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Boycott may aid general

WARSAW, Poland (AP) — The National Assembly convened today to choose a president, and Gen. Wojciech Jaruzelski was expected to benefit from an opposition boycott to be elected to the powerful new post.

Jaruzelski's chances also depended in part on his ability to command allegiance in the communist coalition, where some legislators oppose him.

As lawmakers gathered for the vote, about 50 anti-Jaruzelski demonstrators from the Confederation for an Independent Poland rallied outside. "Jaruzelski Must Go," read one of their banners.

Jaruzelski, the Communist Party chief, was expected to be the sole candidate for the presidency. Shortly after the nationally broadcast meeting began, Solidarity lawmakers lost by 255-256 their motion to allow legislators to question the candidate from the floor of the assembly.

Jaruzelski said if he were rejected as president, he would nominate his longtime confidant, Interior Minister Gen. Czeslaw Kiszczak.

Under Poland's newly revamped constitution, the office of president would give Jaruzelski

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No harm seen in project

By Alex Grell
Manchester Herald

A newly-filed report on reconstruction of downtown Main Street concludes that the project will have no great economic and environmental effects and that the downtown parking situation during construction will be worse if no access road east of Main Street is included.

The report was compiled by the Manchester engineering firm of Fuss and O'Neill and by FitzGerald and Halliday of Hartford.

The report will be the subject of a hearing by the state Department of Transportation Aug. 2 at 7:30 p.m. in the hearing room of Lincoln Center.

Copies of the report may be read at the Mary Cheney Library or at the office of the town clerk.

The study was ordered by the Federal Highway Administration. As a result of the order, a group opposed to the \$15 million plan, A Downtown Association to Preserve the Thoroughfare, did not proceed with a lawsuit against the project.

But Bruce Beck, attorney for the group, said the suit would be re-instituted if the group does not agree with the conclusions.

Neither Beck, nor Dr. Robert Fish, head of Adapt, could be reached today for comment.

In a summary of the report, the engineers conclude that the reconstruction will not produce a significant impact on noise, air quality or on the elderly and low-income people living in the area.

It also concludes there will not

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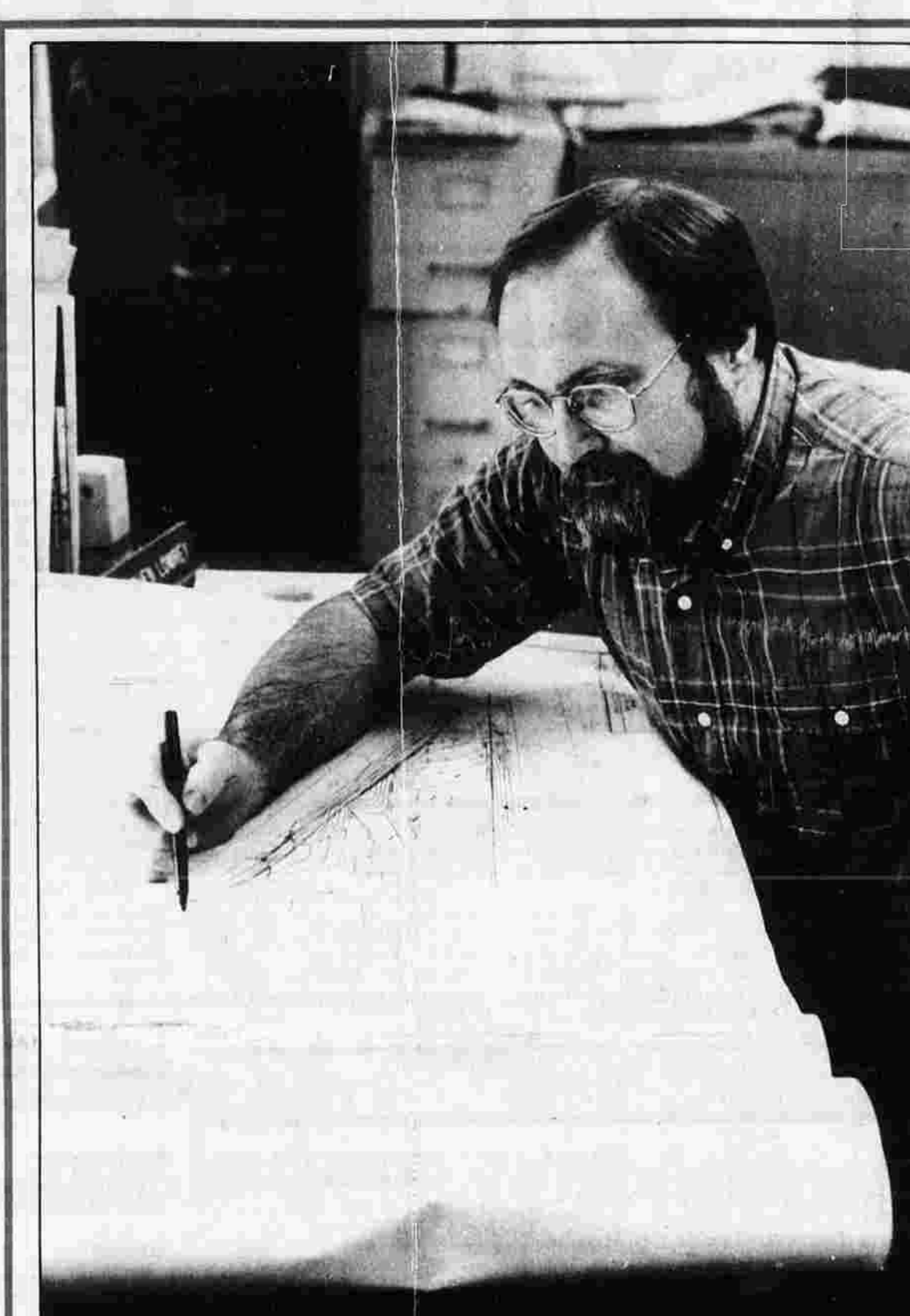
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EXAMINES SITE PLOT — Bolton's zoning enforcement officer, Stephen Lowrey, looks over plans for a new development in his office in the Community Hall.

Bolton's new zoning officer says it's time to get serious

By Rick Santos
Manchester Herald

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However, there are others who know of their offenses and think they can get away with them.

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Consumer price rise moderates

By Martin Crutsinger
The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Inflation slowed in June as consumer prices rose a modest 0.2 percent, the smallest advance in 16 months, the government reported today.

The price moderation reflected the biggest drop in energy prices in more than two years and the smallest increase in food costs this year.

The 0.2 percent June rise in the Consumer Price Index, the government's primary gauge of inflation at the retail level, was just one-third the 0.6 percent increase recorded in May.

Even with the slowdown, prices at the consumer level rose at a seasonally adjusted annual rate of 2.9 percent in the first six months of 1989, the fastest pace for the first half of a year since 1982.

But the moderate June advance, the smallest increase since a similar 0.2 percent rise in February 1988, was certain to be seen as good news at the Federal Reserve Board, which has been concerned that the country might be on the verge of another inflationary spiral.

Today's report on consumer prices, coupled with news last week that wholesale prices actually fell in June, provided concrete evidence that the spurt in prices in the early part of 1989 was finally beginning to moderate.

Patrick Jackman, a Labor Department analyst, said price pressures over the next several months should moderate enough to keep consumer inflation for all of 1989 down at around 5 percent. Prices rose 4.4 percent in both 1987 and 1988.

The trouble at the beginning of the year was that energy prices, driven by the run-up in world petroleum prices, shot up at an annual rate of 40.3 percent.

However, energy prices at the consumer level actually fell by 1 percent in June, the biggest decline since a 1.9 percent drop in October 1986.

Food costs, which had been

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that abuse is a crime.

He said some of the complaints about abuse and sexual assault came to the police department through school counselors. In the child abuse and domestic violence cases, the police became involved "after the fact," he said.

Traskos said most of the sexual assault complaints were from females age 15 or younger.

Dorothy Grady, director of human services for the town, said Tuesday she had been unaware of the dramatic increase in child abuse. Grady said her office acts as a referral agency and does not do counseling.

She said more children and others who are abused need to be made aware of the legal rights.

"It is important for everyone to know that they do not deserve to be mistreated. It is not OK. Tell someone to make it stop," Grady said.

Grady said people can report abuse or sexual assault by calling her office at 1-800-842-2288. In an emergency, call the police, she said.

Grady attributed the increase in arrests for child abuse to better awareness.

"Through TV and school programs, there is better understanding of what's not appropriate," she said.

Grady said it is ironic that the report of the sexual assaults

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By Jacqueline Bennett
Manchester Herald

COVENTRY — A sharp increase in criminal arrests for child abuse and domestic violence in town is a positive sign, says Police Chief Frank Traskos.

Traskos said Tuesday.

At a meeting of the Town Council Monday night, Town Manager John Elseser said a large percentage of a jump in criminal arrests this year is due to a rise in child abuse and arrests for domestic disputes.

The arrests include four in connection with complaints of sexual assault of teenagers within families, he said.

Elseser's comments came in response to questions from Council member James Sullivan about a quarterly report from Traskos. The report says there were 77 arrests from April 1 to June 30 of this year compared to 58 for the same time period last year.

Traskos said Tuesday. "When you look at percentages it seems large but the numbers are small. However for our community it's a lot."

The population of the town is about 10,000.

Traskos credited a program presented in the schools this spring with increasing awareness

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to be free of any long-term effects," the Coast Guard commander said.

Lieberman also said there may be a need to increase the number of Coast Guard inspections of oil tankers and shore-based oil facilities. The Coast Guard said it has issued 300 violations since 1984 with annual inspections.

"The Coast Guard is uncovering one violation every week, on average," the senator said. "Yet the Coast Guard informs me that they conduct inspections of tankers and shore-based oil facilities only once per year. That leads me to believe that there very well may be a lot more violations that go undiscovered."

Lieberman said Jim Kennedy said the senator was surprised by the number of oil spills, which has averaged about one every three days since 1985.

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About Town

Assumption has openings

Assumption School is still accepting registrations for this fall in kindergarten, grades one, two, and five through eight. For more information, call at 649-0888 or 643-7596.

Bottles, cans requested

St. George's Episcopal Church will gather clean, redeemable cans and bottles for recycling Saturday from 10 a.m. to noon.

Community picnic is slated

The Manchester Interracial Council will sponsor its annual community picnic at the Salomon's home, 2114 Manchester Road, Glastonbury on Sunday from 1 to 4 p.m. Bring a chair, your bathing suit and a salad or dessert for the community table. Since there is a large covered porch, the picnic will be held rain or shine. Park on Indian Hill Trail, the street opposite the house. For more information, call Joan O'Loughlin, 643-4031.

Celebrate 250th in Andover

The Andover Historical Society is hosting a 250th birthday party for the home of Alice V. Moe of Bunker Hill Road on Sunday from 4 to 7 p.m. Philip Brass, a local historian, will provide a tour of the home. Herman Marshall, a restoration expert, will answer questions. Light refreshments will be served.

O-Anon group offers help

O-Anon, a support group for the family and friends of compulsive overeaters, meets every Friday at 7 p.m. at Manchester Memorial Hospital. Ask at information desk for meeting room.

Correction

A story published Tuesday on page one about the funeral of Herman J. Passantelli, who was killed Friday night in an auto crash, incorrectly reported that his wife, Rita, attended the funeral. Mrs. Passantelli was unable to attend the funeral because of injuries received in the crash. She is a patient in St. Francis Hospital and Medical Center in Hartford. She was listed today in stable condition, according to a hospital spokeswoman.

The Manchester Herald strives to be accurate and fair. If an error is made, we want to make a correction. The Herald's phone number is 643-3711.

College Notes

On dean's list

Four Manchester residents have been named to the dean's list for the spring semester at the University of Rhode Island, Kingston, R.I. They are: Jody L. Cook, 108 McKee St.; Kelly A. Crouley, 303 Timrod Road; Karin A. Fry, 275 Blue Ridge Drive; and Jennifer L. Piesdel, 22 Warranoke Road.

Receives Colgate degree

Caitlyn V. Blodgett, daughter of Virginia B. Street of 275 Knollwood Road and Hugh R. Blodgett of Hartford, received a bachelor of arts degree from Colgate University on May 28. She is a 1985 graduate of Manchester High School. Her concentration was in English literature at Colgate. She was captain of the Women's varsity cross country team, participated in a Los Angeles local internship and was photography editor of the Colgate News.

Logan receives degree

Stephen M. Logan, son of Donald and Nancy Logan of 81 Durant St., graduated recently from Syracuse University, Syracuse, N.Y. He received a bachelor of science degree. He majored in finance and is employed by CIGNA Corp. of Bloomfield.

Lottery

Winning numbers drawn Tuesday in New England:
Connecticut daily: 409. Play Four: 6317.
Connecticut Lotto: 7, 21, 25, 31, 33, 35.
Massachusetts daily: 9078.
Tri-State (Maine, New Hampshire, Vermont) daily: 072, 8730.
Rhode Island daily: 4585.
Rhode Island Lot-O-Bucks: 9, 28, 30, 35, 38.

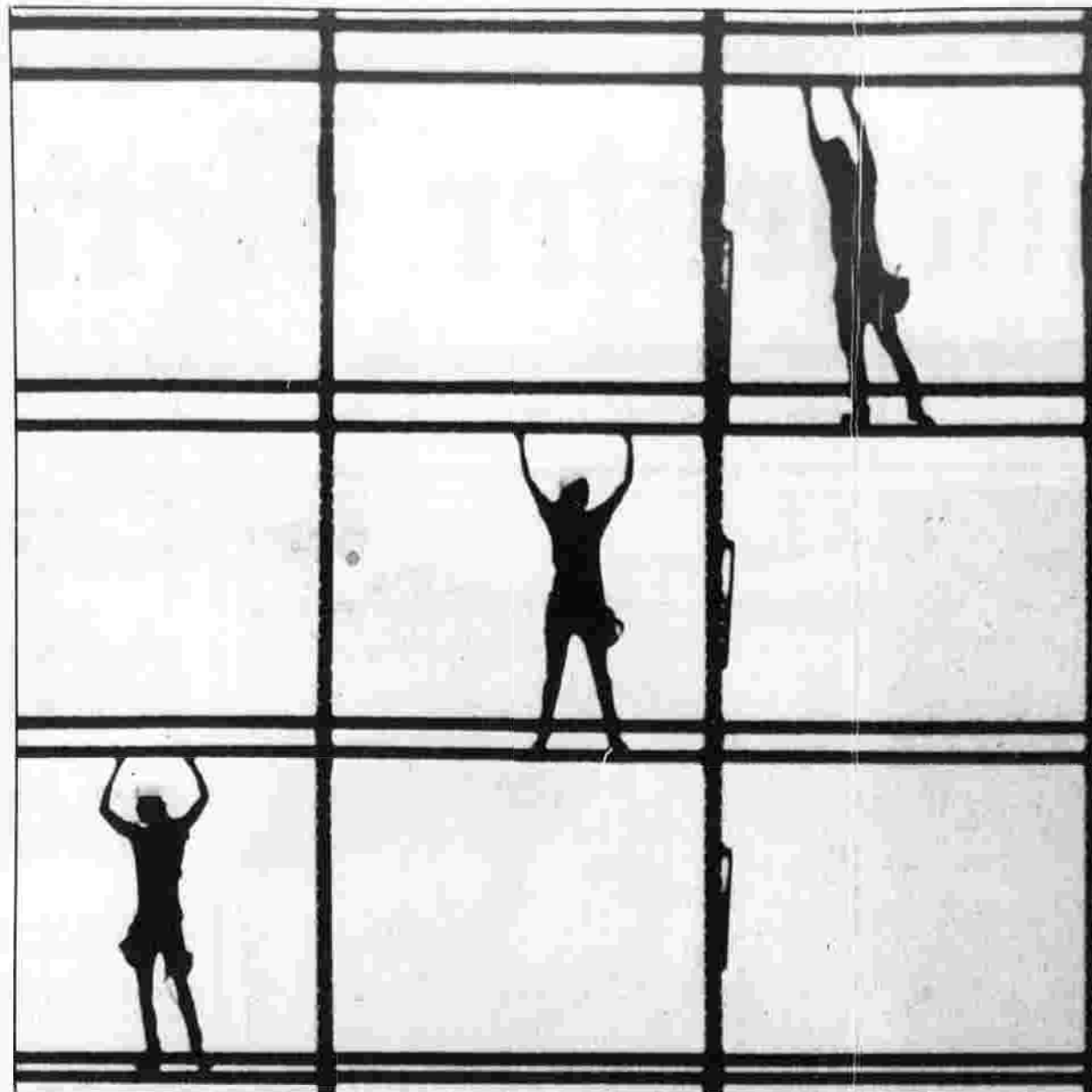
Weather

REGIONAL WEATHER
Accu-Weather® forecast for Thursday
Daytime Conditions and High Temperatures

Northwest hills: Tonight, cloudy with 50 percent chance of rain. Muggy. Low around 70. Thursday, rain likely. High around 75. Chance of rain 70 percent. Outlook for Friday: Mostly cloudy with a chance of showers. High in the middle 70s.

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TIC-TAC-TOE — Three workers test scaffolding racks at the Airrite Facility Building under construction in Omaha, Neb., last week. The workers, from left to right, are: Kenney Smith of Omaha, Rick Perez of Omaha, and Dan Goshenour of Michigan. The workers are employed by Piedmont Installers of Wake Forest, N.C.

Obituaries

Ruth P. Cram

Ruth P. (Judy) Cram, 70, of Manchester, N.H., formerly of Manchester, Conn., died Tuesday, July 12, 1989, at the Villa Crest Retirement Home. She was the wife of the late Edward S. Cram. She was born in Rutland, Vt., and had lived in Manchester.

Warranty deeds

Robin E. Quaranto to Norma I. Campos, Oak Forest Condominium, \$136,750.
The Mail at Buckland Hills Partnership to John A. Finguerra, Pavilions Drive, conveyance tax, \$99.20.
Manchester 1-84 Associates Limited Partnership to John A. Finguerra, Pavilions Drive, no conveyance tax.
Marguerite F. and Gilbert C. Walters to Kenneth R. Morgan and Linda A. Walters, 114 Linwood Drive, \$188,000.
Roger and Joan Livingston to Laurie A. Vieira, East Meadow Condominium, \$77,500.
Charles F. Catania Jr. and Cheryl Catania to Gary L. McHugh, two parcels on New Street, \$215,900.
Clifford B. Jordan to Yvon and Camilla Boss, Oak Forest Condominium, no conveyance tax.
Woodland Glen Limited Partnership to Thomas J. Quail III and Michele I. Quail, Woodland Glen Condominium, \$115,000.
John M. and Judith A. Davis to Ted S. and Maria L. Banas, Lydall Woods Colonial Village, \$200,000.
Barbara A. Skoog and Patricia Wallingford to Sandra L. Skoog, 51 Arcellia Drive, \$130,000.
Paul W. Gilha to Carolyn DeMeola, Oak Grove Farms Condominium, conveyance tax, \$117.70.
Priscilla Smith to Steven K. and Debra C. Daniels, 389 East Middle Turnpike, \$125,000.
Roger A. Maynard to Howard M. and Deborah P. Smith, 78 Deerfield Drive, \$130,000.
Carl J. Olsen to Anna Marie Vento, Park Chestnut Condominium, conveyance tax, \$73.70.
Lucille R. Barber to Robert A. Smith, 2 Parker St., \$120,000.
Robert L. Russell to Eugene J. and Patricia N. Gallagher, 240 Ferguson Road, \$200,000.
Eugene J. and Patricia N. Gallagher to Americo V. and Albertina G. Penetra, 408 Woodbridge St., \$143,000.

Michael S. Heimer and Priscilla J. Heimer to Humberto and Ana C. Baez, 128 Green Road, \$144,000.

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Ronald E. Joseph to Ronald E. Joseph and Alice G. Joseph, Parker Street, no conveyance tax.
Mafalda Quey to Richard G. Noel, Cheney Brothers Tract between Cooper and West streets, no conveyance tax.
Sharon M. McHugh to Gary L. McHugh, 31-33 Galloway St., no conveyance tax.
Leo V. Diana to Vincent L. and Gloria L. Diana, Green Hill Terrace, no conveyance tax.
Marguerite D. Thomas to Cathy M. Dilley and Marguerite D. Thomas, Greenway Park, no conveyance tax.
Robert F. Blanchard to Judith W. Blanchard, 63-65 Brookfield St., no conveyance tax.
Katherine W. Wintler to Mark L. Wintler, Greenwood, no conveyance tax.
Concetta Stetlet, Patricia DiDonato and John DiDonato to Selena M. Smyth, 173 Edgerton St., no conveyance tax.
Michael D. Norman to Mary M. Norman, 275 Timrod Road, no conveyance tax.
Leonard J. Benjamin to Carol V. Benjamin, 769 Lydall St., no conveyance tax.
Florence E. Peterson to Sherwood O. Hill, Pine Hill Street, no conveyance tax.
Sally B. Keeler to Charles D. Keeler, Pitkin Park, no conveyance tax.
Lucille R. Barber to Shirley A. Converse, 161 Porter St., no conveyance tax.
Shirley A. Converse to Lucille R. Barber, 2 Parker St., no conveyance tax.
August A. and Irene S. Zappa to August A. and Irene S. Zappa, parcels on Villa Louisa Road and Birch Mountain Road.
Donald F. Hahn to Donald F. Hahn and Virginia M. Hahn, 72 Edmund St., no conveyance tax.

Cloudy, muggy

Manchester and vicinity: Tonight, cloudy and muggy. A chance of rain after midnight. Chance of rain 40 percent. Low 65 to 70. Thursday, rain likely. Chance of rain 70 percent. High 75 to 80. Outlook for Friday, mostly cloudy with a chance of showers. High in the middle 70s.

Today's weather picture was drawn by Alicia King, 10, a fourth-grader at Bolton Elementary School.

Births

SCHOENBERGER, Benjamin Brown, son of Michael W. and L. Toby Brown Schoenberger of 53 Perkins St., was born June 30 at Manchester Memorial Hospital. His maternal grandparents are Clarence and Judith Brown of Hartwood, formerly of Manchester. His paternal grandparents are William and Shirley Schoenberger of 54 Perkins St.

JARISH, Kevin Robert, son of Timothy J. and Karen Stevenson Jarish of 743 Tolland Drive, was born July 1 at Manchester Memorial Hospital. His maternal grandparents are Robert and Patricia Stevenson of 16 Henry St. His paternal grandmother is Mrs. Joyce Jarish of East Hartford.

KEITH, Tanya Christina, daughter of L. Mark S. and Sherri Robichaud Keith of Fort Stewart, Ga., was born July 2 in Georgia. Her maternal grandparents are Robert and Patricia Stevenson of 16 Henry St. Her paternal grandparents are G. Jeffrey Keith and Uta Barkowski, both of Manchester. She has a brother, Nicholas, 17 months.

DELLARIPA, Krista Rose, daughter of Frederick C. and Janet Dumer Dellaripa of 4 Tanner St., was born July 1 at Manchester Memorial Hospital. Her maternal grandparents are Albert and Leah Dumer of East Hartford. Her paternal grandmother is Mrs. John Dellaripa of East Hartford. She has a sister, Jenna Maria, 2 1/2.

HINDSON, Chelsea Marie, daughter of Thomas and Nancy Deganne Hindson of 41 Starkeweather St., was born July 3 at Manchester Memorial Hospital. Her maternal grandparents are Barbara and Joseph Deganne of 49 Norman St. Her paternal grandfather is Thomas Hindson of White Haven, Pa. She has a sister, Kristen, 9.

DORSEY, Kimberly A., daughter of Keith A. and Sherri L. Chameroey Dorsey of 333 Hinkle Mae Drive, Coventry, was born July 1 at Manchester Memorial Hospital. Her maternal grandparents are Robert and Judy Chameroey, Mansfield Depot. Her paternal grandparents are Carol and Paul C. Brewster of Coventry.

Current Quotations

"My heart and sorrow go to her mother and father for losing such a beautiful child." Actress Pam Dawber, after the shooting death of actress Rebecca Schaeffer, who she co-starred with on CBS' "My Sister Sam."

"From 1981 through 1988, the prescription drug inflation rate of 88 percent dwarfed the general inflation rate of 28 percent," said Sen. David Pryor, chairman of the Senate Special Committee on Aging.

Public Meetings

Public meetings scheduled for today:

Manchester
Public information session on Route 30 and Route 85, Lincoln Center hearing room, 7:30 p.m.

Bolton
Zoning Commission, Community Hall, 8:30 p.m.
Planning Commission, Community Hall, 8 p.m.

Coventry
Cemetery Commission, Town Office Building, 1:30 p.m.
Pension Committee, Town Office Building, 7 p.m.
Park and Recreation Commission, Patriot's Park Lodge, 7:30 p.m.
School Building Committee, Coventry High School, 7:30 p.m.
Veterans Commission, Town Office Building, 7:30 p.m.
Conservation Commission, Town Office Building, 8 p.m.

Thoughts

The living of these days can be pretty tough. And when we try to make some changes, there's always resistance. Always.
Someone has said that the seven last words of the cross are: "We never did it that way before!" Sometimes we own those words ourselves, and they become pocketwords for our daily lives.
But there are seven other words that are a bit more creative and could really make a difference: live, love, learn, think, give, laugh, try. Maybe these could become the seven core words that set the pace for each day of our lives.

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LOCAL & STATE

Storm-ravaged counties gear up for disaster aid

By Gordon Fairclough
The Associated Press

HARTFORD — State and local officials were ready to spring into action today to help victims of last week's fierce storm apply for federal relief funds after President Bush declared parts of Connecticut a major disaster area.

The president signed the declaration Tuesday night, just hours after returning from his 10-day trip to Europe, authorizing the release of federal funds to help the state recover from last week's storm which caused more than \$100 million in damages.

Gov. William A. O'Neill, who requested the disaster designation Saturday, said through a spokesman that he was "very pleased with the president's prompt action."

The president's declaration will allow residents and local governments in New Haven and Litchfield counties to benefit from a wide range of federal disaster relief programs which include "everything from crisis counseling to low-interest loans to rebuild," said Jon Sandberg, the governor's spokesman.

Residents in need of help can apply for federal aid at disaster relief centers operated by the Federal Emergency Management Agency and manned by state and federal officials that will be set up in heavily damaged areas.

The storm, which flattened 47 homes, severely damaged 78 businesses, left hundreds homeless and tens of thousands without electricity.

"Anyone who saw the devastation from last Monday's storms knew Connecticut would qualify for disaster assistance. It was only a question of when," Sen. Christopher J. Dodd, D-Conn., said in a statement Tuesday.

"I'm very pleased the president has taken this action so quickly upon his return from foreign travel," said U.S. Rep. John G. Rowland, R-Conn. "Slowly but surely, our neighborhoods will be back to normal."

Sandberg said that as soon as the state receives official notification, "we'll move to begin setting up disaster assistance centers in the affected areas. Everyone's been on call. Everybody's ready to go."

Sandberg said he expects the governor will receive official notification Wednesday. Sandberg said Dodd's office called Tuesday evening to alert the governor to the president's action.

"We're ready to move into action tomorrow," said John L. Carusone, mayor of storm-ravaged Hamden. Carusone said federal officials told him Tuesday that a FEMA field office would be open in Hamden in about three to four days.

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Decision on FOI case due

By Alex Girelli
Manchester Herald

The head of a union local representing 24 health care management town employees said he was not satisfied with the results of a hearing on the union's complaint it has been unfairly denied records pertaining to the town's severance agreement with former Assessor J. Richard Vincent.

Robert Harrison made his remarks after a hearing on the union's complaint in Hartford Tuesday before the state Freedom of Information Commission. The union says it has not been given all the documentation available on the severance agreement with Vincent, who resigned in April 1988 after two months of turmoil over the town's aborted revaluation.

"The FOI commissioner, Denise C. Avery, heard evidence from Harrison and from Assistant Town Manager Steven R. Werber. He said a decision in the case will probably be ready in a couple of weeks."

Despite claims by Werber that all the documents involved in the agreement over Vincent's resignation have been provided, Harrison insisted that there must be a complete record of the final check given Vincent for \$32,125.62. The sum was what remained of a \$43,000 negotiated settlement after deduction of state and federal taxes.

The severance agreement, one of the items submitted at the hearing, said a portion of the payment is compensation for unused, accumulated vacation and sick time and a portion of it is six months salary.

Harrison, president of Civil Service Employees Affiliates, Unit 105, said he wants a complete record of the vacation and sick time accumulated and used for the eight years of Vincent's employment.

A letter from Werber to Harrison puts the unused, accumulated balance at 712.25 hours of sick time at a time of 61.83 hours of vacation at the time of Vincent's resignation.

Vincent resigned in April 1988 in the aftermath of criticism over a tax revaluation attempt that failed and was set aside.

Werber submitted an affidavit from Joyce P. Sagal, town payroll supervisor, which said there is no other information in Vincent's personnel folder concerning the \$32,125.62 payment other than information in the severance agreement.

He told Harrison during the hearing that Harrison could check the records over the years to determine if the computation of accumulated vacation and sick time was correct.

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NATION & WORLD

Union, Pittston far apart as new talks start

DUFFIELD, Va. (AP) — The striking United Mine Workers and the Pittston Co. were far apart on key issues as they entered today's federally mediated contract talks, the first negotiations in six weeks.

Both sides spent four hours behind closed doors with a judge Tuesday before agreeing to resume negotiations. Talks had broken down June 8.

At today's talks, the two sides were to sit in separate rooms with federal mediators shuttling messages between them. The 3½-month-old strike has been marked by occasional violence and triggered wildcat walkouts by tens of thousands of miners.

UMW President Richard Trumka, speaking to reporters at a southwest Virginia motel where the talks were to begin, said the way to solve the strike would be for Pittston Chairman Paul Odum to participate in the negotiations.

"I'm disappointed that's not going to happen," Trumka said.

But Michael Odum president of Pittston's mining subsidiary, Pittston Coal Group Inc., told reporters the company wouldn't be pressured into changing its negotiators.

"It would be improper for the union to dictate to us or for us to dictate to the union who represents them at the bargaining table," Odum said.

About 1,900 UMW miners are striking Pittston for its refusal to sign a national contract guaranteeing full medical benefits for pensioners and prohibiting mandatory overtime and Sunday work.

Pittston miners went on strike in Virginia and West Virginia in early April after working 14 months without a contract. Workers in Kentucky walked out in June. Hundreds of miners have been arrested for a variety of violent incidents and for civil disobedience tactics, such as blocking coal-hauling roads.

Wildcat strikes in support of the Pittston workers began last month and idled up to 46,000 miners in 10 states.

Most of those miners returned to work this week, but wildcat strikes continued in parts of West Virginia. Shots were fired Tuesday at coal trucks in Boone County, W. Va. No injuries were reported and late Police Superintendent J.R. Buckalew said the coal fields were relatively quiet.

Union officials in Alabama told more than 3,000 miners to return for Tuesday night's shift at two companies after they failed to show up earlier in the day.

Trumka said the company wants to stop financing pensions for 4,000 Pittston retirees, he claimed would lead other companies to seek to eliminate funds for 130,000 pensioners, widows and dependents.

Pittston also refuses to allow 4,000 laid-off employees to reclaim jobs when they become available, Trumka said.

"Do we see it as a frontal assault on the union? Yes, we do," he said.

Odum reiterated the company's contention that it needs contract changes so it can meet competition from other producers, including foreign companies.



The Associated Press

BEST EFFORT — Thomas Warren of Springfield, Mo., plays with his dog as he sits tied to his sofa for three weeks while he tries to quit smoking.

Will quitting give him a new leash on life?

SPRINGFIELD, Mo. (AP) — Thomas Warren tried several methods, including acupuncture and Smokers Anonymous, to break a 20-year nicotine addiction.

Now, the 42-year-old Springfield man has had himself tied to a 280-pound sofa in his living room and rid his home of tobacco. He intends to remain on the leash for three weeks in a drastic attempt to kick the habit for good.

"I had my friends come over here and take a crescent wrench and tie me up so there was no way of getting off," Warren said Tuesday, his eighth day of being connected to the 280-foot steel cable. "I admitted that I was powerless over cigarettes and that they had made my life unmanageable."

"I had to take control of the situation," Warren describes himself as an artist, dog trainer and drug counselor who beat a cocaine addiction 11 years ago. A pack-a-day cigarette habit sticks with him, however.

"It's a crazy habit that's ruining my life," he said. "It's self-destructive. It's unhealthy. I used to run marathons, but I've got respiratory problems now and can't run anymore. I can't do a lot of the exercises that I'm used to doing."

Warren, who lives alone, rooms about his small, secluded home with the thin cable fastened at his neck by a bolt, like a dog collar. His golden retriever, Rachel, can roam the yard, but Warren's leash limits him from stepping

Gorbachev says strikes a threat

MOSCOW (AP) — President Mikhail S. Gorbachev said today that the wave of strikes by thousands of coal miners and other workers could spread to the railroad industry and seriously damage the country's economic reforms.

In the Soviet Union's worst labor unrest since the 1920s, strikes have now shut down more than 200 mines and factories in the country's two top coal-producing regions, official reports said.

Gorbachev said government negotiations with strike committees have resolved most of the miners' demands, including those on pensions and overtime. But some longer-term questions will take up to a month to settle, and the miners are refusing any delay, he said.

The miners in Siberia are demanding greater control over their industry, a demand that central authorities have so far balked at granting.

In a report to the Supreme Soviet, or parliament, Gorbachev said the strikes already had meant a million-ton drop in coal production, and "now there are reports of calls to railroad workers to join the strike as of Aug. 1."

"Such a development of events poses a threat to the implementation of plans projected by the policy of perestroika," he said. Perestroika refers to Gorbachev's reforms to restructure the economy.

Miners began walking out July 11 in Siberia's Kuznetk coal region. Workers in other industries in the region swiftly followed suit. On Saturday, miners in the Ukraine's Donetsk coal basin also began walking off the jobs.

The miners are demanding more local control over their industry as well as higher wages and better living conditions.

Gorbachev said he and Premier Nikolai I. Rybikov sent a telegram to miners in the Ukraine assuring them that any concessions granted to Siberian miners would apply to other mining regions as well.

He blamed some of the miners' discontent on what he called "anti-socialist" elements, but said he understood their basic demands.

Following Gorbachev to the podium, legislator Anatoly Sautin from the Donetsk region said the number of striking mines was up today to 58.

He delivered an urgent reminder to miners in Donetsk, that



REBECCA SCHAEFFER, actress was 22

Actress slain at apartment

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Police have few clues to why a man shot and killed actress Rebecca Schaeffer after waiting outside her apartment almost four hours. Her agent said she "didn't have an enemy in the world."

Police questioned a former boyfriend of the actress but said he was not a suspect. They haven't ruled out the possibility that Miss Schaeffer knew her attacker, Detective Dan Andrews said.

Authorities also found no indications of harassment against Miss Schaeffer, who starred in the sitcom "My Sister Sam," but the possibility that the killer was a deranged fan "is a motive that we definitely have not ruled out," Andrews said.

"We have no record of her ever having called for assistance or being a victim of anything, or being harassed," he said.

Miss Schaeffer, 21, was shot once in the chest Tuesday morning by a young man who apparently rang her doorbell, Andrews said.

The attacker had been standing outside the two-story building for at least four hours, witnesses told police. The apartment is in the city's Fairfax district near West Hollywood and Beverly Hills.

"I was in the kitchen making coffee and I heard what sounded like a car backfiring," said Richard Goldman, a television screenwriter who lives across the street. "After the pop, there were two bloodcurdling screams."

"I looked out the window and I saw a guy in a yellow shirt jogging at a fair clip... as if it was ball four and he was running to first base."

Another neighbor, Kenneth Newell, rushed to help the fallen woman. "I felt her pulse. I couldn't feel any," Newell said.

The actress died at Cedars-Sinai Medical Center about 30 minutes after the shooting, said hospital spokeswoman Peggy Shafr.

The gunman was believed to be between 20 and 30 years old, police said.

"She didn't have an enemy in the world," said her agent, Jonathan Howard. "She was a very successful young actress, on the ascent, getting job after job. I can't believe this has happened."

Miss Schaeffer co-starred on CBS' "My Sister Sam" with Pam Dawber from 1986 to 1988. She played Patti Russell, the younger sister of Miss Dawber's character, Sam.

"Words cannot express the grief and rage that I feel," Miss Dawber said in a statement from New York. "My question is why. My heart and sorrow go to her mother and father for losing such a beautiful child."

When Miss Schaeffer was first cast in the role, Miss Dawber asked her to move into her Southern California home so the two could develop a convincing relationship for the show.

A native of Eugene, Ore., Miss Schaeffer worked as a model in Japan in 1984, doing commercials and magazine covers. Upon her return to the United States, she took a regular role in the ABC soap opera "One Life to Live."

She also appeared in the Woody episode of the NBC series "Amazing Stories."

She appeared most recently in the recently released movie "Scenes From the Class Struggle in Beverly Hills," playing the daughter of a character played by Jacqueline Bisset.

Miss Schaeffer had just completed a co-starring role in "One Point View," an upcoming feature film directed by Dyan Cannon.

She had returned to Los Angeles recently from Italy, where she played a supporting role in a television miniseries about the hijacking of the Italian cruise ship Achille Lauro.

Iowa explosion is linked to suicide

NEW YORK (AP) — A Navy investigation into the explosion that killed 47 sailors on the battleship USS Iowa in April has found strong evidence that a suicidal sailor set off, according to two reports.

The 16-week probe, with FBI assistance, ruled out unstable gunpowder or flaws in the mechanical or electrical systems in the gun turrets where the explosion occurred, said NBC News and today's editions of The New York Times.

The network cited unidentified Navy sources Tuesday; the newspaper quoted officials in the Pentagon and Congress who spoke on condition of anonymity.

The unrelaxed Navy report said Gunner's Mate Clayton Hartwig, 25, may have been responsible for the blast, according to NBC and the Times.

Navy spokesman Lt. Greg Smith told The Associated Press that the conclusion of suicide "was not based on official reports of the Navy. It is the opinion of NBC and Mr. (Fred) Francis," the network reporter.

Other Pentagon officials told the newspaper the Navy had been reluctant to issue a report, fearing it would further demoralize the ship's crew and bring on legal action, bad publicity or charges of incompetence or cover-up.

Smith said the investigation report had been submitted to the commander of surface forces for the Atlantic Fleet in Norfolk, Va., and eventually would land on the secretary of defense's desk.

The investigators based their findings on a psychological profile of Hartwig by the FBI and 228 other exhibits, including a three-hour videotaped statement from Hartwig's sister, Kathy Koblina of Cleveland, said her brother was not a homosexual and that 17 of his letters had been reviewed by a team of psychiatrists who decided he was a "normal, healthy young man."

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Previous news reports indicated that at one point investigators focused on Truitt as well as Hartwig. Truitt's attorney, Ellis Rubin of Miami, said last month that Naval Investigative Service agents had apologized to his client for news leaks suggesting Truitt was involved in the explosion.

The Iowa is up to its old tricks of releasing selected parts of an investigation to a favored media source and hence to the entire world," Rubin said Tuesday night. "The first victim was Ken Truitt. Now the victim is Clayton Hartwig, his memory and his family."

The Iowa is on a six-month deployment to the North Atlantic and the Mediterranean.

Washed up cocaine keeps beach abuzz

CRYSTAL BEACH, Texas (AP) — High tide has a new meaning these days along Texas' Gulf Coast.

Dozens of bundles of cocaine worth an estimated street value of \$5 million have washed up along more than 200 miles of coast during the past three weeks, attracting a new breed of beachcomber to the area's fish and boat resorts.

"Everybody's talking about it and I think it's a great way to make a few bucks," said Herb Knowles, who works at the Dirty Pelican Pier in Crystal Beach, about 30 miles east of Galveston.

"Guys on the weekend are out here at night on three-wheeled vehicles with big spotlights on the beach. 'You tell me what they're looking for.'"

The first discovery occurred June 28 when five packages weighing a total of about 14.5 pounds were found in the sand on Matagorda Island, about 100 miles southwest of Houston.

A week and a half later, five bundles totaling about 78 pounds washed ashore on the Bolivar Peninsula across from Galveston, and 19 bundles weighing about 81 pounds were discovered by the Matagorda County sheriff's department.

The latest find occurred Thursday when six men fishing about 10 miles off Galveston found 25 bundles with 83 pounds of cocaine floating in the Gulf of Mexico.

Altogether, 61 packages containing 261 pounds of 98 percent pure, uncut cocaine

have been discovered by authorities or turned in to them.

"It all has the same markings, which leads us to believe it's from the same load," said James E. Caldwell, supervisory special agent for the U.S. Customs Service in Galveston.

Marine biologists have estimated the cocaine was in the water from three weeks to a couple of months. It was bundled in lightweight packages of five bricks, each wrapped in fiberglass resin and duct tape and then tied together with yellow plastic rope.

Each brick was marked with the word "CENTAVO" and the designation "T5." On some of the bricks also is written "USA 2."

Religious worshipers die in grenade attack

EDITOR'S NOTE: This report was submitted to a government censor, who deleted significant portions.

COLOMBO, Sri Lanka (AP) — Extremists hurled grenades at a procession of Sinhalese and Tamil worshipers in a southern town, killing at least 13 people and wounding about 85, police said today.

The attack occurred Tuesday night at the end of a week-long religious festival in Kataragama, 105 miles southeast of Colombo, said a police official speaking on condition of anonymity.

No one immediately claimed responsibility for the attack.

About 5,000 people had gathered for the procession, which attracts both Sinhalese Buddhists and Tamil Hindus and is considered a demonstration that the two communities can come together in harmony despite the country's ethnic strife. Tamil Hindus from India also were present.

It is a tragedy beyond comparison," said Ranjana Madumma Bandara, a government lawmaker who participated in the procession. "There is nothing sacred in this country any more."

Bandara said two women walking beside him were killed in the explosions but that he escaped injury.

The Sri Lankan government imposed press censorship July 6

amid escalating ethnic violence and a political dispute with India over the withdrawal of Indian peacekeeping forces from the small island nation southeast of Madras.

In Madras, India, a Sri Lankan Tamil party blamed the attack on Sinhalese militants from the left-wing People's Liberation Front.

Ponnudurai Ravinesan, spokesman for the Eelam People's Revolutionary Liberation Front, said he had information from Sri Lanka that the grenades were thrown by radicals from the Sinhalese group.

The front has usually attacked only fellow Sinhalese since launching an uprising against the government in 1987. It has accused the Sinhalese-dominated government of selling out its own people to make peace with Tamil rebels.

Bandara said Dharamadasa Banda, minister of state for rehabilitation, and other Parliament members were walking with the procession from a Hindu temple to a Buddhist dagoba when three grenades were hurled. Banda, a Sinhalese Buddhist who is the religious chief for the two shrines, was among those injured, Bandara said.

The two shrines, which are about a half-mile apart, are located in the predominantly Sinhalese district of Monaragala.

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Tues. Aug. 8 10:00-4:00

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I-84 Westbound Closing in Hartford: July 21-23

Beginning at 11:00 P.M. Friday, July 21, and extending thru Sunday, July 23, I-84 westbound between Exit 52 and Market Street in Hartford will be temporarily closed to traffic. Several local reroutings will be in effect until the construction work is completed on Sunday.

To avoid significant delays, local motorists are requested to avoid travel thru the interchange during this weekend if at all possible.

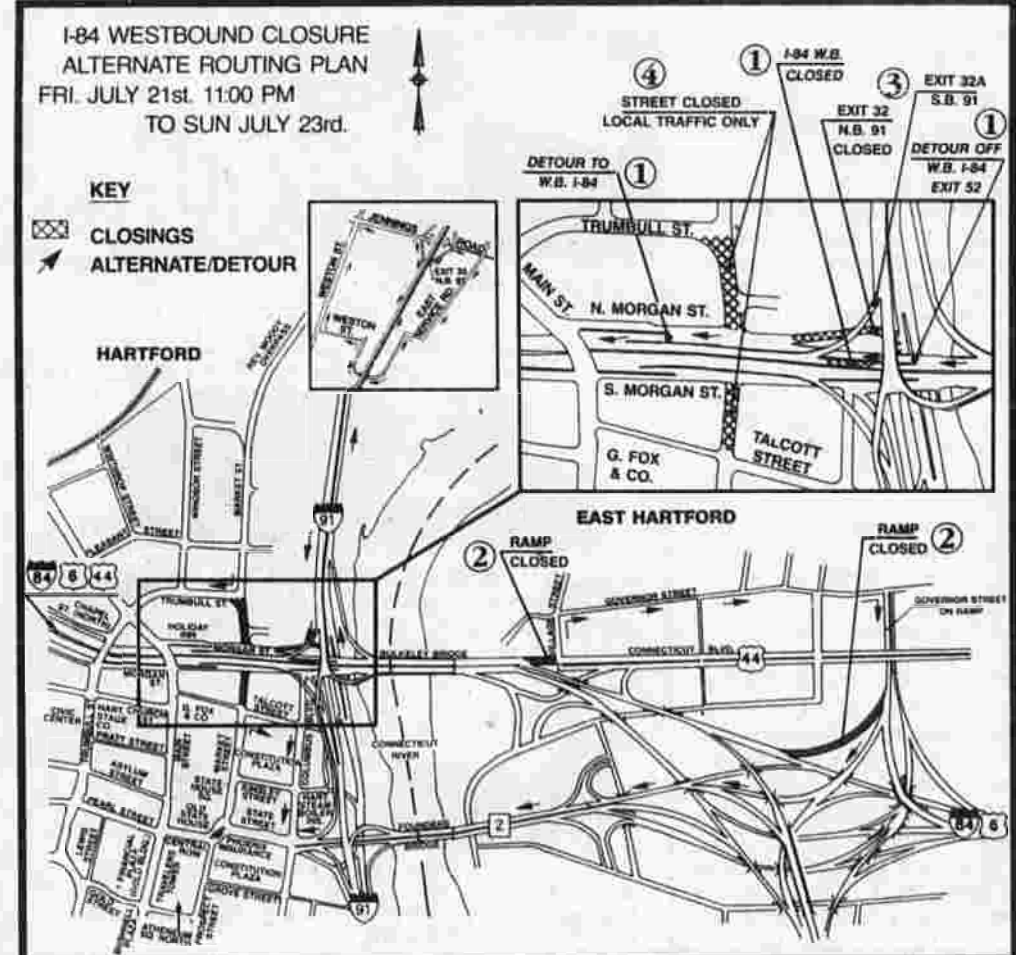
Detours/Reroutings July 21-23

I-84 WESTBOUND, HARTFORD ①
I-84 westbound traffic will be detoured at Exit 52, across the Market/N. Morgan intersection to the N. Morgan expressway entrance ramp.

I-84 WESTBOUND, EAST HARTFORD ②
Westbound entrances at Governor St. and Connecticut Blvd. closed; detour over the Founders Bridge to the I-84 westbound entrance at High St. via Hartford city streets.

I-91 NORTHBOUND ③
Exit 32 (I-84 westbound/Main St.) closed; detour north to Exit 33/Service Rds. to local streets or connection to I-84 westbound via Exit 32A on I-91 southbound.

MARKET ST., HARTFORD ④
Market St. between Talcott & Trumbull Sts. closed; motorists should use Main St. and/or Trumbull St. to reach local streets north and south of the closed section of Market St.



Other Alternates
Motorists should use alternate routes around Hartford to avoid delays. To the Waterbury/Danbury area, use the Charter Oak Bridge (passenger vehicles) or Rte. 2 to the Putnam Bridge/Flt. 3 (commercial vehicles) to I-91 southbound to I-84 to connect to I-84 westbound.

Traffic Updates
The DOT will run frequent traffic updates in cooperation with WVIC-AM throughout the weekend. Signs on the expressways will direct motorists to tune to 1080 AM for reports.

More Information
For more information on the detours and alternate routes, contact the Hartford construction HOTLINE at 528-4023 which will be open Monday through Friday and Saturday and Sunday, 8:00 a.m.-4:30 p.m., for this operation.

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Obsessed data pirate receives prison term

LOS ANGELES (AP) — A computer hacker characterized as a program pirate obsessed with cracking secret access codes was sentenced Tuesday to a year in federal prison and six months' probation.

U.S. District Judge Mariana Praeger issued the prison sentence after learning she could not place Kevin Mitnick in a hospital-operated therapy program for what an expert witness called Mitnick's "impulse disorder."

The program is not under contract with the federal government, said Grace Denton, a spokeswoman for the U.S. attorney.

"A federal sentence has to be served in a federal facility," she said.

Mitnick, who has been incarcerated at the federal Metropolitan Detention Center downtown for seven months, need only serve five months in prison, Ms. Denton said.

Mitnick, 25, pleaded guilty in May to computer fraud and possessing unauthorized long-distance telephone codes. He will spend six months in a residential therapy program after serving his prison term.

The charges stemmed from his use of stolen MCI long-distance codes to tap into computers and copy valuable programs from Digital Equipment Corp.

After his prison term, Mitnick will be under conditional release for three years. Mitnick will not be able to possess any illegal or unauthorized access to computers or telecommunications equipment, and will not be allowed to associate with known hackers. Another condition states that he must complete a rehabilitation program.

During his six months in a halfway house, Mitnick will be allowed to either go to work or to treatment programs during the day, but he must return to the halfway house at night, Ms. Denton said. He can still have a personal computer.

At one time, federal authorities considered Mitnick dangerous enough to restrict his telephone use in jail. But Mitnick cooperated with authorities and apologized in court for his actions, promising never to repeat them.

Harriet Rossetto, a licensed social worker, testified that Mitnick suffers from an impulse disorder and that his illegal computer activity boosted his self-esteem.

"This is a new and growing addiction," she said. "There was no greed involved. There was no sabotage involved."

Assistant U.S. Attorney James R. Asperger said that Mitnick's activities were "something like climbing Mount Everest."

Total smoking ban sought for flights

WASHINGTON (AP) — Some congressmen are seeking a ban on smoking aboard all U.S. airliners, and will ask a House panel to override a subcommittee vote keeping only the current ban on flights under two hours.

In a series of parliamentary moves aimed at heading off a total ban, pro-smoking forces won their first victory in the House Public Works and Transportation aviation subcommittee on Tuesday.

"They're probably all out there puffing happily right now," said Rep. James Oberstar, subcommittee chairman.

The subcommittee voted 17-18 against a move to extend the temporary ban on two-hour flights to cover permanently all flights up to four hours. Oberstar's bill proposing a total ban was amended to extend the ban on two-hour flights from April 23, 1990, to April 23, 1992.

Oberstar, D-Minn., said heavy lobbying by tobacco interests helped defeat the total ban in the subcommittee.

The subcommittee also approved two other measures affecting aviation: a limit on the liability of small plane manufacturers and a delay in implementing a rule requiring collision avoidance systems on large airliners.

All three bills advanced Tuesday are to be taken up by the full committee on Thursday, Oberstar said.

The smoking vote was on the first of several measures pending in Congress that would limit or ban smoking on airliners.

Other bills and amendments in House committees would make the ban on flights of under two hours permanent, phase in a ban affecting flights of up to four hours, or extend the two-hour ban to all flights with 15-minute-per-hour smoking intervals after the first two hours.

A ban on flights under four hours, proposed by Rep. Peter DeFazio, D-Calif., would have applied to nearly all flights except those that go nonstop coast-to-coast.

DeFazio said this would accommodate smokers and give non-smokers the option of making one connecting flight on a cross-country trip to stay on non-smoking flights. Under the present law, it would take five flights to make a smoke-free flight from San Francisco to New York, DeFazio said, with stopovers in Salt Lake City, Denver, Omaha and Chicago.

Poverty marks anniversary

MANAGUA, Nicaragua (AP) — The frigid Sandinista government marks a decade in power today, but many Nicaraguans have little to celebrate in a country that now ranks among the poorest in the world.

Banks, businesses and government offices closed to commemorate July 19, 1979, when the victorious Sandinista rebels marched into Managua to take power two days after dictator Anastasio Somoza fled.

The government said it expected more than 300,000 people for an anniversary rally at the Plaza of the Revolution. That would be about one-tenth Nicaragua's population and nearly one-third of the capital's.

La Voz de Nicaragua, the official radio station, took precautions. Spots broadcast Tuesday urged: "Everybody to the plaza tomorrow! And if it rains? That's no excuse. Everybody to the plaza!"

Red-and-black flags of the ruling Sandinista National Liberation Front and blue-and-white Nicaraguan flags draped the review stand, a bunker-like building built into a small hill in front of Lake Managua.

Some Managua residents predicted most of those at the rally would be Sandinista militants or public employees afraid of losing their government jobs if they failed to attend.

"Five years ago, people were still very enthusiastic about the revolution," a technician who did not want his name used said Tuesday. "People would paint and fix their houses, and neighbors would tell each other, 'Let's go to the plaza.'"

"The people you're going to find at the rally tomorrow are the Sandinistas and those who have to go because they work for the state."

An economic report underwritten by Sweden, Nicaragua's main non-communist supporter, said last year's per capita output was even than Haiti, long the poorest country in this hemisphere with a per capita gross national product of \$330.

When the Sandinistas marched into Managua 10 years ago, dozens of people surged through the capital to give them a joyous reception after a civil war that claimed an estimated 50,000 lives.

"When the revolution happened, people were happy because all this killing was going to stop," said Socorro, 43, a cleaning woman at a private business who asked that her last name not be used. "But these people (Sandinistas) have taken another road. Before, with what I earned I could support my children, buy food," she said. "But now, we're eating once a day. There just isn't enough to go around. And I have two jobs and my husband also works."

"Now my problem is with the other boy," who is 15, she said. "He'll be 16 in October and he's going to help the family. He doesn't know what I'm going to do." Hildebrand Espinoza, 64, who does odd jobs in several neighborhoods around Managua, had similar complaints.

Quayle's advisers telling all

WASHINGTON (AP) — Just when things were getting pretty well for Dan Quayle in the vice president's office, the guys who helped put him there — his former advisers — have come along to spoil it by telling all.

The old stories about Quayle being a lightweight, a foot-in-mouth campaigner, and a neophyte not up to the job he sought are revived in a new book, "Whose Broad Stripes and Bright Stars? The Trivial Pursuit of the Presidency 1988," by political columnists Jules Witcover and Jack Germond.

Derisive comments about Quayle's abilities come not from Democratic critics, but from the GOP stable of advisers the Bush campaign assigned to help manage Quayle.

"Their caustic assessments of Quayle's capabilities and their problems in running his campaign paint a picture of a candidate who needed protection from doing himself political harm."

Longtime GOP consultant Ed Hollies, a former White House political director, said any candid group of political people in town would have told the Bush team that Quayle was a lightweight and should not be vice president.

"President Bush is not happy about the characterizations. I find it offensive. I don't like it," he told reporters Tuesday. "That's the ugly side of politics."

Bush noted Quayle has made two trips to Latin America for the administration, as well as heading the Space Council and contributing to Bush's morning staff meetings.

"He's a good man and he deserves something better than a post-mortem kick in the ... ankles," Bush said.

Ironically, the book comes out at a time when Quayle has received relatively favorable portrayals in several media accounts.

Risk to nuclear dump site underestimated, says study

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Energy Department is underestimating the chances of a volcanic eruption near a Nevada site proposed to entomb high-level nuclear waste that will remain radioactive for 10,000 years, a senior government geologist says.

Department officials say the analysis by John Trapp, a staff geologist at the Nuclear Regulatory Commission, is flawed. But they acknowledged Tuesday that more study is needed before determining whether the site can be used.

Trapp, in what he called preliminary calculations, said his review of the Yucca Mountain site and assessments by Energy Department scientists show the chances of an eruption in the area during the next 10,000 years are about one in six, not the one in 30 odds suggested in department studies.

The proposed site is about 100 miles northwest of Las Vegas.

Trapp made the assertion in an internal memorandum June 22 to Philip Justus, head of the NRC's geology section.

Copies of the memo were released Tuesday by members of the Nevada congressional delegation opposed to building the repository. The state government also strongly opposes the project and has refused to grant the permits the Energy Department needs to begin assessing the site's suitability.

John J. Lineah, a senior NRC licensing official, sent a copy of the Trapp analysis on July 11 to Energy Department and Nevada state officials. In a cover letter he called it "a simple example" of the kinds of issues that need to be resolved by the Energy Department before it seeks a license for the waste dump.

Joseph Fouchard, an NRC spokesman, said Trapp's view did not represent the NRC's official position, but he said, "We agree with Trapp's conclusion that it's an issue that has to be faced up to early."

Yucca Mountain is adjacent to the Nevada Test Site where the Energy Department conducts underground nuclear explosions. It would permanently store nuclear waste from commercial nuclear power plants.

The NRC, which would be responsible for licensing the dump, is analyzing the Energy Department's approach to assessing Yucca Mountain's suitability.

Members of the NRC and the commission's staff said last week they believe the Energy Department needs to put more emphasis on resolving quickly such issues that could make or break Yucca Mountain as a tomb for the nuclear waste.

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OPINION

B-2 bomber should not be funded

Congress should shoot down the gold plated B-2 stealth bomber. The United States neither needs it nor can afford it. At almost \$1 billion a plane, the B-2 is too expensive to ever risk flying.

The bomber is a plane without a mission. ICBMs and cruise missiles can already do anything planned for the B-2. Its high cost rules it out for use on conventional bombing raids. The Air Force already has the new B-1 bomber to replace its elderly fleet of B-52s. The B-1, a conventional plane in comparison to the stealth bomber, still doesn't work as intended. The B-2 with its complicated new radar evading technologies has already cost \$2 billion more than planned and the bomber has yet to be flown.

The history of the B-2 illustrates another failing of defense spending. Its builder, Northrop, has been repeatedly accused of overcharges and illegal payoffs. This week one of its units was suspended from government work for allegedly faking tests on two weapons systems. The government has repeatedly rewarded defense contractors for illegal behavior and substandard work with more contracts.

It's time the pointless spending spree on ever more costly, high-tech weapons comes to an end. There's no better place to start than by grounding the B-2.

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Abortion a great equalizer

By Bob Conrad

The Supreme Court's decision on abortion has created a level playing field for the governor's race in Connecticut next year if the contenders turn out to be Gov. Bill O'Neill for the Democrats and U.S. Rep. John Rowland for the Republicans. Their feelings on the issue are so similar it would be all but impossible to make a campaign argument for or against either one because of his stand on abortion.

O'Neill and Rowland are Roman Catholics. As such, both are openly and unabashedly pro-life. Both make the usual exceptions for allowing abortions — in cases of rape, incest or when the life of the mother could be in peril if her pregnancy were to go full term.

Neither one has a convenient escape from pleadings they will surely hear from pro-choice people. Though O'Neill has said he would abide, as governor, by the law or by court rulings having the force of law, despite any personal reservations to the contrary.

O'Neill and Rowland share, it should be said, the way in which they arrived at their positions on abortion — church-nurtured reasoning from within. And though both are skilled players in the game of politics, these pro-life inclinations were not the product of a party caucus or dictates by a partisan organization. Like the pro-life and the pro-choice people, O'Neill and Rowland are where they are because of conscience.

Still 'Tricky' after 15 years

By Joe Spear

"Nixon Plans Trip to China," the headline in the Washington Post read. "Ha!" said I, wonder if he's going there to tout democracy or to impart to the Chinese some of his firsthand knowledge on how to subvert it.

Then I thought: Confound your cynical hide, Spear, that's nasty. The man is 76 years old. He has been out of office for 15 years. He has paid his dues. Forgive him and get on with today's business.

And then I thought: Never! What he did to me as a journalist, to my profession and to our Constitution was unparadigmatic. I thereby rediscovered the pleasure of showing no mercy for Richard Milhous Nixon, and I heartily recommend it as a tonic for the vexations of daily life.

Over the past 40 years, Richard Nixon has undergone more metamorphoses than a pond full of tadpoles. A "new Nixon" ran with Eisenhower in 1952. A "New Nixon" ran against Kennedy in 1960. A scrupled-up, super-dutiful statesmanlike Nixon ran for president in 1968.

And every time, we were fooled. Even as president, he proved to be the same, spiteful, mean-spirited, vindictive Nixon — a chief executive who loathed his critics so much that he had them ensnared on a "chiefs list."

No class of human beings was more execrated by Nixon than the journalists who reported on his activities. In his best moments, we were "softheads" and "clowns." When he was slightly agitated, we were "contemptible" and "disgusting." When his nerves were frayed, we were "all sons of beach bums." (It cleaned that one up a little.) He had us wretaped, investigated, arrested and audited.

Thanks to the 37th president and his minions I know what it's like to be surveilled by the CIA. It occurred in 1972, in my third year as an

Pushers let loose in lottery

By Jack Anderson and Dale Van Atta

WASHINGTON — What does the Immigration and Naturalization Service do when it has more criminals than jail beds? In at least one case, INS investigators let the illegal aliens draw straws and then set the winners free.

These were not simple immigrants who crossed the border looking for a better life. They were known drug pushers who crossed the border looking for trouble. A highly placed source in the INS told us what happened. INS agents descended on a group of criminal aliens. The agents knew before they had them that they had only 10 people. But they had the misfortune of busting 12 — 11 with prior criminal convictions. All had already been deported at least once.

"We had space for 10," the INS source said. "We had the aliens drawn up. We had the Cuban exile and they went back on the streets." The official INS line is that there is a space crunch in federal jails, but that no criminal alien goes free as a result. In most cases, that's true. What the INS does to keep them in jail is almost as bad. It spends a small fortune renting jail space from local sheriffs when the federal detention facilities fill up. And if the sheriff needs those beds for local criminals, the aliens are "evicted" and shuffled out to other jails. "I can spend eight to 10 hours overtime and a few bucks to keep somebody in jail," one INS regional official told our associate writer, Daryl Gibson.

It happens every day in INS offices all over the country, and it isn't the only problem the INS has. Last month, President Bush politely told INS Commissioner Alan Nelson to hit the bricks. Nelson was replaced by an acting director, Deputy Commissioner James Buck. Nelson was a holdover from the Reagan era who told anyone who asked that he would be mighty glad to stay through the Bush era too. But Nelson's fate was sealed in March by a Justice Department audit that made the INS look like the Keystone Kops.

The agency had lost 25,000 citizenship certificates with a street value of \$115 million to enterprising black-marketeers. Nelson was packing the agency with thousands of new employees, but they could not keep track of money and paperwork. Checks were not deposited. Applications for citizenship reached backlogs. And Nelson spent \$1,500 on commission an oil painting of himself.

The audit did mention a videotape Nelson had produced of his years in office. You won't find it at your video store, but INS sources say they recently got notices that there are still plenty of copies available for any price. It's a sure bet a souvenir of the Nelson years.

In spite of the audit, the INS claims it is better off today than it was four years ago. The agency had a piddling budget of \$434 million to meet every criminal justice process every citizenship application and check every visitor and student coming into the country. Today the budget is closer to \$1 billion. But still isn't enough, especially when the money isn't managed well.

Even under a new administration, the future looks bleak. Bush is rumored to be considering Gene McNary as the new INS commissioner. The name won't ring a bell outside St. Louis, where McNary is a local politician, not an immigration expert. He has been executive of St. Louis County for more than 10 years.

The top INS post is a thankless job. If the INS is too tough, it is branded as heartless. If it opens the doors to too many "huddled masses" who come to breathe free, America gets more "wretched refuse" than the taxpayers can afford.

The last thing career INS people want is an article published by the Los Angeles Times, the old pragmatic quelled the two or three major news plans, but there is much speculation he will deliver a few messages for the Bush administration.

He has already pronounced his opinion on the massacre in Tiananmen Square in an article published by the Los Angeles Times, the old pragmatic quelled the two or three major news plans, but there is much speculation he will deliver a few messages for the Bush administration.

Now he is returning to China, a nation in which he has taken an abiding interest since he personally dismantled the bamboo curtain during a historic 1972 trip. He is not talking about his plans, but there is much speculation he will deliver a few messages for the Bush administration.

I don't know what Nixon can do for the Chinese, but I am certain that our democracy is a little safer when he is on the other side of the globe.

I know, that's nasty. But I have my reasons.

Joe Spear is a syndicated columnist.

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Historic words echo through time, space

'One small step for a man, one giant leap for mankind'

By Howard Benedict

CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. — "That's one small step for a man, one giant leap for mankind." Twenty years have passed, nearly a generation, since Neil Armstrong called those momentous words down from the moon.

Two decades since Earthlings watched those flickering television images, saw that tentative first step on the dusty surface and looked on in wonder as two Americans hopped about in weak gravity, planted and saluted their flag as the mighty Saturn 5 lunar treasure and spoke with their president a quarter million miles away.

Most people living then can tell you today where they were when astronauts Neil Armstrong and Buzz Aldrin took those first steps on the moon Sunday, July 20, 1969.

They were realizing a goal that John F. Kennedy had set in frustration and desperation. Kennedy came to office in January 1961 with a pledge to "get this country moving again." The economy was sluggish, Fidel Castro had taken over Cuba, and the United States trailed the Soviets in the highly visible area of space.

The space chasm widened April 12, 1961, when Soviet cosmonaut Yuri A. Gagarin blasted into orbit, the first man to fly in space. American prestige was rocked again five days later. On April 17, a brigade of Cuban exiles sponsored by the Central Intelligence Agency, stormed the beach at Cuba's Bay of Pigs in an effort to overthrow Castro. His forces, however, had ill-equipped exiles, leaving the United States and its young president in shame and disarray.

Kennedy accepted the blame and decided bold action was needed to restore America's honor. Space was the answer, he concluded, and he gave Vice President Lyndon Johnson the task of determining what could be done.

On April 28, the National Aeronautics and Space Council, which Johnson chaired, submitted a preliminary report to the president. "The moon is a good target for us," it said.

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A young guidance engineer in Houston, 26-year-old Stephen Bales, saw the computer was being asked to solve too many problems, but by checking altitude and other radio data, he recognized that it was solving all the right problems.

Man landed on the moon at 4:17 p.m. EDT on Sunday, July 20, 1969. That was just 164 days before the end-of-the-decade goal Kennedy had set eight years earlier.

Houston, Tranquility Base here. The Eagle has landed," Armstrong reported. "The Moon! The stadium filled with cheers, then there was a moment of silence before the 35,000 fans sang "America the Beautiful."

At Tranquility Base, with no problems and excitement running high, Armstrong and Aldrin asked permission to step outside early, skipping a planned four-hour rest period.

Mission Control agreed and the two moonmen struggled into their boots, gloves, helmets and backpacks. They depressurized the cabin and Armstrong backed down the nine-rung ladder the first step on the dusty lunar surface. It was 10:56 p.m. EDT.

"That's one small step for a man, one giant leap for mankind." It was a sentence he said later had come to him after he was on the moon. "It was a statement that was natural in the sense of his ability," he said.

For several minutes, Armstrong carefully tested the firmness of the soil and his ability to move about in a gravity field only one-sixth the strength of Earth's.

He said Tranquility Base was strewn with boulders and pecked with thousands of small craters. "Magnificent desolation," Aldrin exclaimed after following Armstrong to the surface.

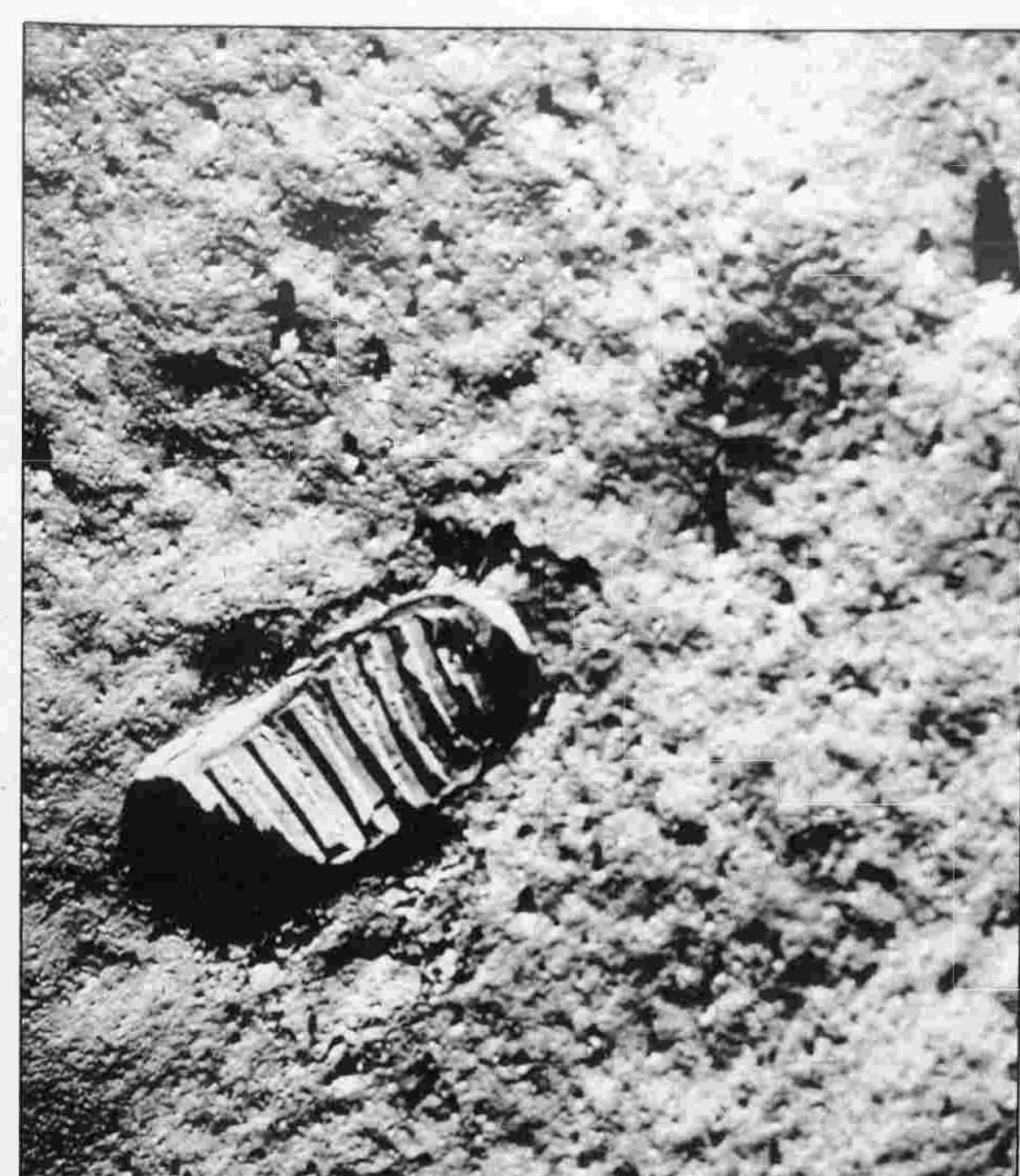
A television camera they mounted on a post 69 feet away provided more than 500 million viewers with a ringside seat to history.

Armstrong stepped back and saluted an American flag, and Aldrin planted back and saluted it. Wire stiffeners enabled it to stand out in the airless vacuum. But when they came back, representatives of all nations when they unveiled a stainless steel plaque bearing these words: "Here on the planet Earth we set foot on the moon, July 1969 A.D. We came in peace for all mankind."

President Richard Nixon spoke to the moonwalkers from the White House, telling them their mission "inspires us to redouble our efforts to bring peace and tranquility to the world."

The astronauts gathered more than 30 pounds of lunar soil and rocks and returned to Earth. On July 24, eight days after launch, Columbia splashed down in warm Polynesian waters, landing just nine miles from the carrier USS Hornet.

Howard Benedict of the Associated Press has covered the space program for 40 years and witnessed more than 2,200 launches, including the launch of Apollo 11.



HISTORIC FOOTPRINT — This footprint was made by an Apollo astronaut during the first moonwalk July 20, 1969.

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Zoning

"I'm not a policeman," he said. "I can't do anything without the backing of the Board of Selectmen."

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When he found a man operating a machine shop out of his house, which was in a residential zone, the man told him he was permitted to do so by the town. Lowrey said he checked with the former building official and found the man was telling the truth.

Another case involved a man to whom Lowrey denied a variance to build a balcony within 1 foot of Bolton Lake. The man complained because his neighbor was allowed to build a deck, some years back, within 1 foot of the lake.

Lowrey told the man he could not help him, and his neighbor should not have been granted the variance.

Because there are few records, he said, "I'm a little hesitant to enforce zoning violations from a few years back."

He said his job is also made difficult by "rather poor" zoning regulations.

The chairman of the Zoning Commission wanted me to shut it down, and he can't tell me why," Lowrey said. "I don't like to work this way."

The work is beginning to make more sense, he said, because he is getting a better understanding of the regulations and the way the Zoning Commission wants them enforced.

And they said they should be enforced, he said.

"If you're not going to enforce regulations, you may as well not have them," Lowrey said.

Coventry

came to light only a few weeks after the Town Council cut \$1,200 from the budget for the current fiscal year for the Northeast Sexual Assault Service.

She said victims of sexual assault can still be assisted free of charge by the agency, located on Mansfield Avenue in Williamantic. But she said if towns do not contribute, the agency may not be able to continue to operate.

"I will continue to go back to the council until some money is available for the agency," said Grady.

In sexual assault cases, according to Trzaskos, the police are required by law to notify the state Department of Children and Youth Services. A DCYS investigator then works with local officers on a case, he said.

Trzaskos attributed the rise in domestic dispute arrests to enforcement of a new state law requiring arrests of both parties when it is not clear who is at fault.

"I see it (law) as a very positive thing," said Trzaskos.

Previously, a police officer had more discretion in trying to settle the dispute. But Trzaskos said that too often was a "temporary solution" and police were often called back to another dispute between the same parties, he said.

Trzaskos said he is also concerned about the safety of officers because his department is understaffed. He said officers frequently must answer such calls alone.

In addition, Communist hardliners opposed to Jaruzelski's compromise may for their own reasons object to his candidacy.

Solidarity-backed newspapers announced in banner headlines today the news that Jaruzelski - citing "a sense of duty" - had reversed a June 30 decision eschewing the presidency and would run after all.

Poland

The Communist leadership had asked him to reconsider.

An announcement by Solidarity leader Lech Walesa that he would cooperate with Jaruzelski as president and words of praise from President Bush during a visit last week also appear to have helped persuade the general.

Gen. Wojciech Jaruzelski decided to put before the National Assembly his very person, his whole life as a politician, his feeling of duty and personal dignity," the official daily Zycie Warszawy said today.

It said that the "main architect of the transformations has become dramatically trapped by their effects."

Today's vote was to be an open roll call, which should make it easier for the Communists and allied Peasant and Democratic parties to insist that each coalition lawmaker vote for Jaruzelski, the Communist Party chief and Poland's leader for more than eight years.

The new president must deal with worsening food shortages and inflation now headed for annual rates of 100 percent.

The pressing economic problems have caused widespread discontent and were the impetus behind the ruling Communists' concessions to Solidarity.

In April, the free trade union movement was reinstated after a seven-year ban and allowed to field candidates in June elections that were the country's first since the Communists seized power four decades ago.

In parliament, where Solidarity won all but one of the seats it was allowed to contest, the Communist coalition has 300 of the 500 seats.

Fill your kitchen gallery with a collection of frozen jams designed to impress your friends and family. We have five delicious jams in this collection, each with its own distinctive flavor and texture: Strawberry Jam, capturing the sweet, tangy flavor of fresh strawberries; Raspberry Peach Jam, a combination of the tart, textured taste of raspberries and smooth, sweet peaches; Peach Apricot Jam, the perfect union of two sweet and slightly tangy fruits; Blueberry Sour Cherry Jam, mixing two rich, full-bodied flavors; and a Strawberry Orange Marmalade that's tart and refreshing.

Each one is a masterpiece. Each one is the perfect accompaniment to any meal - breakfast, lunch, snacks, or even dinner. Imagine spreading any one of these jams on freshly baked bread, popovers, biscuits or muffins; over pancakes and waffles, too. Or, imagine a dessert cake with jam spread between the layers, or ice cream complemented by jam topping.

It takes only 30 minutes to prepare any one of these succulent treats. The secret ingredient is the addition of fruit pectin to the jam. Pectin helps the jam to set and preserves the fruit's fresh flavor and bright color. Since the amount of natural pectin in fruit decreases as the fruit ripens, the addition of commercial fruit pectin can make all the difference.

You can choose from three different types of fruit pectin: Certo liquid pectin in pre-measured foil pouches and Sure-Jell regular pectin and Sure-Jell light pectin, both

powdered pectins. Sure-Jell light, a new pectin, appeals to those who prefer a less sweet spread, since it requires 1/3 less sugar in recipes than Sure-Jell regular. There are recipes for each pectin product, but remember, they are not interchangeable. Be sure to use the pectin recommended in your recipe.

Now is a good time to scout around for the main ingredient. Farm stands, produce markets and grocery stores have the best of the season's fruits. Buy only the freshest, ripest fruits - bright, solid strawberries with their green caps intact; firm, unblemished peaches; bright raspberries, blueberries and cherries; and firm oranges.

Follow any one of these fabulous recipes, ladle the jam into 1-pint freezer containers and cover with tight-fitting lids. Let them stand 24 hours, then store in your freezer for up to 6 months. Once you remove a jam from the freezer, it will keep fresh in your refrigerator for up to 3 weeks.

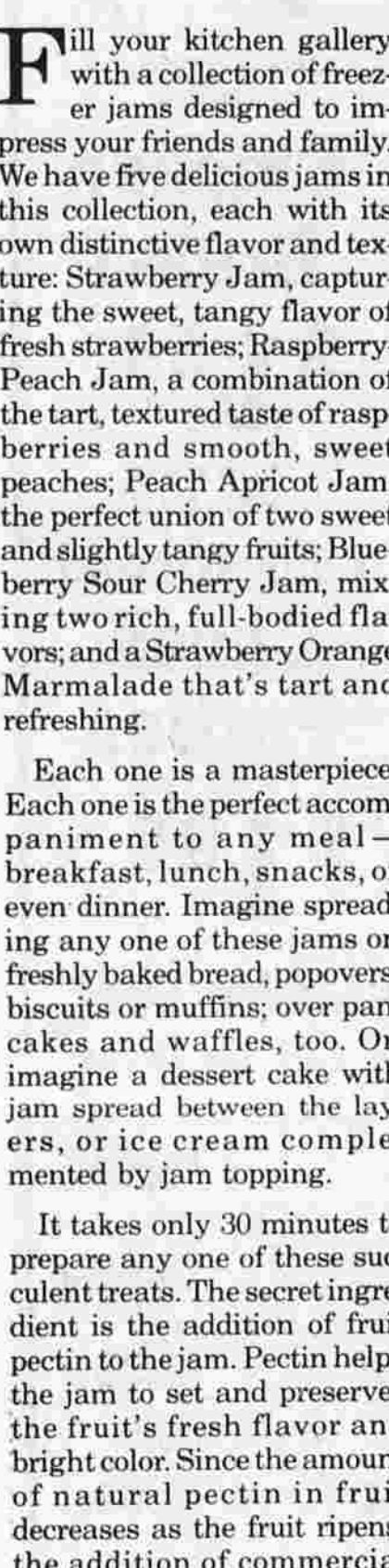
You needn't stop with these recipes. Look for the recipe leaflets tucked inside the pectin packages. They contain a wealth of recipes and preparation tips. Once you start making freezer jams, you'll want to make them a tradition.

Just think, only 30 minutes of easy preparation and your family can enjoy the taste of fresh fruity jam for 6 months! Add an extra charming, old-fashioned touch by making handwritten labels for each jam container. You can give these homemade treats to your friends as well, and they'll never guess how easy they were to make.

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Enjoy a collection of bright, fresh fruit freezer jams all year round to make the most of fresh seasonal fruits. Delicious!

Strawberry Jam

4 cups prepared fruit (about 2 qt. fully ripe strawberries)
2-3/4 cups (1 lb. 3 oz.) sugar*
1 box Sure-Jell light fruit pectin

*Or use 1-3/4 cups (12 oz.) sugar and 1 cup light corn syrup; add with sugar.
First prepare the fruit. Stem and thoroughly crush, one layer at a time, about 2 quarts strawberries. Measure 4 cups into large bowl.
Then make the jam. Measure sugar. Combine pectin with 1/4 cup of the sugar. Gradually add pectin mixture to fruit, stirring vigorously. Set aside for 30 minutes, stirring frequently. Gradually stir in sugar until dissolved. Ladle quickly into scalded containers, filling to within 1/2 inch of tops. Cover at once with tight lids. Let stand at room temperature overnight; then store in freezer. Small amounts may be covered and stored in refrigerator up to 3 weeks. Makes 5-1/2 cups or about 6 (8 fl. oz.) containers.

Raspberry-Peach Jam

3-1/2 cups prepared fruit (about 1-1/2 pt. fully ripe red raspberries and about 1-1/4 pt. fully ripe peaches)
1/3 cup lemon juice
7 cups (3 lb.) sugar
3/4 cup water
1 box Sure-Jell fruit pectin

First prepare the fruit. Thoroughly crush, one layer at a time, about 1-1/2 pints red raspberries. (Sieve half the pulp to remove some seeds, if desired.) Measure 2 cups into large bowl or pan. Peel and pit about 1-1/4 pounds peaches; finely chop or grind. Measure 1-1/2 cups; add to raspberries. Add lemon juice.
Then make the jam. Thoroughly mix sugar into fruit; let stand 10 minutes. Mix water and fruit pectin in small saucepan. Bring to a full boil and boil 1 minute, stirring constantly. Stir into fruit. Continue stirring 3 minutes. (A few sugar crystals will remain.) Ladle quickly into scalded containers, filling to within 1/2 inch of tops. Cover at once with tight lids. Let stand at room temperature 24 hours; then store in freezer. Small amounts may be covered and stored in refrigerator up to 3 weeks. Makes about 7-1/4 cups or about 8 (8 fl. oz.) containers.

Peach Apricot Jam

2-1/4 cups prepared fruit (about 1 lb. fully ripe peaches and 3/4 lb. fully ripe apricots)
2 tablespoons lemon juice
1/2 teaspoon ascorbic acid crystals
4 cups (1-3/4 lb.) sugar
3/4 cup water
1 box Sure-Jell fruit pectin

First prepare the fruit. Peel, pit and grind or chop very fine about 1 pound peaches; measure 1-1/4 cups. Pit (do not peel) and finely grind about 3/4 pound apricots; measure 1 cup. Combine measured fruits, lemon juice and ascorbic acid in large bowl or pan.
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Blueberry Sour Cherry Jam

2 cups prepared fruit (about 1 pt. fully ripe blueberries and 1 pt. fully ripe sour cherries)
3-3/4 cups (1 lb. 10 oz.) sugar
2 tablespoons lemon juice
1 pouch Certo fruit pectin

First prepare the fruit. Grind about 1 pint blueberries. Measure 1 cup into large bowl or pan. Pit; then grind about 1 pint sour cherries. Measure 1 cup and add to blueberries.
Then make the jam. Thoroughly mix sugar into fruit; let stand 10 minutes. Add lemon juice to fruit pectin in small bowl. Stir into fruit mixture. Continue stirring 3 minutes. (A few sugar crystals will remain.) Ladle quickly into scalded containers, filling to within 1/2 inch of tops. Cover with tight lids. Let stand at room temperature 24 hours; then store in freezer. Small amounts may be covered and stored in refrigerator up to 3 weeks. Makes about 3 cups or about 4 (8 fl. oz.) containers.

Strawberry Orange Marmalade

(Not in Photo)
2-3/4 cups prepared fruit (about 1 pt. fully ripe strawberries, 2 medium oranges and 3/4 cup water)
5-1/2 cups (2 lb. 6 oz.) sugar
2 tablespoons lemon juice
1 pouch Certo fruit pectin

First prepare the fruit. Stem and thoroughly crush, one layer at a time, about 1 pint strawberries; measure 1 cup. Section 2 medium oranges, reserving peel; dice the sections and measure 1 cup. Peel off and discard about half the white membrane from orange peel; slice very thin with sharp knife or scissors. Place sliced peel and 3/4 cup water in a small saucepan. Bring to a boil; reduce heat, cover and simmer 15 minutes. Combine peel with liquid, the orange sections and strawberries in large bowl or pan.
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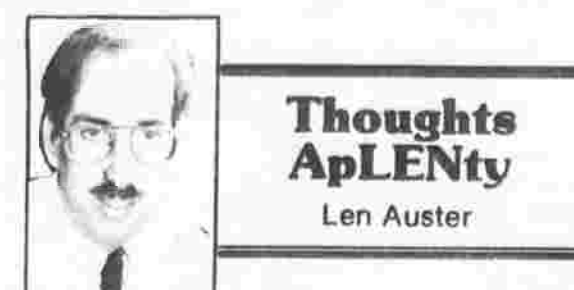
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SPORTS



Hoop slate is favorable to the Huskies

The tentative 1989-90 University of Connecticut basketball schedule was released last week and it shows the Huskies with an ambitious 30-game schedule, including three at the Great Alaska Shootout to begin the year in Anchorage, Alaska, on Nov. 24-27.

The Huskies, after a 20-14 season in 1987-88 in which they won the National Invitation Tournament championship, followed it up a year ago at 18-13.

That, to many schools, would have caused a great deal of elation. All it brought the folks in Storrs was disappointment and a lot of questions about "what happened."

Connecticut fans, which head coach Jim Calhoun understands all too well, weren't ready to accept anything less than an NCAA bid. That was not forthcoming and a second consecutive trip to the NIT was not well received.

For one, the Huskies have a schedule that's usually equivalent with one of the "big boys." Of Connecticut's 30-game agenda, 20 are on friendly floors at either the Field House in Storrs, the Hartford Civic Center, or the new on-campus Sports Center's Gampel Pavilion.

Fourteen of Connecticut's 18 wins last year came at home. The Huskies were 14-4 overall at home and at the antiquated Field House that has seen better days and a best-ever 10-3 at the Civic Center.

UConn was 5-3 in Big East conference play in Hartford. They would win only one more Big East game on the road, finishing 6-10 overall.

When Calhoun took over as UConn's 17th head coach on May 15, 1986, he said one of his goals was to have the Huskies do some traveling. The trip to Alaska speaks for itself. The Huskies, no matter whom they play, will be challenged at the Shootout. The field includes UConn, Auburn, Texas A&M, Florida State, Kansas State, Michigan State, Hawaii and host Alaska-Anchorage. Pairings are to be announced.

When UConn returns home from Alaska, it has nine consecutive home dates beginning Nov. 30 against Yale at the Field House and winding up with the concluding game of the Connecticut Mutual Classic on Dec. 30 in Hartford.

"The schedule for the coming year will be the most demanding our basketball team has ever faced," said UConn Director of Athletics Todd Turner. "The entire schedule has very good balance and we're optimistically looking forward to playing our final game in the UConn Field House (Jan. 24 vs. Central Connecticut) and dedicating the opening of the Gampel Pavilion (Jan. 27 vs. St. John's)." he added.

Six of the home dates will be at the Field House, which has served Connecticut basketball so well since its opening. Nine more will be at the Civic Center and five will be at the new 8,028-seat Sports Center.

All of the home dates, however, do not immediately translate into a successful '89-90 campaign. That, obviously, will depend on how the Huskies perform on the court. And Connecticut has a lot of question areas. The most difficult is scoring where the enigmatic Cliff Robinson and inconsistent Phil Gamble, who led the attack the past two seasons, have used up their eligibility.

Chris Smith took on some of the scoring load as a freshman last year, but his shooting statistics were dreadful. That'll have to improve for the return of Steve Pikiel in the backcourt should help, but with as many as eight freshmen and sophomores on the tentative 1989-90 roster, Calhoun and Connecticut fans — are going to have to have practice patience.

The schedule is favorable, but full of potholes. Len Auster is sports editor of the Manchester Herald.

O's, McDonald close to a deal

BALTIMORE (AP) — Louisiana State pitcher Ben McDonald, who led his team into the College World Series six weeks ago, may find himself firing his 95-mph fastball and assortment of off-speed pitches in another World Series come October.

After weeks of often bitter negotiations, the Baltimore Orioles and their top draft choice are reportedly close to reaching a contract agreement. The Washington Post said the basic elements of an agreement were worked out last week when Orioles president Lawrence Lucchino visited McDonald at his Denham Springs, La., home.

"I can't say it's going to get done," said Larry McDonald, the player's father who is acting as his son's agent. "We're not that far apart. I think we can finish it over the telephone."



HOME RUN — Moriarty Brothers' Ray Sullivan, right, touches home plate after hitting a three-run homer in the second inning of Tuesday night's Twilight League game.

Bidwell hits a milestone in Twilight League career

It was 14 summers ago that Dave Bidwell first hurled a game for Moriarty Brothers of the Hartford Twilight League.

The veteran right-hander, a 1974 Manchester High graduate, reached a milestone in his pitching career Tuesday night at East Catholic's Eagle Field.

Bidwell spun a five-hitter as Moriarty Brothers trounced Evans Insurance of South Windsor, 12-3, for its fifth consecutive victory.

The victory also was Bidwell's 100th in his Twilight League career. Did Bidwell think he would be pitching this long?

"Not really," the 33-year-old Bidwell said. "When you don't get a call from the pros, this is the next best thing. It's better than softball. When I'm 40, I can play softball. I'll go as long as my arm goes."

Bidwell went the distance, walking just one batter and striking out six. It was his 33rd straight win this season moving his personal record to 2-2.

The MB's, who host D'Amato Construction Thursday night at 6 at East Catholic, is now 10-7 while Evans ends off at 8-8.

Bidwell mixed his pitches well, effectively choosing the most opportune time to come in with his fastball, which he says is in the low 80s.



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Witt finally beats Sox

ARLINGTON, Texas (AP) — Bobby Witt grew up in the Boston area and rooted for the Red Sox as a kid but he'd never beaten Boston in eight career starts.

That streak ended Tuesday night when the Texas Rangers right-hander "threw" his first career two-hitter, downing the Red Sox, the only American League team he'd never defeated, 8-1.

"I didn't know if I'd ever beat 'em," Witt said. "I'd come close a few times in Boston when I had leads going into the seventh or eighth.

Witt, 28, overcame a rocky first inning when he walked the first two batters, allowing only singles to Kevin Romine in the fourth and Mike Greenwell in the eighth en route to his third complete game of the season.

"I wasn't too happy with myself in the first," Witt said. "Sunny (catcher Jim Sundberg) told me to be more aggressive, to challenge the hitters and not leave anything out there. I needed a good kick in the butt to get me going."

Witt won his third straight outing, outpitching Roger Clemens, 10-7, to hand the Red Sox their fourth straight loss. Witt walked six, struck out eight and retired 17 of the last 19 batters he faced.

If the Rangers are to make a run at the American League West lead, they'll need a continuation of Witt's turnaround.

Witt is 8-0 with a 1.95 ERA in his last four starts after going 3-8 with a 7.31 ERA over his previous 12 outings.

"I'm definitely throwing the ball a lot better than I was in May and June," Witt said. "Right now I feel I have a lot to contribute and I just want to keep it going."

Clemens was 4-1 with a 2.10 ERA in eight previous career starts at Arlington Stadium. Clemens issued three walks to tie a career low and the right runs matched the second-most he'd ever allowed in a game as he lost to the Rangers for the third time this season.

Clemens said the 95-degree heat was a factor. Clemens was impressed by Witt's performance. "When Bobby threw that well and when they get a big inning like the fourth, that equals a Ranger victory," Clemens said.

"You can't do much with two hits," Red Sox manager Joe Morgan said. "We let Witt off the hook early when he was as wild as could be."

Julio Franco led the attack with a double and a triple for three RBIs to take over the American League leadership with 69 RBIs.

Rangers scored five runs in the fourth, and highlighted a five-run third with a two-run single in the seventh after the Brewers walked.

Francisco's double into the right field corner off the glove of Dwight Evans drove in Rafael Palmeiro with the winning run.

"The key was the double to right field," Clemens said. "Julio, he's strong. I was surprised he hit it that far. I thought it might get to the warning track, but not the wall."

An intentional walk then backed fired on the Red Sox for the second straight night. Morgan ordered Clemens to give Rick Leach an intentional pass and Steve Buechele lined a single to center to score Franco and give Texas a 2-1 lead.

Francisco had two RBIs in the seventh on a triple to right-center. "The guys in front of me are getting on base and I have to get those RBIs," Franco said. "I know if we stay healthy and play 100 percent, we can win this thing."

Bo's HR aids KC

AL Roundup

By Dick Brinker
The Associated Press

Bo knows baseball. Bo knows football. Bo knows the way to the water display. Is there anything Bo doesn't know?

"I knew what he was going to throw me," Bo Jackson said of the pitch from Milwaukee's Don August that he turned into a three-run homer in the first inning Tuesday night.

The result was a 435-foot drive that landed in the water display beyond the right-centerfield wall of Kansas City's Royals Stadium. It started the offensive fireworks for the Royals, who beat the Brewers 9-4.

Wathan didn't wait long for the answer. With one out and an in, Seitzer and George Brett aboard on singles, Jackson showed him.

"Just as I thought that he smoked the next pitch to right," Wathan said of the All-Star MVP who had missed five games with a sore leg.

Wathan's counterpart, Tom Trebelhorn, would have preferred that Jackson continue to nurse his leg a few more days. But he, too, was impressed.

"It was a slider down and away," Trebelhorn said. "But I'll tell you what, I was more impressed with his single later. He handled that inside pitch like a real hitter."

Jackson, whose 22nd homer tied him for the league lead until Milwaukee's Rob Deer retook it in the next half-inning, finished with five RBIs. Jackson added an RBI single and a run-scoring grounder.

Brett had two singles and a triple and scored four runs. He highlighted a five-run third with a two-run single to snap his club's three-game losing streak.

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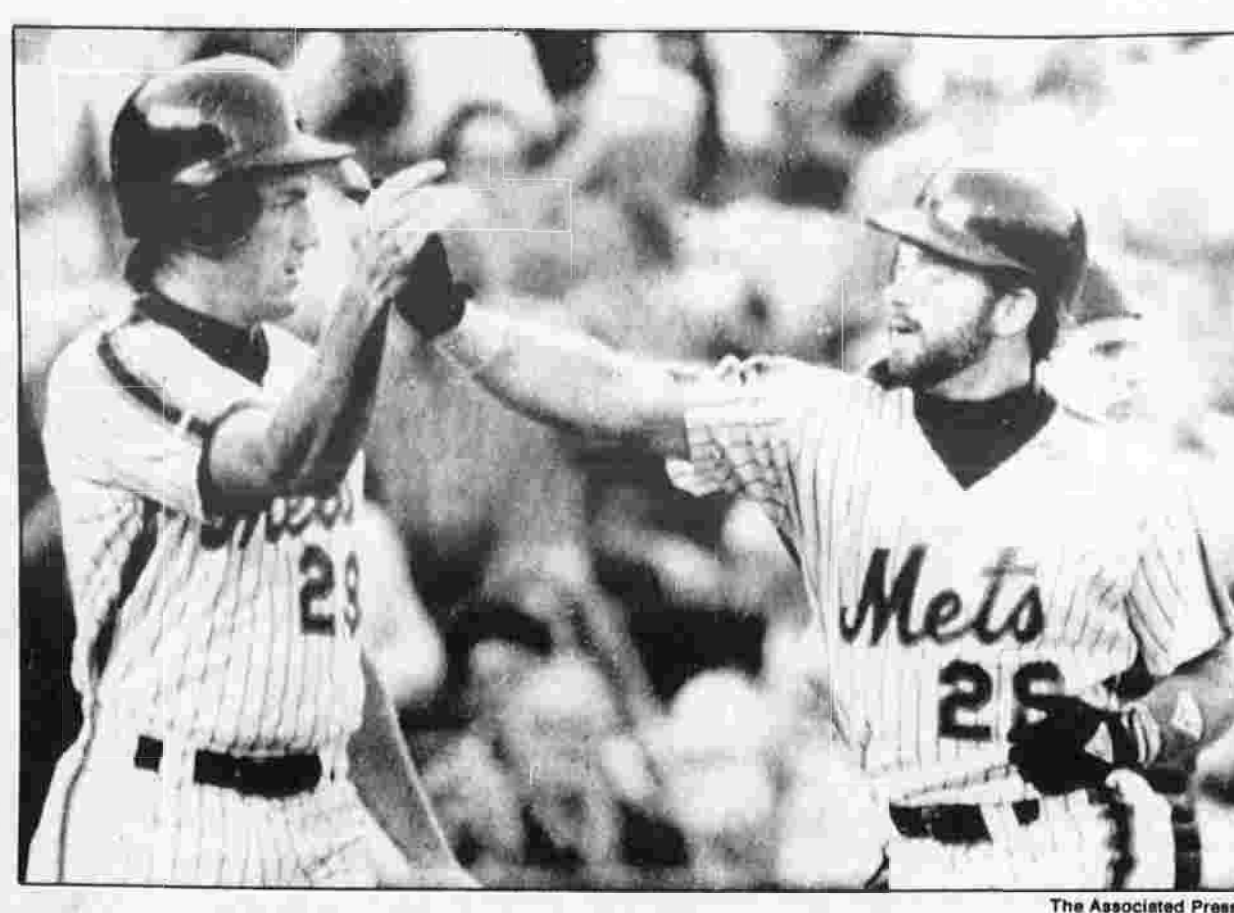
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WELCOME HOME — The Mets' Dave Magadan, left, welcomes Howard Johnson after the latter's two-run homer in the first inning against the Houston Astros Tuesday night at Shea Stadium. The Mets won, 9-0.

Mets respond to little 'chat'

NEW YORK (AP) — Dave Johnson had a lot of pre-game meetings the last five years, but somehow this one was different. Definitely louder.

"It was the first time he really chewed us out," Keith Hernandez said.

"It was the maddest I've ever seen him," Howard Johnson said. "A day after being swept in a doubleheader by a combined score of 18-3, and following Johnson's 15-minute 'chat' with the players Tuesday night, the New York Mets routed the Houston Astros 9-0 behind Sid Fernandez's pitching and the team's 15-hit attack."

"I was upset with the other team being more aggressive than us," Dave Johnson said. "We were losing too quietly. I wanted to let the team know we had to kick it into gear. And the rest of what I said." He paused. "Well, that's between me and my players."

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James atones with his bat

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NL Roundup

Chris James didn't get defensive about his error. He went out seeking to atone it.

James responded with his second grand slam of the season, leading the Padres to a 17-4 victory over the Pittsburgh Pirates Tuesday night. San Diego tied its record for runs and set a season high with 22 hits.

"I went to the plate trying to knock the stuffing out of something," said James, who had four hits, scored four runs and drove in five.

In the top of the fifth, his error helped Pittsburgh score four runs and take a 4-2 lead. In the bottom of the inning, Jack Clark hit an RBI single and James became a first National League to hit two grand slams this season.

"I was upset that I made an error in the outfield and Jack got on my case about it when I got back to the dugout," James said. "Padres manager Jack McKeon."

James, who hit a grand slam April 28 off Cincinnati's Danny Jackson, has three home runs in four games and nine RBIs in his last five.

"I'm starting to get more confidence," he said. "I have a feeling in my heart that when I go to the plate I'm going to have a good at-bat."

Clark hit his 16th home run of the year in the eighth inning and had his first three-hit game of the season. Garry Templeton also had three hits and Benito Santos had four hits and drove in three runs.

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Giants 7, Cardinals 3: Kirk Manwaring drove in four runs with a two-out, bases-loaded triple in the first and an RBI single in the eighth. San Francisco won for the 22nd time in its last 27 games at Candlestick Park.

Don Robinson, 8-6, allowed six hits in 6 1-3 innings as the Giants, 19 games over .500 for the first time since Sept. 10, 1978, won their fourth in a row.

Brewers 7, Expos 1: Lonnie Smith's two-run single capped a four-run seventh as Atlanta rallied from a 6-0 deficit in Olympic Stadium.

Dennis Martinez, who has won a club-record nine consecutive decisions, was given a six-run lead in the second but allowed three runs in the sixth and was chased in the seventh. Steve Frey, 3-1, was the loser.

Dodgers 4, Cubs 1: Orel Hershiser, 11-7, pitched a four-hitter and struck out five at Dodger Stadium to beat Chicago for the first time since 1986. Kirk Gibson doubled in two runs for Los Angeles.

Greg Maddux, 9-8, gave up eight hits and all four runs in six innings in the eighth and ninth and had his first three-hit game of the season. Garry Templeton also had three hits and Benito Santos had four hits and drove in three runs.

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Gooden gets OK to begin throwing

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"We will not rush him in," Dr. Fiske Warren and Dr. Russell Warren reported that the right-hander had made good progress from a tear in his right shoulder muscle and could begin to throw lightly next week and "tolerated" a tolerated "therapeutic."

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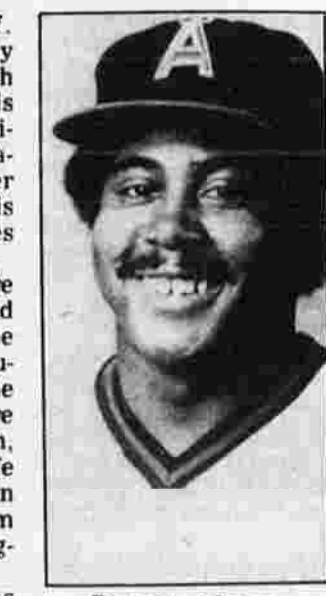
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Hospital parking expanded

The state Commission on Hospitals and Health Care has approved Manchester Memorial Hospital's application to build a \$4.5 million, 233-car employee parking garage, hospital officials announced today.

Construction could begin by Oct. 1, hospital officials said. Construction will take about eight months to complete.

The garage will be located next to the hospital on Hayes Street, a site currently occupied by a surface parking lot, hospital officials said.

The parking lot will have five levels, four of them elevated. It will be connected by a covered walkway.

The garage will be built with the capability to expand up to 700 spaces, officials said.

Hospital officials have said that building the garage for employees will relieve congestion in current parking lots and allow more spaces for visitors.

The garage will be built by the design-building company of Des-Man Parking Associates of New York, and McCarthy Parking Structures of St. Louis.

On March 31, the hospital submitted a certificate of need application to build the garage to the state commission. Approval was granted Tuesday.

The garage probably will not accommodate all of the hospital's employees on any one shift, Andrew Beck, hospital spokesman, said. The hospital employs about 1,200 people on three different shifts.

The hospital will lose 57 spaces due to the construction of the garage, Beck said today. The hospital is looking for alternate parking for the employees during construction, he said.

Hospital officials said today there are currently 685 parking spaces at the hospital.

Hospital President Michael R. Gallacher said in April 1988 that parking conditions at the hospital are a "nightmare."

In 1987, the hospital withdrew an application from the Zoning Board of Appeals to build a 36-foot-high, 1,100-car parking garage.



GOVERNOR'S WIDOW — Mary Dempsey holds the state of Connecticut flag that had draped the coffin of her husband, former Gov. John N. Dempsey, during graveside services for him in Putnam Wednesday. Story on page 4.

Aircraft broke up in flight

SIoux CITY, Iowa (AP) — A United DC-10 with 293 people aboard flew 50 miles after parts of the plane fell off, then crashed during an emergency landing and cartwheeled in a ball of fire. Yet many walked away from the flaming wreckage and at least 176 survived.

"I thought I was going to die," said 8-year-old Ben Riddle of Prairie View, Ill., who was carried out of the fractured fuselage by a passenger. The boy, shaken but unharmed, clutched a United Airlines button and a pair of plastic pilot's wings as he spoke.

City Manager Hank Sinda said today 74 were dead and 43 missing from the crash of United Airlines Flight 232. Rescuers found 67 dead at the scene, some scattered on an inactive Sioux Gateway Airport runway, some strapped to their seats and some in a field of corn 4 feet high.

Officials said 183 people, of whom seven died, were brought to two hospitals.

The search for bodies resumed today. It could be days before the number of dead is determined, Sinda said.

A flight recorder was recovered, authorities said.

The Seattle-based cockpit crew survived and were being treated for injuries at a hospital, Nadin said.

He identified them as Capt. A.C. Haynes, a 33-year-old United veteran; First Officer W.R. Records; and Second Officer D.J. Dvorak.

The 15-year-old jumbo jet had "complete hydraulic failure" before Wednesday afternoon's crash, Federal Aviation Administration spokesman Fred Farrar said.

Hydraulic systems provide power steering that allows pilots to manipulate the wing and tail controls of the jumbo jet. Without it, aviation officials say the plane would be uncontrollable.

The tail engine failed, and this may have caused a hydraulic failure, said Bob Raynesford, another FAA spokesman. The plane's three independent hydraulic systems are routed to the tail section.

Nadin said he did not know if hydraulic problems were a factor.

The crash left a swath of charred runway and strewn bits of people's lives over an area larger than three football fields—two sets of golf clubs, a wallet photo of a brunette in her prom dress, a Reebok tennis shoe, a purple hairdryer, one black high-heeled shoe and a collection of Marilyn Monroe photographs, Sinda said.

Parts of the plane, apparently from the tail piece and engine, were found about 50 miles away.

A four-man crew working for Melton Den Seeds Inc. near Alta, 55 miles east of Sioux City, discovered one piece, 6 or 7 feet high and 6 feet long, in a corn field.

Affirmative action plan scrutinized

HARTFORD (AP) — A memo from five state attorneys general says the program that sets aside portions of state contracts for women and minority-owned businesses is illegal, but a spokesman for the agency says a final decision on the future of the program hasn't been reached.

Richard F. Kehoe, counsel to the attorney general, said Wednesday the memo was an internal document and represented an initial step in the state review of a recent U.S. Supreme Court case.

He said acting Attorney General Clarence Nardi Riddle and the governor's office both have requested additional research.

"It's, quite frankly, not ultimately what the attorney general is going to come out with," Kehoe said. He said he expects Riddle to issue a decision on the matter in about a month.

The memo resulted from the U.S. Supreme Court decision in January in Richmond vs. Croson. The ruling in that case invalidated a set aside program in Richmond, Va., because it was based on generalized assertions of past discrimination rather than specific proof of past discrimination.

The assistant attorneys general found that in establishing Connecticut's minority set aside program in 1977, legislators made no claim whatsoever of past discrimination to justify its creation.

As a result, they concluded in a March 2 memo that the program is "constitutionally infirm and should not continue to be implemented in its current form."

Their memo also urged that continuation of the program could lead to a court challenge with the near certainty of a court order to cease implementing the program.

The assistant attorneys general also determined that some aspects of a set aside program can be preserved or modified. For instance, the memo says a small contractor set aside program and a revolving small contractor loan fund can be preserved.

The assistant attorneys general who wrote the memo to Riddle were Robert A. Whitehead, Robert E. Walsh, Charles A. Overend, David Teed and Robert Testelmann. Whitehead referred questions on the memo to Kehoe.

While finding the overall program illegal, the assistant attorneys general also determined that some aspects of a set aside program can be preserved or modified. For instance, the memo says a small contractor set aside program and a revolving small contractor loan fund can be preserved.

Rt. 83 contract due next summer

By Alex Girrell
Manchester Herald

A contract for widening a stretch of Route 30 and Route 83 that links Manchester and Vernon will probably be awarded next summer or fall and two-way traffic will be maintained during construction, operators of businesses along the road were told Wednesday night.

About 10 businessmen attended a meeting in the hearing room of Lincoln Center at which Arthur Taylor, project manager for the work, explained the state Department of Transportation's plans for the improvement.

Taylor told them that access to their business places would be kept open during the construction and the present driveways would remain as they are.

The project was approved by the General Assembly in 1986, after being promoted by Carl Zinner of Manchester, then a state senator, and supported by some area legislators. Owners of some of the businesses had pressed for improvements in the road.

Cancer battle inspired her commitment to life

By Maureen Levitt
Manchester Herald

Don't tell Gail Marsha she can't do something because one way or another she will prove you wrong.

Marsha, 32, won a battle with cancer which almost killed her but she has made a full recovery and she has answered a personal commitment to live a full and active life.

Marsha, of Mansfield, recently received the Courage Award from the Manchester-North unit of the American Cancer Society for her volunteer work with cancer patients from the Manchester area.

"I'm honestly, I had never heard of it," Marsha said of the award during a recent interview at the American Cancer Society office at 243 E. Center St.

"It was really a great honor. I didn't feel like I had done anything."

She can't exactly ignore the disease because she lost her left leg, right lung and some ribs to it. But since the ordeal, she has dedicated herself to helping other people with cancer.

Marsha believes her positive outlook on life and commitment to set and reach goals helped her to survive her bout with cancer.

"When someone tells you you can't do it... of course you can do it. You just figure out other ways," Marsha said.

Marsha finished high school in Vermont. It was a time that she said was the most difficult period in her life because she was so self-conscious of her disability.

With the help of a school counselor, she learned to focus on her strengths and concentrate on setting goals, Marsha said.

She attended college in Vermont and completed her studies in 3 1/2 years instead of four years in order to get a jump on competing graduates looking for work.

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COURAGEOUS VOLUNTEER — Gail Marsha of Mansfield poses outside the Manchester-North unit of the American Cancer Society, 243 E. Center St. Tuesday, Marsha recently received the Courage Award from the society for her work with cancer patients at Rockville General Hospital.

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