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Defense aides told: forget 'peace dividend'

By Larry Rosenthal
The Associated Press

NEW HAVEN — Defense workers should look for a "peace dividend" and not to the so-called "peace dividend" to help soften the impact of large defense cutbacks, Defense Secretary Dick Cheney said during a visit to Connecticut.

"I think the notion of a peace dividend has been somewhat overblown," he told a news conference Thursday at Yale University before addressing an alumni group.

The idea "there is a big pot of money to spend" as a result of improved East-West relations "is a fallacious one," he said. "If there were, congressmen wouldn't be having as much trouble putting together a budget."

The defense industry will have to brace for even more difficult times if proposals in Congress to cut spending even further are approved.

Cheney made no mention of a peace dividend but did say that "I would hope local communities can come together to deal with those

kind of situations and try to soften the blow. All I can do is run the department in as businesslike a manner as possible," he said.

On a per capita basis, Connecticut is one of the largest, if not the largest, military contracting states.

The state ranked ninth in the nation in 1988 with \$4.9 billion in military contracts.

Cutbacks have already been felt at three major defense plants in Connecticut: Textron Lycoming and Sikorsky Aircraft, both in Stratford, and DUC Inc.'s Naval Products Division in Uncasville.

When Cheney pulled up in front of Yale's Woolsey Hall, he was greeted by seven UNC employees carrying placards. One read "Keep the Peace Dividend in Connecticut."

After leaving the hall, he spoke briefly with the workers and agreed to send someone from his office to meet with them.

UNC announced recently it would have to lay off its 950 employees in Uncasville over the next two years because of the government's decision to rely solely on the larger Babcock & Wilcox Co. in Virginia

for nuclear reactors for submarines. With the drastically different budget circumstances now facing the military, Cheney said it is difficult to justify two or more sources for such defense needs.

He gave no indication the sub reactor decision could be reversed, saying it was the Navy's call and that only in extraordinary circumstances would he overrule such a decision.

Asked about the government's reassessment of plans for the Seawolf attack submarine, built by

Electric Boat in Groton, Cheney also gave no indication of how the matter will be settled. He said only that he may well conclude that the production of the new sub is necessary.

Cheney said Congress holds the key to the future of the defense industry, adding he hopes he will be given enough flexibility to ensure an orderly reduction in military spending.

"My task is to make difficult choices," he said, adding later, "I wish I could be more optimistic, but I can't."

Credit problems flood lawmakers

By John Diamond
The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Connecticut lawmakers are complaining in Washington about the regulatory reins being tightened around the state's businesses seeking to borrow money.

Business owners, contractors, and builders with good credit records are having a hard time getting loans and have flooded members of the state delegation with complaints.

"It's unbelievable," said U.S. Rep. Barbara Kennelly, D-Conn. "I had a gentleman call me and the man was on the point of hysteria. He had a very good business and all of a sudden he couldn't get a loan."

Kennelly said she is hoping to include Connecticut representatives in a meeting with banking regulators scheduled for next week in Boston, where officials and business leaders have encountered the same problem.

U.S. Rep. Nancy Johnson, R-Conn., met Thursday with the official many point to as the source of the problem, Robert Clarke, Comptroller of the Currency. Clarke's office is responsible for bank examinations and for identifying potentially bad loans.

Johnson said she had no objection to aggressive banking regulation to prevent the type of catastrophe that swept the savings and loan industry. But she said she wanted to make Clarke "aware of my concern that the pace at which they're making these changes will produce in and of itself some unwarranted downturn."

The comptroller's office, without any changes in banking rules, began last fall to more aggressively examine the books at banks with heavy real estate portfolios.

"We are using exactly the same standards we have had on the books," said Lee Cross, a spokeswoman for Clarke. "If there is a difference it is that we are looking at a larger percentage of loans in banks."

The number of loans considered "past due" tripled in Connecticut

last year, the largest increase in the country, according to a study by Sheshunoff Information Services Inc., an Austin, Texas, banking analyst firm.

Throughout the Northeast, nonperforming loans increased by 17.9 percent from Pennsylvania to Maine.

"To the extent that we're reclassifying them it's because the loans themselves either are actually losses at this point or they show some potential for loss," Cross said. "That is the result of deterioration in real estate markets and, in some cases, because of poor underwriting standards and procedures."

Cross emphasized that the aggressive bank examinations have been imposed nationwide, not just in the Northeast.

The aggressive bank examinations combined with the region's soft real estate market have had side effects in banking across New England, Cross said. Banks, responding to the strict regulatory climate, have cut off loans to potentially good borrowers.

"That is not something the comptroller's office would like to see," Cross said. "We don't want banks to stop making loans, we want them to make good loans."

But Johnson called that response "a real cop-out." She said Clarke should have known that the reclassification program would have a damaging impact on the flow of loan capital from banks.

Cross said that "banks were pulling back before the regulators got there." She said the comptroller's policy is a response to an economic and banking problem, not the cause of an economic problem.

Cross acknowledged, however, that by reclassifying a loan as substandard or nonperforming, a bank is compelled to increase the amount of money it holds in a loan loss reserve account. That, in turn, takes money out of circulation that would otherwise be available to other borrowers.

Household hazards dump nears

Manchester residents who have been accumulating hazardous wastes — like drain cleaners, radiator flushes, lead and oil paints and pool chemicals — will have a chance to get rid of them April 28.

At the town garage, 263 Olcott St., next to the town landfill, a waste handling company will accept the hazardous materials. Hours for the collection are 8:30 to 3 p.m.

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Latex paints are not hazardous and can be placed in the regular trash.

But items like furniture polish, medications, and many of the products used in homes, gardens, garages and workshops should be taken to the town garage on the hazardous-waste collection day.

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AT&T, SNET to compete for long-distance service

By Denise Lavolo
The Associated Press

HARTFORD — A decision to allow AT&T to compete with SNET on telephone services for large commercial customers represents the first break in SNET's virtual monopoly on in-state long-distance service.

The state Department of Public Utility Control on Thursday gave approval to AT&T's application to provide three specialized business telecommunications services within Connecticut.

The decision is the first approval of competitive phone service in the state aside from the national telephone network provided by AT&T and US Sprint.

Although many other states have permitted in-state competition since the 1984 break-up of AT&T, Southern New England Telephone (SNET) has continued to hold a near-monopoly on in-state long-distance service, covering all but four Connecticut communities.

AT&T's action delighted AT&T officials, but had SNET warning about the potential for rate increases for residential customers.

"We're pleased," said AT&T spokesman Paul Karoff. "We've been working to gain this for our customers for a long time, and we agree with the conclusion that competition is in the best interests of Connecticut customers."

SNET would not offer an estimate on how much revenue they could stand to lose with the new competitors from AT&T, but Seekamp said the big business customer makes up a "substantial portion" of the company's revenues.

As written, the so-called hate crimes bill calls for increased criminal penalties for anyone convicted of assault, arson or vandalism if the crime is found to have been motivated by the victim's race, religion, ethnicity or sexual orientation.

The bill would apply to anti-semitic graffiti, cross-burnings, assaults on homosexuals and other crimes of bigotry.

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homosexuals, and threatened to retaliate by introducing a bill to strengthen the state's death penalty by giving jurors in murder trials more options that would lead to the death penalty.

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Parole ruling relieves kin

SOMERS (AP) — For the family of Robert Holcomb, the state Board of Pardon's decision to deny parole for Gerard "Gary" Castonguay was just another step in a 13-year saga that started when Castonguay was arrested for the murder of Holcomb, a Plainville police officer.

Since Dec. 1, 1977 — the day of Castonguay's arrest — there have been two trials, two convictions, and two reduced sentences.

Thursday, Holcomb had a chance to see his brother, but his bid was rejected after the state board said Castonguay was not ready to be allowed back into society.

The ruling came as a relief to Holcomb's family, who feared he would be let out of prison after serving just over 12 years.

The parole board set Castonguay's next parole eligibility date at Dec. 1, 2002 — the 25th anniversary of his arrest for Holcomb's murder.

"We're very happy that we don't have to come back for another 12 years," said Laurie Holcomb, the slain officer's sister. "I wish we never had to come back again, but at that's what it takes, we'll do it."

At Thursday's hearing, three of Holcomb's sisters, a brother, a brother-in-law, niece and nephew urged the parole board to reject Castonguay's bid for parole.



ANTICIPATION — Carrie Rentler, 8, can't wait to use the basketball hoop and backboard her father David is installing at their Pilgrim Lane driveway.

O'Neill vows to ink gun-control bill

HARTFORD (AP) — Gov. William A. O'Neill, a longtime gun owner, says he has no reservations about signing a bill working its way through the General Assembly requiring a two-week waiting period before the purchase of a firearm.

The bill awaits action in the Senate, where it was sent after the Appropriations Committee earlier this week.

"I would sign the two-week waiting period bill," O'Neill told reporters during an impromptu news conference Thursday in the Capitol. "I'm a gun owner myself, have been all my life. I'd be a responsible one. But you certainly do have to have restrictions on who owns a weapon, how they're purchased, why they're purchased and what you do with it."

Under the bill, a buyer would have to complete an application that would be sent to state officials, who would then check to see if the buyer has a felony record.

O'Neill also said he is not sure whether the new semiautomatic rifle being produced by the state-backed Colt's Manufacturing Company is an assault weapon, as gun control advocates have charged.

A national handgun control group is pressuring O'Neill to use the state's influence as part-owner of

the gunmaker to force the company to stop production of its new Sporter rifle.

"My position is very clear on assault-type weapons," O'Neill said. "I'm against those being in civilian hands."

"The question becomes, is that rifle an assault weapon or is it a 'Sporter' weapon? I don't know how you determine that."

Handgun Control Inc. claims the Sporter, although designed to hold a 5-round cartridge, can easily be fitted with magazines that allow it to fire up to 90 rounds without reloading.

"Nobody needs to carry that amount of ammunition for a sporting rifle," O'Neill said. "From what I've read, the clip size has been reduced to five rounds of ammunition, which could be considered a Sporter."

"But there's a technicality here and I hope Colt uses good common sense and makes sure that they don't put weapons in the hands of civilians that are not needed by the civilians."

Meanwhile, Kathleen Palm, a spokeswoman for state Treasurer Francisco L. Borges, said Borges is seeking a meeting with Colt officials to discuss the gun, which began appearing in gun shops this week.

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Morrison finances net call for probe

By Judd Everhart
The Associated Press

HARTFORD — State Rep. William A. Cibes, the underdog of the Democratic gubernatorial nomination, says the fringe runner for the nomination, Bruce A. Morrison, has broken campaign finance laws through an "ethically strained" interpretation of those laws.

Cibes called on the Morrison campaign to return the \$220,277 raised by a second fund-raising committee.

"I think integrity in elections is very important," said Cibes, a state representative from New London, at a state Capitol news conference shortly before filing the complaint with the commission. "I believe he has broken the law."

Morrison, a four-term congressman from Hamden, has steadily maintained that no laws were broken, that he acted well within the letter and spirit of Connecticut campaign finance laws.

"We consulted with the Elections Commission at every stage of the committee's operations and acted in accordance with the commission's advice," said Thayer Baldwin, Morrison's campaign manager. "So we believe that nothing wrong has been done."

"We welcome and will cooperate with the investigation," Baldwin added.

Cibes said that "only an ethically strained interpretation" of campaign finance laws would have allowed the Morrison campaign to raise and spend money the way it did.

Morrison's second committee, the Connecticut Choice for a Change Committee, was created for the purpose of financing convention delegate elections at a time when Morrison was challenging Democratic Gov. William A. O'Neill for this year's nomination.

O'Neill has since dropped plans for re-election and there will be no delegate elections, called delegate primaries.

The Choice Committee raised \$220,277 primarily from three sources: \$100,000 from the Bic Corp. of Milford; \$92,500 from Richard Triebich of Greenwich, head of Calculator Info Systems of New York; and \$25,000 from Neil Mellen, head of Town Fair Tire Centers of Stratford.

WASHINGTON (AP) — Despite its budget deficit and slowing economy due to defense cuts, Connecticut leads the nation in per capita income.

All of New England recorded the highest per capita personal incomes in the nation in 1989 despite sluggishness in the region's manufacturing, service and construction industries, the government reported Thursday.

Connecticut's income rose 6.8 percent to \$24,604, New Jersey was second at \$23,764, followed by Massachusetts, Alaska, Maryland and New York.

"These figures show Connecticut's economy, which has slowed in the past year, has a strong foundation," said Gov. William A. O'Neill.

Still, the Commerce Department's report showed that growth of personal income in the region had slowed for the second year in a row.

The Commerce Department said incomes of New England residents averaged \$21,509, up 6.6 percent from 1988. That growth was down from 8.3 percent in 1988 and 8.6 percent in 1987.

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Baby sitter sought in girl's abduction

BOSTON (AP) — Nicole Ravasi's baby sitter was awfully fond of the girl, so fond that her mother got a court order to keep the baby sitter away.

But a week after Denise Ravasi told Kenneth Cole he could never see her daughter again, 5-year-old Nicole disappeared, and police say Cole kidnapped the girl.

Police have received tips on Cole's whereabouts, Milford police Detective Edward Pomponio said Thursday night.

In the meantime, Mrs. Ravasi is crossing her fingers.

"I have a lot of hope that the FBI is doing the best they can," she said. Cole, 24, was described as a quiet, shy young man. Mrs. Ravasi said he became obsessed with the little girl, for whom he frequently babysat.

Nicole reciprocated Cole's affection, and neither Mrs. Ravasi nor investigators felt the girl was in danger.

"He has genuine strong feelings for her welfare. I don't think he would intentionally harm her," said FBI spokesman Paul Cavanagh.

But Mrs. Ravasi is convinced that Cole intends "to take her and raise her as his own girl."

When Nicole was hospitalized for a hip infection, Cole visited

Cop who seized armory gets space for prisoners

HOLYOKE, Mass. (AP) — A sheriff who commanded a National Guard armory because he was fed up with turning criminals loose for lack of jail space has forced state authorities to provide a new temporary jail.

Nine weeks after Hampton County Sheriff Michael J. Ashe Jr. seized the armory in Springfield, its 44 inmates were moved Thursday to a closed, renovated armory in the neighboring western Massachusetts city of Holyoke, authorities said.

"Our intent was to be able to implement sentences... whether it requires the Springfield armory or the Holyoke armory," said Ashe, quietly savoring his victory. "We're now able to sentence people and take them to jail in this county."

Ashe, who is well-known for his innovative rehabilitation programs, dubbed his new jail a "Community Service Center" and assigned to it prisoners working on various projects around the county.

Some of the prisoners work at an office furniture factory at the jail, others at the jail farm or picking litter along state roadways. A special contingent of 15 prisoners is being detailed to work on Holyoke projects, including cleaning vacant lots and helping street crews fix potholes in the financially strapped city, said jail spokesman Richard McCarthy.

Ashe, who has a master's degree in social work, gave up asking the state for help and seized the Springfield armory Feb. 16. Since 1988, when the inmate population reached 724, his century-old lockup for 279 prisoners has been under a federal court order limiting occupancy to 500.

Armed with a 17th-century statute allowing sheriffs to demand aid and

Cruise ship passengers vulnerable

WASHINGTON — Millions of Americans who take cruises each year to rock in the lap of luxury are ignorant of dangers like crews unprepared for emergencies and a lack of qualified physicians, according to testimony at a congressional hearing.

A disaster involving U.S. passengers is waiting to happen, National Transportation Safety Board Chairman James L. Kolstad said Thursday, arguing for greater U.S. control over safety and health conditions on foreign-flag cruise ships operating from this country.

"The passenger industry operating from U.S. ports has had accidents with a potential for large loss of life," he told a House Merchant Marine and Fisheries subcommittee.

Kolstad mentioned an engine-room fire in November 1988, as well as two ramming by cruise ships of docked vessels and one ramming of a boardwalk, all happening in Florida last year. The subcommittee is considering tighter restrictions as a result of the blossoming of the domestic cruise ship industry in the last 15 years.

According to testimony, 80 percent of the world's passenger cruise ships operate from U.S. ports, carrying American passengers. Although their owners are primarily U.S. companies, the ships sail under foreign registry, so-called "flags of convenience," allowing them to avoid U.S. labor and tax laws.

Those mostly Panamanian and Liberian-registered ships are governed by the laws of their flag country when on international waters.

Referring to the Scandinavian Star fire that killed more than 160 people in the North Sea, Kolstad said the NTSB would have been unable to investigate that accident had it happened in international waters off Florida.

The NTSB investigated a major fire aboard the same ship two years ago in the Gulf of Mexico and "identified some of the very problem areas that Kolstad mentioned in an engine-room fire in November 1988, as well as two ramming by cruise ships of docked vessels and one ramming of a boardwalk, all happening in Florida last year. The subcommittee is considering tighter restrictions as a result of the blossoming of the domestic cruise ship industry in the last 15 years.

Many of the doctors on ships cannot communicate in English, and the infirmaries often are ill-equipped, witnesses said.

Kolstad noted that on most ships, the crews are so linguistically diverse that they can hardly communicate among themselves, let alone communicate with passengers in an emergency.

Kolstad and other witnesses said crews often are not adequately drilled for emergencies.

He argued for spot inspections in U.S. ports by the Coast Guard, rather than scheduled quarterly inspections.

Opponents say the cruise operators would simply move to the Bahamas and offer cheap fly-and-cruise packages for Americans if they wanted to escape U.S. regulations.

Coast Guard Rear Admiral Joel D. Spivey disputed many of Kolstad's assertions, saying that international agreements are addressing safety concerns.

He said language is less important than training in emergency drills, and argued that the core of ship's officers often speak the same language.

"We find most ships to be in compliance," he said, rely on medical students or paramedics.

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"Climb! Climb! Climb!" ordered a male voice generated by the Traffic Alert and Collision Avoidance System built into a new USAir jetliner. All large airliners must have the units by the end of 1993.

A miniature air traffic screen in the cockpit showed a red dot, pinpointing a plane that was coming dangerously close. Ordinarily, pilots have to rely on what they see out the cockpit window or what air traffic controllers tell them to do in the vicinity.

With a series of maneuvers between a small plane and the Boeing 737-400 airliner carrying industry and government officials and news people Thursday, pilots demonstrated the system, known as TCAS II, that must be installed in all airliners with more than 30 seats by the end of 1993.

Computer airlines and other smaller passenger planes are required to have a less-sophisticated version, TCAS I, which emits traffic warnings when other planes come too near, but does not tell the pilot what to do.

Congress has ordered that one-fifth of each carrier's airliners have the TCAS II units installed before the end of this year at a per-plane cost of about \$125,000.

The bill for the entire U.S. fleet is expected to exceed \$450 million. Airlines put the cost at closer to \$1 billion, figuring in labor and lost profits during installation, which takes about five days.

Repeatedly on Thursday's flight from Washington National Airport, the small plane came on a collision course with the USAir jet. Each time, the TCAS screen showed the location of the intruding aircraft and a voice from a speaker in the cockpit gave quick, precise instructions to the pilot. They began with "Traffic!" and ended with "Clear of conflict" as passengers watched the small plane whiz by within a few hundred feet of the airliner.

If two TCAS computers meet in the sky, they communicate with each other, and one pilot is told to "climb" and the other to "descend" or maintain altitude.

An even more sophisticated third generation of the system, TCAS III, is being developed to give pilots horizontal instructions as well.

The TCAS system gives the pilot a miniature air traffic control system in the sky, displaying aircraft within a 40-mile radius. It can only detect planes with transponders that emit radar signals. All but the smallest private planes have transponders.

USAir officials said their Boeing 737 is the first commercial airplane to be equipped and certified by the FAA with the TCAS unit.

Northwest, United and Piedmont, now apart of USAir, equipped planes with test versions of TCAS when the system was being evaluated by the FAA.

Other manufacturers are the Air Transport Systems Division of Honeywell Inc. and the Collins division of Rockwell International Corp.

"From the pilot's perspective, the new TCAS technology provides an added margin of safety," said Capt. Norman Bush, USAir flight training manager. He said pilots would have to undergo only about 90 minutes of training to learn to use the system, which is expected to be put into operation in the first dozen or more planes by mid-June.

Tom McSweeney, an FAA official aboard the demonstration flight, said the system would have the added benefit of making it easier for pilots to maintain proper separation from other aircraft during landings and give them more information in areas not covered by air traffic controllers. The system, however, is seen only as a backup to controllers who monitor all flights and have responsibility for maintaining safe distances between aircraft.

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OPINION

White taught the nation about AIDS

Ryan White, the Indiana teen-ager who contracted AIDS through a blood transfusion 5 1/2 years ago, died last week. He was one of an estimated 20,000 hemophiliacs infected with the acquired immune deficiency syndrome virus through blood donations, and one of the 1,200 who developed AIDS.

In 1985, he was barred from a public school near Kokomo because school officials and parents succumbed to the hysteria prevalent at the time: pushed aside were the reassurances of health professionals that AIDS cannot be spread through casual contact. He became the center of a test case fought through school boards and courts until he won the right to attend school.

As a result of the public exposure, Ryan White became a media star. His picture appeared on the cover of People magazine, he was the subject of a television movie, and he helped develop an award-winning AIDS education program. He became friends with such celebrities as Michael Jackson, who gave him a red Mustang automobile, and Elton John, who dedicated a song to him.

"This one's for Ryan" — during last weekend's Farm Aid concert.

When it became apparent that Ryan White was dying, the famous and powerful had their say. Former President Reagan, who during his presidency steadfastly resisted efforts to fund AIDS research, called him "a very brave young man." President Bush said "we as a people must pledge to continue the fight" against AIDS. The Rev. Jesse Jackson joined the family in its vigil. Donald Trump went to Indiana by private jet and limousine to pay his respects. Flags at the Indiana State House will fly at half-staff on Wednesday, by order of the governor.

During his illness, Ryan White was a dedicated and courageous spokesman on AIDS, saying that, with proper education, "AIDS can be a disease, not a dirty word."

Proper education will include a national commitment of funding as well as politicians' fine words, to find a cure so that the more than 2,000 children in this country who have AIDS will not die before their time. And it will include a level of awareness, treatment and compassion that will encompass and, when necessary, mourn all AIDS sufferers, not just one brave 18-year-old who was white, middle-class and heterosexual.

The Berkshire Eagle, Pittsfield, Mass.

Open Forum

Bank thanked

To the Editor: The Manchester Council on Substance Abuse Concessions would like to express its sincere gratitude to the Savings Bank of Manchester for its recent grant of \$1,000. The Council is a community-wide volunteer organization seeking to reduce the effects of substance abuse in Manchester through prevention, intervention and treatment. Your grant enabled us to hire a part-time coordinator to provide professional and administrative support to the Council. Service providers, educators and government officials have all stressed the need for a community-based, multi-sectored approach to the problem of substance abuse. Your contribution is an expression of your commitment to the Manchester community with respect to this issue, and it will serve as an example to other businesses in the area. Thank you for your initiative and support. On behalf of the Executive Committee Holly D. Hood, M.P.H. Coordinator

Veteran bashing

To the Editor: Once again our government has become involved in "veterans bashing." The recent ruling by the CDC (Center for Disease Control) stated that the infamous herbicide "Agent Orange" can be linked to cancer in Vietnam veterans. The government spent millions of dollars trying to prove it is not responsible for the cancer, skin and nervous disorders, intestinal ailments and birth defects suffered by these veterans and their families. This is a travesty against our veterans and I would challenge any and all members of the C.D.C. to expose themselves to "Agent Orange." "Agent Orange" is a pleasant word for "deadly dioxin." Studies by the National Institute for Occupational Safety & Health, the Environmental Protection Agency, the government of Italy, Sweden, Dow Chemical and others, identify dioxin as a cancer causing chemical. Agent Orange was used extensively in Vietnam to destroy food crops and jungle growth, therefore it would be a reasonable conclusion that any troops in the



When progressive is unfair

By Joe Spear

For about 50 weeks out of the year, I view our federal government as spending my money. During the first two weeks of April, I get severely out of sorts over the way they collect it. I do not like the income tax system employed in this country to raise the revenue that is wanted by Washington. No matter how many articles I read about how the process is being "simplified," the forms seem to get more complicated. No matter how many references I see to "reforms" which have eliminated loopholes, I cannot shake the feeling that the Leona Helmsleys and Donald Trumps are not paying their fair share.

I want an income tax system that is simple, equitable, efficient. I want a system that does not induce me to invest in railroad boxcars instead of innovative new businesses. I want a system that does not force me to subsidize squid fishing and avocado farming. I would like a flat-rate tax system — not one, I hasten to add, that's anything like the scheme that has much of Britain up in arms against Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher. Her "poll tax" levies a fixed amount on all citizens as a means of lowering the property tax burden on wealthy classes.

Any flat tax system earning this pundit's endorsement would have to protect the poor and not burden the middle class. I would prefer one that allows but one form of deduction — personal allowances for taxpayers and dependents — then taxes all income in excess of that amount at a single flat rate.

If the rate were 17 percent, a family of four with total allowances of, say, \$15,000 and an income of \$25,000 would pay \$1,700 in taxes (8 percent of total income). A family that earns \$50,000 would pay \$5,950 (11.9 percent of total income). A family making \$100,000 would pay \$14,450 (14.45 percent of total income). Such a system would thus be mildly progressive; it would protect the poor, and every person's income tax could be filed on a single sheet of paper. Maybe half a sheet. If you added a flat tax on business income, the total revenue raised would finance the country. All that would be required to balance the budget each year would be an adjustment in the rate. Let the politicians decide that figure and let the voters hold them accountable.

As usual, I tilt at windmills. Fairness, simplicity and efficiency seem of secondary importance to those who govern us. Mainly because all factions involved cannot see their narrow interests to focus on the greater good.

Joe Spear is a syndicated columnist.

Jack Kemp stands out as activist

By Walter R. Mears

WASHINGTON — Jack Kemp, according to Jack Kemp, is a bleeding-heart conservative supply-side progressive suburban Republican, and never mind the commas. That compound description comes in one burst.

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Push to cut defense will be tested

Key bills hostage to gains tax

WASHINGTON (AP) — Democrats plan to bring their proposed \$1.24 trillion 1991 budget to the House floor next week in what looks as a test of their plan to begin slashing tens of billions of dollars in military spending.

The House Budget Committee approved the spending package on a 21-14 party-line vote Thursday, as majority Democrats dealt a blow to President Bush's plans to slightly trim the defense budget. The action marked the formal beginning of the battle over how federal spending priorities should be restated in response to the dismemberment of the Soviet bloc.

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WASHINGTON (AP) — A Republican threat to force Senate action on President Bush's proposed capital gains tax cut has stalled a pair of the biggest bills before Congress: child care and Central American aid.

Sen. Robert Packwood, R-Ore., a leading backer of the Bush tax plan, said through a spokeswoman Thursday that he may try to force a vote on the tax cut when the Senate takes up child care.

But Majority Leader George Mitchell, D-Maine, strongly opposes the capital gains change, and congressional sources said he decided this week to hold up action on aid Bush wants for Panama and Nicaragua until the threat to add the tax amendment is withdrawn.

The administration wants to cut the tax on capital gains — the profit on the sale of investments — from the current 28 or 33 percent to less than 20 percent on the theory that it would help spur the economy.

Although the Senate and House have already passed multibillion-dollar child care assistance bills, a parliamentary vote is needed in the Senate before negotiations with the House over a final version can begin.

Julia Brim-Edwards, Packwood's press secretary, said the senator considers the child care bill "a good vehicle" for adding a child-care amendment.

Fred McClure, the White House's liaison to Congress, told reporters that the administration had been informed that its request for \$800 million for the two Central American countries would go nowhere unless the child care measure is released.

House Speaker Thomas Foley, D-Wash., also a supporter of the child care bill, said Wednesday that he hoped conferees would be named on the measure relatively soon but sidestepped the question of whether there was a problem with the bill's progress.

Mitchell's spokeswoman, Diane Dewhurst, said he hoped to get the child care bill into a conference committee quickly.

The White House had hoped to have its supplemental aid package passed by next Tuesday, when Violeta Chamorro is sworn in as the new president of Nicaragua replacing the leftist Sandinista government strongly opposed by the Bush and Reagan administrations.

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SPORTS

Turner makes it official, accepts N.C. State post



Todd Turner

RALEIGH, N.C. (AP) — Connecticut athletic director Todd Turner confirmed that he will be named to the same position at North Carolina State... Turner was named to the position last fall after Jim Valvano's dismissal as athletic director.

Turner's appointment. Turner is expected to assume the athletic director's role from interim athletic director Harold Hopfenberg on July 1... Turner and a yet-to-be-named basketball coach will be called upon to help lead N.C. State out of one of the darkest and most controversial periods in the history of the school.

In February, former Wolfpack player Charles Shackelford admitted to accepting over 60,000 from two men while at N.C. State and an ABC News report alleged that point-sharing had occurred in the 1987-88 season... Turner, 39, and his wife, Sara, are natives of Raleigh. He is a 1973 graduate of the University of North Carolina in Chapel Hill.

Turner, came to UConn July 1, 1987 after 11 years at the University of Virginia. He had a renewable one-year contract at UConn, and was hired at a salary of \$80,000, and reportedly directly to UConn president John T. Casten III... Casten, who will leave UConn this summer to take the presidency at Virginia, said he will discuss Turner's department with the board of trustees at a meeting today in Storrs to determine whether the board or Casten should appoint the search committee to find a new athletic director.

be that he had a real caring for people. He's a guy with unquestionable integrity and I think he really unified the University of Connecticut. He brought together athletics and students, coaches and faculty, and coaches with other coaches. In his brief tenure, I think he did a great job... Jackson and Turner recently agreed on a four-year contract extension that will keep Jackson at UConn at least until January 1995.

MHS hit for loss by Xavier

This was a game the Manchester High baseball team should have won... Senior Steve Joyner, who suffered the loss, pitched well for six innings.



MOOG FLAWLESS — Boston goalie Andy Moog drops to his knees to make a save during Thursday's game with the Montreal Canadiens at Boston Garden. Moog led the Bruins to a 1-0 victory in their Stanley Cup playoff opener.

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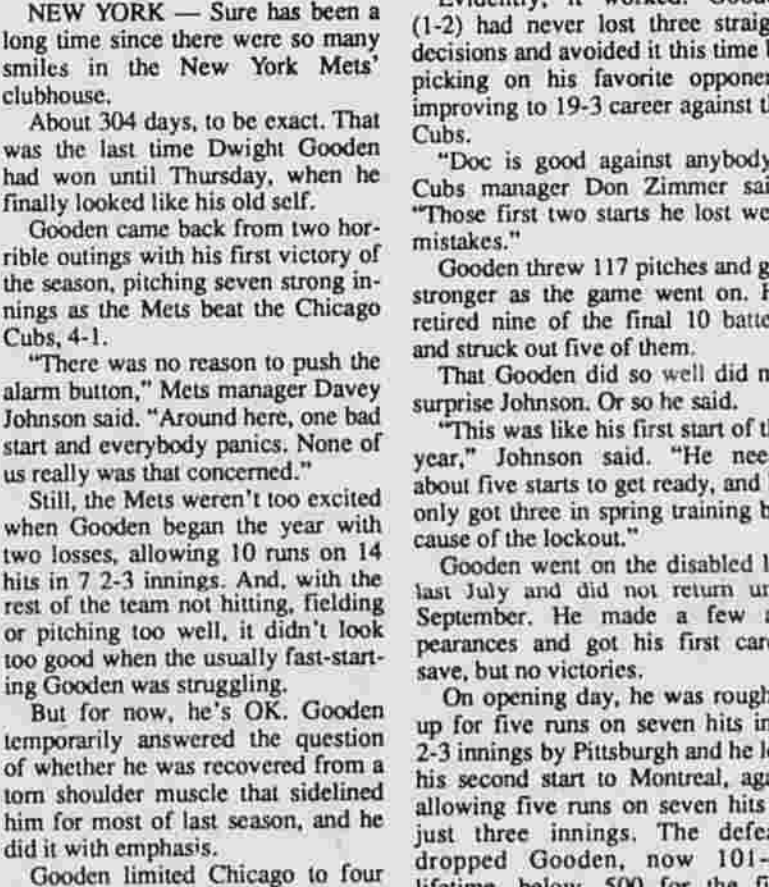
CINCINNATI (AP) — Pete Rose hopes to close a troubled chapter of his life by pleading guilty Friday to two felony tax counts that could mean up to six years in jail... Rose will admit he cheated on his taxes by failing to report \$354,968 in income over a four-year period; the government agreed not to press more serious tax evasion charges.

Mischievous Poulin helps Bruins swipe series opener

le bit of pressure off the guys having to play so hard in our end of the ice... Montreal goalie Patrick Roy, the top-ranked goalie during the regular season, turned aside 27 shots... The only one that got by him came on a rebound of Ray Bourque's 40-foot slap shot from directly in front of Roy, who made a pad save.

Mets are smiling as Gooden sharp

revealing his grip too early... "Maybe I was," Gooden said. "I tried to do some things differently."... "It was good to be able to be around them," he said.



PICKOFF TRY — Dwight Gooden of the Mets throws to first base on a pickoff attempt during Thursday's game against the Cubs at Shea Stadium. Gooden won his first game of the season, 3-1.

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In Brief . . .

Dominski leads MCC women

Behind the two-hit pitching of Tracy Dominski, Manchester Community College women's softball team blanked Mt. Ida, 16-0, Thursday.

MCC is home today at 3:30 p.m. against St. Joseph College.

Colt League baseball signups

The Manchester Rec Department is holding Colt League baseball registration now through April 27 from 6 to 8 p.m. at the Mahoney Rec Center.

Byron wins seniors tennis title

Ernie Byron defeated Earl Yost 6-2, 6-2 to win the Manchester Racquet Club's Senior Men's championship.

UConn Club honors 10 athletes

STORRS — Eight senior student-athletes at the University of Connecticut and two others to be recognized as "Outstanding Senior Scholar-Athletes" will be honored by the UConn Club when it holds its 37th annual awards dinner on Friday, May 4, at the Treadway-Harford Hotel in Cromwell.

AL Roundup

By Chuck Melvin The Associated Press

CLEVELAND — Greg Swindell hadn't done much to erase the worries about the effects of a shortened spring training on his left elbow.

Harrisburg blanks Britox

NEW BRITAIN (AP) — Right-hander Jim Tracy hurled no-hit ball for five and two-thirds innings and finished with four hits over eight shut-out innings leading the Harrisburg Senators to a 5-0 Eastern League victory over the New Britain Red Sox.

Clements leads Greensboro golf

GREENSBORO, N.C. (AP) — Lennie Clements shot a 3-under-par 69 to take the first-round lead in the Greater Greensboro Open.

Coody-Douglass are in front

AUSTIN, Texas (AP) — Charles Coody scored a hole-in-one and an 18th-hole eagle as he and Dale Douglass combined for a 13-under-par 59 and a 5-stroke lead in the Legends of Golf.

Fetisov leads Soviet sextet

BERN, Switzerland (AP) — Viatcheslav Fetisov made a successful return to the Soviet National Team, scoring a goal and adding three assists in a blitz of Team USA at the World Hockey Championships.

Seles advances to quarterfinals

LARGO, Fla. (AP) — Top-seeded Monica Seles beat Donna Faver 6-0, 6-1 to advance to the quarterfinals of the Eckerd Open. Second-seeded Arantxa Sanchez Vicario struggled before defeating Cecilia Dahlman 3-6, 6-3, 6-0.

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INDIANAPOLIS (AP) — Two-time world champion hurdler Greg Foster has been suspended from competition for three months for testing positive for substances commonly found in over-the-counter cold medications.

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That's what happened Thursday night when the Philadelphia 76ers clinched their first Atlantic Division championship since 1983 with a 107-97 victory over defending NBA champion Detroit in a game marred by a melee in the closing seconds.

They started the fight and we just defended ourselves," said Philadelphia's Charles Barkley, who scored 36 points before being ejected with 14.8 seconds remaining along with Detroit's Bill Laimbeer and Scott Hastings.

The Pistons still up there on their high hopes and don't expect anybody else to do anything. If they want to go out in the parking lot, let 'em go.

Detroit's Ish Thomas was ejected for punching Philadelphia's Rick Mahorn with 3:40 left. Mahorn was one of Detroit's so-called "Bad Boys" last year.

Philadelphia's victory was its 13th in the last 15 games and made Sunday's final against the Boston Celtics meaningless. The 76ers won three of four from the Pistons this season.

The melee broke out when Mahorn was fouled by Detroit's Dennis Rodman as he scored a basket. Mahorn started after Rodman, then, according to referee Jake O'Donnell, "Laimbeer put the ball in Mahorn's face. I clearly saw Hastings sucker-punch Barkley. Every player on both benches will be fined. Otherwise, they'll review the tapes."

The Pistons have lost eight of 14 games since a 25-1 streak from Jan. 23 through March 21 but will have the home-court advantage throughout the Eastern Conference playoffs.

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NBA Roundup

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Lakers 113, Timberwolves 89: Reserve Orlando Woolridge scored 23 points and Michael Cooper also came off the bench to contribute 14 points and 10 assists as the Lakers closed out their regular-season schedule at the Forum by matching their best home record ever, 37-4.

Tony Campbell led Minnesota with 25 points and Tyrone Corbin added 20.

Bulls 120, Bullets 117: Michael Jordan scored 32 points as Chicago completed its home season with a best-ever 36-5 record. The triumph assured Chicago of the home-court advantage in the first two rounds of the playoffs.

Bucks 96, Knicks 111: Scottie Pippen scored seven of his 20 points in overtime as Seattle handed Sacramento its sixth straight home loss. Dale Ellis scored 43 points, including seven 3-point baskets, as the Sonics strung a six-game road losing streak. Xavier McDaniel led 26 points.

Mavericks 111, Hornets 102: Rolando Blackman scored 12 of his 21 points in the third quarter as Dallas clinched the sixth seed in the Western Conference playoffs. The Mavericks will face third-seeded Portland in the opening round.

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Martinez gives freebies a treat

By Ben Walker The Associated Press

So what do fans expect for free? A perfect game?

That's almost what they got Thursday night in Philadelphia. A crowd of 23,010, lured mostly by the offer of free tickets, saw Montreal's Dennis Martinez come within five outs of the second no-hitter in the two-week-old season.

Martinez retired the first 18 batters before a leadoff walk in the seventh. He didn't give up a hit until Darren Daulton doubled with one out in the eighth and finished with a two-hitter as the Expos beat the Phillies 5-0.

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NL Roundup

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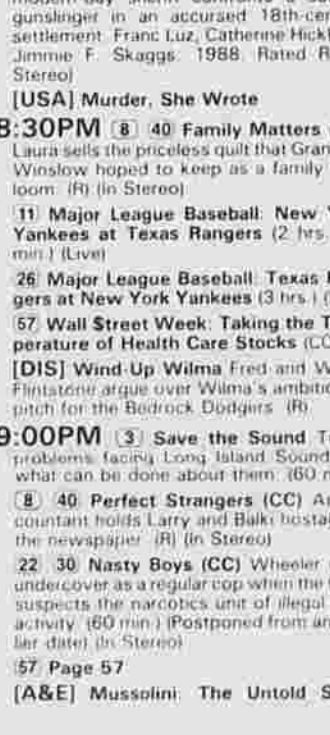
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JUMBLE

Unscramble these four jumbles and letter to each square to form four ordinary words.
LEXIE
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TICPED
Answer here: LEXIE, NAHDY, PRELIF, TICPED

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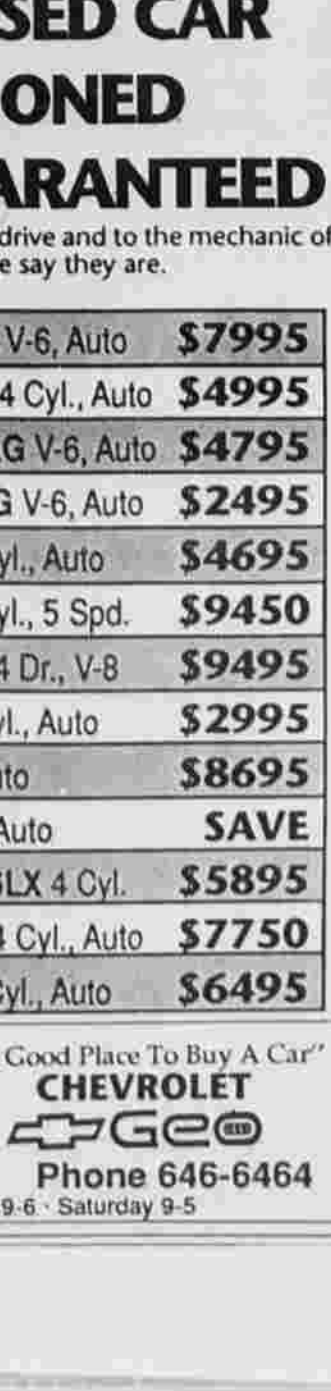
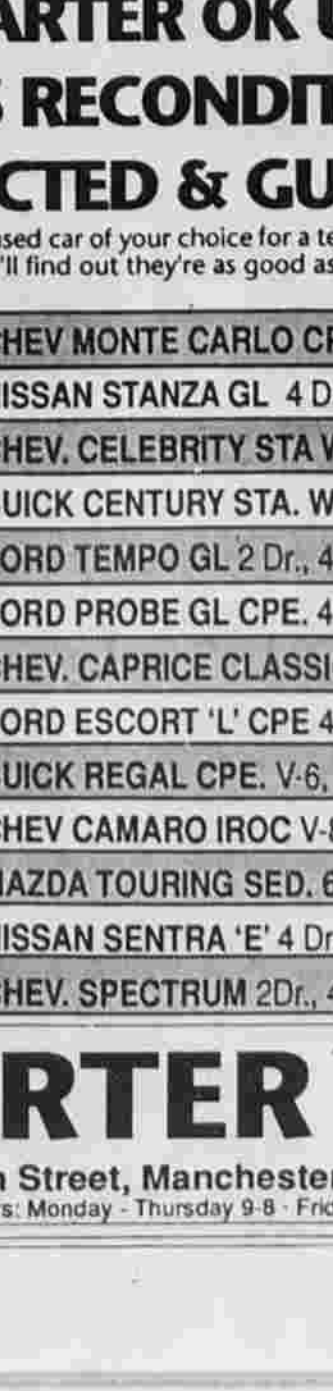
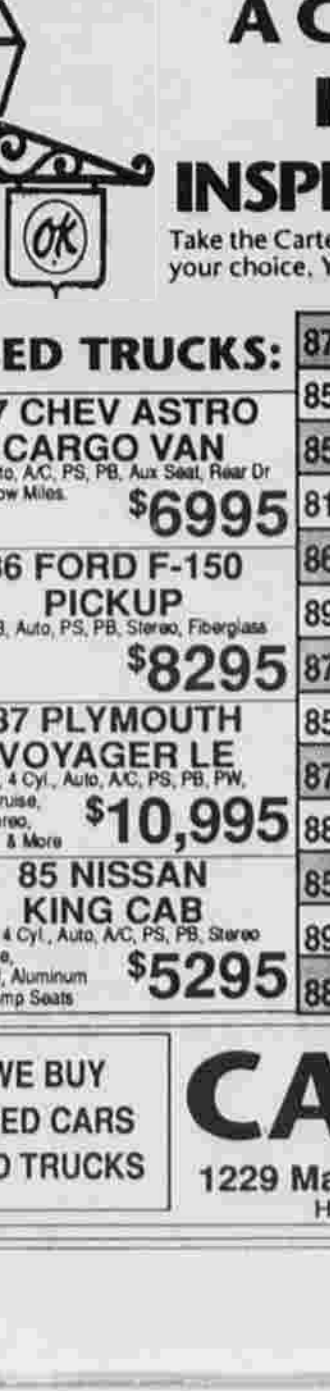
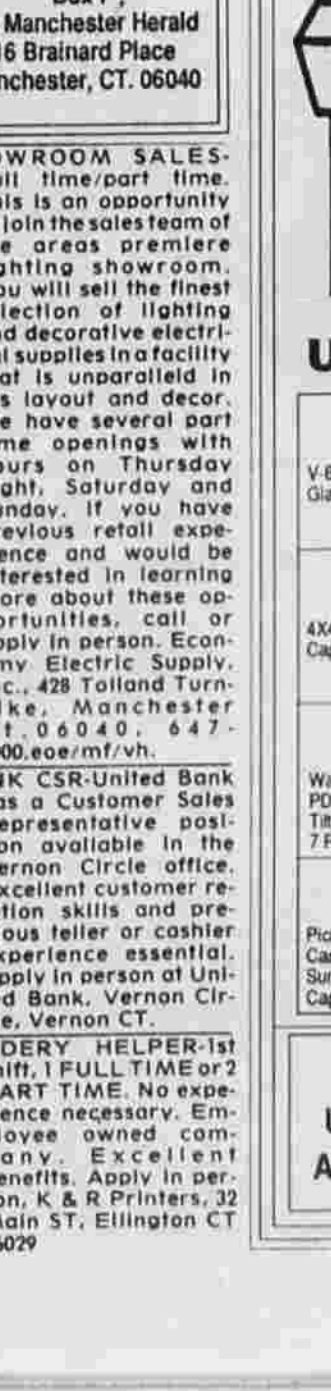
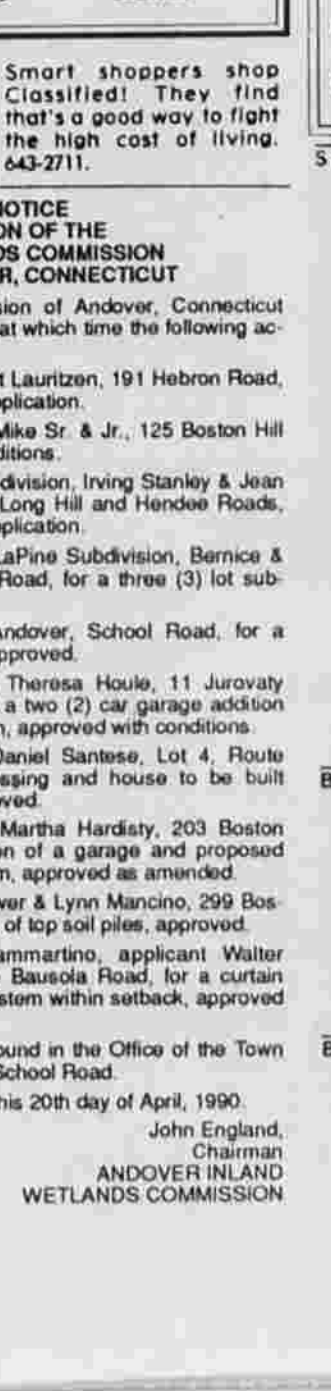
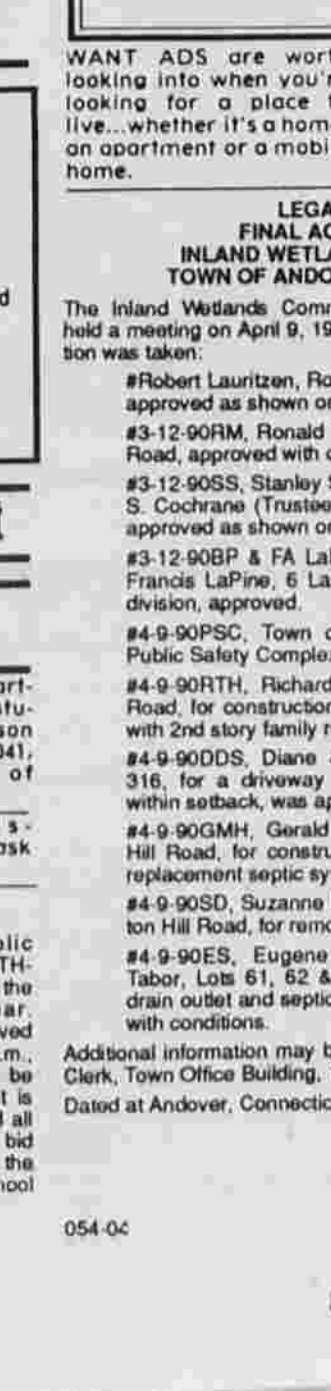
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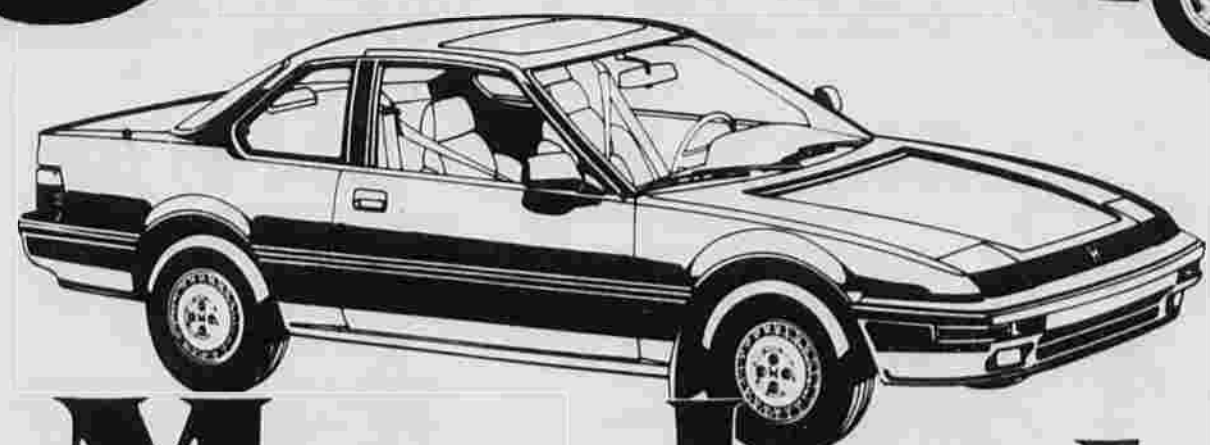
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