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Four arrested in Grasso murder

HARTFORD (AP) — Four Massachusetts men were arrested today in the 1989 slaying of reputed mobster William F. Grasso, U.S. Attorney Stanley A. Twardy said.

Grasso, a New Haven resident described by federal authorities as the "underboss" of New England's most powerful organized crime family, was found shot to death along the banks of the Connecticut River on June 16, 1989. He was 62.

Arrested today were Gaetano J. Milano of East Longmeadow, Mass.; Louis Pugliano of West Springfield, Mass.; Frank A. Pugliano of West Springfield, Mass.; and Frank Colantoni of Longmeadow, Mass.

Twardy was not immediately available to comment on the arrests. He scheduled a news conference this afternoon to discuss the case.

Park dedicated to firefighters

WATERBURY, Conn. (AP) — A small city park has been officially dedicated as a memorial for two Waterbury firefighters who were killed in the crash of a fire truck that was heading to a false alarm in May.

The Eddie Rivera and Howard Hughes Memorial park, located in the city's South End, was dedicated during ceremonies Sunday.

Man charged in killings

NEW BEDFORD, Mass. (AP) — Kenneth C. Puntz was named in an indictment unsealed today, charging him in the killing of one of nine women whose bodies have been found over the past two years, the apparent victims of a serial killer.

Nuclear plant begins operation

SEABROOK, N.H. (AP) — The Seabrook nuclear power plant has ended five months of reactor tests and has begun regular operation to supply electricity to New England, a spokesman said today.

The tests ended Friday night, and after a review Saturday determined that the final round of tests had been successful, regular operation began at 12:01 a.m. Sunday, spokesman Ron Sher said.

Camp prisoners hijack plane

KARACHI, Pakistan (AP) — Eleven prisoners from a Siberian labor camp overpowered their guards, hijacked a Soviet jetliner to Pakistan, then surrendered and sought political asylum, officials said.

It was the latest in an unprecedented spate of hijack bids involving Soviet aircraft, at least the 13th in three months.

Racist admits to killings

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — Ten years ago today, two young black men were gunned down as they jogged near a city park. Now, avowed racist Joseph Paul Franklin, who was convicted of the murders, is admitting guilt.

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School sports user fees may be in the future

By RICK SANTOS
Manchester Herald

The issue is called pay-for-play, where school systems charge students to participate in extra-curricular sports. It's controversial, it's generally unwanted, but it may be coming to local schools.

Although most area education officials would not welcome any proposal to charge students to participate in interscholastic sports, decreased school budgets combined with increased costs for sports may force the establishment of such fees.

User fees, as they are called, will be used in West Hartford this year as a temporary means to deal with that town's budget crunch. All athletes will be charged about \$15, with no guarantee that they'll actually get to participate in games, matches, or meets.

"It's a less painful way than cutting," said Linda Berry, one of the town's school board members who supported the fee.

And while athletic programs at Manchester, Bolton, Coventry, and RIAM schools have largely avoided the budget as in recent years, murmurs about establishing fees or cutting programs have been heard at one time or another in most school districts.

"We faced, initially, the same type of problem as West Hartford," Kennedy said about the school's struggle with adopting its current budget. "Rather than go with a user fee, the administration proposed eliminating some junior high sports."

The recommendation to cut junior varsity sports at the junior high level was made with the reasoning that younger athletes would be hurt less than the old and they could engage in intramural sports or non-school groups.

But the proposal died in the face of vigorous parent opposition, and school board members decided to make cuts in areas unrelated to athletics.

Kennedy said he would prefer not to have to drop any programs, including sports, which he calls "an integral part of a young person's secondary school experience."

However, he said that when school officials are forced to find areas to reduce their budgets, they try to preserve the basic educational components: the school buildings; the teachers; and the administrators.

"It doesn't leave much else," he said, adding that sports is one of those activities which is at the fringe of the basic school curriculum.

"It has been determined that participation in interscholastic athletics is a privilege not a right," said Roberta Howells, a physical education consultant working with the state Department of Education.

"If you stop and think of it, not everyone takes advantage of extra-curricular activities," she said.

Therefore, when budgets are tight, people offer suggestions such as establishing user fees.

In recent times, the costs for sports has risen because of increases in general expenses plus greater participation, Howells said. And the cry for user fees has gotten louder.

"It's definitely something we should be investigating," said Manchester school board member Tom Sheridan.

"Should we be paying for sports out of our taxes?" Sheridan said. "Maybe we ought to be reworking."

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SPORTS FEES — Athletes from area schools may have to pay to participate in athletic programs if state and local budgets remain squeezed next year. One Connecticut town, West Hartford, has already instituted such a program.

Ominous turn taken in Gulf

By LISA GENASCI
The Associated Press

The plight of expatriates trapped in Iraq took another ominous turn today when Iraqi radio warned that Iraqis who secretly harbor foreigners will face the "severest punishment."

Two senior U.N. officials headed for Baghdad today to urge Iraq to free foreigners held captive in Kuwait and Iraq, U.N. Secretary-General Javier Perez de Cuellar said.

The United States, meanwhile, picked up another ally in its military thrust against Iraq with Defense Secretary Dick Cheney's announcement today that U.S. C-130 cargo transports have begun operating from the United Arab Emirates.

Cheney's statement in Abu Dhabi marked an important show of cooperation from a gulf nation with international efforts to force Iraq out of Kuwait, which it overran Aug. 2.

Also today, OPEC said there was not enough support among its members to call an emergency meeting to consider Saudi Arabia's request to boost oil production.

A brief statement said OPEC's president would meet with some other oil ministers before the end of the month. Saudi Arabia said Saturday it would boost oil production by as much as 2 million barrels a day.

Iraq said today that diplomats who fail to close their missions in Kuwait by Friday will be treated as any other foreign citizen. But in London, the Foreign office said Britain will attempt to keep an embassy in Kuwait.

Iraqi radio's warning to its citizens not to harbor foreigners was monitored by the British Broadcast Monitoring Centre in London.

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Town to rule on hiring

By RICK SANTOS
Manchester Herald

MANCHESTER — Within the next two days, the town Ethics Commission will decide whether it can issue an advisory opinion on the legality of Democratic Director Peter P. DiRosa Jr. taking a job as a Manchester school teacher, Ethics Commission Chairman M. Adair Dobkin said today.

Although the commission's opinion would not be binding, it would be a strong recommendation for or against the hiring.

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Social Security seeks heart tests

By JEFF BARKER
The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — The administration wants to require hundreds of thousands of people seeking disability pay to take an exercise test that a federal court says is unreliable.

The Social Security Administration has yet to publish plans for the testing program. But a New York state official and a senator from Pennsylvania already are contending it could be unfairly used to exclude deserving applicants.

The test would be used to gauge the severity of heart disorders. The administration expects thousands of people — who now would qualify for disability benefits — to fail the test.

As a result, the government would save an estimated \$30 million in the first year, and \$220 million a year by 1995.

The Social Security Administration already uses the test in many cases to assess an individual's heart condition.

The test requires applicants to pedal a cycle or walk on a treadmill whose speed or slope is increased. Applicants would qualify for Social Security disability payments averaging \$560 a month only if the ailment is deemed serious enough to prevent them from working.

The proposed regulations would require a treadmill test for every applicant with heart disease who could safely undergo one.

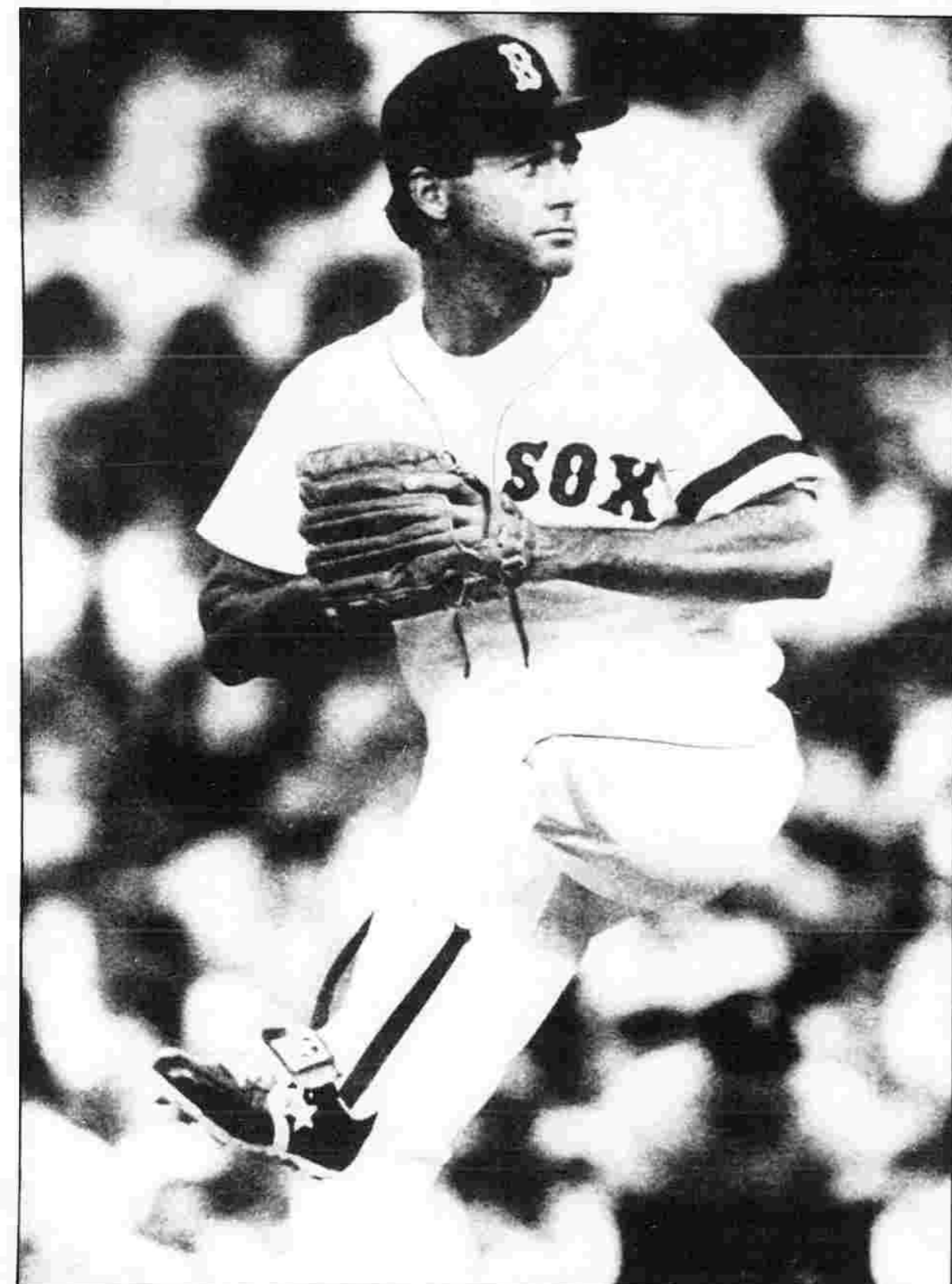
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Boddicker loses tough one



By DAVE O'HARA
The Associated Press

BOSTON (AP) — Chuck Finley outducked Mike Boddicker with a four-hitter and Johnny Ray singled home an unearned run in the ninth inning as the California Angels edged the Boston Red Sox 1-0 Friday night for their sixth victory in seven games.

Finley (16-5) struck out four and walked one in his second shutout of the season. Boddicker (11-8) gave up seven hits and struck out nine but is 0-5 in eight starts since his last victory July 2.

Boddicker started the ninth by striking out Lance Parrish, Devon White hit a grounder to shortstop and the ball skipped off Luis Rivera's arm for a two-base error. White stole third and scored when Ray grounded a single through the right side.

AL Roundup

year, pitched his fifth complete game in 24 starts. Boddicker went the distance for the third time.

Boddicker, who won 10 games in a row before his slump, worked out of jams in two of the first three innings.

Luis Polonia and Donnie Hill opened the game with singles but Chili Davis grounded into a double play and Brian Downing popped out.

Ray began the third by reaching first base when Boddicker dropped the throw on a grounder to first baseman Carlos Quintana. Dick Schofield beat out a bunt but Boddicker retired the next three batters.

Finley pitched out of serious trouble in the Boston seventh when Wade Boggs led off with a single and Ellis Burks doubled him to third. The runners held as Mike Greenwell grounded to second. Dwight Evans grounded to first and Boggs was easy out at the plate. The threat died when Tim Lincecum flied out.

Yankees 3, Mariners 2: In New York, the New York Yankees scored the winning run on a throwing error by Seattle third baseman Edgar Martinez with two out in the eighth inning and beat the Mariners 3-2 Friday night to end a six-game losing streak.

Yankee starter Andy Hawkins, who lost a no-hitter in Chicago on July 1, held the Mariners hitless for 6 1/3 innings until Martinez's two-run homer traced a 2-0 New York lead.

Oscar Azocar opened the eighth with a bloop double. Two outs later, pinch hitter Rick Cerone hit a slow grounder to third that Martinez, with plenty of time, threw over the head of first baseman Pete O'Brien, allowing Azocar to score.

Lee Guetterman (8-4), the Yankees' third pitcher, was the winner with 1 1/3 innings of perfect relief. Dave Righetti pitched the ninth for his 25th save and had to work out a first-and-third one-out jam after a throwing error by third baseman Randy Velarde.

Seattle's Bill Swift (5-3) pitched into the eighth and was replaced by Keith Constock after Azocar's double. Constock retired both batters he faced and Mike Jackson came on to face Cerone.

Hawkins walked five but held the Mariners hitless

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HERE IT COMES — Boston Red Sox pitcher Mike Boddicker, shown in a file photo, pitched the full nine innings in Friday night's game against the California Angels at Fenway Park. Boddicker and the Sox suffered a tough 1-0 loss when the Angels scored an unearned run in the ninth inning.

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NATION/WORLD

Mexicans begin push to find marijuana

By JOSEPH B. FRAZIER
The Associated Press

CIUDAD ALTAMIRANA, Mexico — From a helicopter, the neat patchwork of farms fades quickly to rugged, stone-fenced cornfields and the Sierra Madre del Sur, where a cash crop flourishes in the craggy wilderness.

"Pure marijuana, all marijuana," said Jesus Verjes, a director of the annual three-month government effort to destroy the crop.

The helicopter flew over patch after patch of marijuana in south-western Michoacan state.

Michoacan's border with Guerrero is shaggy with wilderness, creased with cliffs and rimrock. There are no roads.

It is only one of many parts of Mexico where marijuana grows, but is popular because of the soil, climate and isolation.

Marijuana is a richer green than surrounding foliage and a trained spotter can pick out the "plantings," or patches.

Those in the open are sprayed from the air. If they are shielded, police are flown in to uproot and burn the plants.

"We are doing it now because the marijuana is about half grown," Verjes said. "It is too young to harvest, but too late in the year for the growers to get another crop planted. We are trying to break the growing cycle."

When the marijuana season ends in three months, the

Federal Judicial Police will start their campaign against opium poppies, he said.

Federal police have uprooted or sprayed about 3,000 acres of plants and confiscated 400 tons of dried marijuana so far this year, according to government statistics.

How much of the drug will survive the eradication programs and get to market is nearly impossible to calculate because no consistent figures are available on the amount of marijuana planted or harvested each year.

The U.S. National Narcotics Intelligence Consumer Committee, headed by the Drug Enforcement Administration, estimates more than 42,000 tons of Mexican marijuana finds its way into the United States each year, or about 79 percent of the country's total supply.

Mexico has 114 planes and helicopters dedicated to drug eradication. The United States provides about \$15 million a year for such programs.

In a small glen on a mountainside, soldiers uprooted armloads of yard-high plants that had been sheltered by trees, and carried them to a bonfire.

"They used to plant these things in plots bigger than a hectare (about 2 1/2 acres), but when we started picking them out from the air, they got smarter," Verjes said.

"Most plots now are much smaller."

He said the plants were "criollo," or market-grade, which grow easily and quickly and are fairly easy to spot from the air.

Verjes said the low-bush cola de borrego, or "sheep's tail," produces a more potent leaf, brings a better price and is easier to hide among other vegetation, but the yield is lower and it needs some special growing conditions.

"If we spot an area from the air that has maybe five plots, we send in police and usually find 15 or 20 other plots hidden away nearby," he said.

Growers have taken to planting corn, giving it a start, then planting marijuana among it, giving an appearance



MARIJUANA ERADICATION — A Mexican federal policeman uproots marijuana in a field in Mexico. Drug agents normally spend five to six weeks in areas around the country looking for marijuana fields.

from above of an innocent cornfield.

If nobody lives nearby or there is a shack that appears abandoned, police often are sent in for a closer look.

"They have gotten smarter, but so have we," Verjes said.

Police in helicopters had descended the day before on the camp used by workers tending the plants that were being burned. The 20 or so men had escaped quickly, abandoning hot food on the fire.

After three months, budget is stalled

By STEVEN KOMAROW
The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Rep. Bill Frenzel always seems disgruntled. It's just the nature of the senior Minnesota Republican.

So when Frenzel released his recent recap of this year's budget talks, it was not to surprise anyone. He titled, "Diary of a Disgruntled Summertime."

But glancing through his notes and comments would make most

citizens disgruntled too. Seen as a whole, the three-month old budget summit is clearly less than the sum of the hot rhetoric that has surrounded it.

Frenzel, the senior Republican on the House Budget Committee, recalls back in early May how President Bush issued his "no precondition" statement — the first hint that Bush was abandoning his pledge not to raise taxes.

"Now things should move," Frenzel says.

But, of course, they didn't. The diary is laced with recitations of the daily crises that seem ridiculous in retrospect but which, at every turn, threatened to derail the negotiations.

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Moon trip trade

HUNTSVILLE, Ala. (AP) — The winner of a 1993 Space Baby contest has a deal for NASA: Instead of honoring her "official" ticket for a ride to the moon, let her orbit Earth aboard a space shuttle.

Nancy Cavanaugh, a fourth-grade teacher in Buckeye, Ariz., won the contest.

"NASA's not in the business of making trades like that," said flight center spokesman Don Amoroso.

But if she wants to apply for the Teacher-in-Space Program, "I'm sure the agency would be glad to look at her application."

The program was suspended after Challenger exploded in 1986. Its first participant, Christa McAuliffe, died with the rest of the shuttle's crew.

Kenya's Anglican bishops said Friday that a church committee's preliminary investigation suggested foul play. The bishops called for a public inquiry.

Observatory asks Americans' help in Moonwatch

By HARRY F. ROSENTHAL
The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Here's your chance to be the first person on Earth to spot the new moon when it makes its appearance Tuesday night. Your efforts won't be on a par with the discovery of a new planet, but it will help science all the same.

Scientists know the position of the moon at any given time precisely enough to send six spacecrafts across 250,000 miles of space and land on the exact lunar spot they choose.

But they can't predict the exact time or geographic location at which the young crescent moon will first be spotted. And that's where you come in.

The U.S. Naval Observatory asks participants in the Moonwatch to be outside where there's a clear, flat western horizon and to watch from about a half hour to an hour after sunset.

"Please do not use binoculars or telescope," the observatory says. "A good horizon is essential since the moon will be best visible when it is roughly 2 degrees above 5 degrees above the true horizon."

Astronomers will compare the Moonwatch observations with their theoretical calculations to improve their ability to predict the time and location when the moon

first becomes visible.

Write to the observatory at 34th and Massachusetts Ave. NW, Washington, D.C. 20392, about what you saw and when you saw it. A sketch showing the position of the crescent with respect to the horizon will be welcome, the observatory says.

The Naval Observatory had a Moonwatch in 1988 and got information from more than 2,000 observers, ranging in age from 4 to 92 years. Some groups turned the occasion into family outings. Their findings were published in the magazine Sky and Telescope.

Be warned: The new moon usually does not appear until the second evening.

Indians end blockade

LONILAC, Ontario (AP) — Indian leaders on Sunday agreed to end a blockade of CN Rail trains in northern Ontario, but other rail lines remained blocked by Indian bands pressing land claims, police said.

After meeting with police, Indians from the Long Lake band dismantled their blockade about 100 miles northeast of Thunder Bay on Lake Superior. The four-day protest had blocked east-west trains on Canadian National Rail lines, the nation's main transcontinental rail link, and a local branch.

But Indians from the Pic Mobert band continued to block Canadian Pacific rail tracks near White River, Ontario.

The Indian bands have been blocking the rail lines to call attention to their land claims and demands for meetings with federal Indian Affairs Minister Tom Siddon.

They are also expressing support for Miawaké Indians in Quebec who have been engaged in an armed standoff with army troops and authorities in another land dispute.

Meanwhile, in British Columbia, the Seton-Portage Indian band continued to block the BC Rail link between Vancouver and Prince George, defying a court injunction to clear the tracks.

Those Indians set up the blockade Friday because they were upset with the response by British Columbia officials to their land claim protests.

"Details of the agreement to end the blockade of the CN Rail line were not immediately available.

"We'll be moving quickly to restore normal traffic," CN Rail spokesman Roger Cameron said late Sunday from Montreal.

He said the railroads would send notices to about 300 employees because of slowdowns caused by the blockade.

Sunday's meeting between police and the Indians was held in a grassy field near the blocked CN Rail line.

On Saturday, the railway obtained a court injunction Saturday ordering the Long Lake Indians to clear tracks running through their reservation, said a statement by the provincial police.

CN service between Winnipeg and Toronto had been severely disrupted since the blockade started Monday. Several trains a day were cancelled and hundreds of carsloads of freight were delayed, Cameron said.

Talks between Pic Mobert leaders and mediator George Bueckler on Saturday failed to settle the dispute.



DECISIVE MEETING — Social Democrats leader Wolfgang Thierse, left, and Richard Schröder, leader of the Social Democratic lawmakers, put their heads together prior to the meeting of the SPD lawmakers in East Berlin Sunday. They met to decide whether to pull out of the government coalition after East German Prime Minister Lothar de Maiziere dismissed four ministers last week.

Foreign minister quits; SPD bolts government

By MARK FRITZ
The Associated Press

EAST BERLIN — East Germany's senior diplomat resigned today after his political party bolted from the broad governing coalition formed to lead the country to unity with West Germany.

Foreign Minister Markus Meckel, a member of the left-leaning Social Democrats, submitted his resignation to Prime Minister Lothar de Maiziere this morning, the East German news agency ADN said.

He is the fifth minister to leave the coalition in a week since elections to West German Chancellor Helmut Kohl can be held accountable at the voting booth for the costs of balling out East Germany.

The Social Democrats in both Germany also want unification to take place much sooner than elections to West German Chancellor Helmut Kohl can be held accountable at the voting booth for the costs of balling out East Germany.

East Germany can invoke a clause in the West German constitution and unite with West Germany at any time. De Maiziere and Kohl have been trying to keep the election date and the unification date close together.

German unification is now tentatively set for Oct. 14, with all-German elections to be held on Dec. 2. The East German Social

Democrats had been threatening to leave the coalition for weeks. A smaller Liberal alliance left the government earlier this month.

The bickering peaked last week when de Maiziere unilaterally fired four ministers in his Cabinet, three of whom dealt with the nation's crumbling economy.

The Social Democrats accused de Maiziere of firing the ministers to protect his party politically when voters in both nations choose which party will lead a united Germany.

The Social Democrats are closely allied with the West German Social Democrats, the main opposition to Kohl. Kohl, like de Maiziere, is a Christian Democrat.

The departure of the Social Democrats will not derail the process of merging the two Germany. But it does solidify the party's role as an opposition force in East Germany.

All major East German parties are committed to unification but they differ sharply on a timetable and on the details of a state treaty that is to mesh the laws of the two Germany.

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Famed behaviorist dies of leukemia

By DANIEL O. HANEY
The Associated Press

CAMBRIDGE, Mass. — Psychologist B.F. Skinner, who translated his success in training rats and pigeons to push buttons and levers into the theory that human behavior is shaped by reward and punishment, is dead at 86.

Skinner died of leukemia Saturday at Mount Auburn Hospital.

He was known for the "Skinner box," an apparatus for studying modification experiments on animals. His 1948 novel "Walden Two" elaborated his belief that human behavior could be manipulated to achieve an ideal world.

"Dr. Skinner was the primary psychologist of the 20th century," said Stanley Graham, president of the American Psychological Association. "He influenced a whole generation of psychologists."

Burhus Frederic Skinner, known to his friends as Fred, spent most of his career at Harvard.

His behaviorist views were based on his theory that free will and the unconscious mind do not exist and that people make choices solely through environmental triggers. People don't shape the world, he said. The world shapes them.

Arab Emirates to allow transports

By SUSANNE M. SCHAFER
The Associated Press

ABU DHABI, United Arab Emirates — Defense Secretary Dick Cheney announced today that U.S. C-130 cargo transports have begun operating from this moderate Arab forerunner on the Persian Gulf.

Cheney's announcement, made along with the president of the United Arab Emirates, Sheikh Zayed al Nahyan, is an important demonstration of Persian Gulf cooperation against Iraq's aggression against Kuwait.

Cheney was to travel later today to Oman and Jiddah, Saudi Arabia, where he was scheduled to meet with the Saudi royal family about the massive U.S. military defense code named Operation Desert Shield.

Cheney is the highest-ranking U.S. official ever to visit the Arab emirates, a group of seven loose alliances. It is also the first time one of the moderate Arab governments in the southern gulf region has publicly announced such overt military cooperation with the United States, even though several states in

the region have quietly worked to help such U.S. operations as the refueling of Kuwaiti tankers during the Iran-Iraq war.

Cheney, in a departure statement at the sheik's waterfront marble palace, said he was pleased the emirates had also agreed to accept some forces of Arab and other nations as part of the multinational efforts under way to defend the Persian Gulf region.

"I am especially pleased that U.S. forces are among those accepted by the U.A.E. in defense of the gulf," Cheney said. "I was able to visit with some of the crews of the C-130s, which now are operating from here."

A senior Pentagon official traveling with Cheney said he was unable to comment on how many of the huge Air Force transport aircraft would operate out of the emirates, but at least five of them were seen along the tarmac when Cheney's plane arrived at Bateen air base.

The official also said he did not know which countries might be sending forces to the emirates.

On Sunday, the United Arab Emirates announced it had agreed to

the deployment of Arab and "friendly" forces on its territory to help defend the region.

Diplomatic sources here said the announcement probably would lead to the deployment of U.S., Egyptian and Pakistani troops, but it was not immediately known if any of those nations planned to send forces.

The Pentagon official said two KC-135 Air Force refueling tankers were still in the emirates. They had been dispatched in mid-July to conduct aerial refueling exercises with U.S. carrier-based jet aircraft after Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein threatened to attack both Kuwait and the U.A.E. in a dispute over oil prices.

The military gesture had been requested by the emirates so their French Mirage jet fighters could respond to any possible attack from invading Iraqi forces. Kuwait did not make any such requests and was overrun by Iraqi tanks and troops on Aug. 2.

In his statement, Cheney praised the people of the emirates and their leaders for their prompt reactions to the current crisis, in particular the nation's call for volunteers to enter

military training.

"That reveals the strong commitment of the men and women of this country to defend their way of life and to rally behind their leadership at this time," Cheney said.

The U.S. military presence was readily visible at Bateen air base.

U.S. airmen in flight suits stood outside one hangar where they had propped up a piece of plywood emblazoned with their motto, "Welcome to 01-314 TAW — No Problem."

Cheney visited with members of the 314th tactical airlift squadron from Little Rock, Ark., who began flying missions here five days ago.

Col. Dave Mason, the squadron's commander, said he had 16 C-130s under his command with 575 people on the unit.

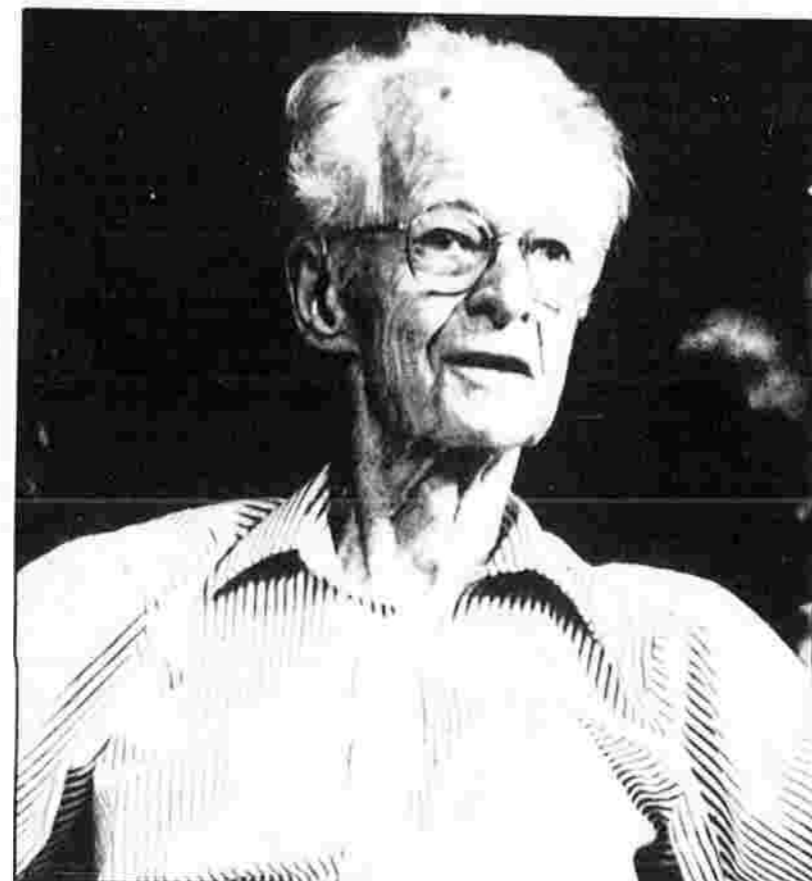
The commander said his unit, which are flying ammunition, food stuffs, and other supplies from the U.S. to the emirates, has maintained high morale.

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For example, in meetings on May 22 and May 24, the negotiators "decide NOT to decide on a \$50 billion (deficit reduction) target for this year's package and \$500 billion over five years."

Two months later, on July 24 — "Whoopie" — the group decides those goals are okay.

"I don't think anybody knows how long they'll be here," Cheney called the decision to allow U.S. forces to operate at the air base "a big step for the emirate."

"They give us an ability, should we need it, to get in with the least amount of casualties and attack important targets if necessary," Tolin said.

At \$42.6 million each, the F-117A is one of the most expensive planes the Pentagon ever launched. It was flown only at night on early test missions to keep its design secret.

The United States has said the military buildup is defensive.

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OPINION

The state should become a leader in fiber optics

By MICHAEL MEOTTI

The state government's budgetary problems and general economic doldrums weigh heavily on the minds of Connecticut residents this summer. While projected state budget shortfalls appear more dramatic now than in the past, it is our economic condition that presents the longer term and more significant challenge to state government and business. Economic development efforts by the state become more important as the financial resources to fund them dwindle.

A recent column by Robert Walters appearing in the Manchester Herald extolled the almost limitless growth opportunities awaiting the fiber optics industry in this country. The related fields of fiber optics and photonics are revolutionizing the world of communications and information management in business and the home—and the revolution has only begun.

Connecticut is poised to be a center of this growth industry and the economic activity it generates. We are already home to a mix of businesses which could prove to be fertile ground. The insurance and financial services industries in the greater Hartford area are among the largest existing users of fiber optic communications systems in the world. Over 70 fiber optics manufacturing firms of all sizes throughout Connecticut have announced plans to locate in the state. Next door in East Hartford, the United Technologies Research Center hosts an internationally recognized research program that has been involved in photonics and fiber optics for some time.

With all this potential, what can state government do to make this happen? First, we must realize that no government—local, state or federal—can make economic development happen. Government's most important role is to provide the building blocks: a well-educated labor force, adequate transportation network and a stable state fiscal situation.

But in some instances the state government can do more. Last winter, I attended a briefing conducted by the Connecticut Academy of Sciences and Engineering on the Connecticut connection to the fiber optics industry. The business people present believed that state government needed to play a role.

As chairman of the state legislature's appropriations subcommittee with jurisdiction over the budget of the Department of Economic Development, I was able to reduce expenditures in certain areas in order to commit \$25,000 as seed money to follow up on the industry proposals. This effort has begun, and my job now is to assure that this program becomes an investment in future prosperity and not just a cost.

Connecticut's position as the wealthiest state in the most prosperous nation in the world carries with it no guarantees of continued success. The state's economic future is at a period of fiscal constraint, Connecticut must continue to invest today in the opportunities of tomorrow.

Michael Meotti is a Democratic State Senator representing Manchester.

Open Forum

Golf course vote

To the Editor:

I have been reading with considerable concern about the deliberations of the Board of Directors of the new golf course on watershed land. It would appear that the program will proceed subject only to environmental approval, success of a bond issue and final approval of the Board of Directors. The voters are assured that it will have no tax impact because the bond issue will be paid from player fees on the new course.

I would like to suggest that the residents of Manchester do have a voting right to decide what happens to an invaluable natural resource belonging to them. Given this option, voters should seriously consider the following:

•How valuable are trees which purify our air and provide natural air conditioning and sound dampening? How can we predict how much open space we need to provide watershed for a growing metropolis?

•The Metropolitan District appears to be clairvoyant regarding watershed needs for they are planning to build a golf course less than two miles away from Manchester Country Club. How many new courses do we need?

•If Manchester has such a crying need for another town-owned course why didn't we buy one already built (such as the former Minehaug course, lately carved up for a housing development)?

•How many people can or will play golf compared to the numbers of animals and people who could use this treed space for running, walking and enjoying nature at its fullest so close to downtown?

•I can't believe that chemically fertilized grass can be anywhere near as good for the aquifer as well-tended forest land.

•Town-owned land is the only land which we can rightfully keep undeveloped. Private land can always be developed subject to zoning regulations. If anything, the town should be buying open space not developing it!

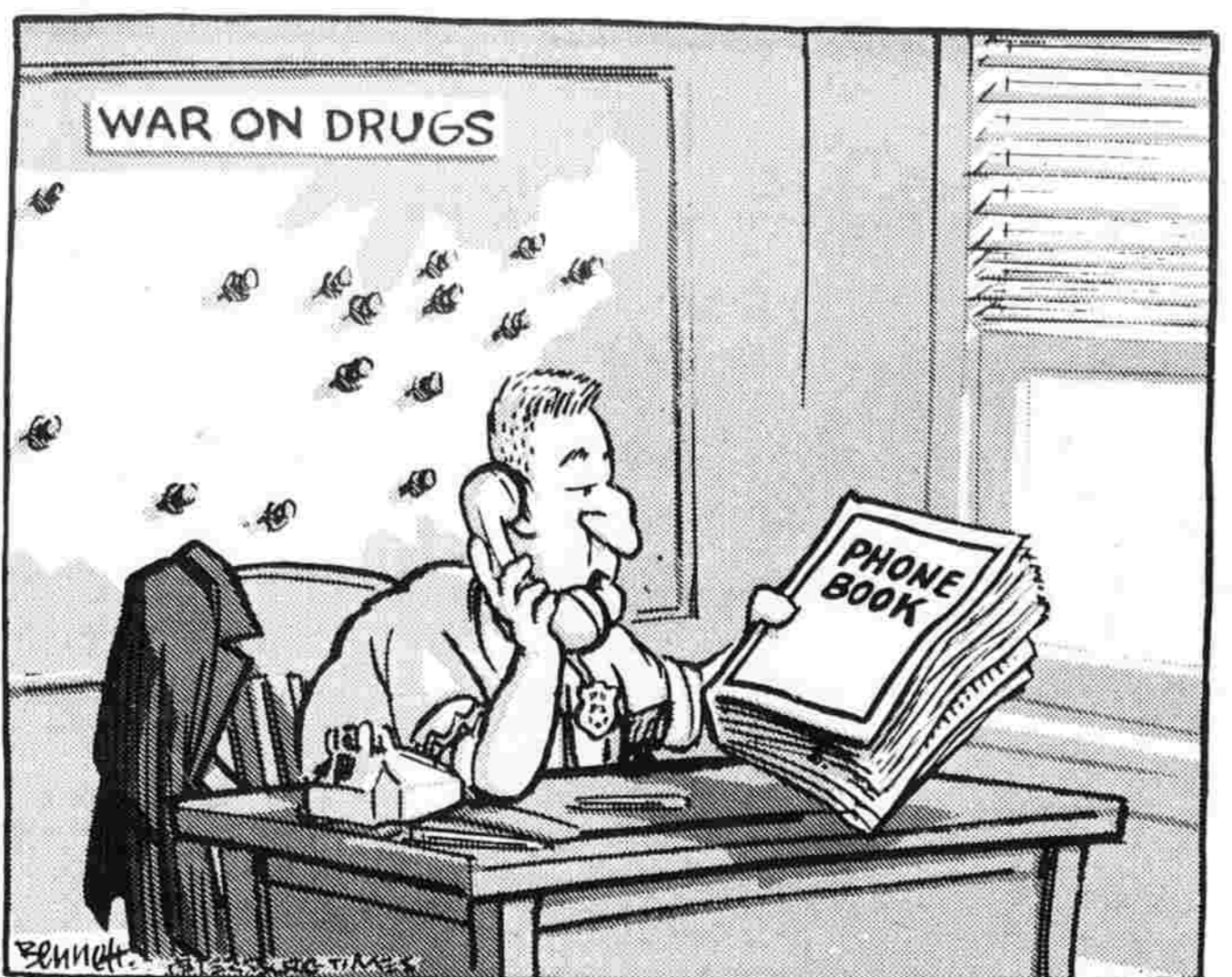
If the citizens of Manchester want to have more golf available to them, they should consider taking over operation of the course they actually own and limiting entry to Manchester residents (and very carefully regulated numbers of guests). It is my understanding that the present membership is in no way limited to residents.

1. For one, believe we have a right to vote on this matter. It might not be a direct financial issue, but this open space is worth a fortune to the future residents of Manchester in its natural state as a nature preserve, aquifer, air purifier and air conditioner.

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Stalemate with Iraq feared

WASHINGTON — According to Pentagon sources, the big worry for U.S. forces in the Persian Gulf isn't Iraq's possibility of an all-out Iraqi attack on Saudi Arabia. They believe American military units are now prepared to foil such an invasion and inflict crippling losses on the Iraqis.

Far more likely — based on international efforts to enforce a trade embargo and isolate Iraq — is said to be a risky, long-term stalemate. It could sorely test allied resolve and erupt into even wider bloodshed in the Middle East.

To U.S. military planners, one worst-case scenario is a gradually starving Iraq hunting against the thousands of Western hostages it holds — with pictures of abused Americans on TV nightly. That might necessitate a U.S.-led rescue operation, which could be nothing short of a large-scale invasion of Iraq.

Few in the Pentagon now believe that Saddam Hussein will invade Saudi Arabia. As they view it, his best chance of success came within 72 hours of his initial advance through Kuwait to the Saudi border in early August.

Within 48 hours of receiving permission to use Saudi bases, the United States had enough air power in place to blunt an Iraqi attack. As of now, the United States has enough aerial firepower to all but destroy any tank-led force invading Saudi Arabia, the U.S. military believes.

"For the last 20 years," explains a Pentagon expert, "our pilots have been training incessantly to fight an anti-tank war in Europe. We have been prepared to repulse an all-out Warsaw Bloc tank invasion across the West German frontier. That invasion would have come with better tanks, with better operators and tactics than we will ever see in the Middle East."

"To get to the Saudi oil fields and to Jeddah and the other Saudi cities, the Iraqis will have to drive their tanks and APCs (armored personnel carriers) down the country's few highways or over the desert. The desert is slow going and there ain't a tree within 300 miles. It will be like shooting fish in a barrel. We estimate they would lose 90 percent of their tanks before reaching any target. Those that did arrive would be easy targets for hand-held anti-tank weapons our troops carry."

For Pentagon planners, a tank-led Iraqi invasion of Saudi Arabia is a best-case general war scenario, because enemy forces could be decimated in the open desert. The negative side would be the considerable loss of American lives.

Pentagon planners will not discuss the number of expected U.S. casualties under the various war scenarios. One source, however, calls the predicted American losses in repulsing an all-out attack on Saudi Arabia "significant."

From the overall U.S. standpoint, the best outcome of the present confrontation would be for Saddam to withdraw his forces from Kuwait, returning the Emir and the Kuwaiti royal family to the throne. However, no one in the Pentagon believes there is any immediate chance of this happening.

Meanwhile, tiny Kuwait remains in Iraqi hands, and the longer that continues the more it will become the accepted status quo. U.S. military planners seem to rule out a counterstrike to dislodge the Iraqis from Kuwait.

Indeed, President Bush has stressed that U.S. troops were sent to Saudi Arabia for defensive purposes. After a briefing at the Pentagon on Aug. 15, Bush warned: "No one should doubt our staying power or our determination."

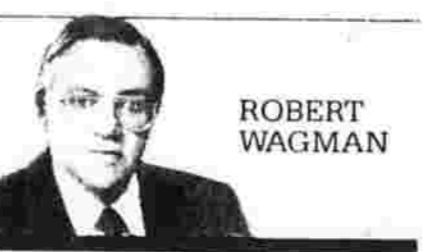
Count me among the growing number of jollyfish who do not want American blood spilled to liberate Kuwait. There are a good many causes worth dying for, but lower oil prices isn't one of them.

For the time being, of course, American troops are only protecting Saudi Arabia from an attack by Iraq. That's an honorable undertaking, and also a defensive one. Saudi Arabia may not boast a model government, but it is a valuable (if fickle) regional ally and deserving of support against a barbarian enemy. Even a reckless gambler like Iraq's Saddam Hussein will think twice before crossing a border in the face of thousands of U.S. troops.

What worries us jollyfish, however, is Bush's unequivocal pledge that Iraq's seizure of Kuwait "will not stand." Few outside the Middle East want it to stand, of course, but what if Saddam decides to ride out an economic boycott of Iraqi products for a year or two? At what point does the Bush promise dictate offensive military action against Iraq?

There are at least four reasons why we should not initiate a hostile to liberate Kuwait.

1) Kuwait was never a friend to the United States. Last year in the United Nations, for example, Kuwait voted with the United States only 9.9 percent of the time on important issues of international policy according to data in the State Department's



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The Pentagon believes one by-product of a stalemate could be an upsurge of anti-American and anti-Israeli terrorism around the world. Saddam is now thought to be the host to Abu Nidal and a number of terrorists. Palestinian extremist Mohammed Abbas, speaker in Lebanon, urged his followers to "hit American interests" in a show of solidarity with Iraq.

For its part, the United States hopes to gradually starve Iraq, forcing Saddam into some face-saving concessions and the withdrawal of his forces from Kuwait. Another U.S. hope is that Iraq could become so destabilized that the military will topple Saddam and agree to a negotiated settlement.

That is the plan, but few are certain of its ultimate outcome. However, the U.S. military does believe there are more than enough allies and warships already in the Persian Gulf to insure that no major vessel leaves or enters an Iraqi or Kuwaiti port. Shutting down the oil pipelines out of Iraq through Turkey and Saudi Arabia is also said to be a relatively simple matter.

"We can blockade, and it will be effective," says one planner. "Our biggest problem is to prevent war goods from going through Jordan — and scaling the Turkish border to prevent large-scale smuggling. But where will this really get us? In the eight-year war with Iran, the people of Iraq have shown they can endure quite a bit."

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Despite our warnings and even some indictments, the nation is still at the mercy of bogus bolts and an attempt to regulate the bolt industry is failing in Congress.

A bill now in the Senate to require lab testing and registration of bolts has run into a fusillade of flak from the bolt distributors who would have to meet those new standards.

So far, no senators have knuckled under, but congressional sources say lawmakers are being lobbied heavily. It would take only one senator to derail the bill because the backers need unanimous consent to pass the bill without a floor vote, and there is no time in the waning days of the session for a floor vote.

"We've had some real improvement" with Japan, Moshbacher said. "We're down from almost \$50 billion last year to what looks like \$40 billion this year, plus or minus."

That would be more than a one-third cut from the 1987 peak deficit of \$152.12 billion. The imbalance has declined each year since then, falling to \$109 billion last year.

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On Saturday night, the U.N. Security Council unanimously demanded that Iraq let all foreigners held in Iraq and Kuwait leave. CBS News said from Baghdad that 35 Americans, including four women and three children, took refuge at U.S. diplomatic "quarters" in the Iraqi capital Sunday.

Asked about the report, a spokesman at the State Department said: "We can't make a comment on that at this time."

The CBS report said the Americans fled to the U.S. Embassy in London, where they were held in a rooming house. The U.S. State Department said it was not clear how many of the Iraqis were still in Iraq.

On Sunday, Iraqi Foreign Minister Tariq Aziz called U.S. shipping interdiction efforts "piracy and armed aggression" and demanded the international community support Iraq's position.

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Iraq

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China's official Xinhua News Agency said the first group of 97 Chinese would be evacuated from Iraq today, with Baghdad's help.

Also today, 122 Soviet citizens crossed into Jordan, the official Syrian news agency Sana reported.

The British Foreign Office said today that 82 Britons were taken Sunday by Iraqi authorities from a hotel in Kuwait city. A day earlier, 41 British citizens were taken from the Kuwait International hotel.

The Saudi Foreign Minister Saud al-Faisal arrived in Damascus, Syria today to discuss the Gulf crisis with the Syrian leadership.

"Two Dutch Navy frigates were leaving today for the Persian Gulf to join the multinational force arrayed against Iraq," a Dutch official said.

Witte de With and the standard frigate Pieter Florisz were to take two weeks to reach the region.

Greece also said it would send a frigate.

Iran-Jedi soldiers today continued their withdrawal from the Iranian territory, the official Iranian news agency said, freeing up 21,000 Iranian soldiers.

Iranian newspapers today said Iranian troops were being redeployed to face U.S. forces, Iraq and Iran were also repatriating prisoners from their eight-year war, which effectively ended with a cease-fire in August of 1988.

In his statement Sunday, the U.S. State Department said the United States was withdrawing from the region.

The White House dismissed the proposal.

When President Bush sent thousands of troops to defend Saudi Arabia against Iraq's attack, he also demanded Iraqi soldiers withdraw from Kuwait.

Students on the above named streets should never cross the street to board the bus. This is in violation of Board of Education Policy #345.

Most elementary routes begin at 7:45 - 7:50 a.m. and buses must be at their destination school by 8:30 a.m.

Below 10 years of age - one mile one-half mile 13 and over - two miles

RHAM Jr. and RHAM Sr. High School

Bus 1 6:50 a.m. - AM start intersection of Route 85 and North Pond Road, North Pond, cross to Hillcrest, stop at corner of Elmwood, Oakland, Rondlay, St. Ronan, Bass Lake, continue on Hillcrest, left on Bush Rock Road (no pick up), left on Woodlark, straight on Deepwood Drive, straight on North Pond Road, right on Route 85 (no pick up), left on RHAM Road (no pick up).

Bus 2 7:00 a.m. - AM start intersection of Route 66 and Wellwood, right on Wellwood, straight at stop sign across Millstream to upper Wellwood turning at top of hill, left at stop sign on Millstream stopping at corner of Kinney Road, right on Route 85, right on RHAM Road (no pick up), left on Cannon Drive, left on Old Colchester Road (no pick up), left on RHAM Road (no pick up).

Bus 3 7:00 a.m. - Start on Jan Drive West at London Road (no pick up) on London, through Jan Drive stop, right at corner of Carolyn, corner of Laura and lower end of Laura, left on London (no pick up), left on 85 south (no pick up), left at junction of 85 & 94, corner of Prentice Hill, corner of Carriage Drive, through RHAM Road to Wall Street, left on Wall picking up on east side of Wall, left on RHAM Road to RHAM.

Bus 4 7:00 a.m. - Start at corner of Granville and Old Colchester Road picking up on Granville, corner of Alice, right on Reidy Hill picking up at Hope Valley, turn around at Hope Valley, return Reidy Hill, left on Northam, in and out Mohegan, left on Northam, corner of Uncas, left

Bus 5 7:00 a.m. - Start at corner of Elizabeth and Daly Roads, in and out Skinner Lane turning at end, right on Wall Street picking up west side of Wall, left on RHAM Road (no pick up) on East and 85, right on East Street, straight on Paperrill to north, turn around, return left on Jones Street, straight on Burrows Hill, right on Route 66 to RHAM.

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Towns considering

Manchester, meanwhile, is not the only town with proponents of establishing a fee, or at least considering it.

"Looking at the total picture, I think Bolton should consider something of that nature," said Charles Holland, chairman of the Neglected Taxpayers, the watchdog group which fought against the educational proposals in the town's recent budget clash.

Holland said user fees should be considered because they would help alleviate the strain of taxes and prevent the less wealthy citizens from being forced out of town.

"I think quality education can be achieved without sports," he said. "However, I do think they're important."

Bolton school officials say fees have never been discussed because the athletic program is so small that any nominal fee would not generate much money.

Members of the school board have suggested eliminating interscholastic programs at the Center School, which has students in grades five through eight, but that also would save little money.

In Coventry, which is still haggling over its budget, a school board member at a meeting last week suggested cutting out athletics entirely.

The suggestion was not well received.

Coventry's school board had cut sports for one year in the early '80s, but the move was a disaster, according to Town Council Chairmanman John Lewis.

Lewis said the plan was to fund athletics through fund-raising activities and acquire volunteer coaches.

"It was truly not a good situation," she said because the programs barely survive, and only with the back-breaking efforts of a few volunteers.

Lewis also said that she would oppose any plan to establish user fees. "If you charge user fees, you may very well prevent some kids from playing."

Although proponents say the schools can make exceptions for students with financial need, she said making such requests is embarrassing for students.

Thomy issue

A major problem with such fees, according to Manchester School Superintendent Kennedy, is whether parents will think paying to play means just that - paying to play,

jobs while in office.

That appears to contradict Section 2-3 of the Charter, which states "No there are two reasons why she thinks the commission cannot act on the request."

According to Section 2-4 of the Town Charter, the paper does not have the authority to file a request for an advisory opinion from the commission, Chmielecki said, asserting that only the commission and DiRosa can initiate such requests.

Also, the commission is not the proper forum for interpreting provisions of the Charter, she said. The commission's only function is to review cases of possible conflicts of interest.

Dobkin agreed. "We're not a legal body," he said.

But he said also that he wanted to review the commission's rules and regulations before deciding if the commission can issue the opinion requested by the Herald.

My job is to find out if it is in our service to decide," Dobkin said.

Herald Executive Editor Vincent M. Valvo said today that, before its filing, the newspaper had been advised by the commission that it had standing to seek an advisory opinion. "We would not have asked for the ruling if we didn't believe we have a right to this decision," he said.

Dobkin said he would have an answer within next two days, as he does not want to delay the controversial matter.

"I had been waiting for (Chmielecki's) opinion to come out," he said.

Chmielecki on Friday issued an opinion indicating the DiRosa hiring is legal because state statutes permit elected town officials to hold town

Tough times

Howells, of the state Department of Education, said she believes that although fees may be a good method of bringing sports through tough times, she opposes them because they begin to separate sports from recreation.

"You want sports to be done through the educational system," she said, "because then you know it's controlled by people trained to teach kids."

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Infant

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"a lot more social support than other comparable groups, like blacks and may be aware of, Kleinman said in an interview last week.

"We have to really do a lot more study of Mexican-Americans to understand why they do so well," he said.

Mexican-Americans are the third-largest minority group in the United States, according to a quarter-million births per year, the NCHS study said.

The study found that 18.7 out of every 1,000 blacks born in the United States die before their first birthday, more than double the white rate and nearly twice the rate of Asian women in this country, about 80 percent go early prenatal care.

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able in certain circumstances. It upheld a National Labor Relations Board order forbidding SSA from denying benefits based solely on the treadmill test when other evidence was available.

The administration may ask the court to reconsider, SSA spokesman Peter Bino said.

"We disagree with the court's decision because we believe that in exclusion of other medical evidence," Gambino said in an interview last week. "It's only a tool. But it's widely used and recognized as one of the best techniques to assess ability to work."

Medical advancements in recent years mean that more people with heart ailments can work, Gambino said. Increasing reliance on the treadmill test is expected to document that trend and produce budget savings, he said.

But armed with the court decision, Pennsylvania Sen. John Dingell, ranking Republican on the special committee on Aging, wrote SSA last month asking that it withdraw the proposed regulations and make a new proposal that would comply with the New York court ruling.

New York Attorney General Robert Abrams said in a prepared statement he was concerned that "the federal government will continue to place predominant emphasis on the treadmill test in the face of other reliable medical evidence."

IRAQI officials also ordered hotels or face the consequences.

The White House said U.S. warships were still "showing" two Iraq tankers, which ignored warning shots fired by the U.S. vessels on Saturday.

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Gas station owners appeal food ruling

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"We have enough of them on Oakland Street. The area is saturated with them now."

MANCHESTER - Owners of an Oakland Street gas station have appealed an order from the town's zoning enforcement officer, prohibiting them from selling certain types of food at the station.

Zoning Enforcement Officer Thomas O'Mara issued the order in June to the owners of the Ellsworth and Lassow Mobil station at 262 Oakland St. A hearing on the appeal will take place at the Sept. 24 meeting of the Zoning Board of Appeals.

It came after an inspection of the station revealed that ice-cream, milk, and bread were sold there, even though council representing the owners had promised O'Mara that those products would not be sold. The promise was made during a meeting of the ZBA at which the owners, the Lassow brothers, were requesting a variance to refurbish the station.

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Schools will feel new budget cuts

By PETER VILES
The Associated Press

When Connecticut children return to school next month, many of them will start their school year with a lesson in economics and local politics.

In countless school systems, students will find cuts in staffing and spending, reminders of the state's sagging economy and the fierce budget battles that their parents and grandparents fought across the state this summer.

According to several educators, the legacy of those battles will be fewer teachers, larger classes, less supplies and equipment, and cuts in programs and activities.

In general, they said, schools will offer slightly less to their students.

"It's a function of hard times for the state and hard times for the local taxpayer," said Torrington's interim superintendent, Edward Aram, who was forced to cut his school system's staff by 10 percent through layoffs and attrition.

In Torrington, fifth-grade classes will be larger, up from about 21 to 22 students per class last year to 25 to 28 students. The high school will no longer offer courses in journalism, and some advanced foreign language offerings will also be dropped.

In West Hartford, students will be required to pay a \$15 fee to play interschool sports. The town's 10 all-day kindergarten programs will be closed, and elementary-level programs for gifted students will be cut.

In Windsor, budget cuts that totaled \$2.6 million will mean more students packed into the advanced Spanish classes, fewer after-school activities and no more freshman athletic teams. Students who play sports after school will find that their state bus that takes them home now runs only three days a week.

And in Hamden, school may open without a hot-lunch program. In a cost-cutting move, the Board of Education voted this summer to shut down the school cafeteria. The board is now scrambling to hire a private contractor to start a new,

cheaper program.

These cutbacks come four years after the Legislature proclaimed 1986 the "Year of Education" and enacted laws requiring higher standards — and higher salaries — for teachers. Since then, the average salary earned by Connecticut teachers has topped \$40,000, second behind Alaska in most nationwide surveys.

But as the state's economy has soured, those increases in salaries have proven controversial — and more costly than local governments initially expected. Since 1988, the state government has reneged on \$56 million it had promised in state grants to help local schools pay for the salary increases.

And local taxpayers, many of whom are facing the economic shock of property revaluation, have been reluctant to pick up the slack. In many cases, they not only refused to make up the reductions in state aid, but voted for deeper cuts.

"I think the continued escalation of teacher salaries has made people feel that it's out of control," said Patricia McCarthy, chief counsel for the Connecticut Association of Boards of Education. "There is a real backlash."

In Region 14, for instance, voters rejected budget proposals six times this summer amid complaints from public officials that administrative salaries were too high and the schools were offering frivolous programs.

Two Bethlehem selectmen who opposed the budget wrote to the Waterbury Republican-American, "Taking out parts of programs that should never have been in the budget in the first place, such as stained glass and wardrobe... is not a cut."

And in Windsor, the town lost \$500,000 it had anticipated in state aid, and then was forced to local residents to cut \$2.6 million from its proposed budget.

In making those cuts, administrators and school boards have little flexibility. Personnel costs, including teacher salaries and the soaring costs of health insurance, make up about 70 percent of most school budgets.

Man makes trip alone

MERIDEN (AP) — An 69-year-old Bruce Ward made a solitary trek across the country, people he met, no ask him if he was alone.

"I said, 'no, my wife is with me. She died four months ago, but she's with me in spirit,'" said Ward, who returned to his hometown of Meriden Saturday after a 3,900-mile bicycle ride from Seattle.

Ward decided to take on the challenge after his wife, Patricia, died of cancer in March. He promised his wife before she died that he'd take her on one more trip, but this time, in spirit.

Ward dubbed his adventure the "Sentimental Bike Ride" because it took him to places that he and his wife visited during their 43-year marriage, including Grand Teton National Park in Wyoming.

The couple had traveled a great deal since their retirement eight years ago and the West was their favorite destination.

"We traveled the West a great deal. Hiking, camping... she was with me in spirit, all the way," he said.

Ward returned home to a hero's welcome in Meriden Saturday, with more than 100 people giving him a cheering reception on the steps of town hall. "I was overwhelmed," he said.

Ward began his 15-state trip on June 12 in a Seattle rainstorm. He flew to the West Coast with his 21-speed bike and rode out of the airport terminal into "my baptism of fire as far as the rain is concerned."

It was the only rainy day on his trip. "There's heavy competition in the Northeast, the retail environment sinks and the outlook for the season is not that good," said David Schwartz, a retail analyst for Openheimer & Co. in New York. "If they don't do well in back-to-school they're in trouble."

But George Granoff, Ames' president and chief operating officer, is confident that the company will do well in the two critical seasons.

"I feel we have crossed a tremendous hurdle," he said. "All we have in front of us is improvement."

He also said that the current economic troubles in the Northeast could mean opportunities for greater sales for Ames.

"If we offer the customer good economic uncertainty, which is a key factor in the decreased level of per capita activity, will not be fueled by the Mid East situation," said Housing Commissioner John F. Papandrea. "This makes any resurgence in production levels doubtful for the foreseeable future."

Reports from municipal officials throughout the state showed that New Haven County recorded a 49.3 percent increase in the number of permits issued in July when compared with the previous month, the highest increase in the state.

Four rescued in Sound

NIANTIC (AP) — Two young couples spent a frightening night clinging to life preservers and boat cushions in the chilly waters of Long Island Sound after their powerboat capsized on a trip back from Long Island.

Coast Guard officials rescued David MacDonald, 25, of New Haven and his girlfriend, Julie Ann Gier, 23, of Boston, about 2 a.m. Sunday. MacDonald's roommate, Ed Vescovi, 28, and his girlfriend, Angela Melani, 22, of Trumbull,

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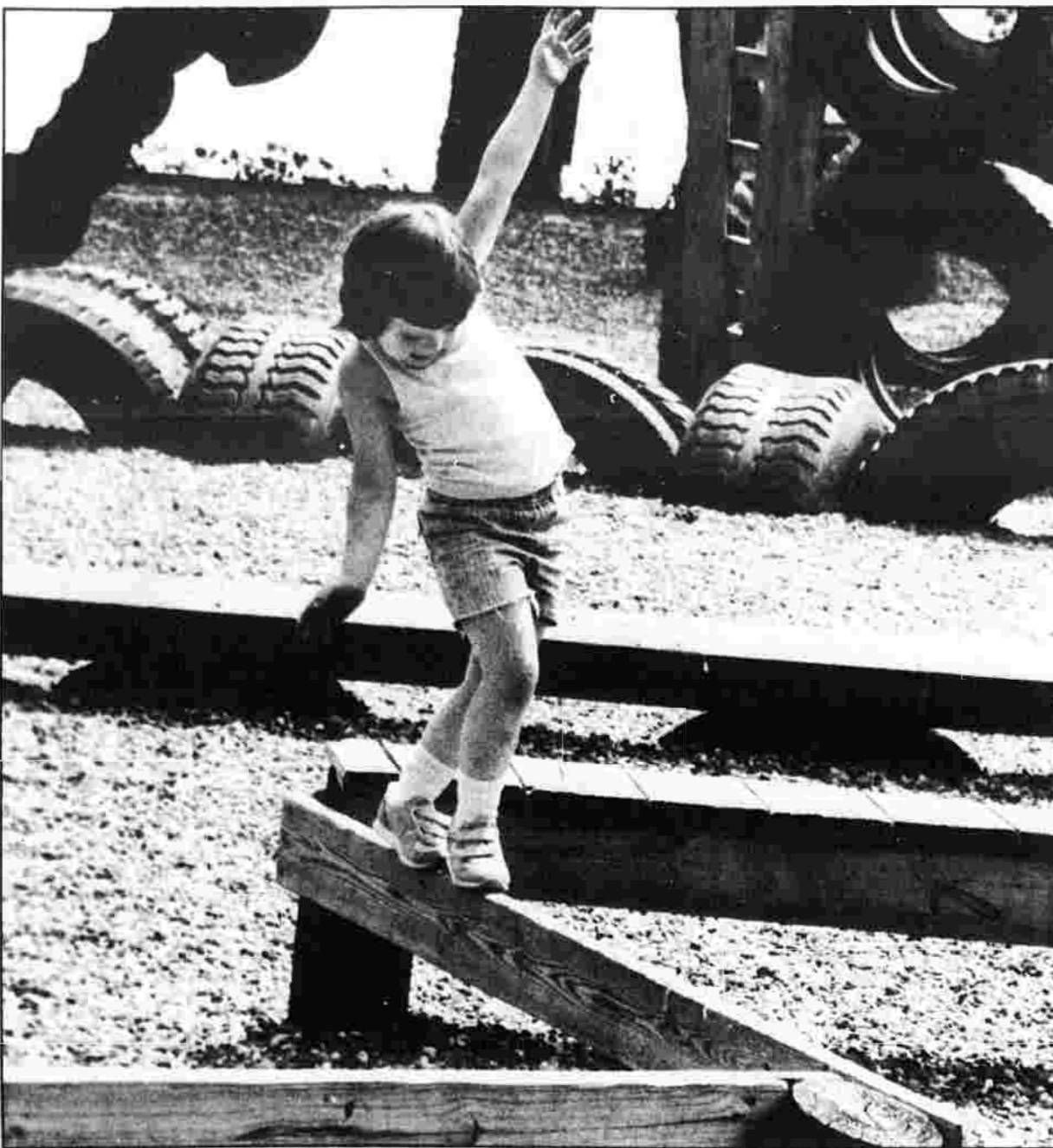
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Reginald Pina/Manchester Herald
FUTURE OLYMPIAN — Four-year-old Amanda LeRoux, 5 of Hemlock St. in Manchester, tries to balance on a wooden beam at the Lutz Playscape.

Asbestos removal unsettled

BRIDGEPORT (AP) — A dispute over the removal of asbestos from the U.S. District Court building remains unsettled after six years, pitting the FBI, the U.S. attorney and the chief U.S. judge in the state against a federal agency.

At issue is whether or not the U.S. government should remove asbestos from the building. The government, through the General Services Administration, has said that the asbestos in the building is safe and the asbestos does not need to be removed.

"The agency points out that federal law does not require the removal of asbestos from any buildings except schools. The cost of removing as-

bestos from every federal building in the nation, the agency contends, would be astronomical.

But the occupants of the building are concerned that a major construction project to expand the building will stir the asbestos above the ceilings and in the basement, forcing asbestos fibers into the air and the ventilation ducts.

Asbestos, contained in floor tiles and used to coat furnace pipes and structural beams, is known to cause lung diseases, sometimes fatal, when it is breathed. The material is most dangerous when it is disturbed and its fibers are released into the air, where they can be inhaled.

U.S. Attorney Stanley A. Twardy has asked his superiors in the Justice Department to move his office temporarily to another building.

"I am concerned about the impact during construction," Twardy said. "Other building tenants who have expressed concern include the FBI and U.S. District Court Judge Ellen B. Burns, who wrote to federal officials in April to complain about the asbestos threat."

In the early 1980s, as a result of concerns by tenants of the Bridgeport building, General Services officials hired a contractor to remove asbestos from above two of the courtrooms.

Life-or-death season for Ames

HARTFORD (AP) — The busy back-to-school and Christmas shopping seasons are fast approaching and they take on added significance for the beleaguered Ames Department Stores discount chain.

Analysts say sales during what is normally the two busiest seasons for retailers could mean the difference between life and death for the Rocky Hill-based chain, which is under bankruptcy court protection.

"There's heavy competition in the Northeast, the retail environment sinks and the outlook for the season is not that good," said David Schwartz, a retail analyst for Openheimer & Co. in New York. "If they don't do well in back-to-school they're in trouble."

But George Granoff, Ames' president and chief operating officer, is confident that the company will do well in the two critical seasons.

"I feel we have crossed a tremendous hurdle," he said. "All we have in front of us is improvement."

He also said that the current economic troubles in the Northeast could mean opportunities for greater sales for Ames.

"If we offer the customer good merchandise at a fair price, if our associates make attempts to give good customer service, if we clean up our act, the customers will appreciate good value and will appreciate our effort."

Ames, which filed for bankruptcy court protection from its creditors in April, saw sales at its 680 stores drop by 40 percent over the past 3-1/2 months. During that time, the retailer concentrated on improving relationships with its suppliers, clearing out old merchandise, and reworking its computer systems.

The store is also in the final stages of closing 221 stores, and Granoff said more cuts in expenses are likely.

"We are going to have to make some effort here to reorganize the company, and that will involve working smarter and the consolidation of jobs," he said. "There is no timetable. But we know there is an overhead cut to be made."

Granoff said Ames has succeeded in convincing many of its suppliers that the chain is now healthy enough to pay its bills on time, and the days of delayed or missed payments are now behind the company.

"We are paying our bills exactly on time, and every day that seems to mobilize the situation with suppliers," he said.

Ames has still not convinced many of the nation's largest financing companies to guarantee manufacturers' shipments to Ames.

Granoff said Ames resumed printing weekly circulars on July 29.

In 1833, Benjamin Harrison, the 23rd president of the United States, was born in North Bend, Ohio.

In 1866, President Andrew Johnson formally declared the Civil War over, even though fighting had stopped months earlier.

In 1914, Britain forced occupied Brussels, Belgium, during World War I.

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Besides his parents, he is survived by three brothers, Thomas Sarno of Wallingford, Peter Sarno of Wallingford, and Joseph Sarno of Wallingford; and four sisters, Francine DeAngelis, Doreen Getman, Laura Sarno, and Rebecca Sarno, all of Wallingford. He was predeceased by his maternal grandfather, Leonard Delaney and his paternal grandparents, William and Lucy (Epapio) Sarno; several brother and sisters-in-law; several aunts and uncles; four nephews; and two nieces.

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The Associated Press

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Hughes Danbury Optical Systems Inc., formerly Perkin-Elmer, has said it is confident it can provide quality mirrors for the Advanced X-Ray Astrophysics Facility, or AXAF.

"Based on technical considerations, there's no reason whatsoever that the Hubble problems should have anything to do with AXAF," said Charles Pellier Jr., NASA director of astrophysics.

Even though the two space-based telescopes are worlds apart scientifically and have different optical systems, scientists fear the furor on Capitol Hill over the Hubble error may spread to the AXAF.

"The biggest concern is the negative reaction and the resulting delay in funding," said Stephen Murray of the Harvard-Smithsonian Center for Astrophysics, a principal investigator for the X-ray telescope.

The \$1.5-billion observatory was released from the shuttle Discovery in April to study stars almost as old as the universe. Two months later, AXAF will study the remains of exploded stars.

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Hughes Danbury is using a different polishing method for the X-ray mirrors, and the company spokesman Tom Arconti, Hubble's mirrors were like saucers and built to reflect visible and ultraviolet light.

"It's a whole different set of challenges," Arconti said. "The Hubble mirror study sources of cosmic X-rays, including quasars, black holes and supernova remnants, to help scientists learn the size and age of the universe."

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Robert C. Szakowski and Jeanette E. Szakowski to Ernest C. Becker Jr., 36 Bush Hill Road, \$230,000.

Eleanor C. Premice to Alan J. and Carmen Wilson, Woodland and Broad Streets, \$107,000.

Centerfield Partnership to James H. and Elizabeth A. Graham, 13 Centerfield Street, conveyance tax, \$175,879.

Deborah A. Hess to Sebastian S. and Susan E. Salafia, 92 Hackmatack St., \$139,900.

Functel, administrator for the estate of Julia A. Chetelat to Michael A. and Ruth G. Stehl, Spring Street, \$125,000.

Carol M. and Joseph R. Martin to Santos J. and Nelly Bruce E. and Linda M. Strom to Linda M. Strom, 2165 William C. and Kathleen M. Fratantoni to Scott R. and Donna M. Ellison, Homestead Park, \$47,500.

Blanchard & Rossetto Construction Inc. to Mark T. and Sherie L. Beck, 40 Rossetto Drive, \$148,000.

Gail P. Munn Hannaford to Mark S. and Christine D. Salisbury, 46 Devon Drive, conveyance tax, \$110.

Woodland Glen Limited Partnership to Bernard S. Manzer, Woodland Glen Condominium, \$148,900.

Ellen M. Hunter Sieminski to John E. and Ellen M. Sieminski, Bryan Farm, no conveyance tax.

David M. Dube to Kelly J. Regan, 70-72 Linden St., \$43, Glastonbury 06033.

Clifford M. and Annie R. Skoog to Robert M. Skoog, West Side Heights, no conveyance tax.

Warren P. Hollis to Mariel R. Hollis, Woodhill Heights, no conveyance tax.

Quit claim deeds: Susan M. Tunila to Susan M. Tunila and John G. Tunila, McKee Farm, no conveyance tax.

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Obituaries

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He is survived by three sons, Edmund R. Hellstrom Jr. of Glastonbury, Richard G. Hellstrom of Glastonbury, and Robert W. Hellstrom of Glastonbury, and Donna H. Claus of Gales, Fla. He was predeceased by a brother, Allen Hellstrom.

Funeral service will be Tuesday, 11 a.m., from the Glastonbury Funeral Home, 450 New London Turnpike, Glastonbury, with the Rev. Robert J. O'Connor, pastor, Norman W. Bouchard of Mansfield; three other sons, Richard W. Bouchard of Farmington, Maine (Jordan), four grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews.

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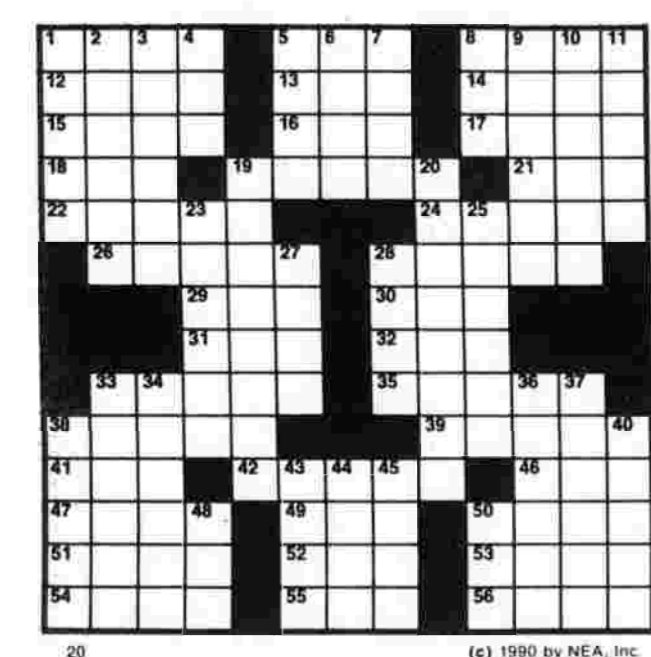
Antoine Merrick, 27, of Hartford, brother of Larry Merrick of Manchester, died Wednesday (Aug. 15) at St. Francis Hospital and Medical Center, born in Brooklyn, N.Y., Aug. 5, 1968, he was the son of Joseph and Charlene Merrick of East Hartford. A resident of Hartford for 22 years, he graduated from A.J. Prince Tech.

Besides his parents and brother, he is survived by another brother, Gregory Merrick of Bloomfield, two sisters, Boetia Merrick of Bloomfield and Cynthia Merrick of Hartford; a half-sister, Trina Gardner of Hartford; maternal grandparents, Charles and Lizzie Spencer of Fairfield, N.C.; godmother, Nellie Hunt of Hartford; seven nieces; a host of aunts and uncles; and cousins.

Crossword

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 2 Alley
 3 Address Son
 12 Act of
 13 Best gear
 14 Large way
 15 Material
 16 Slight up
 17 Calcutta
 18 Genre of
 19 Operetta
 20 Go with
 21 Local
 22 Embroidery
 23 Correspond
 24 In progress
 25 — #10
 26 Side
 27 Soapbox
 28 In
 29 Collection of
 30 Wood barrel
 31 Fortnight
 32 Pass

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 3 substance
 4 cork
 5 French yes
 6 copy
 7 Egg comb
 8 nose
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 12 Tumbler
 13 Bunko
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CELEBRITY CIPHER

Celebrity Cipher cryptograms are created from questions by famous people. Each letter in the cryptogram stands for a letter in the answer. Today's clue: 2 equals H.

C Z R W X Y T V N P
 V A K X L V T V
 T G O L T L P P C Z R W
 H M U M C P . . .

NR J N W C M U H
 PREVIOUS SOLUTION: "Never lend your car to anyone to whom you have given birth." — Erma Bombeck.

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JUMBLE

Unscramble these four jumbles, one letter to each square, to form four ordinary words.

PRUPE
 LEJUP
 VISNAH
 CURPES

Now arrange the circled letters to form the surprise answer. As suggested by the above cartoon.

Print answer here: _____

Answers tomorrow.

Saturday's Jumbles: CROAK LOWLY GUITAR HINDER — AND GO!

Now back to school. Jumble Book No. 42 is available for \$2.95, includes answers, multiple choice and crossword. Each letter on the cover stands for a letter in the answer. Today's clue: 2 equals H.



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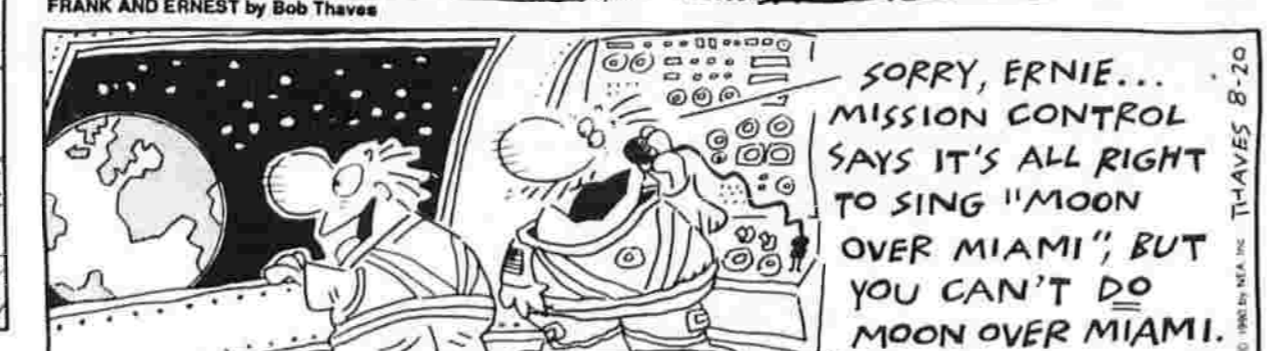
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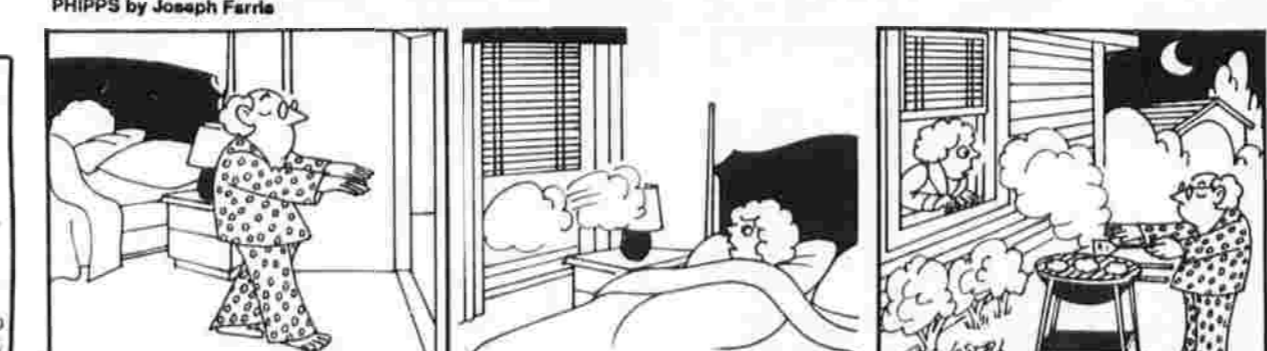
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News with an unusual twist

News of the Weird

By CHUCK SHEPHERD
Universal Press Syndicate

In June, Little Rock, Ark., police charged Michael Wyatt, 29, with assault after he pushed a woman to the ground, took off her shoes and socks, and began sucking her toes. Several other victims identified him as a "podiatry student" who had met them at a shoe store and, said a police detective later, "Next thing you know, he'd have a toe in his mouth." Police suspected Wyatt even before the arrest because he had been arrested on similar charges several years ago but was released when he agreed to seek therapy.

The Georgia Bureau of Investigation accused Emory University student Sabrina Collins, 19, of making up racist threats against herself in May when they discovered various similarities in her handwriting and that of the threatening notes, including the propensity to misspell "you" for "your."

A Macon County, N.C., man, showing off in front of friends in May, grabbed a rattlesnake out of the back of a truck, began kissing it on the body and head and slapping his hand with the snake's open mouth. When his hand began bleeding, he threw the snake back in the truck and drove off in his own truck. Police alerted the local hospital to be ready.

In June, a man who had donated two pairs of pants at Dayton's department store in St. Paul, Minn., without paying for them, dashed down the street with security guards in pursuit and price tags flapping in the breeze. To give the guards the slip, he ducked into a building but found out it was the St. Paul Police Department.

Police arrested Kenneth Lang, 32, for robbery of a 7-Eleven in Old Orchard Beach, Maine, in May. Lang had entered the store in a black nylon mask but took it off when he realized he couldn't see. After forcing the clerk to put the money in a paper bag, the bag broke, sending coins all over the floor. Lang ordered the clerk to kneel down and help him pick them up. Then, while the clerk waited for the money, he ordered the clerk to wait on customers who were coming to the register with their purchases. When the clerk complained that legal parking was raised from about \$200 to about \$1,340.

The Culver City, Calif., school board recently removed "Little Red Riding Hood" from the first-grade reading list because her picnic basket contains wine.

Pilots of the Army's "tail-weaver" Apache helicopter congressional investigators in February that the \$14 million vehicle cannot be flown in the rain, averages a malfunction every 54 minutes, and uses up spare parts at a rate of \$100 a minute. Mechanics had to use kitchen ovens to dry sensitive parts so that the Apaches could be used in the invasion of Panama.

To raise money for a new copying machine, administrators at "Nashville's Overton" High School allowed students recently to buy their way out of as many as five classes if they paid \$2 per class.

Tokyo police proposed in May that the maximum fine for illegal parking be raised from about \$200 to about \$1,340.

SEATTLE (AP) — A thief got the straight poop when he reached through the open window of a car waiting at a stop light and grabbed a small box.

The startled driver didn't chase him to retrieve the box, and police didn't investigate the Wednesday afternoon incident.

They figured the thief got his just desserts.

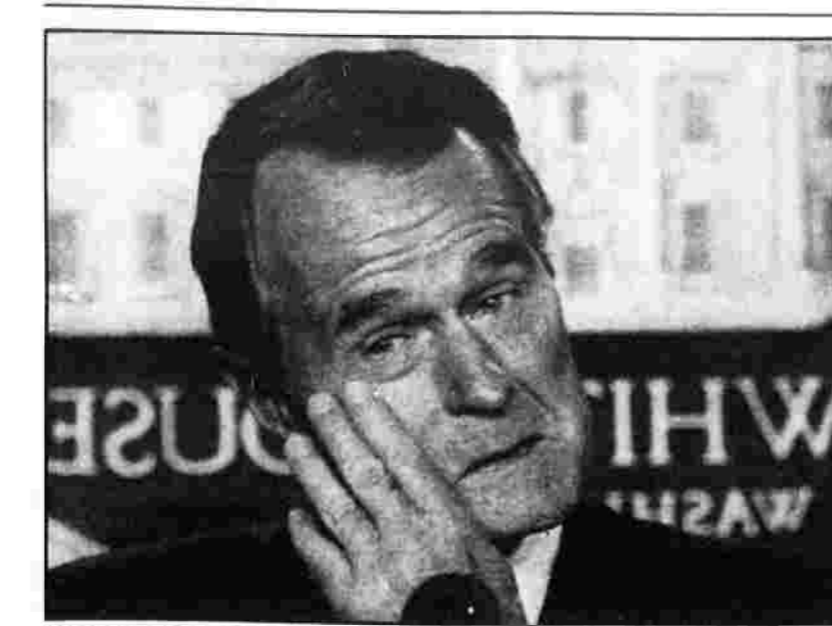
The package contained dog doo that this good citizen had picked up," a police dispatcher reported.

MYERSTOWN, Pa. (AP) — Borough Manager Ed Treat thinks he has the solution for busy borough workers afraid to answer nature's call because a telephone might ring in their absence.

He installed phones in the restrooms.



OIL MAN — People fill up their car with gasoline at a gas station in Waarder, Netherlands, called the Oil Sheik, which advertises cheap gasoline prices with a huge caricature of an oil sheik. The sign says "Earn a fortune — fill up at the Oil Sheik." The Associated Press.



ITCHY FACES — President George Bush, left, and West German Chancellor Helmut Kohl scratch their cheeks during conferences last week. The action is common among government representatives who are in the public eye. The Associated Press.



Law board bans "smart" graduate

DALLAS (AP) — A law graduate accused of making wisecracks on his bar exam application wishes the text's administrators would just lighten up.

"I never meant to be disrespectful. Cute, maybe," said Charles Malloy, 28, a 1989 graduate of Southern Methodist University Law School.

The State Board of Legal Examiners found nothing cute about Malloy's answers to four questions on the application. It twice barred him from taking the exam.

Last week, a state appeals court told the board that Malloy has a "spirited humanness" but not a lack of moral character. Forced to

test him, the panel appointed by the state Supreme Court is refusing to release his score.

"I can't get hired anywhere because the standard question is, 'Have you passed the bar?' And I have to go into this long story," Malloy said in today's Dallas Times Herald. In the meantime, he is working on a master's degree in corporate tax law.

The board has said it will take the case all the way to the state Supreme Court.

Malloy contended he wasn't being flip when he responded to a question asking why he was fired from an accounting firm in 1985 with "Why don't you ask them and let me know because I have been wondering now for 3 1/2 years."

The second question was whether he had ever been charged with or convicted of a crime. He was found innocent in 1987 of disorderly conduct and evading arrest after lecturing a police officer who had crashed into a rowdy SMU party.

He was charged the next year with failing to identify himself to police after he and two friends reportedly yelled into a broken speaker at a drive-thru at a fast food restaurant. The charge was dismissed.

The charges were misdemeanors.

Grape stomping styles win prizes

HERMANN, Mo. (AP) — Grape stompers can cast off their shoes and squish for charity at Stone Hill Winery. But to win prizes, they have to do it with style.

For the 13th year, the winery is sponsoring a Grape Stomp on Saturday to raise money for a workshop for the disabled, and hundreds of contestants were expected to have a go. Last year, the event raised \$1,900.



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Ancient soup holds up well

SYDNEY, Australia (AP) — A can of soup believed about 135 years old has stood the test of time, although no one is willing to give it a taste test.

Scientists studying the tin can of consommé-like soup say a chemical analysis determined that it is still edible and nutritious.

The government's Common-

wealth Scientific and Industrial Research Organization received the can in 1945 from its liaison officer in London. He obtained it from a friend whose grandfather ran a store, the group said.

The research organization believes the soup dates to the 1853-56 Crimean War.

Dart Man to be tried

NEW YORK (AP) — The man accused of being the "Dart Man" who fired pins into women's breasts on Manhattan sidewalks was judged mentally competent Wednesday to stand trial, and prosecutors reduced felony charges against him to misdemeanors.

Wright is believed responsible for 55 similar attacks, most in midtown Manhattan, where women wearing skirts were shot from behind with a homemade dart.

Honest stranger returns jewels

FARMINGTON, N.Y. (AP) — Bob Kessel has an honest stranger to thank for saving him from a \$3,000 goof.

Kessel unknowingly sold that much in jewelry belonging to his nephew for \$15 at a garage sale.

A newspaper ran a story about the mishap, and the man who bought the haul appeared Sunday on Kessel's doorstep.

"He said, 'I've brought your jewelry back,'" Kessel said. "I said, 'I've had enough jewelry jokes for one day.'"

The man, who wouldn't identify himself, refused to take either a \$200 reward Kessel offered or the \$15 he paid for the jewelry in the first place.

Samaritan ends standoff between parker and tower

BALTIMORE (AP) — For nine hours, the illegally parked motorist went eyeball to eyeball with a highly determined tow truck driver. Neither blinked.

Finally, early today, a knight in a white Lincoln Continental came to the rescue.

The standoff began Wednesday afternoon when Ann Miser parked in a private lot without paying. In 10 minutes, Willey Mullen was hooking Miser's car to his tow truck.

Miser, apparently aware that it is illegal here to tow a car carrying a passenger, jumped in the front seat and refused to budge.

Mullen, 26, an employee of Maryland Impounding Inc., demanded a \$110 towing fee un-

naturally sympathetic since his car had been towed last fall. He drove right down to the parking lot.

Mullen refused. "Company policy. You can't stop payment on cash," he explained.

Miser got a passer-by to call a co-worker, who telephoned area television stations and a member of the City Council. An unidentified woman also came to Miser's aid by bringing dinner — a turkey sandwich, boiled egg, pickles, raisins and a jar of water.

Watching the local 11 p.m. newscasts, which featured live reports on the impasse, was Norman McCarthy, who described himself as a celebrity bodyguard, was

he was willing to settle for \$200, which the good Samaritan paid off in nickels, dimes and quarters he kept in a plastic water bottle in his car.

"I just don't want her to sit in the car, and I want to get rid of my change," said McCarthy.

Mullen was grateful: "Thanks a lot, man. Now I can go home."

All Miser could say was: "I just can't believe it."

Tangled traders

STOCK TRADERS — Stock traders recently became tangled on the crowded floor of the Tokyo Stock Exchange after the Nikkei Stock Average rose almost 2 percent following a sharp drop.

Noid-nappers strike

RYE, N.Y. (AP) — Avoid the Noid? Why, when you can kidnap him instead?

The Noid — the star of commercials promoting Domino's Pizza — was snatched from a local outlet of the pizza chain just four hours after his arrival in Westchester County.

Noid-nappers took a 15-foot version of the big-headed, rabbit-eared creature from the roof of the pizza outlet to a local park last Saturday.



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Dear Abby

Abigail Van Buren

Grandpa laments lack of grandsons

DEAR ABBY: Grandparents' rights! Legally, as far as I know, we don't have a leg to stand on, but how I'd love to have had a grandson to carry on the family name.

I have two sons and a daughter. I can trace my male line back 11 generations, but it will end with my two sons.

My eldest son's wife had a daughter, after which she talked my son into having a vasectomy. Soon after, she divorced him. My son is now 40 and has had enough of marriage. Who can blame him?

My other son had two daughters. He is also divorced, with no desire to marry again.

My family name will be carried on by my brother's sons — but my line is ended.

My mother always said that her father died content that he had enough grandsons to carry his name — 10! All I would ask for was one — to carry my name.

Starting with my sons, my line goes back 11 generations to a far trader on the Hudson River — and from there, I presume, back to Adam.

I wonder how other grandfathers react to this kind of situation.

SEVENTY-THREE AND RESIGNED DEAR SEVENTY-THREE: A man inherits his father's name, but by his deeds he makes his own reputation. Sons and daughters too, add luster or tarnish — to their family's name. So, when all is said and done, what's in a name? A rose by any other name would smell as sweet. (And a skunk by any other name would stink no better.) One finds the fruit of a tree on the branches — not in the roots.

DEAR ABBY: No doubt, your readers were probably surprised to learn that the inspirational quotation which your reader had erroneously attributed to Ray Kroc, the founder of McDonald's, was authored by the 30th president of the United States — Calvin Coolidge!

Because Coolidge was a very quiet, conservative man who rarely spoke unless spoken to, he was aptly nicknamed, "Silent Cal."

The following oft-told anecdote confirms that Coolidge was indeed a man of few words: A prominent Washington socialite, who had been invited to the White House for dinner, found herself seated next to President Coolidge. In an effort to engage him in conversation, she good-humoredly said, "Mr. President, my husband bent me \$5 that you wouldn't say three words to me all evening."

Coolidge replied, "You lose."

YMELDA DIXON, WASHINGTON, D.C.

TV Tonight

- 5:00PM (ESPN) Golf, Fred Meyer Challenge (ESPN) Golf from Portland, Ore. (1) Live
- 6:00PM (3) (8) News (CC)
- (1) Happy Days
- 30 Mama's Family
- 24 Mister Rogers (CC)
- 28 T.J. Hooker
- 30 Boston Bumpers
- (1) There's a Crowd
- (A&E) Decades: '70s Part 2 of 2
- (CNN) World Today
- (DIS) MOVIE: "Fantastic Voyage" A super-secret organization is called in to seek secrets to microbes so they can repair a famous scientist's brain from the inside. Stephen Boyd, Edmond O'Brien, Rip Torn. 1966.
- (HBO) MOVIE: "License to Drive" An unlicensed teen-ager "borrows" his grandfather's mini-cooper. Directed by Mark Rosman. 1989. Rated PG-13 (TV-14)
- (LIFE) Supermarket Sweep
- (TM) MOVIE: "Torch Song Trilogy" Adaptation of the Tony Award-winning play. A sensitive drag queen searches for love in a world that despises of his lifestyle. Harvey Fierstein, Anne Bancroft, Matthew Broderick. 1988. Rated PG-13 (TV-14)
- (LIFE) Entertainment Tonight
- 6:30PM (3) CBS News (CC) (In Stereo)
- (8) ABC News (CC)
- (8) Comedy Wheel
- (1) Wall Street Journal Report
- 20 Mama's Family
- 28 NBC News (CC)
- 28 '87 Nightly Business Report
- 38 WKRP in Cincinnati
- (1) Love Connection
- (A&E) Chronicle: An investigation of a murder in Miami
- (LIFE) Rodio Drive
- 6:45PM (MAX) MOVIE: "Indiana Jones and the Last Crusade" (CC) Indy heads to Europe to find his father, who disappeared while searching for the legendary Holy Grail. Harrison Ford, Sean Connery, Julian Glover. 1989. Rated PG-13 (TV-14)
- 7:00PM (3) Inside Edition
- (8) Wheel of Fortune (CC)
- (3) Cosby Show (CC) (In Stereo)
- (1) Charles in Charge (CC)
- (1) Unintended
- 20 Kate & Allie (CC)
- 27 MacNeil/Lehrer Newshour
- 26 Newhart (CC)
- 48 Current Affair
- (8) Healer
- (A&E) News Wilderness (CNN) Moneyline (ESPN) SportsCenter (LIFE) MOVIE: "Connie & Mother" A woman inherits a fortune and embarks on a journey to find out how her father lost it. Jane Fonda, Jeff Goldblum, Gloria Loring. 1987.
- (USA) Miami Vice (In Stereo)
- 7:30PM (3) Entertainment Tonight Actress Angela Lansbury (In Stereo)
- (8) '82 Jeopardy! (CC)
- (3) Kate & Allie (CC)
- (1) Boston Bumpers
- 26 Carol Burnett and Friends
- 30 Hart Copy
- 48 Cosby Show (CC) (In Stereo)
- (A&E) World of Survival (CNN) Crossfire (ESPN) NBA: Amstar: Amateur sleuth Steve helps Baker solve the mystery of his missing crown. (R)
- 8:00PM (3) Major Dad (CC) Hollywood's best known for popularizing "Up Against the Wall (Redneck Mothers)" and composing "Mr. Bojangles," performed the song in the dugout for Ryan on Sunday before a game.
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- (CNN) Moneyline (ESPN) Baseball Tonight (LIFE) Spenser: For Hire (USA) Miami Vice 11:30PM (8) News (CC) 11:30PM (3) Night Court Part 1 of 2 (R) (8) 80 Nightline (CC) 29 Twigg Zone (CC) 22 '86 Best of Carson (R) (In Stereo) 26 Bug Band Cavalcade: Bob Crosby, Frankie Castle, Margaret Whiting and others are featured in filmed highlights of a 30-year and 400-plus music career. (R) (In Stereo) 26 MOVIE: "Convicts Summer" When a convict's parole is denied, he escapes and takes up a wild chase through the Nevada desert. Directed by Jack Markham. Anne Parry. 1978.
- (HBO) NBC Sports Tonight (ESPN) SportsCenter (HBO) MOVIE: "The Assassin" (CC) A CIA agent accused of shooting a U.S. senator travels to Central America in an effort to clear his name. Steve Balaban, Sam Melville, Nicholas Guest. 1989. Rated R (In Stereo)
- 11:42PM (3) Adventure (CC) Follows a British photographer during her journey through Australia's outback as she searches for the "real" Mad Max. (60 min.) (R)
- 11:45PM (TM) MOVIE: "8 Below" A basic security expert and an out-of-control hacker join forces to capture a serial murderer. (In stereo) (60 min.) (R) (In Stereo)
- (A&E) Miss Marple: "Sleeping Murder" A murder mystery. (60 min.) (R) (In Stereo)
- (HBO) MOVIE: "The Day After Tomorrow" A nuclear warhead is launched to a target when the warhead has visions of murder. (60 min.) Part 1 of 2
- (CNN) Larry King Live (DIS) MOVIE: "The Diary of Anne Frank" A Jewish refugee family finds a safe haven in Amsterdam after fleeing the Nazis. (60 min.) (R) (In Stereo)
- (TM) MOVIE: "Summer" Jack Flash! A computer operator becomes involved in espionage after receiving strange messages through her terminal. (60 min.) Part 3 of 3
- (CNN) CNN News (8) Who's the Boss? (CC) (8) Jack Barry (1) Hill Street Blues (3) Home Shopping Club (2) Instant Hair Reclamation (4) Hart Copy (8) Part Program (A&E) Road to War: Roosevelt's "New Deal" and America's relations with Europe. (60 min.) (R) (In Stereo) (CNN) Newshour (DIS) MOVIE: "Cowboys Don't Cry" A young boy struggles to keep his family ranch going in the face of his mother's death. (60 min.) (R) (In Stereo)
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- (CNN) Newsline (DIS) Hiroshima Maiden After World War II, a young Japanese girl is brought to live with an American family while an ongoing plastic surgery for the scarring caused by the atomic bomb. (60 min.) (R) (In Stereo)
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- (TM) MOVIE: "Disorganized Crime" (CC) Four convicts conspire to escape from the American Northwest to rob a small town. (60 min.) (R) (In Stereo)
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PEOPLE

Tammy Bakker hopes visitors to Disney World will join her new flock at a industrial complex nearby after going on the rides at the theme park.

The wife of imprisoned TV preacher Jim Bakker held her first service at the industrial site Sunday after winning a zoning battle with the help of the American Civil Liberties Union.

The Bakkers' fall from grace and her husband's fraud conviction for bilking followers of his PTL ministry made Mrs. Bakker pessimistic about the zoning fight.

"I was in shock when we finally won it," she told about 60 worshippers Sunday. "I guess I've kind of gotten used to accepting defeat."

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Dr. Gott

Peter Gott, M.D.

Don't ignore bad chest pains

DEAR DR. GOTT: My husband recently had mild chest pain radiating down his right arm. He was short of breath and attributed it to indigestion. A recent EKG done through his work place didn't reveal anything, yet he didn't tell them about the chest pain he experienced. Could this have been a heart attack?

DEAR READER: As a general rule, cardiac pain (from angina or heart attack) localizes in the left side of the chest and radiates down the left arm. Although right arm pain could indicate a heart problem, this would be unusual.

Nonetheless, your husband should describe his symptoms to his doctor. An electrocardiogram (EKG or ECG) performed at rest may be normal in some cases of heart attack. If your husband is at risk for heart disease because of family history, obesity, smoking or high cholesterol, the doctor may advise further investigation, such as a stress test, to make sure his heart is normal.

In addition, if your husband's self-diagnosis of indigestion is correct, the combination with right-arm pain suggests a non-cardiac condition — such as an inflamed gallbladder or a lung infection, which may need treatment. In some cases, the pain of lung infection could resemble indigestion.

Although your husband was reluctant to describe his symptoms to the company doctor, I urge him to be less reticent with his private physician. Chest pain should never be ignored.

DEAR DR. GOTT: A friend told me about the use of Pau d'Arco tea for fingernail and toenail fungus. She stated that after one week's treatment of the ESSENCE of Pau d'Arco, not a brew of the tea, the fungus disappeared from the root of the nail and the nail continues to grow in a healthy fashion. Is this treatment verified by any medical source or simply an herbal remedy that really works?

DEAR READER: To my knowledge, this is simply an herbal remedy that really works. I was first alerted to this several years ago by a reader who cured her fungus infection by soaking her feet in a brew of Pau d'Arco. Since I published the Pau d'Arco tea treatment for chronic fungus infection of the nails, I have received scores of letters from readers verifying that this method is effective.

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Horse "rapping" comes under fire

By CECILIA LONWELL The Associated Press

STOCKHOLM, Sweden — Show jumping, a sport that evokes images of champagne and country life, faces a growing storm over very ungentle charges of cruelty to horses.

Some of the world's top show jumping figures say they may be forced to change their training methods because of controversy over rapping, in which a horse's legs are smacked with a light wooden pole as it leaps over an obstacle.

Many competitors defend rapping, saying it does not harm horses but does teach them to jump safely. But animal-rights campaigners contend rapping is cruel and, while decrying it as illegal in some countries, including Sweden.

The controversy dominates the talk in paddocks and grandstands at the World Equestrian Games in Stockholm. Some competitors voice concern over damage done to the reputation of their sport, and some sponsors say they'll stop the checks unless show jumping is seen to be ethical.

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Fat isn't barrier to driver

By TOM STUCKEY The Associated Press

GLEN BURNIE, Md. — A woman who was required to take a driving test because authorities thought she might be too fat to drive safely proved Friday she can operate a car even though she weighs 367 pounds.

Using a borrowed, beat-up Dodge Aspen that she had only driven once, Regina Guy passed the test with more than 75 people watching from a distance.

A state motor vehicle hearing examiner ordered Friday morning that she pass the test or forfeit her license.

"That's it. I'm legal, guys," Guy said afterward.

But she remained angry that she had to prove that her weight doesn't stop her from being a safe driver.

"Fat people are human. We deserve equal treatment," said Guy, 32. "Because of my size, I should not be discriminated against."

The Baltimore woman's problems began July 13 when she was stopped because the lights were not working properly on another car she had borrowed from a friend.

The officer wrote on his report to the Motor Vehicle Administration: "Due to this person's obesity, she was unable to sit behind the wheel of the car."

Guy was sitting in the center of the seat and was using her left hand and feet to drive the car, the officer said.

"I feel that this driver should have special equipment on her car," the officer wrote.

Guy denied she was sitting in the center of the seat or was driving abnormally.

"How could I sit in the center? I couldn't possible drive from the center," she said.

Friday Guy sat behind the wheel of the normally equipped car.

She said she was unhappy that the officer was absent from the hearing Friday morning. "I still would like a chance to face my accuser," she said.

Several members of the National Association to Advance Fat Acceptance showed up to support Guy at the hearing. Among them: Peggy Williams, owner of the state's wagon Guy was driving when she was stopped.

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In world language contest, English is ahead of the pack

By PATRICK McDOWELL The Associated Press

PARIS — The French are finally throwing in the "servicic" or towel in the global battle for linguistic supremacy.

French officials and teachers say English is unquestionably the No. 1 international tongue and there's little point in going "tete-a-tete" with it any longer.

The Germans agree. If a battle lies ahead, it may be between French and German for second place.

"We can't make a linguistic Maginot Line," said Bernard Cerquignol, a leading French authority on language. "That's what we've been trying to do, especially against English. It's a lost battle."

Cerquignol, who is fluent in English, heads the General Delegation of the French Language as signed by Prime Minister Michel Rocard to promote the study of French abroad.

He and his colleagues hope to make French the most popular language throughout Europe, after English.

"Our strategy is to promote all European languages, to make French multilingual," Cerquignol said. "The riches of Europe are in languages. If Europe becomes unilingual, the language will be Anglo-Obvianly."

That view marks a strategic retreat in the long effort to restore French to international leadership. In the 17th and 18th centuries, French was unchallenged as the language of diplomacy and the conversation of educated people.

The Industrial Revolution, led by Britain, made English the language of international commerce. By the time Queen Victoria's empire had spread English around the world, an Oxford accent had as much cachet as aristocratic French.

Diplomacy remained a francophone stronghold through the early part of this century. The Versailles Treaty, after World War I, was written in French and understood in that language by President Woodrow Wilson.

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Softball

Tonight's Games
A Tournament
Cummings vs. Pagan's, 7:30 — Fitzgerald
B Tournament
LM Gill vs. Allied Printing, 6 — Fitzgerald
C Tournament
Trinity Covenant vs. Ward Mfg., 6 — Robertson

In Brief . . .

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Pirates-Reds showdown big letdown

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The weekend showdown between the National League division leaders turned out to be quite a mismatch.

Pittsburgh completed its first four-game sweep ever at Riverfront Stadium on Sunday as Bobby Bonilla hit a three-run homer and Doug Dabek won his 16th game to help the Pirates beat the Cincinnati Reds 6-3.

"Whenever you're playing the other division leader, especially a four-game series, and you're able to sweep when the second-place team is right on your tail, it should be a big boost," Drake said.

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NL Roundup

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Mets 10, Giants 9: Kevin McReynolds homered twice and drove in six runs to break a long slump as New York, despite another poor outing from Dwight Gooden, held on to beat San Francisco at Candlestick Park.

Gooden (13-6) pitched 5 1/3 innings, allowing six runs, seven hits and five walks. He was held to a 10-2 lead in the sixth, he gave up a grand slam to pinch-hitter Ernest Riles as the Giants rallied.

Kevin Mitchell homered leading off the ninth to pull the Giants within a run, but John Franco got Jose Uribe to hit into a double play with runners at first and third for his 28th save.

Expos 2, Dodgers 1: Pinch-hitter Mike Aldrete singled home the winning run with two outs in the ninth inning as visiting Montreal beat Los Angeles, spoiling the spectacular debut of shortstop Jose Offertman.

Offertman, homerless in 450 at-bats this season with Triple A Albuquerque of the "CL," led off in the eighth against Dennis Martinez and drove a two-run single over the 385-foot mark in right-center field. He is the first Dodger to homer in his first career at-bat since Dan Baskhead on Aug. 26, 1947, and the first major leaguer to do it since Toronto's Junior Felix on May 4, 1989.

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New York	67	56	.548
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WOMEN'S SOFTBALL LEAGUE CHAMPIONS—Century 21 Lindsey Real Estate—Front row, from left: Geri Gimaldi, Mary Lou Phillip, Alice House, Cindy Lachapelle, Denise Welch. Back row: Coach Ron Avery, Cindy Boulay, Marty Howe, Shari Holland, Ellie Missari, Felicia Far, Tracy Cloehn, Deb Cornier, Sue Barrett, Coak Mark Magallo.

National League results

Team	W	L	Pct.
St. Louis	64	58	.522
Philadelphia	57	65	.466
Atlanta	56	67	.450
Pittsburgh	42	81	.342
Cincinnati	42	81	.342

Phillies 3, Padres 2

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Egypt wants Iraqis out

By LISA GENACI
The Associated Press
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Families fear for relatives

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