967.

Jabbar found guilty

PHOENIX (AP) — A Phoenix Municipal Court judge Tuesday convicted Los Angeles Lakers center Kareem Abdul-Jabbar of two misdemeanor offenses stemming from an April shopping trip incident in a shopping mall.

'The Eagle' is grounded

LONDON (AP) — Eddie "The Eagle" Edwards, one of sports' most famous losers, has been barred from competing in World Cup ski jumping events at least through the end of the current season.

Becker has to withdraw

DALLAS (AP) — West German Boris Becker, the hottest player on the indoor tour, withdrew from the WCT Finals late Tuesday afternoon, suffering from the flu.

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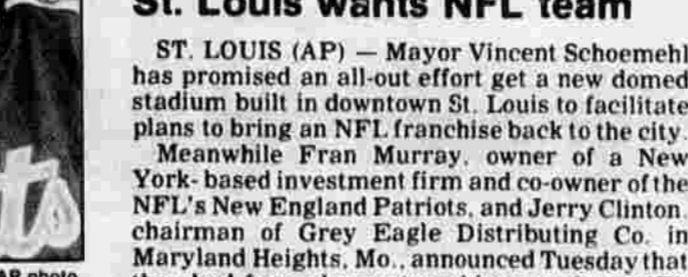
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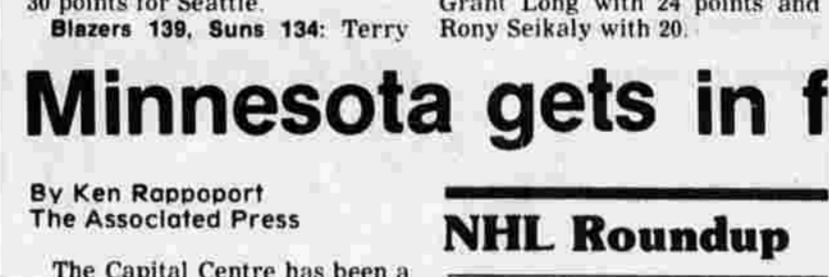
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Johnson finds new task difficult

By Denne H. Freeman
The Associated Press



NEW HEAD COACH — New Dallas Cowboys' head football coach Jimmy Johnson answers questions at news conference at the NFL team's training facility in Irving, Texas, on Tuesday.

Johnson, the former coach of the Miami Hurricanes, led down here. "Things happened so fast that we didn't mean any disrespect to anybody," Jones said. "I have deep feelings for the Cowboys and Coach Landry."

Johnson wasn't told he had been fired until Jones and club president Tex Schramm visited him on Saturday afternoon at the Hill of Lakeway near Austin.

"It hurts me to say I did something out of disrespect for Tom Landry," Johnson said. "I don't expect to replace someone like him. But just let me do my thing and judge me by what happens later."

Landry said he thought his dismissal "could have been handled better."

Landry was left unimpressed for almost two days after Jones had shaken hands on a done deal with Johnson, who had a 7½-hour news conference. Jones, standing near Johnson during the news conference, said he was wrong and there was no right way to do it. Johnson said he could go to Tom as soon as he liked, but he couldn't go with the disenchanted Dallas fans. Johnson said "I hope they are as excited as I am. I need your help. I don't claim to have all the answers, but I want to take them to the Super Bowl."

Johnson, who was 10 minutes late for his first news conference, said he had not decided on what assistant coaches he would be bringing with him from Miami or which Cowboys' assistants would be retained.

Johnson said he will field a Dallas team that is "aggressive and a brilliant coach and an excellent offensive strategist. He'll do a great job."

He said he still hasn't signed a contract with Jones.

"I just told him I didn't want to take a pay cut," Johnson said. "I don't see an issue. I've got the job I dreamed about all my life. I told the team that I'd never leave Miami unless I had a chance like this."

Erickson interviews for Miami opening

CORAL GABLES, Fla. (AP) — Gary Stevens faces at least one challenger in his bid to succeed former boss Jimmy Johnson as head coach at the University of Miami.

Washington State coach Dennis Erickson was interviewed Tuesday by the job, several Miami television stations reported.

Stevens is the only coach to see publicly that he wants the job. Erickson has declined to discuss the search publicly.

Several Miami players said last weekend that they would support Stevens, an assistant with the Hurricanes since 1980, to become head coach if Johnson left.

SCOREBOARD

Hockey

NHL standings

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