

House waters down bill aimed at making autopsy reports public

HARTFORD (AP) — A key state senator says he will try to strengthen a watered-down version of a bill aimed at making autopsy reports public when the measure returns to the Senate.

On Wednesday, the House voted 76-71 to amend the measure, forcing its return to the upper chamber.

The new version, pushed by Rep. William A. Kiner, D-Enfield, eliminates a provision that allowed a judge to determine whether the public interest in disclosing the report outweighs any harm to the privacy interests of the dead person's family.

Instead, the judge must determine that disclosure does not violate the family's privacy interest.

Sen. Steven Spellman, D-Stonington, who fought for the bill even before he became a legislator, said he would try to have Kiner's amendment removed when the bill arrives back in the Senate because it doesn't make any sense.

He said he expects the bill to wind up in a conference committee to draft compromise language.

The change infuriated Mitchell W.

Pearlman, executive director of the Freedom of Information Commission, which has been fighting for the bill for years. He said the lack of a balancing mechanism would mean that virtually every autopsy report would remain sealed.

The whole idea behind this bill was to balance privacy interests against the public's right to know. That balance has been taken out, there's always a privacy interest," Pearlman said.

Kiner's amendment also limits disclosure to "those portions of the autopsy report which directly relate to the cause of death." Kiner said he was concerned about disclosure of such information as whether the deceased was pregnant if that information had nothing to do with the cause of death.

Finally, Kiner's amendment makes the bill apply only to those autopsies conducted after the bill takes effect and bars from disclosure those already on file in the medical examiner's office.

He said that would "eliminate the possibility of re-opening any old

wounds." It, for instance, a woman had been murdered 50 years ago, her autopsy should remain sealed because it might yield personal information, Kiner said.

Pearlman used a similar example to argue against it, after the vote. If a newspaper sought information about a 1928 murder case, the public's right to know might outweigh objections of the family. He also said that some of the old documents might already be open, but would be sealed by the amendment.

Under the measure, if a request is made for an autopsy report, the medical examiner would have to notify the family, which would have 21 days to object. If the family does object, the matter would go to court.

The bill, variations of which have been debated for the past five years, stemmed from the shooting of a black youth by a white police officer in Norwich in 1981. The Norwich Bulletin sought a copy of the autopsy report on the youth, Dwayne Dodd, but was denied access.

Legislature at a glance

HARTFORD (AP) — Here, at a glance, are highlights of action Wednesday in the House and Senate.

CORPORAL PUNISHMENT: A bill providing guidelines to teachers for the use of physical force on students to maintain order was approved 27-8 in the Senate. It authorizes teachers to use physical force only to protect themselves or others, to take a dangerous weapon away from a student, to protect property or to restrain or remove a student to maintain order.

INTERSTATE BANKING: The Senate voted 27-8 to approve a bill giving a one-year reprieve to Fleet-Norstar Financial Group, which had run afoul of Connecticut's interstate banking law. Fleet faces the mandatory divestiture of its Hartford subsidiary, United Bank, unless the law is changed to permit full interstate banking. State law now permits interstate banking only among New England banks.

AUTOPSY REPORTS: The House voted 76-71 to approve a watered-down version of a bill aimed at making autopsy reports public. The bill eliminates a provision from an earlier bill that allowed a judge to determine whether the public interest in disclosing the report outweighs any harm to the privacy interests of the dead person's family. Instead, the judge must determine that disclosure does not violate the family's privacy interest.

PRISONERS: The Senate unanimously approved a bill restricting those eligible for early release prison programs. It prohibits bars anyone convicted of a crime that resulted in another person's death from

House flip-flops then backs labor on apprentice ratios

HARTFORD (AP) — The state House of Representatives flipped briefly with a proposal to open construction sites to more apprentice workers, but reversed itself and voted narrowly to require at least one licensed tradesman for every apprentice.

The House's conflicting actions Wednesday came after intense lobbying in which organized labor squared off against non-union contractors over the sensitive issue of apprentice labor.

In what appeared to be a major defeat for labor, the House initially voted 78-71 to uphold a Senate bill that would allow one licensed tradesman to supervise two apprentices.

But later Wednesday, the House reversed itself, voting 78-73 to adopt a sliding scale of guidelines that requires one licensed journeyman for every apprentice on small construction jobs, and three journeymen for every apprentice on bigger jobs.

The apprentice guidelines cover workers in five building

trades, including electrical work, plumbing, and heating and cooling.

The second House vote came at the urging of Rep. Joseph Adamo, D-West Haven, who argued that opening more apprentice spots would erode safety and supervisory training on construction sites.

Supporters of the relaxed apprentice ratios, led by Rep. F. J. Casey, R-Milford, contended that allowing more young workers on jobs would create opportunities and would bring down home construction costs.

"There's no question that the bill makes available a cheaper workforce," said Rep. Walter Brooks, D-New Haven.

Dave Cormier of the Connecticut Construction Coalition said enacting the 3-to-1 ratio would force the layoffs of 1,400 apprentices. "If we get the 1-to-1 ratio, 965 new jobs will be created," he said.

Organized labor leaders disagreed. They described the bill as an effort by non-union contrac-

CL&P files proposal to avoid '89 rate case

HARTFORD (AP) — The Connecticut Light & Power Co. maintaining it does not plan to increase electrical rates this year, has filed a proposal to avoid rate hearings.

In a proposal filed with the state Department of Public Utility Control on Wednesday, CL&P said it was seeking approval of accounting actions that would allow it to avoid filing for rate changes in 1989 and would also put a cap on CL&P earnings through the end of 1990.

If CL&P had sought a rate increase it would be subject to a hearing before the DPUC.

"By resolving these issues now, we can avoid the time and expense for ourselves and for the state of Connecticut of a prolonged rate proceeding," said Bernard M. Fox, president of Northeast Utilities, CL&P's parent company.

"This proposal, if adopted,

will further extend the long period of extremely stable rates Connecticut has been enjoying," Fox said, pointing out that with the exception of a 1.5 percent increase last year, CL&P rates have not gone up since 1983.

State Consumer Counsel James F. Meehan called the filing a "preemptive strike" aimed at preventing a rate reduction.

Meehan said the company was already earning well over its allowed return and he anticipated the return would keep growing in the future.

Meehan said CL&P currently overearning by about \$25 million, which is close to the figure reported in the DPUC last year when he recommended that the rate application be turned down. CL&P had asked for a more than \$90 million rate increase and the DPUC granted \$25 million.

Worker blamed for spill

BRIDGEPORT (AP) — A supervisor apparently failed to follow proper procedures, resulting in a spill of 800,000 gallons of fuel oil that workers were to continue to clean up today.

Richard J. Grossi, president and chief operating officer of United Illuminating Co., said Wednesday that it hadn't been determined what punishment the supervisor faced for Tuesday's accident at the company's power plant on Long Island Sound.

The worker responsible for the spill remained on the job Wednesday, but he could be suspended or otherwise penalized, Grossi said. "I don't want to release the worker's name."

Grossi said officials were also not sure if the worker had any opportunity to offer any mitigating factors, because "we want to be as fair as possible."

"Furthermore, we may find there should be some changes in our procedures," he said.

The supervisor apparently didn't follow a procedure that required him to check all pumps and oil levels as the fuel was being pumped into an 8-million-gallon storage tank, Grossi said. One pump was left running and it caused the overflow of 800,000 gallons, Grossi said.

UI uses oil as well as coal to produce electricity at its Bridgeport generating plant.

The worker "didn't realize one piece of equipment was working," Grossi said. "For some reason, he elected not to go up to that one piece of equipment (a pump)."

Workers were alerted to the spill by an alarm at about 5:30 a.m. Tuesday, but by that time the thick, gooey No. 6 fuel oil was up to three feet deep in parts of the storage area. The oil was kept from Long Island Sound by a 20-foot-high earthen dam that encloses the storage area. The sound is about 40 feet from the storage area.

Grossi said the alarm system was overhauled in January. He said the company will inspect the alarms to determine if a warning had been sounded earlier than the one heard at 5:30 a.m.

"We have to determine to which extent the alarms functioned," Grossi said. "We won't be able to determine the extent to which they functioned until electricity in the area is turned off."

As a precaution, all electricity to the storage area has been shut off. Without power, the alarms can't be tested, Grossi said.

Crews were to work for a third day today pumping the spilled oil into tanker trucks and storage tanks. UI officials said they expect to recover 90 percent of the spilled oil. The remainder of the oil and contaminated soil will be scooped up and hauled away.

Grossi said the spill could cost the company between \$250,000 to \$500,000. He said the exact cost wouldn't be determined until the job is completed. He said the more contaminated soil that is hauled away, the more costly the spill becomes.

"The big issues is when we get the oil out, we've got to take that soil out," he said.

O'Neill seeks look at plan for oil spills

HARTFORD (AP) — Gov. William A. O'Neill has ordered his environmental commissioner to review the state's plan for handling oil spills in state waterways and Long Island Sound.

In a letter to Department of Environmental Protection Commissioner Leslie Carothers, O'Neill said the huge Exxon spill off the Alaskan coast and Tuesday's oil spill at a storage tank in Bridgeport had brought his attention to the issue.

He also asked Carothers to investigate a U.S. Coast Guard program aimed at preventing oil spills in the South.

"I am concerned with the adequacy of this federal program and the potential for environmental damage to our coastline and our water resources should a large oil or chemical spill occur," the governor wrote.

Abu Simbel temples are ancient treasures

CAIRO, Egypt (AP) — The two temples of Abu Simbel, built beside the Nile River by Pharaoh Ramses II in the 1200s B.C. are among the world's treasured antiquities.

The stone temples include four seated figures of Ramses II, each 67 feet high and two of Queen Nefertari, one of his wives.

Leaders caucus on budget

HARTFORD (AP) — State House and Senate Democratic leaders resumed talks with rank-and-file lawmakers on the 1989-90 budget but held out little hope afterward that they would reach an agreement.

"Some people want to cut (the budget) deeper, some people want money put back in," said House Speaker Richard J. Balducci, D-Newington, after a 2½-hour caucus.

Ten days ago, the majority Democrats on the budget-writing Appropriations Committee gave up trying for consensus on a spending plan of roughly \$8.8 billion. Three days later, the Finance Committee gave up trying for agreement on a package of more than \$500 million in tax increases to balance the budget.

That left the task to the leaders, who will put together a package after they get general agreement from rank-and-file members.

Senate President Pro Tem John B. Larson, D-East Hartford, said he hoped to have the bills on the House and Senate floors within two weeks.

Balducci said he was still hopeful of being able to resolve the impasse by the end of the legislative session, June 7.

"I would like to think we can, hopefully we can," Balducci said, adding that another closed-door session was planned Thursday.

Earlier in the day, Democratic Gov. William A. O'Neill said his office was working with the leaders on the budget, but did not want to take too public a role.

"It isn't a question of leadership. It's a question of when you step in, then you're bullying, then you're demanding," O'Neill said.

"They know and I know and the people know there are going to have to be tax increases in Connecticut. There have not been any in six years," the governor said.

Prison idea out to sea

HARTFORD (AP) — A Bethlehem legislator is floating an idea that could mean that some of those who commit crime would do time at sea.

State Rep. Robert A. Maddox Jr. said he is studying the possibility of building a barge or ship to house inmates in Long Island Sound until the state builds more prisons.

"I think it's something worth discussing," Maddox said.

William E. Flower, a spokesman for the state Department of Correction, said the state might encounter difficulties with the proposal.

"It sounds like a wonderful solution, but one of those answers that just doesn't pan out when you examine it closely," Flower said.

Maddox said buying a boat would cost less and give the state extra room faster than building a prison.

The state has proposed building new prisons in Newtown and Suffield.

"It's a short-term solution," he said. "We need to do something immediately."

Maddox said the floating prison would probably have to be docked

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OPINION

Budgeting: What's the difference?

'Responsible' budget almost the same as the 'absurd' proposal

With all the hubbub that preceded the votes Tuesday night that set the Manchester budget, you would have thought there to be a vast difference between the proposals to be put forth by the majority Democrats and the minority Republicans.

Last week, Republican members indicated they might cut as much as \$2 million from the \$73 million budget recommended by Town Manager Robert B. Weiss. The Democratic response was that the proposal was "absurd." The Democrats, we were told, would come up with a "responsible" budget on Tuesday night.

When the budget auction was over Tuesday and each side had made its bids, the difference between the absurd and the responsible turned out to be less than \$43,000, a difference Manchester voters will find too subtle to appreciate when measured against a budget of more than \$71 million.

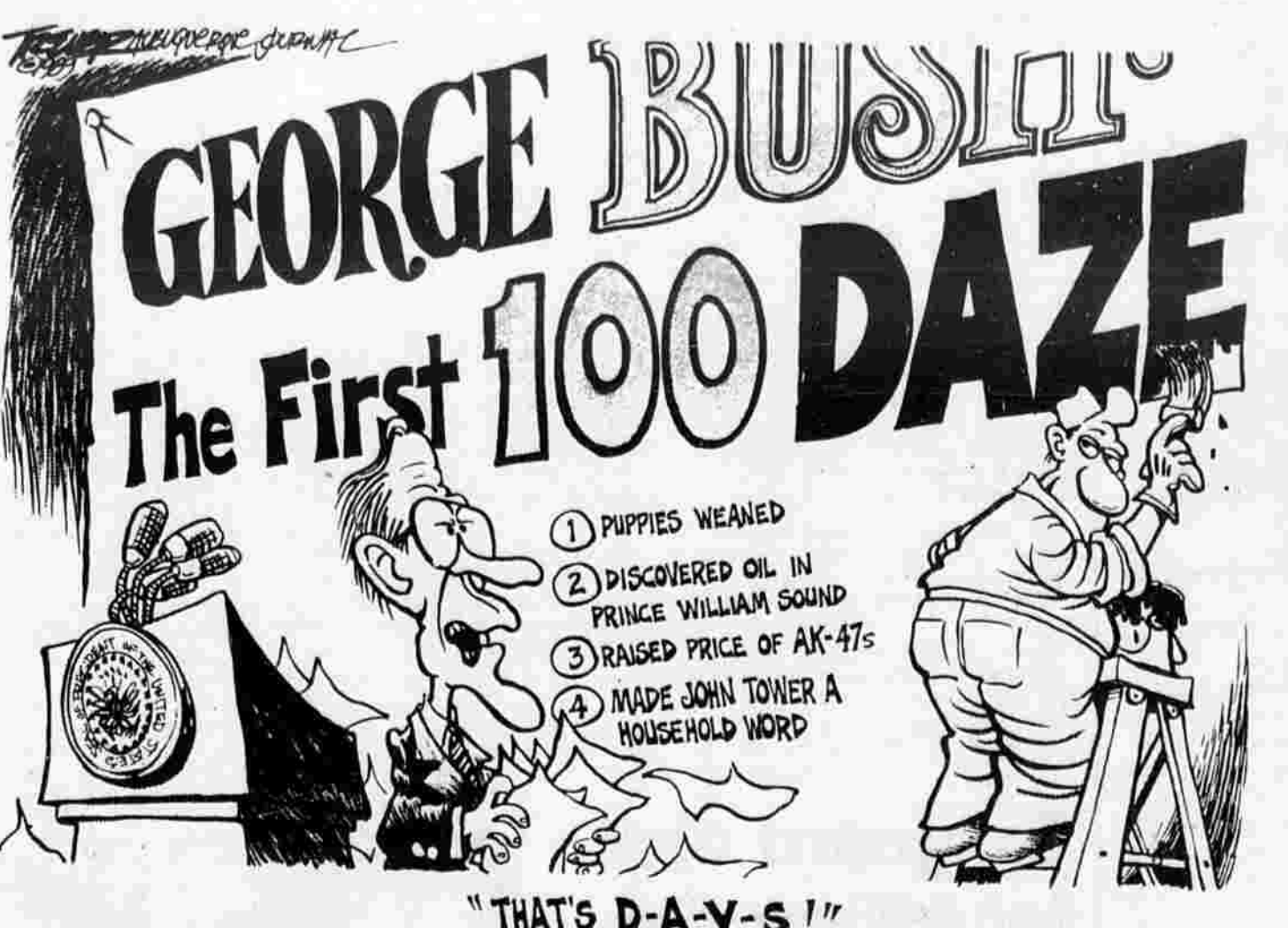
The Democrats had endorsed expenditures of \$71,678,004 and the Republicans had tentatively proposed total expenditures of \$71,635,206. Like Republican Director Geoffrey Naab, townspeople may well think the process of having two separate budget proposals is "dumb" and that the public would be better served if the board evolved a bipartisan budget as it did successfully for a number of years.

If there had been an easy way to make a sharp cut in the manager's proposal, the Republicans would have found it, and so would the Democrats. Instead, they both came out with modest reductions.

Still, the difference in outlook between the two parties was greater than the spread between their total budget proposals would indicate.

The Democrats reduced the school budget by more than \$40 million by \$125,000. The Republicans proposed to cut far more, \$840,000, from education. Unless you take the cynical view that the Republicans made that proposal only because they knew it would not pass, you have to assume they have a different view of how much Manchester needs to spend to provide good education.

The annual budget is the single most important policy decision made by the directors. The Democrats and Republicans made different policy statements with their respective proposals on school spending. Voters may take those statements into account when they make their election choices later this year.



100 days feel like a thousand

By Hendrik Hertzberg

Gosh. Has it really been 100 days already? Not quite, but close enough for government work. In theory, George Bush should have a week or so to pull off some dazzling feat that will vault him out of the slough where, to all appearances, he is contentedly wallowing in a mire of puppy-licking, Polaroid-shooting, horsehoe-checking, amiable vagueness. Better not count it, though. When I called the White House press office to find out if anything big was coming up, I was told that the president will be taking a trip to Chicago and the West Coast, that he might have something to say about "vocational education," and that a statement about amendments to the Clean Air Act is a distinct possibility.

Zzzzz... I suppose I shouldn't get too far into this without acknowledging the idiosyncrasy of judging Bush on the basis of his first hundred days in office. This fundamentally mindless journalistic convention has less to do with anything substantive than with the fact that we have a 10-based number system. (If we had six fingers on each hand instead of five, we'd hold the pontificating ill Day 144.)

According to William Safire's indispensable political dictionary, the obsession with counting days in units of 100 can be traced to Napoleon's Elba-to-Waterloo failed comeback in 1815. The notion was revived for the special session of Congress in 1833, when he notes, by desperation and Franklin D. Roosevelt's masterful voice on the radio, the House and Senate shouted through the first New Deal. One of FDR's many legacies to his successors is that the hundred-days exercise, however foolish, has become obligatory for columnists, like the compulsory school figures in Olympic skating competitions.

Gripes remain in limbo

By Jack Anderson and Dale Van Atta

WASHINGTON — A hotline in the Defense Department puts whistleblowers just a touch-tone away from reporting waste and mismanagement. Why then would not yet be heard from the military officer risk breaking the rules when it's so easy to get caught?

Mostly because the good-oldd-boy system in the services until recently guaranteed that complaints in the hotline about top brass end up in the Bermuda Triangle.

The case of Army Gen. Alonzo Short Jr. Last year an Army worker placed an anonymous call to the hotline complaining that Short had charged the Army for unnecessary trips to a base in Arizona and was about to spend \$300,000 to install a kitchen and bath in his office.

If the remodeling plans were in the works, the Army should have moved quickly to investigate the charges, which were months after the tip was turned over to the Army Inspector General, the investigation was hampered by our former enemies. The promised "initiative" hasn't materialized. While the administration dangles over its "strategic review," Mikhail Gorbachev at his watch and drums his fingers on the negotiating table, wondering when Bush will show up. The Russians slash their arms budget, the Poles and Hungarians take the first long steps toward parliamentary democracy — and Bush remarks petulantly, "We'll be ready to react when we feel like reacting."

Bush does have one accomplishment, albeit a negative one: He has bugged the Contras. And it is barely possible that this may be part of a conscious and not un-intelligent strategy for deideologizing American foreign policy without unduly provoking the far right. Maybe Bush is just taking things one step at a time. Maybe he figures that liquidating both the Contras and the Cold War would have been too easy. On his right-wing supporters to choke down all at once. Now that he's gotten away with the first, he can turn his attention to the second. At least I hope that's what he figures.

A rhubarb over names ... and a story about courage



Listening Carefully — Bolton Executive Assistant Helen M. Kemp, right, listens to Amy Miller, a part-time clerk for the Board of Selectmen, during voting Monday night at the Community Hall. Kemp's title changed in March, many people still call her the administrative assistant.

What's in a name? To Bolton's executive assistant, Helen M. Kemp, the question has become, "What's in a title?" Though the Board of Selectmen changed Kemp's title to executive assistant March 21, many people still call her by her old title, administrative assistant.

But change comes slowly in Bolton. During the recent battle over revising the town's charter, neither the proponents nor the opponents were able to get Kemp's title right. Letters to the editor and political fliers all called it "administrative assistant."

On Monday, Bolton voters rejected the charter changes. If the changes had passed, Kemp would have been out of a job.



Yankee magazine's editors decided to run the story after the three women wrote and told them about the book's strong sales.

Last month, Yankee photographer Robert Benson came to Fowler's Wall Street home to photograph the rhubarb dishes she and others had baked.

"I really wish in light of Mr. Naab's performance this budget workshop were on TV," Tedford said.

been ordered in anticipation of sales generated by the Yankee story.

A NEW START — Al Redicavage's courage and strength in learning to live as a paraplegic has rubbed off on a friend and a stranger. Redicavage is the handicapped man profiled by the Manchester Herald in last week's "Neighbors" supplement.

He said a woman came into the video store where he works after reading the newspaper story. The woman said her son, who is also handicapped, decided that if Redicavage could start a new life, he could, too.

Open Forum

Actor is wrong on head injuries

To the Editor:

In recent weeks the media has devoted a fair amount of newspaper space and TV news coverage to actor Gary Busey's rigorous opposition to mandatory helmet laws for persons over 21 years of age. Mr. Busey, who survived a serious motorcycle accident last December, concludes that if he had been wearing a helmet at the time of his accident, his injuries would have been worse.

to head-injured individuals daily for the past 20 years. From this experience, I can assure you that Mr. Busey was a very fortunate man, and by no means represents a typical motorcycle accident survivor.

In reality, the great majority of motorcycle accident victims who are not wearing helmets are not as lucky as Mr. Busey. Despite what Mr. Busey professes, the following information illuminates the sobering reality of motorcycle safety and head injury: Head injury kills more Americans under the age of 34 than all other causes combined.

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Mini-editorial: A Seattle woman is suing a liquor company because her husband was born mentally retarded and physically malformed. It seems the woman drank half a fifth of bourbon every day during her pregnancy. We hope that the child grew up with enough trust in me will be well-deserved. Jack Anderson and his associate, Dale Van Atta, are syndicated columnists.

NOTICE OF RETIREMENT

With mixed emotions I will retire from the active practice of Pediatrics as of July 1, 1989. I am very happy to announce that Dr. Wanda Merged will take over my practice. She will assume all my records as well as my phone number, and will have her office at 17 Haynes St. Caring for my patients has been a continued source of challenge and satisfaction. Thank you for your confidence and support thru these treasured 38 years.

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Open Forum

Don't remuddle the Loomis house

To the Editor: Since the public hearing on the Loomis house I have had the opportunity to inspect the building and to take comment on what I saw.

The house was built in 1833 by Eleazer Pomeroy for his home. Mr. Pomeroy owned and operated the tavern just across the road. Now, 156 years later, little has changed from that date he moved in. It is a rare treat for someone like myself who works in the restoration field to find a structure that hasn't been "remuddled" — a better way of saying remodeled.

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Don't remuddle the Loomis house

underneath. The large fireplace once used for all the cooking has been bricked up to accommodate a stove but a visual inspection through the cleanout door clearly shows a stone wing wall of the fireplace, which leads me to believe that only the front was bricked up as was the common practice when stoves came into vogue. The bake oven will be on the left side, judging by the hinge marks left from where the bake oven door once hung. The fireplace in the dining room has been closed to accommodate a fire for the furnace.

measure 6 to 8 percent, an acceptable level for cabinet work. The full-measure 3-3/8 inch joists, which I think are supported at 8 feet. With this middle support they are in the range, according to the building table, to take an 80-pound load per square foot, far exceeding requirements.

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Don't remuddle the Loomis house

preservation. Our building codes are written for modern construction and are not sympathetic to older construction, even though these old houses have stood the test of time.

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Don't remuddle the Loomis house

On behalf of the board, I urge citizens to join in this endeavor with advice, constructive criticism, questions and support. This campaign provided an opportunity to renew previous acquaintances and meet many new people. I was pleased and excited by the genuine interest and concern displayed about our town.

Open Forum

Don't remuddle the Loomis house

There are too many individuals that assisted in my campaign and deserve my gratitude to mention all them here. I must mention, however, Pam Sawyer, Dave Fernald, Bill Baker, Dick and Dorothy Tutill, Bill Blafkin, Rob Fish, and special thanks to third-grader Elizabeth Sawyer who made many of my signs. As always, I have been fortunate to have the full support and encouragement of my wife, Ginny.

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Fight looms over license at Seabrook

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Seabrook, N.H., nuclear power plant has cleared a final obstacle to winning a low-power operating license later this month, but opponents say they will appeal any decision to start the reactor.

The financially fragile reactor moved closer to licensing when late Wednesday the staff of the Nuclear Regulatory Commission said it was satisfied that the plant owners could come up with \$72.1 million in decommissioning costs. The money assures the plant would be safely taken out of operation should it be tested with radioactive fuel but never operated commercially.

The NRC had said the financial decommissioning issue was the last in a long series of regulatory obstacles that has prevented Seabrook from getting its low-power license for 2 1/2 years. The emotional 20-year battle over the Seabrook plant has served as a rallying point for the anti-nuclear power movement.

The \$6 billion plant could receive the long-sought license, which allows testing, as early as late next week, the Nuclear Regulatory Commission does not impose a stay on the license pending appeals.

The NRC will give opponents five days to file requests for a stay and another four days for Seabrook officials to respond. The commissioners said they would rule on stay motions "expeditiously" and that the license would not be issued until the NRC has ruled on the requests.

Massachusetts Attorney General James Shannon and other plant opponents said they would file for a stay and appeal the case to federal court.

But any legal challenge will become moot without an emergency stay from either the NRC or the court because Seabrook officials are ready to act swiftly on low-power tests.

Seabrook spokesman Ronald A. Sher said plant operators are ready to begin a 10-day "warm up" period, a precursor to low-power testing, within 24 hours of receiving the license.

After that, plant officials would conduct 10 days of low-power tests, ranging from 0.81 percent of the plant's capacity to 3 percent capacity. It would be the equivalent of running the plant at full power for 45 minutes, Sher said.

Sher said Seabrook officials do not believe the opponents can further delay a low-power license. He predicted the license would be issued later this month. Shannon predicted the license issue will end up in court within weeks.

In a telephone interview Wednesday night, the attorney general lambasted the NRC staff decision as "just another example of bureaucrats in Washington riding roughshod over our health and safety."



SING WITH ME — Mayor Peter P. DiRosa Jr. leads the guests in singing "America the Beautiful" at the Mayor's Community Prayer Breakfast this morning.

Community leaders pray for poor, sick

By Nancy Pappas
Manchester Herald

Town leaders called for a more integrated school system, more affordable housing, better distribution of food to the hungry, and universal access to quality medical care this morning at the Mayor's Community Prayer Breakfast at Second Congregational Church.

The church's social hall was filled to capacity with 160 people of various faiths, who came together to pray for Manchester's continued success and as well for its improvement in certain areas.

"There are many who live in crowded apartments, who sacrifice food and medical care in order to pay rent, whose only home is a cot at the shelter," said Mary Ann Handley, professor of sociology at Manchester Community College, a Democratic town director and chairman of the directors' subcommittee on affordable housing.

"Let us remember that there are families with no place to live," Handley continued. "And let us commit ourselves to a future Manchester where there will be a room, a place, a home for everyone."

Jacob Lades III, principal of Manchester High School, called for a more fully integrated school system to allow all youngsters access to quality education.

There also needs to be a commitment to medical care for everyone in the community, said Michael Gallacher, president of Manchester Memorial Hospital. A concern for the environment was expressed by two of the speakers, state Sen. Michael P. Meotti, D-Glastonbury, and the Rev. Ernest Harris, who is chaplain at the hospital.

Meotti called for careful examination of all environmental issues, with an eye to the future. Harris deplored a society which can "discard without regard."

The formal program was drawn to a close when Rabbi Richard Plavin of Temple Beth Shalom led a group prayer, which began, "Lord, we live in an age of abundant blessing and tragic deprivation." He went on to ask that the world's hungry be fed out of American larders, that disease be addressed with the fervor that's used when conquering the technical problems of weaponry, and that the cause of peace be served vigorously.

Lighter moments in the morning were offered by the Rev. Val LaFrance, a missionary priest from New Jersey, whom Mayor Peter P. DiRosa Jr. brought in as a surprise guest speaker. He began his remarks with the line, "I had prepared another talk—40 minutes of birth control."

He was rewarded with hearty laughter.

The mayor's comedic efforts were also appreciated when he asked the group to take up a second collection, which would go to the various state senators and representatives present to help with the state budget deficit.

This year's gathering was the largest in many years said Nancy Carr, who is executive director of the Manchester Area Conference of Churches, which sponsors the event.

Regulation Operators Shuttle

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the nation's consumers," the senator said.

"You can't have it both ways," Shays said at a news conference. "There's either got to be competition or regulation."

Lynn McReynolds of the National Cable Television Association argued that cable TV operators do not have monopolies because the \$1.8 billion industry comprises with commercial television as well as video rentals, satellite TV and movie theaters. "Cable is a competitor in the entertainment marketplace and there's lots of competition," she said.

McReynolds said basic service fees have increased by about one-third since deregulation because those fees had been set by local officials. Other special services, which were never regulated, have seen only slight increases and in some cases decreases since December 1986, she said.

The Bureau of Labor Statistics said overall cable fees increased by 6.6 percent in the first year of deregulation and 7.9 percent last year, according to McReynolds.

The lawmakers also argue that cable TV is a luxury that consumers can choose to buy, and therefore should not be regulated like power companies.

"We'd like to get to the point that we're not, and we're not," McReynolds said.

The lawmakers, however, argued that cable TV has become more and more of a necessity as cable companies buy up rights to programming that previously were available on traditional commercial television.

Timothy O'Brien, manager of Tele-Media Co. of Northeastern Connecticut in Windham, said that restrictions on the rates companies can charge for content to drop programming and could hinder service improvements.

But he noted that Tele-Media had no difficulty persuading the state to allow the rate increases it sought during regulation.

"I think we've always been fair with our subscribers, and I've always tried to offer them the very best," he said.

Tele-Media serves about 24,000 subscribers in Coventry, Ashford, Brookfield, Canterbury, Pomfret, Woodstock, Hampton, Cheshire, Eastford, Thompson, Windham, Scotland, Lebanon and Mansfield.

Both Lucas and O'Brien expect any attempt at re-regulation would be a disaster. "The bill would be to do the attempt would be successful," O'Brien said that the basic rate for Tele-Media was \$12.85 and is now \$15.40. It is due to go up to \$17 on June 1.

O'Brien did not have information on rates five years ago, when Tele-Media acquired the franchise five years ago. He said that yearly increases have ranged between 7 and 12 percent.

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Joe's World
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Red Sox mistake pays off

CHICAGO (AP) — Light-hitting catcher Rick Cerone made a mistake by Boston Red Sox manager Joe Morgan look like a masterstroke.

Cerone, who had appeared in only 10 games this season prior to Wednesday night's 84 victory against the White Sox, was penciled into the starting lineup by Morgan because the manager mistakenly thought Chicago starter Shalvo Hilliges was a lefty.

Morgan then benched the slumping left-handed catcher Rich Gedman, who usually starts against right-handers, in favor of Cerone.

Morgan said that when he found out Hilliges was a right-hander, shortly before batting practice, he said "the heck with it, I'm going to stay with" the right-handed batting Cerone.

All Cerone did was break up a 3-3 sixth inning deadlock with a two-run homer, his first of the year, and perfectly execute a safety squeeze punt to bring home Nick Esasky from third in the Boston eighth.

"When you get an opportunity to play, you do the best you can," said Cerone. "We came out on top and played tough, hard baseball. That's what you have to do to win."

The victory went to Mike Boddicker, 2-2, who won 6-3 in his longest outing of the year. Bob Stanley finished up for his third save.

"Boddicker has had his problems, because he hasn't been throwing strikes," said Morgan. "But, tonight he was getting people out when he had to get them out."

Dwight Evans drove in two runs and scored two runs for Boston. He had a sacrifice fly in the ninth for the 1,200th RBI of his career.

After the White Sox moved to within 5-4 in the sixth on Matt Reardon's sacrifice fly, the Red Sox came back with two in the eighth off reliever Barry Jones.

Morgan said Cerone was completely on his own when he squeezed Esasky home from third.

"According to Cerone, getting Esasky home from third" was a big run for us."

Cerone was really surprised.

"He was going on contact, and I knew my job was to get that run in," Cerone said. "They're almost giving you that run, and the idea was to catch them by surprise and lay it down."

The Red Sox scored three runs in the first inning on Mike Greenwell's RBI double, Jim Rice's sacrifice fly and Evans' run-scoring single.

A single by Dave Gallagher, a walk and Ron Kittle's single gave the White Sox a run in the bottom of the seventh.

After the game, Dennis Boya was sent back to Boston to be examined on Thursday for a chronic right shoulder problem.



WINNING RUN — East Catholic's Jimmy Penders (15) crosses home plate in the seventh inning with what proved to be the winning run in the Eagles' 3-2 win over Manchester High Wednesday at Kelley Field. Penders scored on a wild pitch. East's Paul Dumais (27) keeps watch.

Koop

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accomplished. He has made impressive contributions to public health," Mason said.

Koop did not say in the letter what his plans are after he leaves government. He has said in interviews that he would like to write books and work in television on health issues.

Under Koop's leadership, the office of the Surgeon General, in the Department of Health and Human Services, became an active and often controversial office.

As head of the Public Health Service, Koop maintained a vigilant campaign against smoking, calling for a smokeless society by year 2000 and worked actively on education campaigns aimed at helping to stop the spread of AIDS and acquired immune deficiency syndrome.

When he was nominated by Reagan for his post, Koop was an internationally known pediatric surgeon and was assailed by liberals for his staunch opposition to abortion and for lacking experience in public health.

Controversy mars end as East nips MHS again

By Jim Tierney
Manchester Herald

Twice this season Manchester High has had cross-town rival East Catholic exactly where it wanted them.

And twice this season Manchester High has found itself riding the short end of the stick.

This time the Indians led the Eagles, 2-1, in the top of the seventh inning with no Eagle baserunners and a mere two outs away from victory.

After Manchester starting pitcher Matt Heltin issued a walk to East junior Joe Burns, Junior Jimmy Penders (2-for-3) followed by crushing an RBI double over the head of leftfielder John Cunningham to knot the emotional affair at 2-2.

Heltin was relieved by Junior Aris Leonard, who was making his initial mound appearance of the season after the former walked Marc Mangiafelo. Leonard then walked Eagle freshman Rob Higgins to lead the bases. On a 3-2 pitch, Leonard whiffed Jimmy Robinson (2-for-3) for the second out.

Then, the unbelittling element — the wild pitch. Leonard uncorked a wild pitch allowing Jimmy Penders to scamper home from third to East's 3-2 non-conference win Wednesday afternoon at Kelley Field.

Manchester dropped a 6-5 decision to East in its season opener on April 12 at Eagle Field after leading 5-2 in the fifth.

East moves to an impressive 10-1 mark and will host Notre Dame of West Haven in a key All Connecticut Conference clash Friday afternoon at 4. Manchester slips to 6-4 and will be at Rockville Friday afternoon in a pivotal CCE East encounter.

Controversy arose in the bottom of the seventh. Junior John Cunningham led off the Indians' final at-bats with a sharp single to center. Eagle catcher Jimmy Penders then questioned the legality of Cunningham's bat with a double check. The rulebook for three years, Jimmy's not going to apologize for his intelligence, Greene did a great job. He's got to feel good about himself."

East pounded Heltin for four hits in the top of the first, yet only acquired one run. An inning-ending double play alleviated further damage.

Manchester took a 2-1 lead in the fourth. Keith DiYeso led off with a double followed by a walk to Dom Laurinitis. A delayed steal pushed the runners up. A Greene wild pitch scored DiYeso and Laurinitis came around on a sacrifice fly by Cunningham.

Heltin tossed a fine 6-1 1/3-innings, giving up eight hits, walking five and striking out five.

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SAFE — East Catholic's Rob Desmond (11) pulls into second base with a fifth-inning double in Wednesday's game. Manchester second baseman Steve Joyner took the throw.

Brown sinks the Yankees

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Manchester Community College pitchers kept the UConn sub-varsity hitters in line...

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MCC's Ron Chaney and Rafael Rodriguez each worked two hitless innings...

Seniors champs crowned
The Manchester Racquet Club held its Senior Men's Tournament last Monday and Tuesday...

Yost combined with Ed Werner in the consolation doubles for a 6-4 win over Pat Kiduff-Bernie Cunningham...

Johnson had side effects
TORONTO (AP) - Canadian sprinter Ben Johnson suffered side-effects associated with steroid use...

Referring to medical charts throughout his testimony, Sussman said he suspected Johnson was on muscle-building drugs...

Largent links 1-year deal
KIRKLAND, Wash. (AP) - Wide receiver Steve Largent, has signed a one-year contract with the Seattle Seahawks...

Largent is the NFL's all-time leader in receptions, 791; yards, 12,886; consecutive games with pass reception, 167 and counting...

Lenzi debut is impressive
INDIANAPOLIS (AP) - Mark Lenzi, a former high school wrestler who has been diving for only four years...

China led the six-event team competition at the Indiana University Natatorium with 193 points...

The top four finishers in each event receive prizes to compete against each other in brackets...

Slumping Wilander beaten
NEW YORK (AP) - Like Avy, Mats Wilander is No. 2. But the slumping Swede doesn't appear to be trying hard...

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Power Shortage? The home run gap. Andy Dawson 40-25-25, Keith Mumphrey 27-32-22, Larry Sheets 31-20-21, Wally Joyner 34-13-21, Dale Murphy 44-24-20, Mike Bogaerts 24-18-18, Mike Pagliaro 22-19-17, Mike McLinn 46-23-17.

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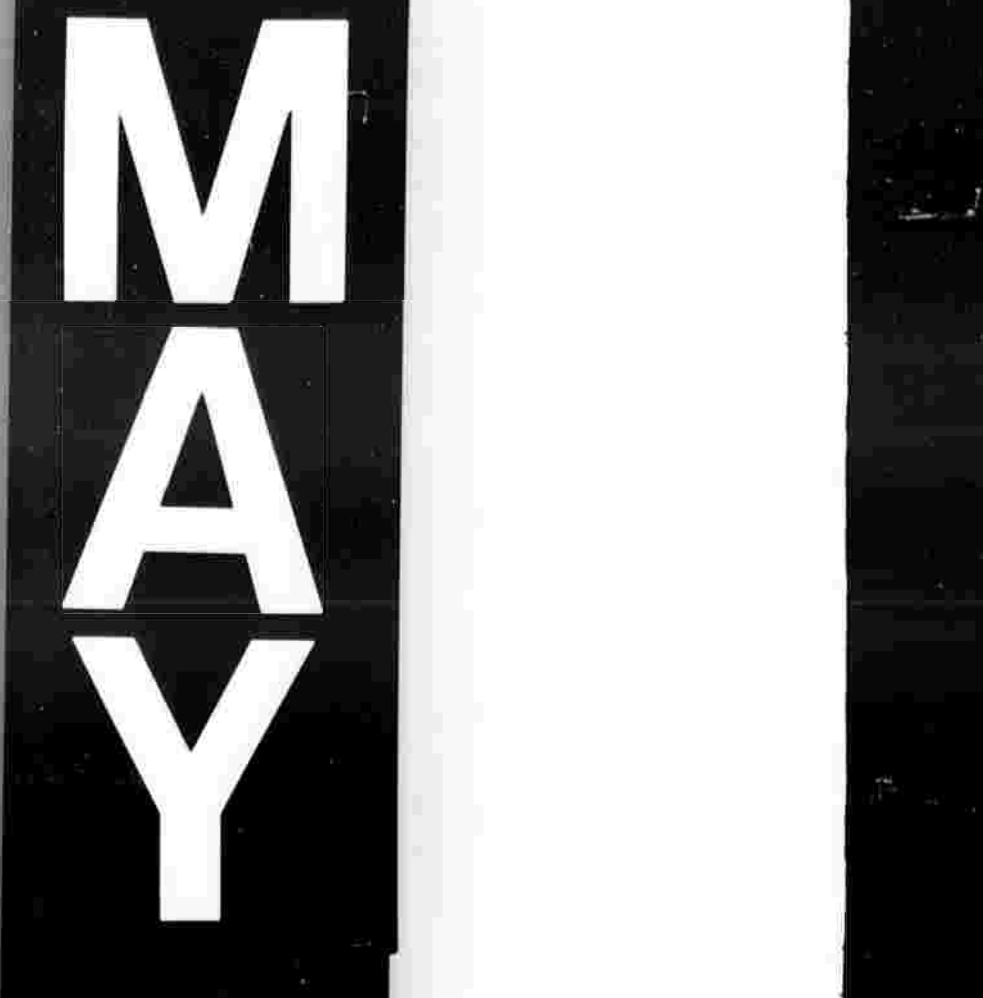
Kristofferson as journalist. MANAGUA, Nicaragua (AP) - Singer-actor Kris Kristofferson is playing a North American journalist in a movie about Augusto Cesar Sandino, the Nicaraguan revolutionary who fended off the U.S. Marines in the 1980s.

Baker talks about career. HOWARD CITY, Tenn. (AP) - Howard Baker, the former Senator from Tennessee and White House chief of staff, said Tuesday he remembers well his first case as a young lawyer at a firm founded by his grandfather in 1888.

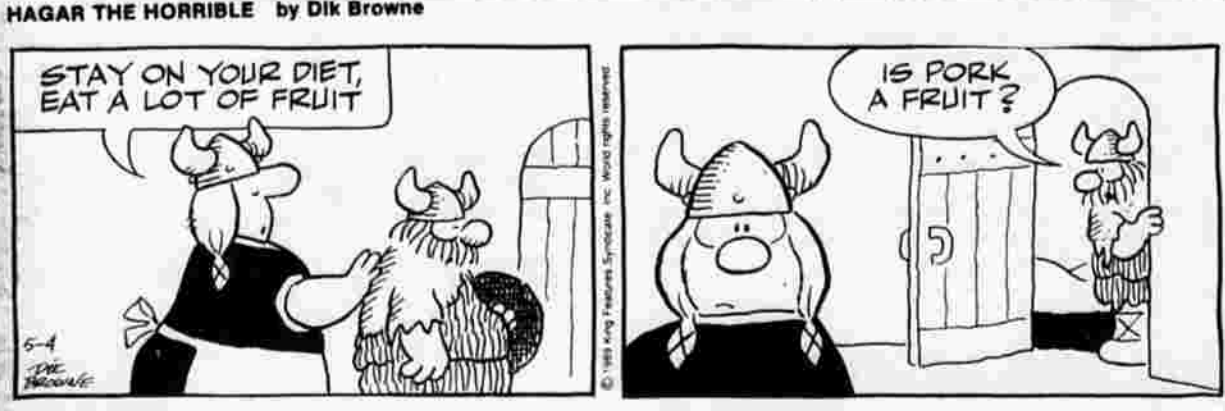
School honors Milken. BEVERLY HILLS, Calif. (AP) - To a grateful group of handicapped and troubled children and their parents, indicted junk bond king Michael Milken is just Mike, a generous guy who plays basketball with kids at their special school.

Kennedy honor Milrine. BOSTON (AP) - Canadian Prime Minister Brian Mulroney paid a visit to the John F. Kennedy Library and gave a bronze award of distinction to a "vibrant artist." It was JFK who had moved his personal library to the library Wednesday, Mulroney described his youthful affection for a fellow countryman as "a vicarious ambition."

Don Johnson owes \$50,000. MONTPELLIER, Vt. (AP) - Don Johnson is back on the hook for a Vermont income tax bill of more than \$50,000 - at least for now. The state Senate's Finance Committee on Wednesday killed a provision of a new law that would exempt entertainers from state income tax, retroactive to Jan. 1, 1986, and applicable to the year 2000.



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