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## LaPointe innocent, says kin

'He didn't do it,' says brother of accused killer

By Nancy Concelman  
Manchester Herald

HARTFORD — Rosaire LaPointe Jr. said he almost had a heart attack when he heard his brother had been accused of sexually assaulting and strangling 88-year-old Bernice Martin.

In an interview at Hartford Superior Court Thursday, LaPointe described his brother Richard LaPointe as a loving, giving man who frequently ran errands for Martin.

Martin was the grandmother of Richard LaPointe's wife, Karen. "I know he didn't do it," said Rosaire LaPointe Jr., who spells his name differently. "My brother is the type of person... he don't lie. He loved that woman."

Richard LaPointe, 43, of 75 Union St., was arrested July 5 and charged with sexually assaulting, stabbing and strangling Martin and setting fires in her apartment at 251A North Main St. on March 8, 1987. Police said the fire was probably set to cover up the crime.

Rosaire LaPointe left the Stuart, Fla.-based construction business he recently started to attend his brother's probable cause hearings in Hartford Superior Court this week.

After the hearings, Superior Court Judge Harry Hammer will determine whether LaPointe will be tried for murder and sexual assault.

During testimony at Wednesday's hearing, state and local police and firefighters described the scene at Martin's apartment the day of the murder.

The hearing was continued to Thursday but Thursday's hearing was postponed until today because officials did not have authorization to bring LaPointe from the Bridgeport Correctional Center due to a clerical error, court officials said.

Rosaire LaPointe, 34, said his family learned of Richard LaPointe's arrest through newspaper articles. LaPointe said he and other family members were shocked at the news.

"I almost had like a heart attack," he said. Richard LaPointe is the eldest of five children, three boys and two girls, his brother said. Richard LaPointe's siblings and parents could not attend the hearings, but all are convinced of his innocence and are supporting him, Rosaire LaPointe said.

"They're all with him," he said. Richard LaPointe is slightly retarded because of two or three brain operations he's had, which may be the reason prosecutors subpoenaed LaPointe's 1982 hospital records, according to his brother.

Superior Court Judge Raymond Norke had ordered that the records be unsealed, but Hammer ordered them resealed Wednesday after defense attorney Patrick Calligan objected.

Although the operations have affected Richard LaPointe physically, he has never had mental

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HELPING HANDS — Helen Wittkofski of 119 Benton St. peels a peach at the Eighth Utilities District Fire Department firehouse today in preparation for the 40th annual peach festival.

## Fest features fuzzy fruit

By Diane Rosell  
Manchester Herald

The smell of succulent peaches filled the air in the Eighth Utilities District today as peeling residents shaved the fuzzy fruit for tonight's annual Peach Festival.

Mark Flynn, a firefighter with the Eighth Utilities District Fire Department, said many of the people peeling the fruit today went to bed early Thursday after sharpening their instruments to prepare for the event. Tonight's festival, which will feature peach shortcake, will mark the 40th time the event has been held.

"Last year it took five hours to peel all those peaches," Flynn said Thursday. Flynn said residents of the Mayfair Gardens housing for the elderly, the homeless, and friends and family of firemen usually come down to help peel and set up chairs and tables. He said about 75 to 100 people were expected to help prepare for

the event.

Flynn, who has been selling festival tickets since July 24, said he can tell residents are excited. The \$1.50 ticket entitles visitors to the shortcake and a chance at a number of door prizes.

"I've been going door-to-door and talking to a lot of people," Flynn said. "People are definitely looking forward to this."

Flynn said in addition to peeling and setup, volunteers will be making all the whipped cream for the shortcake.

The festival, which will be held at the corner of Main and William streets from 6 to 9 p.m., is expected to draw about 3,000 people, Flynn said. Johnny Fryco's Good Times Band will play along with the 8th Fire and Drum Corps.

Door prizes include a doll house, gift certificates to various businesses, bottles of wine and a case of motor oil.

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**Breast cancer death rates soaring in Northern states**  
By Robert Byrd  
The Associated Press

ATLANTA — The nation's rate of death from breast cancer is increasing and it's worse across the Northern states, although federal cancer specialists can't explain why.

The annual death rate from breast cancer in the United States in 1988, the latest year available, was 22.4 per 100,000 women, up 5 percent from 1979's 31.1, the national Centers for Disease Control reported Thursday.

The mortality rate in 1988 was 12 percent higher for black women than for white women. Breast cancer killed 40,534 women in the United States in 1986, the CDC said. Still, the disease is survivable in most cases. The National Cancer Institute estimates that 75 percent of breast cancer patients live at least another five years.

The CDC said Delaware, with an annual breast cancer death rate of 41 per 100,000 women, had a rate nearly double that of Hawaii, which was lowest at 23 per 100,000.

Each of the dozen states with the highest rates was in the northern half of the country. In contrast, all but three of the

## Cops hunt for weapon in murder

By Rick Santos  
Manchester Herald

A 27-year-old Manchester man who said he stabbed a boarding house tenant in self-defense has been charged with murder, police said.

The charges against the only suspect, 27-year-old John Giacomo of 166-G Homestead St., were increased Thursday afternoon from first-degree assault to murder. Giacomo is charged with the slaying of 48-year-old James Paul, whose body was discovered by police Wednesday in a 13-room boarding house at 144 Center St.

Police charged Giacomo with murder after the state medical examiner's office in Farmington declared the death a homicide and identified the body Thursday. Giacomo is being held on \$50,000 bond until his Sept. 18 arraignment in Hartford Superior Court.

Police spokesman Gary Wood said police are trying to find the murder weapon and more details of the events that led up to the stabbing.

The arraignment was transferred to Hartford after Giacomo appeared in Manchester Superior Court Thursday afternoon. He is also charged with first-degree assault.

In an arrest affidavit released Thursday, Giacomo is quoted as first denying the crime but later admitting to it.

"He jumped on me. He was strangling me, and I had to stab him," Giacomo told police, according to the affidavit.

The affidavit says that Giacomo told police that he went to Paul's residence to purchase valium but failed. Giacomo told police Paul was a heavy cocaine user, and that Paul attacked him when Giacomo told him he could not provide cocaine, the affidavit says.

Giacomo told police he had sold cocaine to Paul "a few times," the affidavit says.

On the day of the murder, Giacomo was taken into custody by Vernon police at 8:30 p.m. on an unrelated charge. Sgt. Richard Simon of the Vernon Police Department said Giacomo was arrested at Route 30 and Hillside Avenue after an off-duty officer reported to police that he observed a man who appeared to be drunk walking along Route 30.

After Giacomo was brought to the Vernon police station, officers there contacted Manchester police.

Vernon police had been informed previously that a "hysterical" woman identifying

herself as Giacomo's sister-in-law had telephoned the Manchester Police Department at 7:48 p.m. warning them that Giacomo had phoned her husband, Giacomo's brother Anthony, telling him he had stabbed someone to death that afternoon, according to the affidavit.

When Manchester police questioned Giacomo at the Vernon station, he denied any scuffle with Paul, and said he created the story about the killing to get attention and love from his brother, according to the warrant.

"In addition, Giacomo told (police) that he was intending to attempt suicide as another means of gaining his brother's attention," the affidavit says. He

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**'New worlds' are explored by Voyager**  
By Lee Siegel  
The Associated Press

PASADENA, Calif. — Voyager 2 plunged over Neptune's north pole for a close-up look today at the icy moon Triton, snapping photographs of cliffs and glacier-like lunar terrain as it reached the pinnacle of its epic exploration of four planets.

"We see what is best described as an extremely strange and puzzling surface" in photos of Triton taken a few hours before the spacecraft made its closest approach to Neptune, said Bradford Smith, head of Voyager's photographic imaging team at NASA's Jet Propulsion Laboratory.

The photos showed long fault lines, ridges, low-lying cliffs and "ice structures of various sorts, like glacier terrain," scientist Torrence Johnson said. "They're like things you see in polar caps on Mars. We're not seeing a lot of big craters," indicating Triton's surface is geologically active with processes that obliterate craters made by meteorites.

"It looks like there's all kinds of fault systems all over the place," said Laurence Soderblom, of the U.S. Geological Survey. The faults suggest that "Triton quakes" may have occurred at one time on the moon.

"Triton will upstage Neptune. It's filled with hummocky, rippling terrain," said laboratory

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**O'Neill tells agencies to 'do more with far less'**  
By Judd Everhart  
The Associated Press

HARTFORD — Gov. William A. O'Neill and his budget chief are cautioning state agency heads against asking for too much as they prepare their 1990-91 budget requests. In fact, agency heads are being told to be prepared to do more with less next year.

The letters to agency heads were released Thursday as the State Board of Education approved a \$1.4 billion 1989-91 budget request that, if approved by the governor and General Assembly, would represent an 11.3 percent increase in spending over the current budget year.

The education budget is consistently the second largest in the overall state spending package, right behind the Department of Income Maintenance, which this year is spending about \$1.5 billion.

Together, the two agencies' spending accounts for about one-third of the state budget annually.

"Each one of you will be expected to do more with far less than we came to expect during the mid-1980s," O'Neill says in his letter to commissioners. "My continuing concerns over the uncertainty of economic and revenue growth must clearly be reflected in your fiscal 1991 budget."

The agencies are to submit budgets to maintain current services by Sept. 1. By Oct. 1, they're to submit a list of areas and programs where their spending can be cut by up to 10 percent, if necessary.

Proposals to increase spending beyond current services will be accorded to a separate letter to agency heads sent by Anthony V. Milano, the governor's budget chief and secretary of the Office of Policy and Management.

O'Neill's letter, dated Aug. 9, recalls the "booming economy" of the mid-1980s that allowed the state to roll up more than \$1 billion in budget surpluses at the same time it was cutting taxes.

This year, with the economy beginning to sag, O'Neill and the Democratic-controlled General Assembly approved higher taxes that totaled almost \$1 billion for the 15 months beginning April 1. The higher revenues were needed to balance the 1988-89 budget of \$6.9 billion, a 3.8 percent increase over spending in the previous year.

"Our progress through the 1980s was fueled by a booming economy and an abundance of unanticipated surplus revenues," the governor wrote. "Our record is based on our judicious, compassionate and imaginative use of these revenues."

The vote in the State Board of Education meeting was 6-2 in favor of the proposed budget. It now goes to the Office of Policy and Management, the governor's budget office, for its next review.

O'Neill will incorporate a version of it in his overall 1990-91 budget to be presented to the General Assembly in February.



# RECORD

## About Town

### Bridge club results posted

Here are the Manchester AM bridge club results played on Monday:  
North-south: Sue Henry and Ellen Goldberg, first place; Ann De Martin and Tom Regan, second place; John Greene and Al Berggren, third place.  
East-west: Linda Simmons and Bev Saunders, first place; Dorothy Atanaton and Barbara Anderson, second place; Dale Harned and Ann McLaughlin, third place.

Here are the results from Thursday:  
North-south: Ellen Goldberg and Peg Danfield, first place; Louise Miller and Eleanor Berggren, second place; Frank Bloomer and Harvey Sirota, third place.  
East-west: Tom Regan and Mike Franklin, first place; Mary Willhide and Sara Mendelsohn, second place; Terry Daigle and Marge Warren, third place.

### Theatre help wanted

The Little Theatre of Manchester, 71 Hilliard St., is looking for a set designer and a costume director for the fall production of "The Boy Friend," a 1920's musical.  
For more information, call 647-9612 evenings.

### Pinochle scores posted

Here are the results from the Manchester Senior Pinochle Club played Thursday at the Army and Navy Club:  
Ruth Baker, 621; Amelia Anastasio, 594; Laura Kruse, 590; Anthony Demajo, 578; Mike Habernern, 576; Bud Faquin, 576; Sam Schors, 572; Hazel McGary, 560; Ann Fisher, 555; Jessie Dailey, 552; Arnold Jensen, 551.

### Alumni reunion slated

The Manchester Midget Football Association invites all alumni members to an alumni reunion on September 17, at Dennis Carlin Memorial Field on Spring Street, at 11 a.m.  
For more information, call Jean Carlin at 647-9887.

### OA support offered

Overeaters Anonymous meets Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays at the First Baptist Church, 240 Hillstown Road, at 1 p.m.  
There are no fees and everyone is welcome.  
For more information, call 524-4544.

### College Notes

#### Three graduate recently

Three Manchester residents graduated recently from Wentworth Institute of Technology, Boston, Mass.

**Lorraine M. Davis** majored in construction technology and graduated cum laude. **Michael Delesio**, majored in architectural engineering technology; and **David J. Rosetto**, majored in building construction technology.

### Current Quotations

"The banishment for life of Pete Rose from baseball is the saddest sorry episode. One of the game's greatest players has engaged in a variety of acts which have stained the game, and he must now live with the consequences of those acts."  
Commissioner A. Bartlett Giamatti on Cincinnati Reds Manager Pete Rose being banned from baseball for life for allegedly betting on his own team.

### Pollen Count

NEW HAVEN (AP) — The ragweed-pollen count for Connecticut on Friday was 80 and the mold-spore level was moderate, reported the Hospital of Saint Raphael.

### Lottery

Winning numbers drawn Wednesday in New England:  
Connecticut daily: 775. Play Four: 8490.  
Massachusetts daily: 0533.  
Tri-state daily (Maine, New Hampshire, Vermont): 151 and 5313.  
Rhode Island daily: 3998.  
Rhode Island Lot-4-Bucks: 1, 3, 9, 27, 35.

### Weather

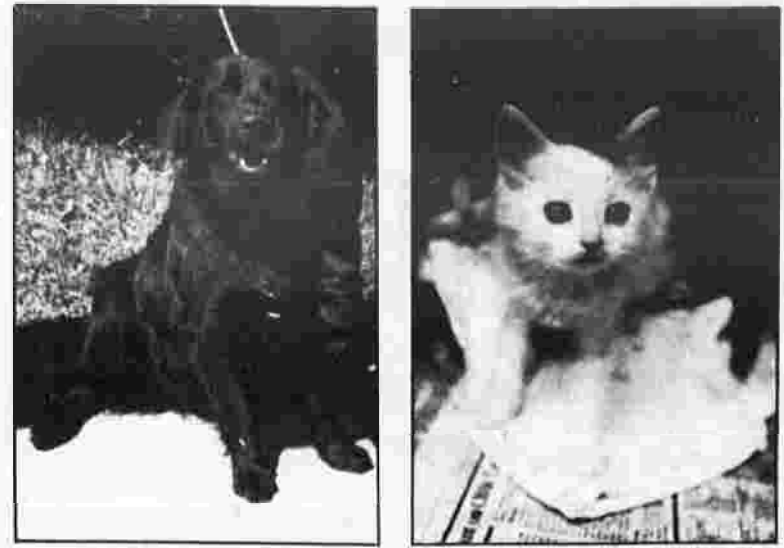
**REGIONAL Weather**  
Saturday, August 26  
New England: Partly cloudy with showers and a few drizzles in the afternoon.  
Montreal 6/9  
Caribou 6/7  
Toronto 7/3  
Albany 7/4  
Boston 7/3  
Buttfield 7/6  
New York 7/6  
Atlantic Ocean  
Pittsburgh 8/1  
Washington 8/1

**Sunny weekend**  
Manchester and vicinity: Tonight, clear and cool. Low in the 40s. Saturday, sunny. High 75 to 80. Outlook Sunday, sunny. High in the 80s.  
Northwest Hills: Tonight, clear and cool. Low in the 40s. Saturday, sunny. High 75 to 80. Outlook Sunday, sunny. High in the 80s.  
Coastal: Tonight, clear and cool. Low in the 40s. Saturday, sunny. High 75 to 80. Outlook Sunday, sunny. High in the 80s inland and upper 70s near the coast.  
Long Island Sound: Tonight, wind variable 5 to 10 knots. Seas less than 1 foot. Saturday, wind variable about 10 knots becoming locally onshore during the afternoon. Seas 1 foot or less.

## Pet of the week is Ebony

By Barbara Richmond  
Manchester Herald

A coal black chow cross named Ebony is this week's featured pet at the Manchester Dog Pound. Ebony is about 6 months old and is a male.  
Dog Warden Richard Rand said a passing motorist on Route 284 saw the dog on the highway and brought him to the pound on Aug. 22. He seems to be a friendly little dog and probably won't grow any larger than he is now. He is ready to be adopted any time.  
There were a couple of other new dogs at the pound as of Tuesday. There was a male cocker spaniel. He's blood and is about 5 years old. He was found roaming on Hillstown Road on Aug. 19.



Ebony

Tuffy

The other new one is a spayed female named Tuffy, about 3 years old and is small and light rusty brown in color. She is wearing an up-to-date license. But Rand said he checked the address and the building is empty.

Judy, the female Labrador retriever featured a few weeks ago, has been adopted by an East Hartford family. Ron, the male Pomeranian featured a couple of weeks ago, has been adopted by a Manchester family as was the cocker spaniel mentioned last week.

The black male poodle, also mentioned last week, was claimed by his owner, Kate. The little female beagle featured last week, is still waiting for a good home. She's about 3 years old and was also found roaming on Route 284.

### Obituaries

#### Edward W. Jenack

Edward W. Jenack, 71 of 25 Russell St., husband of Eric (Carlson) Jenack, died Thursday (Aug. 24, 1989) at Manchester Memorial Hospital.  
He was born in Chicopee, Mass., Sept. 5, 1917, and had been a Manchester resident for 48 years.  
Before retiring, he was a baker for the Viking Baking Co., formerly of Hartford, for many years. He was a World War II veteran, serving in the U.S. Army.

He was a member of the Army and Navy Club and the Manchester Senior Citizens.  
Besides his wife, he is survived by a son and daughter-in-law, Bruce and Kim Jenack of Manchester; a daughter and son-in-law, Susan and Bruce Oney of Manchester; his mother, Victoria (Sokolowska) Jenack of East Hartford; a brother, Raymond Jenack of Manchester; and a sister, Irene Cagle of East Hartford.  
The funeral will be Saturday at 10 a.m. at the Holmes Funeral Home, 400 Main St. Burial will be in East Cemetery. Calling hours are today from 7 to 9 p.m.  
Memorial donations may be made to the American Cancer Society, 243 E. Center St., or to a charity of the donor's choice.

#### Card of Thanks

We would like to extend our sincere thanks to all of our relatives, friends and neighbors for the overwhelming outpouring of kindness and sympathy shown to us during this very tragic time. We will forever grieve.  
Family of Vincent Popeleski

### Public Records

#### Warranty deeds

Violetta Construction Co. Inc. to Mary Ann Dixon, Tudor Court Condominium, conveyance tax, \$125.00.  
Arnold L. Kilpatrick to Peter S. Buch, K Condominium, conveyance tax, \$150.50.  
Robert and Anita E. Cotto to Gloria C. Mariotti, 274 Green Road, \$127,500.  
Barney T. Peterman Sr. and Barney T. Peterman Jr. to Stanley W. Talaga, Sunny Brook Drive, \$95,000.

Gil D. Boisneau to Raymond A. Gorman, 229 E. Center St., \$350,000.  
William P. and Jacqueline A. Leone to Laura J. Smith, 25-27 Hollister St., \$185,000.  
Vojta and Lewis M. Norris to Robert Nukis and Darlene G. Nukis, 38 Baldwin Road, \$170,801.  
Dorothy K. Beran, executrix for the estate of Harold J. Beran, to Jeffrey I. Bergen, 357 Broad St., \$175,340.  
John J. and Sandra M. Rimetz to John G. and Ginette L. Mace, 6 Bates Road, \$162,500.  
Manchester Townhouse Associates Limited Partnership to Dominic M. and Diane M. Cutalo, Lavton Garden Condominium, conveyance tax, \$99.99.  
Adolph A. Quey to Christine M. Quey, 115 Brookfield St., \$100,000.  
Mary Catherine Development Co. to Derekseth Corp., Birch Mountain, no conveyance tax.  
Derekseth Corp. to John J. and Sandra M. Rimetz, Birch Mountain, \$248,000.  
John G. A. Mace and Ginette L. Mace to Wayne J.

and Jean M. Cyr, 104 Irving St., \$128,000.  
Linda M. Jordan to David A. Wolfenden and Leslie B. Wolfenden, Clairmont, \$142,400.  
Sheila C. Dorman to Paula C. McKinney, Northfield Green Condominium, conveyance tax, \$140.80.  
David P. and Nancy C. Malick to Robert I. Waldo, 35 Morse Road, conveyance tax, \$156.20.  
Dennis D. and Sheila A. Radahaugh to Ira S. and Sheila C. Dorman, Highland Park, conveyance tax, \$252.60.  
Rothman and Beaulieu Inc. to Town of Manchester, Tolland Turnpike, no conveyance tax.

**Quit claim deeds**  
Robert T. Alibrio to Donna C. Alibrio, 182-184 S. Main St., no conveyance tax.  
Robert T. Alibrio to Donna C. Alibrio, 23-25 Knighton St., no conveyance tax.  
Robert T. Alibrio to Donna C. Alibrio, 66 Village St., no conveyance tax.  
Dan B. Frye to Marilyn Jacobson, Mountain Farm, no conveyance tax.  
Edgar O. Cheney Jr. to Carol M. Cheney, 160 Blue Ridge Drive, no conveyance tax.  
Manchester State Bank to David J. Fishman, Birch Mountain, conveyance tax, \$209.24.  
Richard F. Bassett to Pamela J. Bayer, Lydall and Parker streets, no conveyance tax.  
Maureen A. Horowitz to Denise L. Lair, 26 Thomas Drive, no conveyance tax.  
John Hanley Jr. to Alison J. Hanley, 331 Woodbridge St., no conveyance tax.

## IN BRIEF

### Deaths called coincidence

NEW HAVEN (AP) — Two women in their 30s died within four days of each other while giving birth at Yale-New Haven Hospital, but hospital officials said the deaths were due to different complications and were unrelated.  
"They were totally unforeseen and unpredictable, and that they were together was mere coincidence," said Bruce Reynolds, a hospital spokesman.

Patricia Penn, 33, of Madison, died Aug. 8, and Donna Valente Kirk, 32, of North Haven, died three days later. Both infants survived.  
An average of 7.2 women die for every 100,000 live births nationally, according to the National Center for Health Statistics in Washington, D.C. Based on that rate, Yale-New Haven, where doctors deliver nearly 5,800 babies each year, would expect fewer than one such death a year.  
Both of the women who died at Yale were giving birth for the first time.  
One woman had a heart disorder that had not been previously diagnosed, and which would have killed her eventually even without pregnancy, said Dr. John Hobbits, chief of obstetrics.

The second woman died when a tiny bit of amniotic fluid that surrounds the infant was somehow forced into the mother's circulation system through a tiny hole in the uterus. The fluid often lodges in the lungs, and most such cases are fatal.

The most common causes of maternal childbirth deaths include excessive bleeding, with dragging its feet on a plane to undergo a cesarean section, and sudden high blood pressure, Hobbits said.

### O'Neill defends boxing

HARTFORD (AP) — Gov. William A. O'Neill is defending the controversial boxing program at the State Police Academy, saying it is vital for recruits who must develop the courage to react properly in dangerous situations.  
"It is a question of a person having the ambition and the courage to go up to another person," the governor said Wednesday. "Their job is to protect the people of the state of Connecticut."  
O'Neill's comments came in response to a question of whether the program would be modified or eliminated after three women recruits reported that they were seriously injured during bouts with stronger male opponents.

State Police Commissioner Lester Ford told the legislature's Public Safety Committee this week that he has no plans to eliminate the program, which he said exposes the recruits to "an element of fear" and builds self confidence.

Postal official pleads guilty  
BRIDGEPORT (AP) — A former supervisor at the Ansonia Post Office has pleaded guilty to embezzling nearly \$53,000 in postal funds over a five-month period. U.S. Attorney Stanley A. Twardy said.

John H. Johnston Jr., 48, of Naugatuck, made his plea Thursday in U.S. District Court admitting to misappropriating the money between June 16, 1988 and Nov. 4, 1988.

Twardy said Johnston formerly the supervisor of Mails and Delivery, admitted converting postage stamps to cash by telling window clerks that local businesses had bought the stamps and wanted to redeem them.

The clerks gave Johnston cash in return for the stamps, and he kept the cash for personal use, Twardy said.  
When sentenced Oct. 13, 1989, Johnston faces a maximum possible penalty of 10 years in prison and a \$250,000 fine, Twardy said.

### Plastic foam ban proposed

NEW HAVEN (AP) — Two city aldermen said they will introduce an ordinance to ban the use of plastic foam packaging, saying the non-degradable material creates "permanent litter."  
Harden recently became the first community in the state to impose such a ban, and at least two other Connecticut municipalities, Stamford and New Britain, are considering similar prohibitions. Harden's law takes effect next March.

Democratic Aldermen Elizabeth McCormack and Steven G. Mednick stood in front of a Burger King restaurant to announce their plans to present an ordinance banning the use of polystyrene food packaging at retail food outlets.  
The Burger King restaurant phased out plastic foam products in favor of paper.

There are two common types of polystyrene, the best known being polystyrene foam, popularly known by its Dow trademark, Styrofoam.

McCormack and Mednick's ordinance will be presented to the Board of Aldermen Sept. 5.

## LOCAL & STATE



MARCHING FEET — Members of the Manchester High School Marching Band practice Tuesday outside the high school. The group is preparing now for the coming school year.

## Bolton board rapped on school plan

By Rick Santos  
Manchester Herald

BOLTON — Critics charged the Bolton Education Thursday with dragging its feet on a plan to upgrade and expand town schools.

The criticism came during a meeting between the Board of Education and the Board of Selectmen on a school expansion plan. About 20 people attended the meeting to hear plans on school expansion.

Several former members of the Facilities Study Committee, a disbanded group that was commissioned to study school needs one year ago, said they did not understand why the school board is going back to the drawing board and discarding much of the committee's recommendations.

which included taking immediate steps to create additional space and correct building code violations in the schools.  
"We're right back where we were, and we're sort of getting studied to death," said Susan Stearns, a former member of the committee.

Board of Education member Barry Stearns said the school could use the information obtained by the group only if it was sent to the school board. He said the school board members said new information was being sent to the school board.

But he said the school board needs to gather new demographic data and conduct a survey of the town's population to determine how many children are in the school system. He said the school board needs to make the decision, we'd like to see a walk-through examination of the facility.

A high-level customs official had warned Wednesday that the service would pull its inspectors from New Haven Terminal Inc. if it found allegedly unsafe working conditions cited in the indictment were not corrected.

Without the inspectors present, the terminal would not be able to have any goods delivered. About 500 trucks a day pick up goods from the terminal.

A shutdown order would also include New Haven Terminal's operations in New London and

students, so the high school should have decreased enrollment during the coming decade.  
High school enrollment has also been reduced because the town of Willington pulled out its freshman class from Bolton High School, Willington, which does not have a high school, will be sending its freshman to E.O. Smith High School in Mansfield this school year, but has not yet decided what it will do next year.

Without the Willington students, Bolton High School has a total enrollment of 274.

Although school board members said new information was being sent to the school board, they said the school board needs to make the decision, we'd like to see a walk-through examination of the facility.

There are violations in all the schools, he said. Many of the violations are of the fire code and are related to overcrowded classrooms, fire exits and all-purpose rooms.

School board members agreed the violations are a primary concern. No matter which plan the board chooses for bettering the school, the violations are the most important issue, Stearns said.

But he said the school board needs to gather new demographic data and conduct a survey of the town's population to determine how many children are in the school system. He said the school board needs to make the decision, we'd like to see a walk-through examination of the facility.

About another survey, former Facilities Study Committee member Linda Fortin said, "When we elect you, we elect you because you have a good educational background and you're capable of making these decisions. If we wanted the whole town to make the decision, we'd have a huge board of education."

Fortin and others said they were tired of waiting for the proposed expansion project.

School Superintendent Richard Packman said he expects to have

## Crime rate dips in Coventry, up in 2 other towns

By Diane Rosell  
Manchester Herald

The number of serious crimes reported in Coventry decreased in 1988 from 1987 while crimes in both Andover and Bolton increased last year, according to an annual FBI report.

Statistics also show the crime rate in Coventry dropped 4 percent from 1983 to 1988 but the crime rate increased 4 percent in Andover and 25 percent in Bolton.

The report included figures on homicides, rapes, robberies, assaults, burglaries, larcenies and auto thefts.

The report showed overall crimes in Coventry declined 35 percent last year, with 136 reported in 1988 and 210 reported in 1987.

Reported crimes in Manchester declined 17 percent in 1988 and 20 percent in 1987, a 36 percent decrease. Reported larcenies to the value of \$1,000 in Bolton in 1987, a 23 percent decrease.

There were 47 incidents of burglary in Coventry in 1988 down from 73 in 1987, a 36 percent decrease. Reported larcenies to the value of \$1,000 in Coventry and 16 reported in 1987, a 69 percent decrease. Reported auto thefts totaled eight in 1988, down from nine in 1987, a 12 percent decrease.

There were no murders in Coventry reported in 1987 or 1988, and only one in 1986, reported from 1982 to 1988. Manchester reported two homicides in six years, Coventry, said he attributes the decrease in part to the active crime watch in Coventry.

Frank Trzaskos chief of police for Coventry, said he attributes the decrease in part to the active crime watch in Coventry.

"People are more aware and reporting offenses quicker," he said.

Trzaskos also said that his officers are more visible on the streets and are stopping more vehicles for violations.

"I believe if you stop more cars, you have a better chance of catching one or something," he said.

Rape increased in Coventry with five in 1988 and three in 1987, a 67 percent increase. One robbery was reported in 1988 and none in 1987.

Trzaskos said that the increases aren't significant because there are so few incidents of crime in Coventry. He said he doesn't like to make predictions.

"We could have one incident

The school board's latest expansion proposal is to close the Center School and build additional to Bolton High School as well as the elementary school. The original plan, for which architectural drawings have already been made, was to close the Center School and build additional to the elementary school only.

The Center School houses grades five through eight. Under the original proposal, those students would go to the elementary school. Under the latest plan, the seventh and eighth graders would go to the high school and the fifth and sixth graders to the elementary school.

Selectmen also said at the meeting they would consider a request from the school board to hire the Lawrence Associates of Manchester to examine cost estimates on the expansion plans.

A representative of the Lawrence Associates, which drew the plans for the original addition proposal, said at the meeting that his company is still under contract with the town. Anwar Hossain said there is enough money remaining in the contract for plans for the latest proposal to be drawn.

and arrest five people," he said. "Because our numbers are so small, that may throw off the whole year."

The report showed that the overall crime rate increased in Andover and Bolton in 1988 from 1987. Reported crimes in Bolton totaled 97 in 1988, up from 72 in 1987, a 33 percent increase.

There was a total of burglaries in Bolton for three months in 1988, said Sgt. Mark Coleman, resident trooper for State Police, Troop K.

"Since Bolton is close to Hartford and right off 384, it's very tempting," he said. "This was a daily occurrence for about three months. If a burglary wasn't committed in Bolton, the group was probably hitting one of the surrounding towns."

There was one reported in Bolton in 1988 and none in 1987. There have been only two rapes reported in Bolton since 1983 to 1988.

The report showed a decline in motor vehicle thefts with three reported in 1988 and six in 1987. There were no robberies in Bolton in 1988 and two in 1987.

In Andover, there has been only one homicide reported in six years, in 1983. One rape was reported in 1988 and none were reported in 1987. Reported larcenies totaled 20 in 1988 and 18 in 1987, an 11 percent increase.

The report showed 22 incidents of burglary in Andover in 1988 and 20 in 1987, a 10 percent increase. Two aggravated assaults were reported in 1988 and one was reported in 1987.

There were no robberies reported in Andover in 1988, with three reported in 1987. Motor vehicle thefts decreased, with three reported in 1988 and six reported in 1987.

Coleman, who is also the resident trooper coordinator for Andover, said the trooper assigned to Andover has been very instrumental in getting the town involved in crime prevention programs. He said the boys to be able to work with the town.

## Town facing suit after taking land

By Nancy Concelmon  
Manchester Herald

The condemnation is illegal because land was acquired to allow Homart to get a traffic permit for road work from the State Traffic Commission and not for public purposes, the lawsuit for public purposes, the lawsuit

The town did not deposit money for the land with the court clerk, according to the lawsuit.

The suit also names as defendants former Town Manager Robert B. Weiss and the Malher Construction Co. of Bloomfield, which is doing the roadwork. Work has already begun on Weinberg's land, according to the suit.

Assistant Town Manager Steven E. Wehrner said today the lawsuit revolves around a dispute over the value of the land.  
The suit also argues that the town did not negotiate in good faith with Weinberg over the value of the land.

## Business as usual after death

By Larry Rosenholt  
The Associated Press

NEW HAVEN — Customs officials look no immediate action after conducting a safety evaluation of a port company a day after the firm was indicted on a charge of involuntary manslaughter in a customs inspector's death.

An attorney for New Haven Terminal Inc., Patrick Noonan, said he saw the lack of action conditions cited in the indictment "there are no safety violations."

But a customs official said only that no finding would be made until "everyone has had a chance to have some input into the matter."

"We need to analyze the complete situation before we draw any conclusions, and to do it

in one day just wouldn't be fair," said Joseph Wilson, director of inspection and control for the Boston district, which includes Connecticut.

Wilson was one of four customs officials to take part in what was described as a walk-through examination of the facility.

Without the inspectors present, the terminal would not be able to have any goods delivered. About 500 trucks a day pick up goods from the terminal.

A shutdown order would also include New Haven Terminal's operations in New London and

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# OPINION

## 8th growth requires revisions

The Eighth Utilities District, freed under terms of an agreement with the town from the threat of being forced out of existence against its will, is having some internal problems that will probably continue for a while.

The effect of the agreement, which clarifies the boundaries of the district and the extent of its responsibilities, is that the district has grown larger.

All district officials are sensitive to the district's responsibilities, but there is disagreement on the machinery for carrying them out.

The district has always favored a simple government structure, with a great emphasis on volunteer service and on the simplicity and informality of operation that goes along with volunteering.

Recent attempts, chiefly by District President Thomas E. Landers, to increase the degree of sophistication of the government, have not met with much enthusiasm from other district directors.

Political dissension over the decision by Landers to replace Samuel Longest as commissioner of public works has muddled the picture.

It would be unfortunate if new approaches to the district operations were rejected simply because they became associated with the Landers' administration and spark opposition from his opponents.

Beyond the personal politics, however, is the broader philosophical question of whether the district can remain as simple and direct in its governmental structure as it would like to and still function effectively in light of its growth.

A committee studying district election procedures came up with a number of suggestions for changes, most of which were ultimately rejected in favor of the traditional open nomination and election procedures. Now the committee is facing a hearing by the Freedom of Information Commission because the minutes kept at its meetings were allegedly too informal, not sufficiently detailed.

In a recent letter, the district's legal counsel told the president that documents to be filed by members of the public with the town clerk should not be delivered to the clerk's home, but to the district office where they can be stamped and recorded.

About a year ago Landers, before the hassle over Longest's ouster as public works commissioner, suggested creating an added district position, commissioner of buildings and grounds. It was rejected as being unnecessary.

This week Landers proposed the idea again, and again it failed to get support from a majority of directors. This time, however, the door was left open for future consideration along with the possibility of setting up a separate budget for building and ground maintenance.

Perhaps the new post and new budget category are unnecessary as some directors contend. But that idea and others like it do have to be considered on their merits and not set aside simply because they are not traditional.

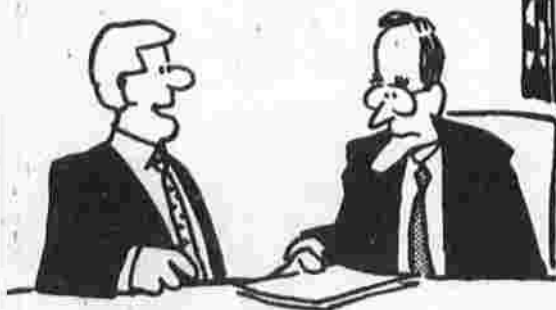
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"As vice president, I've come up with a program for the homeless — teaching them how to play golf."



## Competent, honest get nothing

By Vincent Carroll

Congress recessed having done what it does best: pledge billions in public money to bail out a failing industry whose trouble stems in part from previous political indulgence.

Yes, the savings and loan industry, with its federally insured deposits and small legion of crooked crooks, was rescued with a promise of \$19 billion in long-term aid.

But what, you might ask, of the millions of Americans who are neither unlucky nor incompetent? What did Congress do for them this summer?

The equally predictable answer: nothing.

Who else, then, actually, House leaders insulted thrifty, workaday Americans by denouncing a proposal to lower the capital-gains tax or index the tax to inflation. Then they bogged the debate down in spiteful speculation over which social class would benefit most from such changes in the tax code.

According to the reigning dogma of liberalism, policies benefiting the wealthy are intrinsically bad. In this cramped, zero-sum world, a family that boosts its income overnight by \$20,000 does so at someone else's expense. Wealth is not created, the dogma implies. It is stolen.

Never mind that a large percentage of Americans own homes and so would gratefully benefit from a broad-based cut in the capital-gains tax. And ignore the fact that many elderly Americans would benefit, too — retirees who carefully liquidate their modest stock holdings in order to maintain a comfortable standard of living.

No, the thought that the wealthy might make out best of all is just too much for many Democrats. And so they dismiss the proposal out of hand.

Fortunately, not all Democrats agree, which is why a reduction in the capital-gains tax is still not out of the question. As Rep. Michael Andrews, D-Texas, wisely noted in a recent letter to the Wall Street Journal, "The real issues ... have nothing to do with privilege or partisanship. The real issues are economic, and they are important: growth in America's productivity, strengthening our ability to compete for expanding world markets, and the creation of new jobs and opportunities for our workers."

A number of dynamic countries, including Hong Kong, Singapore, South Korea, Taiwan and West Germany, impose no tax at all on long-term capital gains. Japan taxes such earnings at a mere 5 percent. Even Sweden imposes a far lower tax on investment gains than does the United States.

Does Congress wish to improve America's competitive potential, or does it prefer pandering to resentments against the wealthy?

Do a majority of House members care that the capital cost of investment is far higher here than it is in Japan?

Americans must be encouraged to save and invest, as well as to risk their resources occasionally in ventures that (in Andrews' apt phrase) "may fail, but when successful can produce the jobs and exports of the future."

It is always fun to bash the rich. Usually it is harmless. But sometimes, unfortunately, it prevents us from focusing on an issue of pivotal consequences. House leaders had a field day this low tax on capital gains. When they return to Washington, they should move on to other, less destructive diversions.

## Building repairs are sky high

By Robert Walters

Specifically, Fisher fears that architects and builders are too quick to rely upon oversimplified mathematical models that contain too many assumptions and too improperly extrapolate from small-scale research for large-scale construction.

Because Fisher's expertise is widely recognized, he has been called upon to ascertain the cause of numerous calamities and near-disasters — including those at the Kemper Arena in St. Louis, the Regency Hotel in Hartford, Conn.; the Mianus River Bridge in Connecticut, and the Williamsburg Bridge in New York.

At Lehigh, he is the director of the Advanced Technology for Large Structural Systems Center, which includes the world's largest facility for testing the strength (and weakness) of materials used in public works and other heavy construction projects.

That \$7.5 million laboratory — which contains 2 million pounds of steel reinforcement bars and 500,000 feet of steel cables set in 4,000 cubic yards of concrete — can determine the tensile strength and fatigue point of massive steel I-beams by subjecting them to extraordinary strain and pressure.

"Just testing had been done on the marble cladding of the building that houses the executive offices of one of the nation's largest petroleum companies here in Chicago," Fisher argues, Amoco would not now be forced to replace all of the panels.

After construction of the ground-level protection is complete, work will begin on four huge metal towers to be welded to each of the building's corners. Scaffolding will then be suspended from them, enabling workers to reach the faulty panels.

That represents more than half of the \$120 million required to construct the entire building 16 years ago — a high price to pay for the failure to systematically test construction materials.

## Open Forum

Other towns have 50 to 60 girls try out for their teams. There presently is no 11-year-old girls' team due to lack of interest.

Last May there didn't appear to be more than 30 participants at Manchester's Hershey Track events. The newspaper reported that 2,000 tried out in East Hartford.

Is there something wrong with these programs? Is it lack of publicity? Are the parents hesitant to commit themselves or are the children? Is there a fear of pressure?

I can only speak for my children's experience with Rec./Club soccer, track and basketball. There has never been any pressure put on them by anyone to win. They've been told to do their best, and have fun.

Does anyone have any answers or suggestions?

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## U.S. leads Soviets in losses

By Jack Anderson and Dale Van Atta

STAR CITY, U.S.S.R. — The United States prides itself on running a safer space program than the Soviet Union, but one statistic mars the record. More American astronauts have died on their failures, but on our recent trip to the cosmonaut training center. Star City, Soviet space officials look advantage of glasnost to speak candidly, if anonymously, about those failures.

So far, the United States has lost 10 astronauts — seven in the Challenger explosion in 1986 and set in a fatal fire on the launch pad in 1967.

As near as we have been able to determine, six Soviet cosmonauts have died in space flight or in training. It is possible that more died in the early days of the program and that their deaths were kept a secret even from the people who run the Soviet space program today.

This time line of deaths, disasters and near-misses was pieced together from intelligence reports, Soviet sources and author James Oberg, a Houston space engineer who is an expert on the subject.

1960 — More than 100 people (probably none of them cosmonauts) were killed when the rocket exploded on a launch pad in the Soviet Union, according to a classified Central Intelligence Agency report.

March 23, 1961 — Cosmonaut Valentin Bondarenko was burned to death in a high-oxygen environment experiment. He accidentally dropped alcohol-soaked cotton on a hot plate.

U.S. intelligence sources didn't know about this for many years.

February 1968 — One of the original six cosmonauts, the "Sobol 8," stepped in front of a train during a drunken stupor and was killed. He had earlier been drugged out of the program for arrogance, and his face was carefully excised from official photos. American sources set him up for years that he even existed, let alone that he had died.

March 23, 1967 — Commander Vladimir M. Komarov was killed when the main parachute harness on his capsule twisted, and the capsule crashed on re-entry. His mission had been plagued with problems. The Soviet sent Komarov up alone in a three-man Soyuz rocket. In early communications during the flight, Komarov could be heard shouting to his ground controllers, "Devil machine! Nothing I lay my hand on works!"

March 27, 1968 — Yuri Gagarin, the first man in space, died while testing a MiG-15 jet fighter. His ashes, along with Komarov's, are buried in the Kremlin wall near the Lenin Mausoleum.

January 1970 — Commander Pavel I. Belyayev died from an undischarged bullet that had been related to his space flight five years earlier — possibly bleeding viruses. "Probably he didn't get the proper treatment at the proper time. So that's why he died," one Soviet official admitted to us.

June 30, 1971 — Three cosmonauts — Georgi Dobrovolsky, Vladislav Volkov and Viktor Patsuyev — died when their capsule re-entered the atmosphere after an otherwise successful mission to the Salyut space station. With no clue that anything was wrong, the helicopter recovery crew was shocked to open the capsule and find the cosmonauts dead.

A Soviet space official told us rather matter-of-factly: "At an altitude of about 150 to 180 kilometers from the earth, the ventilation system failed. It opened to the outside, instead of doing this at the proper altitude of six kilometers; there was a vacuum inside, and that was the end of them. Their blood was boiling. So they died."

1977 — Cosmonaut Yuri Romanenko accidentally floated out of his capsule, un tethered, into space while cosmonaut Georgi Grechko was on a spacewalk. Grechko caught him before he floated away.

Cosmonaut Alexander Serebrav told us that more international cooperation would make space safer for astronauts.

"I would like all spacecraft, wherever they are produced, to have a unified system — like docking systems, communications systems, oxygen tanks and so on — so that any crew of any spacecraft ... could help each other in outer space. That is the task of the future."

By Walter R. Meares

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other, the Fed began increasing interest rates in March 1988 and pushed up short-term rates by three percentage points over the next year. Then, early in June, it began edging rates downward to stimulate economic activity and avoid a severe slump.

Its policy-making committee met on Tuesday and decided how to proceed for the next six weeks. Those policy decisions will not be disclosed until Oct. 8, although their impact could show in the marketplace. Current guessing is that interest rates will be left at or near current levels into the fall.

As Bush noted, strains between the central bank and the White House are nothing new. Lower interest rates serve the political and budget agendas of most presidents. Alan Greenspan, chairman of the Federal Reserve Board, knows all about that. He was an economic adviser to Richard M. Nixon during the 1968 campaign. He served as chairman of the Council of Economic Advisors when Gerald R. Ford was president. Reagan appointed Greenspan chairman of the Fed and said on July 10 that the record-long expansion could be sustained with the outlook favorable for continuing growth ahead.

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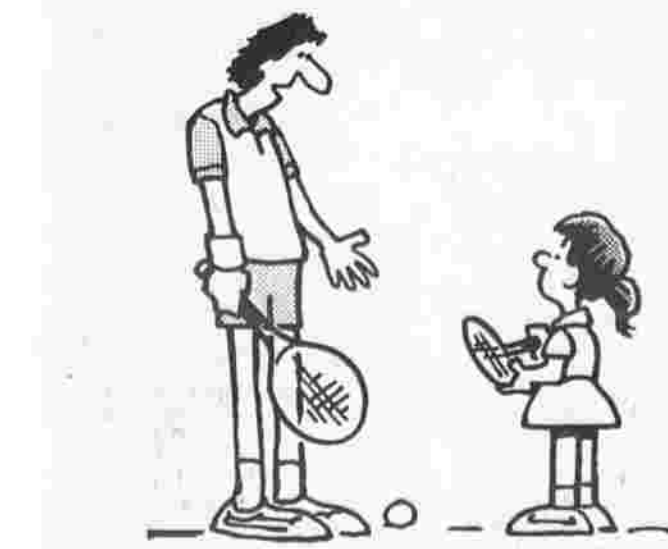
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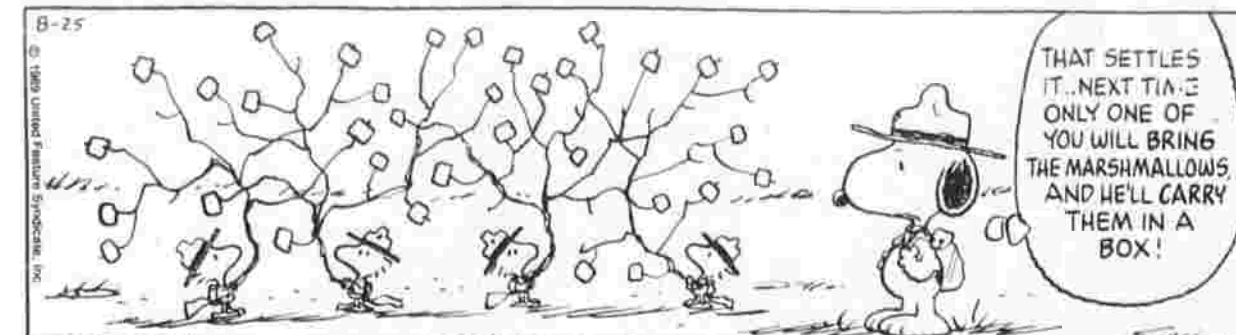




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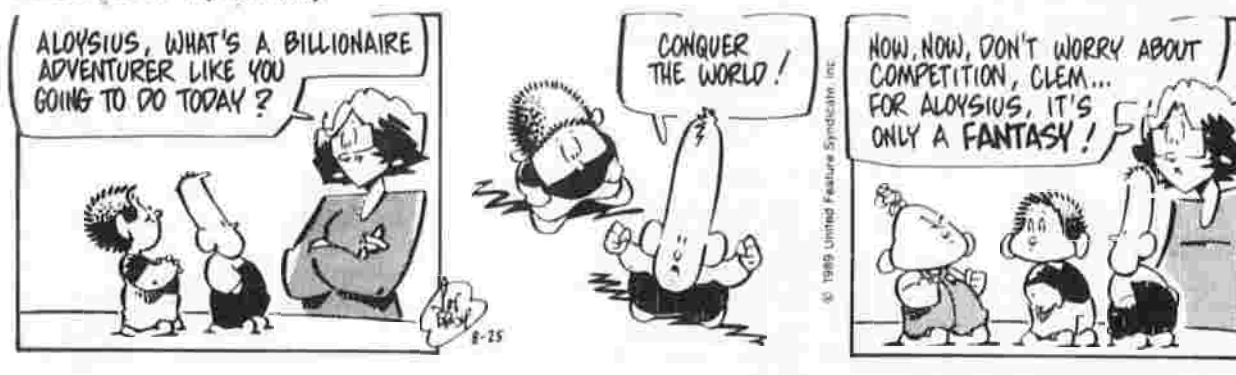
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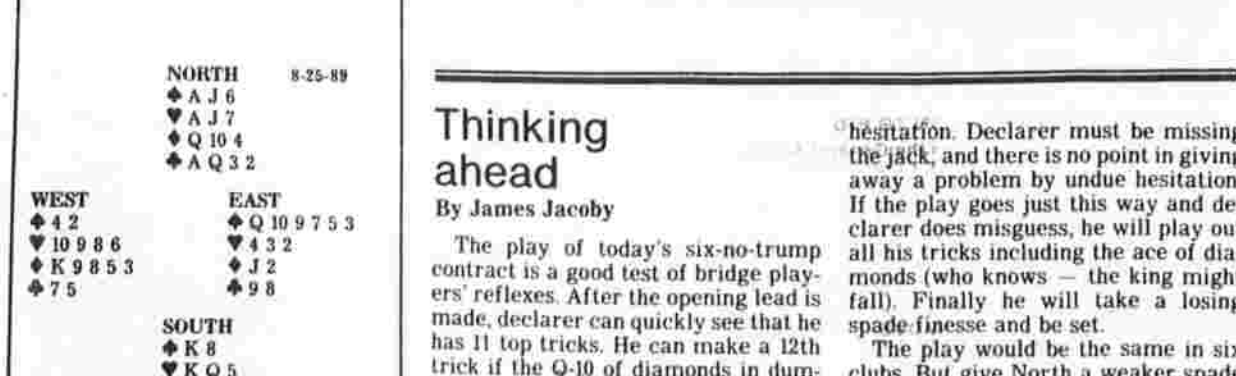
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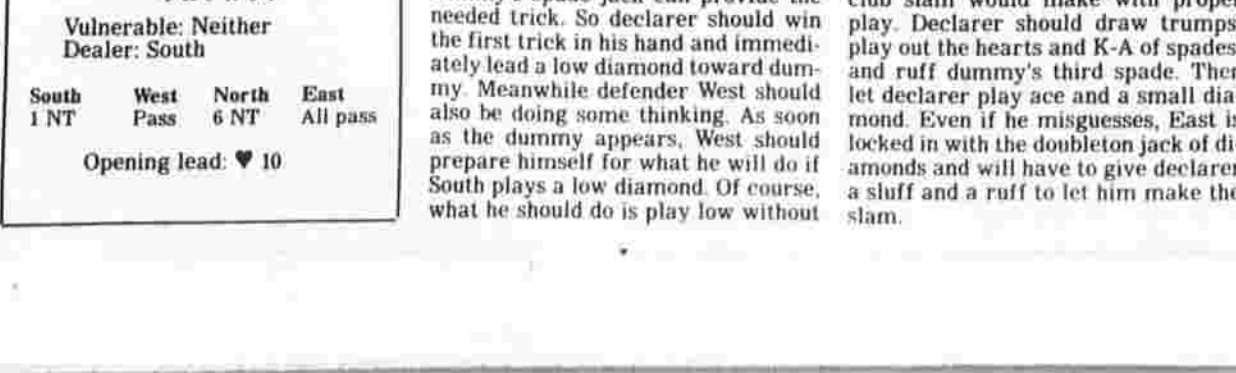
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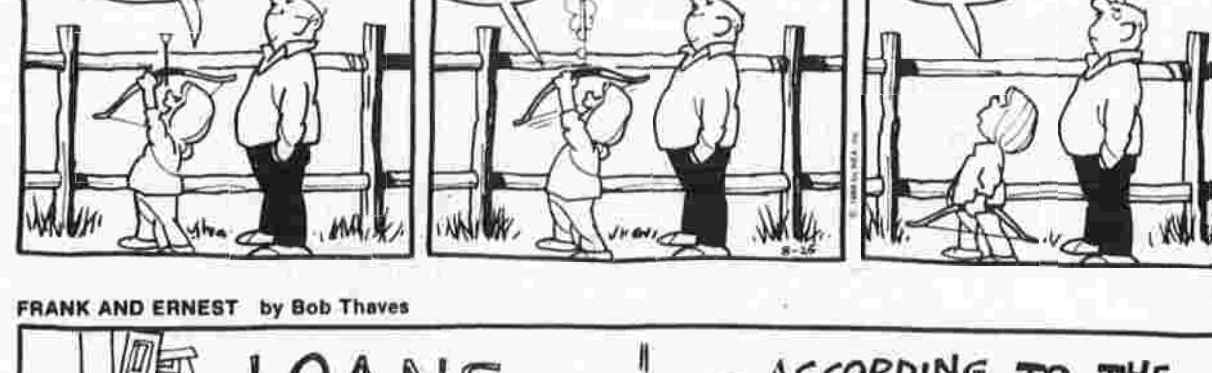
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Weekenders

Powwow

New England's largest and most educational Indian powwow will be presented by the Connecticut River Powwow Society, Inc. Friday through Sunday at the Portland Exchange Club Fairgrounds.

The fairgrounds are located on Route 169 in Brooklyn. For more information, call 774-2097.

Festival on the Green

The Columbia Festival on the Green, which will include crafts, food, old post cards, and more, will be held Saturday from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Admission to the fair, which is sponsored by the 4-H Club and the Columbia Historical Society, is free.

Art Show

The 25th annual Outdoor Art Show will be held this weekend at Memorial Park in Willimantic. The show, sponsored by the Willimantic Paints & Palette Club, includes a sale of artwork; admission is free.

Hitchcock thriller

The Wadsworth Athenaeum in Hartford will present "The Thirty Nine Steps" at 7:30 p.m. Saturday as the last film in its summer Movie Montage series.

Band Shell music

The musical group Gypsy will perform at 7 p.m. Sunday at the Manchester Bicentennial Band Shell on the campus of Manchester Community College.

The concert is free, and so is the parking. Those attending should bring blankets or lawn chairs on which to sit. Pets are not allowed.

The college is on Bidwell Street, which is off Hartford Road. For out of towners it can be reached easily by taking Exit 2 (Keeneey Street). Take Keeneey Street north for one-eighth of a mile and take a left onto Hartford Road. Follow Hartford Road for about three-quarters of a mile and take a left onto Bidwell. The college campus is about one-quarter of a mile down Bidwell on the right.

If it rains the concert will be held at East Catholic High School, 115 New Street.

Brooklyn Fair

The Brooklyn Fair, which features agricultural exhibits, livestock shows, entertainment, crafts, and a carnival, will take place this weekend at the Brooklyn Fairgrounds.

Admission to the fair is between \$2 and \$4 depending upon your age. Children under 12 are admitted free.

The hours of the fair, which will run until 10 tonight, are 8 a.m. to 10 p.m. Saturday and Sunday.

Water-ski tournament

More than 40 water-skiers will perform in competitions including jumping, trick skiing, and slalom racing at Hulet's Pond in Avon.

The tournament, which begins at 6 p.m. Saturday, will continue Sunday and Sunday beginning at noon each day. Clam and corn chowder will be available also at the festival, which will be held on Canton Springs Road, off Bond Road.

The arts and crafts fair will be held from 1 to 9 p.m. Saturday on the Green in Canton. Admission and parking are free. For more information, call 674-6355.

Alan Spencer collaborating with his hero, Mel Brooks

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Work Monday through Friday, no weekends. Excellent rate of pay. For more information please call...

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