

In Brief . . .

UConn women top Harvard

DURHAM, N.C. — The University of Connecticut women's basketball team evened its record at 2-2 Sunday as it whipped Harvard, 96-55, in the consolation game of the Duke Dual Classic.

Kerry Bascom, who set a school career scoring mark in the Huskies' 89-87 overtime loss to No. 9 Purdue Saturday night, led No. 23 Connecticut with 22 points. Laura Lishness added 18 points for the Huskies, who placed five in double figures.

The 96 points for UConn were the fourth highest single game points scored in the program's history, and the most since a 96-92 overtime win over BU during the 1980-81 season.

Purdue (3-0) took the title by beating host Duke, 69-58, behind tournament MVP MaChelle Joseph's 20 points.

Bascom and Lishness were named to the six-member all-tournament team.

UConn resumes action Wednesday at 7 p.m. at the Gampel Pavilion on the Storrs campus when it hosts Fairfield.

Rockville wins Class I grid title

NEW HAVEN (AP) — Steve Mikulski hit Mike Leary with a 1-yard touchdown pass with 37 seconds left as Rockville beat Newington 14-10 Saturday to win the Class I state football championship.

Chris Daniel set up the winning touchdown drive when he recovered a fumble by Chris Begley on the 50-yard line.

Mikulski, who was 18 of 34 for 210 yards, completed passes of 18, 8 and 3 yards as Rockville marched to the Newington 4-yard line.

"We knew we could score, we just had to execute," Leary said.

Mikulski then hit Leary with the winning pass on a fourth-down play.

Rockville, which lost 46-0 to West Haven in last year's title game, finished the season 10-1 and captured its first state football title. Newington finished 9-2.

Hartford wins own tourney

WEST HARTFORD (AP) — Al Jones hit four free throws late in the game and Ron Moye scored 20 points as Hartford beat Holy Cross 57-55 Saturday to win the Hawks Unlimited Tournament.

Long Island captured third place with a 71-69 victory over Columbia.

The game was tied 32-32 at the half. But Holy Cross jumped out to a 42-34 lead with 17:04 to play. Vince Baker's jump shot tied the game again at 46. But the Hawks took the lead 51-46 with two free throws by Larry Griffiths and Moye's sixth three-pointer.

U.S. takes the Davis Cup

ST. PETERSBURG, Fla. (AP) — The United States clinched its first Davis Cup title since 1982 on Saturday as dominant serving lifed Rick Leach and Jim Pugh to a four-set victory over Australia.

Leach and Pugh beat Pat Cash and John Fitzgerald 6-4, 6-2, 3-6, 7-6 (7-2) to give the heavily favored Americans an insurmountable 3-0 lead in the best-of-5 final. The doubles victory at the Suncoast Dome followed victories by Andre Agassi and Michael Chang in Friday's singles matches.

The Davis Cup title was the 29th for the United States, the most of any nation, but its first since a 4-1 victory over France in 1982.

Royals sign Kirk Gibson

KANSAS CITY, Mo. (AP) — The Kansas City Royals signed free-agent outfielder Kirk Gibson to a two-year contract Saturday for a reported \$5.3 million.

Gibson, 33, rebounded from knee and hamstring injuries to hit .260 in 89 games for Los Angeles last season. In his 11-year career, he has a .272 batting average with 192 home runs and 235 stolen bases.

Daniel, Love team for title

TARON SPRINGS, Fla. (AP) — Beth Daniel and Davis Love III held off a challenge from Nancy Lopez and Jay Haas in Sunday's final round to capture the J.C. Penney Golf Classic by one stroke.

Daniel and Love earned \$100,000 each with a 4-under-par 67 on Sunday to complete the four rounds with an 18-under 266 total at the 18-hole Royal Poinciana.

Lopez and Haas finished at 271. Pam Wright and Jim Hallet tied for third with Missie McGeorge and Jim Thorpe at 274.

Majors, minors near accord

ROSEMONT, Ill. (AP) — A contract between the major leagues and National Association is expected to be ratified within 10 days, avoiding a massive restructuring of the minor leagues.

Negotiators for the major league owners outlined their latest contract offer at the winter meetings on Sunday and said only some language needed to be ironed out. They said an agreement had been reached on all the major points of the contract and knew of no area where key differences remained.

The latest proposals for the new Player Development Contract were made to National Association representatives at their meeting in Los Angeles on Sunday. Negotiators for the minor league clubs recommended that the contract be approved.

Failure to reach an agreement by Dec. 15 would have resulted in a total restructuring of the current minor league system.

Picard cops World Cup race

VALLOIRE, France (AP) — Olympic gold medalist Franck Picard captured the first men's World Cup race of the European season Sunday.

Picard had a time of 1 minute, 27.59 seconds in the super giant slalom, beating Franz Heinzer of Switzerland. Heinzer was second in 1:27.77, with 21-year-old Austrian Stefan Eberharter third in 1:27.82.

Bergeron in critical condition

MONTREAL (AP) — Former Quebec Nordiques and New York Rangers coach Michel Bergeron was in critical condition Sunday at the Montreal Heart Institute a day after sustaining a heart attack.

Dr. Pierre Theroux said Sunday morning that Bergeron had improved overnight, his pain had subsided and medication was reduced. But a later report said the heart had returned in the afternoon and medication was ordered to counter an apparent inflammation of the heart. Bergeron's blood pressure and heartbeat remained normal.

UCLA wins NCAA soccer title

TAMPA, Fla. (AP) — UCLA and Rutgers battled to a scoreless tie for 150 minutes Sunday before the Bruins beat the Scarlet Knights 4-3 on penalty kicks to capture the NCAA Division I Men's Championship.

Each team had 22 shots on-goal throughout regulation, two 15-minute overtimes and two 15-minute sudden death periods.

Portland hits road on winning note

By BILL BARNARD
The Associated Press

The Portland Trail Blazers, feeling right at home in the NBA early in the season, are ready to take their 14-1 record on the road.

The Blazers, after beating Utah 101-97 Sunday night behind Buck Williams' season-high 23 points and 11 rebounds, have compiled the NBA's best record by playing all but four games at home.

They leave this week for four games on the road, but the first three stops are in Miami, Orlando and Indiana, where the teams have won less than 30 percent of their games. The fourth game will be at Chicago.

"We know going on this trip that we have Miami and Orlando and if we play well we have a good chance to win this trip."

NBA Roundup

Portland snapped Utah's five-game winning streak with more late-game heroics by Terry Porter, who scored 10 of his 17 points in the fourth quarter, including two 3-pointers in the final 5:06.

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NOT THIS TIME — Indiana center Rik Smits, right, blocks the dunk attempt by Milwaukee's Alvin Robertson during their game Sunday night at the Hoosier Dome. The Pacers won, 107-103.

NBA's worst offensive club with a 93.9 scoring average. Utah allowed 79 against the Timberwolves Friday night in Salt Lake City.

The Clippers used an 11-0 run down the stretch to turn the game into a rout. They limited the Timberwolves to two field goals over the final 5:18.

Kimble, the Clippers' No. 1 pick in the June draft, led the NBA's leading scorer last season with Loyla Marymont, came within a point of matching his previous best game with Los Angeles in the first half alone. He capped it with a 17-3 surge with an 18-footer that extended the Clippers' biggest lead of the half to 49-31 with 3:19 left.

Pacers 107, Bucks 103: Chuck Person scored 20 points as Indiana fought back from a 14-point first-period deficit and snapped a four-game losing streak by defeating Milwaukee.

Person and Reggie Miller, who scored 19 points, hit two free throws each in the final 20 seconds to put the Pacers ahead 105-102.

The Bucks' Jay Humphries was fouled with 5.1 seconds left, but he missed one of his two free throws. Detlef Schrempf was fouled at the other end and sank three free throws, giving him 18 points and sealing the victory with 3:19 left.

UNLV comes out of the gate running

By The Associated Press

Two days after finding out they will get a chance to defend their NCAA title, the UNLV Runnin' Rebels made it clear that they're ready to play.

Led by holdover Larry Johnson and Stacey Augmon, UNLV finally played its first game on Saturday night, routing Alabama-Birmingham 109-68 at Vancouver, British Columbia.

Johnson scored 26 points in just 24 minutes and Augmon added 19.

"Our kids came out totally focused and played their hearts out," coach Jerry Tarkanian said.

On Thursday, the NCAA overturned an earlier ruling that would have kept UNLV out of the 1991 tournament because of recruiting violations in the 1970s. Tarkanian said the team never discussed getting another chance in the NCAA's in March.

"These kids are absolutely incredible," Tarkanian said. "With everything that went on around them last week, they had their mind completely on the game. It's a credit to the type of individuals they really are."

It didn't take long for the Rebels to establish their dominance over Alabama-Birmingham.

Augmon began the game with a dunk, and an 18-0 run made it 25-6 after 8 minutes.

Champions at Charlotte. The Tar Heels (3-1) forced 28 turnovers by the Cyclones.

Michigan State's loss to unheralded Bowling Green followed by three days a 12. Elbert Rogers scored 25 for travel-weary Alabama-Birmingham, which beat Auburn 71-65 on Friday night in Birmingham.

Clinton Venable scored 24 points and Joe Moore had 23 to lead Bowling Green. Moore, who also had 13 rebounds, scored on two straight layups to start the second half, sparking a 16-5 spurt that put Bowling Green (3-0) in the lead for good.

Dave Johnson had 15 points for Syracuse, matching Cornell's entire first-half total. Syracuse (4-0) also got 14 points from Billy Owens, while Cornell (1-2) was led by Steve Johnson with 15 points, all in the second half.

Don McLean scored a career-high 37 points and collected 11 rebounds for Duke (5-1) against UNC-Charlotte (2-1), which got 30 points and 12 rebounds from freshman Jarvis Lang.

Alonso Mourning scored 20 points in Georgetown's ragged victory, with the Hoyas shooting 39 percent and committing 16 turnovers. Southern Indiana (3-2), a Division II school, shot 35 percent while turning the ball over 18 times.

Calbert Cheaney had 19 points for Indiana (4-1) against Louisville in the Cardinals' opener. Cheaney had 6 points during a decisive 18-4 spurt early in the second half.

Other Top 25: Mark Baker scored 24

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51st consecutive home win as Ed Stohs scored 14 points and Matt Othick 13, including four 3-pointers. Lacious Harris had 26 points for Long Beach State (1-2).

Don McLean scored 33 points against Loyola Marymount (2-4) Sunday as UCLA got off to its third straight 4-0 start under coach Jim Harrick. The Bruins broke the school's single-game scoring record for the second time in four games, beating the mark set in a 134-101 victory over UC-Irvine in the opening round of the Great Alaska Shootout on Nov. 23.

Oliver Miller had 22 points and 16 rebounds, and Todd Day scored 20 points for Arkansas (5-1) against Kansas State (2-1), which got 27 points from Jean Desrosiers.

George Lynch scored 20 points as North Carolina beat Iowa State in the consolation game of the Tournament of Champions at Charlotte.

BYU's national title hopes die in Hawaii

By RICK WARNER
The Associated Press

Brigham Young's hopes for a national championship first victory over the Aggies in seven years.

"If we beat a great Miami team, then I certainly believe we deserve to be considered as a national championship team," Texas coach David McWilliams said.

"I know Miami will have something to say about that."

A&M's Darren Lewis ran for three touchdowns and the Orange Bowl and Tech defenses Nebraska in the Citrus Bowl, the Yellow Jackets would have a strong claim to the national title.

"I want to be No. 1, but we still have another game to play," said Tech quarterback Shawn Jones, who threw for 225 yards and four touchdowns.

Third-ranked Miami (9-2) edged San Diego State 30-28 in a game marred by a bench-clearing brawl.

"We're satisfied with the win, but we'd like to look a little better doing it," said Miami quarterback Craig Erickson, who threw for 284 yards and two touchdowns. Snyder celebrated a touchdown catch by initiating the Heisman Trophy search.

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NCAA Football

Jackets (10-0-1) extended their unbeaten streak to 15 games and remained the only major team without a loss.

In Honolulu, but Georgia Tech, Miami and Texas remained very much alive in the title chase.

Hawaii humiliated fourth-ranked BYU 59-28 hours after Cougar quarterback Ty Detmer won the Heisman Trophy on Saturday. Detmer was intercepted four times in the first half and threw for only 319 yards, his second-lowest total since becoming a full-time starter two years ago.

The loss, BYU's second of the season, made it hard for Detmer to savor his Heisman victory over Notre Dame's Raghib "Rocket" Ismail.

"After a loss like this, you just can't enjoy it the way it should be enjoyed," Detmer said.

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Gulf at a glance

(AP) Here, at a glance, are the latest developments in the Persian Gulf crisis:

■ Baghdad backed away from its confrontation with Moscow on Tuesday, saying it would allow all 3,000 Soviets stranded in Iraq to leave, but it demanded the Kremlin pay compensation for canceling their work contracts. Moscow was Iraq's main arms supplier and chief ally before the Gulf crisis began on Aug. 2.

■ Senate Democrats for a fifth day expressed reservations over the Bush administration's Gulf policy. Sam Nunn, D-Ga., chairman of the Senate Armed Services Committee, said on Monday the U.N. trade sanctions against Iraq should be given more time to work before Washington considers war to liberate Kuwait.

■ Defense Secretary Dick Cheney and Gen. Colin Powell, chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, told Senate hearings the same day that Saddam Hussein could survive the embargo. Military action was the only sure way to drive Iraq from the oil-rich emirate, they said.

■ Iraq said on Monday that the sanctions were hurting. Baghdad's Health Minister Abdul-Salam Mohammed Saied said 1,400 children under the age of 5 have died because of shortages of medicine, vaccines and food brought on by the embargo. But doctors and Western diplomats in Baghdad disagreed, saying there were no shortages of food or basic medicines in the country.

■ Turkey's armed forces chief, Gen. Nezir Turumtay, resigned Monday, becoming the third senior officer to resign in three months as Turkey grapples with its Gulf policies. He was replaced today by the commander of Turkey's land forces, Gen. Dogan Gurek. Sources said Gurek shares Turumtay's view that Turkey should refrain from an active role in any possible war to force Iraq out of Kuwait.

House blasts crash probe

WASHINGTON (AP) — U.S. agencies acted in a "prosaic, unimpressive and unimpressive" manner by failing to investigate terrorism as a possible cause of a plane crash that killed 256 Americans, most of them soldiers, a congressional report said Sunday.

The aftermath of the 1985 crash in Gander, Newfoundland, was marked by "a near-total absence of U.S. participation in the Canadian probe of the tragedy," said the study by the staff of the House Judiciary subcommittee.

Border guards kill 22

SRINAGAR, India (AP) — Border guards shot and killed 22 suspected Muslim militants today after they illegally crossed into India from Pakistan, authorities said.

A group of 25 militants crossed the border in the mountainous Kupwara region at dawn, said a police spokesman speaking on condition of anonymity, and opened fire when challenged by guards about a half-mile from the frontier.

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Children rescued from sinking car

By RICK SANTOS
Manchester Herald

MANCHESTER — In an accident Monday afternoon, two young children were miraculously rescued from a car that veered into a pond off Buckland Street. Police have filed charges, nor do they have much information about the accident.

Police spokesman Officer Alan B. Anderson said the initial report from the investigating officer has not been completed and therefore police cannot release many details. The report is expected to be completed later today or tomorrow.

Meanwhile, witnesses and the man primarily responsible for the rescue are not sure how the car ended up in the pond.

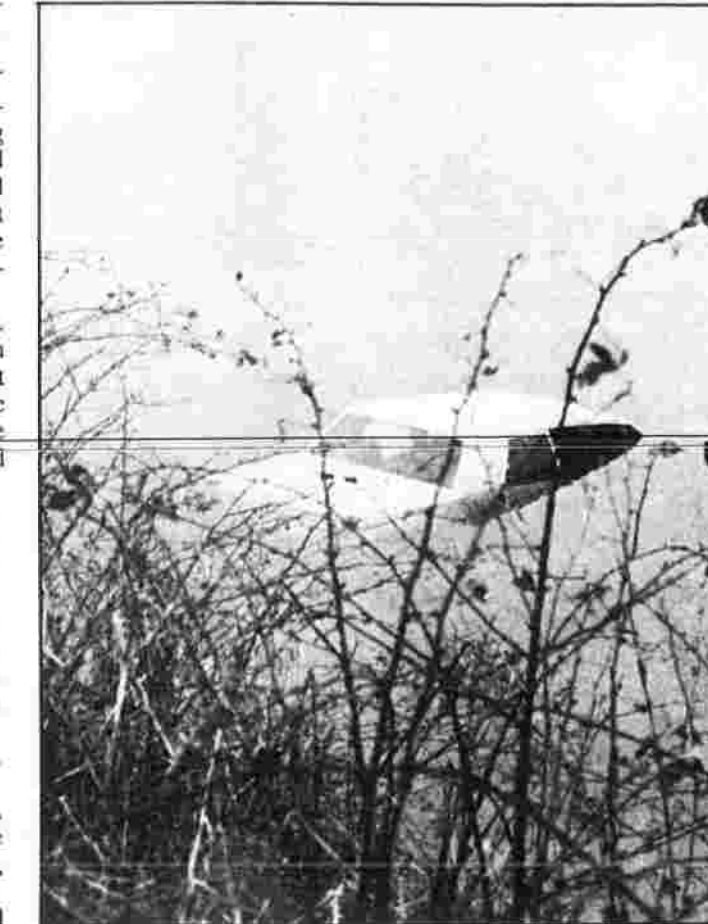
The driver of the car, Saliuna Intokariyah, had left the vehicle unattended while she paid the gasoline she had just pumped at the Exxon station on Buckland Street.

In the car were her two daughters, Helena, 2, and Laisey, 3.

While the mother was in the store, the car somehow rolled across the relatively flat driveway, over a curb, down a steep hill, and into the pond.

Whether the car's engine had been running is not known by any of the witnesses and Intokariyah could not be reached for comment.

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SINKING CAR — This car, owned by an East Hartford woman, careened into a pond off Buckland Street Monday, with two young children in it.

Real-life hero rescues youths

By RICK SANTOS
Manchester Herald

MANCHESTER — A stereotypical hero seen on TV might dive into icy waters, force open the door of a submerged car, and snatch two young children from the clutches of death.

Christopher C. Vernet, 25, of Springfield, Mass., did just that. And like most real-life heroes, he attempted to downplay his accomplishments.

"I don't feel like I did anything spectacular," he said. "I just did what I feel like anyone should do."

The incident took place about 2:20 p.m. on Monday afternoon. The naive of Enfield was driving on the Buckland Street off-ramp of Interstate 84 east, heading toward a stop on his run as an employee with Belmont, Mass., and Uniform Rental Services.

As he and a co-worker, Alfred Brengi, also of Springfield, approached the traffic light at Buckland Street, Brengi spotted a car in



Reginald Photo/Manchester Herald

CHRISTOPHER VARNET
The pond behind the Exxon station to the right.
"I looked over and saw three were people in the car, and there was a Please see HERO, page 6.

Runway collision kills 8

By LISA ZAGAROLI
The Associated Press

ROMULUS, Mich. — Investigators working in a light snow on a windy runway today surveyed the burned-out shell of a jetliner that turned into the path of another, causing a collision that killed eight people.

The investigators' spokesman refused to respond to speculation

that fog disoriented the pilot of the DC-9, which collided Monday with a Boeing 727 taking down a runway toward takeoff at Detroit Metropolitan Airport.

At least 20 people were hospitalized with burns, broken bones, smoke inhalation and other injuries.

John Lauber, a NTSB member, said at a morning briefing.

Lauber said investigators were warned to be cautious in picking through the unstable wreckage under time pressure caused by the

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School study missed

By BRIAN M. TROTTA
Manchester Herald

BOLTON — Some of last year's budget cuts are coming back to haunt the town.

This year, the selectmen had included \$5,000 in the budget for an architectural study to determine how to use the Center School, which will be vacant if a proposed school building project is approved.

However, the funds for the study were cut during the protracted budget process.

The school building project includes plans for an addition and renovations to the high school and an addition to the elementary school. The \$10.7 million plan also calls for the Board of Education to abandon the Center School when the additions are completed.

Now, with the referendum less than two months away, some residents want to know what would be done with the building if the project is approved.

"I don't see anywhere that we have an amount that would be used to even mothball [the Center School] which is to be abandoned by the Board of Education," said Selectman Doug Cheney. "I don't



NEVER GIVE UP — Tina Carr holds the bottom of a long ladder while Michael Diana carries the star to the top of the tree.

Hero fund started

By DIANA M. TALBOT
Herald Features Editor

MANCHESTER — It was cold and windy Monday, but nothing was going to stop two people at 110 Cambridge St. from placing a large lighted star on top of a 60-foot-high, blue spruce tree on the front lawn.

The Manchester residents knew the annual affair would be time-consuming, so Tina Carr, who lives at the address, and co-worker Michael Diana, both took the day off from work at their business, Regal Painting and Home Improvement.

The two hoped that by day's end there would be a twinkling star in the tree that could be seen at night from miles away. The lights on the star would be powered by an electrical cord running down the tree to the bottom of the ladder sturdy. Diana said she remained on and righted the ladder by holding on so tight he got hand cramps. He descended because his hands ached too much to handle a hammer.

The ordeal had seemed so easy in years past when completed by Bruce Coburn of Vernon, a commercial roofer who initiated the tree-climbing tradition five years ago. But this year the roofer, who had done the job solo, announced his retirement from the strenuous and courageous act.

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NATION/WORLD

Verdict prompts Miami's 5th riot in last 10 years

By MICHAEL WARREN
The Associated Press

MIAMI — Hundreds of youths looted stores and burned cars after six police officers were acquitted in the fatal beating of a Puerto Rican drug dealer. The uprising, Miami's fifth riot in a decade, caught police off guard.

The five-hour melee in a Puerto Rican section ended when about 200 officers in riot gear moved into the dead man's neighborhood and made about 10 arrests.

The only injuries reported were to two news photographers, who said they were roughed up and their cameras stolen.

The violence began after the officers were acquitted of beating to death Leonardo Mercado two years ago by stomping on him, punneling him, and smashing him in the head with a flashlight or nightstick.

Several dozen youths, their faces concealed by paper bags and shirts, gathered at a park and began pelting police and passing vehicles with rocks and bottles.

As the melee built, several stores were torched and their merchandise and furniture set ablaze in the street. About 10 cars were set on fire, overturned or had their windows smashed.

"We want justice," said 17-year-old Yvette Diaz. "The other people, the black people... this is how they did it, and it worked."

Accusals in police killings prompted violence in Miami four other times in the past decade, most recently in 1989 when a Hispanic police officer's shooting of a black motorcyclist set off three days of rioting by blacks.

Police retailers worsened this year when officers violently broke up a demonstration by Haitians outside a Cuban-owned clothing store.

But city officials were stunned by

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'Dr. Death' faces murder charge

By SANDRA SVOBODA
The Associated Press

PONTIAC, Mich. — A physician who hooked a woman to a machine that let her take her life with the press of a button was charged with murder by a prosecutor who said the switch did not release the doctor of responsibility.

Dr. Jack Kevorkian, known as "Dr. Death" for his invention, helped a 54-year-old woman with Alzheimer's disease use the machine to inject herself with a fatal dose of an anesthetic and a heart-stopping drug on June 4.

"Dr. Kevorkian was the primary and legal cause of Janet Adkins' death. He cannot avoid his criminal culpability by the clever use of a switch," Oakland County Prosecutor Richard Thompson said Monday.

Kevorkian, a 62-year-old retired pathologist from Royal Oak, faces a mandatory sentence of life in prison without parole if convicted.

"I don't take this seriously," said Kevorkian, who has advocated doctor-assisted suicide. "What happens to me is immaterial. The time has come for this thing."

The charges came one day before a trial today to determine whether Kevorkian's confiscated machine should be returned to him.

Mrs. Adkins and her husband traveled from Portland, Ore., to Michigan to meet Kevorkian because the state is one of the few that do not explicitly make it a crime to help someone commit suicide. She

had been diagnosed with Alzheimer's, which robs people of their memories, ability to function and eventually their lives.

An autopsy confirmed Mrs. Adkins had Alzheimer's disease, but she was not in the terminal stages of illness and was not in any pain, Thompson said.

"For me not to charge Dr. Kevorkian would turn Oakland County into the suicide mecca of our nation," he said.

The prosecutor said he based the first-degree murder charge on a 1920 Michigan Supreme Court decision. In that case, a man who mixed poison and placed it near his wife at her request was found guilty of murder.

The Legislature is considering a bill that would make it a crime punishable by up to four years in prison and a \$2,000 fine to help someone commit suicide.

Kevorkian's attorney, Geoffrey Friger, said because Michigan has no law against medically assisted suicide, he didn't expect the case to come to trial.

"This is not a crime recognized in the state of Michigan," he said.

Kevorkian was arraigned and freed on \$150,000 bail. A preliminary hearing was set for Dec. 12.

Ronald Adkins, Mrs. Adkins' husband, said he had no immediate comment on the charges. The couple had belonged to the Hemlock Society, a Eugene, Ore., organization that promotes death on demand for the terminally ill.

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SPY IN THE SKY — An A-12 Blackbird surveillance plane hangs over the deck of Intrepid Sea-Air-Space Museum in New York City Monday as it joins the aircraft collection on the former aircraft carrier USS Intrepid.

Dodge City or Manhattan? NYC murder rate peaks

By VIRGINIA BYRNE
The Associated Press

NEW YORK — More than 2,000 people were murdered in New York during the first 11 months of 1990, making the year the city's bloodiest ever, according to unofficial police statistics released Monday.

New York City rang out 1989 with 1,905 murders, also a record high.

The city's 1990 homicide rate continued to increase, as six people were murdered during the period from Sunday night to Monday morning, police said.

The year's record murder rate was partially attributed to the proliferation of handguns on the city's streets, as well as a rising tendency toward violence, said Deputy Inspector Thomas V. Connolly of the department's Office of Management Analysis & Planning, which tracks crime statistics.

Of the 1,461 people murdered in the city during the first eight months of the year, 65 percent were killed by guns, according to the department's official figures, which lag as much as four months behind the unofficial figures.

The homicide figures are subject to change because some deaths originally listed as murder could be reclassified later. Officials expect

the number of killings to surpass 2,000 because December traditionally has a high number of murders.

"We've never seen as many guns as we've had this year, we've never confiscated as many, never had as many arrests for weapons," Connolly said. He said 9,410 guns were taken off the streets through the first six months of this year.

The motives of many of the killings were not known, but Connolly said many of the murders began as disputes or robberies and escalated because a weapon was used.

any case, she noted that her father said the quake could happen any time from 48 hours before Monday to 48 hours afterward.

Let's wait until the whole 48 hours are over," she said.

Browning said his projection was based on the fact that the sun and moon's tidal pull on Earth's oceans reached a 27-year high at 5 a.m. Sunday.

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Uprising by Argentinians jolts Bush goodwill visit

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BRASILIA, Brazil — President Bush headed for Uruguay today on his historic democratic tour of South America as U.S. officials looked with anxiety toward Bush's planned stop in strife-torn Argentina.

U.S. officials were not surprised that a military rebellion in Argentina fizzled, but there were lingering concerns over Bush's safety.

As the president made the rounds of Brasilia on Monday, the initial assessments of the situation in Argentina were uniformly upbeat. "I have great confidence in the security there," Bush said, vowing to go ahead with the trip Wednesday.

By evening, Deputy Secretary of State Lawrence Eagleburger betrayed some doubt, saying, "If the situation became such that there was a real danger to his (Bush's) security, I'm sure we'd take another look at it." Hours later, the last of the rebels had surrendered. Nine people were reported killed.

Bush's trip to Uruguay today is the first by an American president since a visit by Lyndon Johnson in 1967. His schedule called for talks with President Luis Alberto Lacalle and an address to the legislature.

For the administration, the most reassuring aspect about the Argentinian

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OPINION

Open Forum

Negro defended, Board criticized

To the Editor:

First we had a bad investment by our Treasurer Roger Negro that cost the town \$200,000, then we had a bad decision by the majority of our Board of Directors that cost the town \$275,000.

I don't have to go into any detail about the bad investment because the majority on the board tried to make a lot of dirty political hay on this issue at the expense of ruining a decent honest man's reputation. If they keep it up, they'll make it look as though Negro benefited financially at the cost to local taxpayers. Like everyone else I don't have any figures on all the transactions that Roger made during his 20 years as elected Treasurer but I am sure that if we did, the mud slingers wouldn't have anything to crow about.

As for the bad decision, I'm referring to the \$275,000 the state offered to the town to help make Center Springs Pond safer for ice skating, which was turned down by the majority of the Board of Directors. Some other town will now benefit from this decision, which was turned down by the majority of the Board of Directors. Some other town will now benefit from this decision, which was turned down by the majority of the Board of Directors. Some other town will now benefit from this decision, which was turned down by the majority of the Board of Directors.

Keep open mind on school plan

To the Editor:

On January 28, 1991, the voters of Bolton will be able to vote on a referendum for the school building project. Between now and then, the papers will be flooded with letters pro and con regarding the building project. You will be exposed to a new math — The Neglected Taxpayers' math where two plus two does not equal four. You will hear figures such as \$10.4 million, \$10.7 million, \$19 million, \$7 million and a variety of other numbers all trying to sway you, the voters, to their point of view.

I can assure you that in every letter on this subject you read there will be either a misstatement or an incorrect fact or figure. You can also be assured that every diatribe will be stated as fact when in reality it is that writer's opinion. You will very seldom see a quote preceded or followed by the words, "in my opinion." Everything will be uttered as fact, when in fact it is an opinion.

I will ask that you read each and every letter with an open mind. If you have any questions on a letter, please call the superintendent of schools or a Board of Education member. I can state as a fact that each Board of Ed member has publicly spoken out in favor of the project. I can also state as a fact that if anyone has been on my meetings lately, unanimous votes are hard to come by. There is a group being formed who is in favor of the project and then there is TNT, the opposition. You as individuals will have to decide on your own.

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Conservatives vs. Bush

By WALTER R. MEARS
 The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Conservative bluster notwithstanding, there's little prospect of a major uprising on the Republican right against President Bush in 1992. But that won't stop the conservatives from making the threat.

There may ultimately be a challenge, but it would be a protest move by a token candidate, not a meaningful campaign against Bush's re-election.

To do more, rebellious conservatives would have to come up with a credible candidate and a galvanizing issue. Neither is in sight, despite their anger that Bush swallowed his central 1988 campaign pledge and agreed to a tax increase.

The president has reinstated his new-tax pledge, saying he'd block any future increases with vetoes. "It ain't gonna happen. I'll guarantee you," he said during the congressional elections.

Bush's spokesman, Marlin Fitzwater, says the president's agenda is backed by the vast majority of Republican conservatives.

But Bush never has been a conservative favorite, despite eight years as loyal lieutenant to President Reagan. Conservatives accepted him grudgingly as Reagan's vice presidential nominee in 1980.

Eight years later, conservative activists wanted another candidate. But there wasn't much they could do about Bush's promotion to the top of the Republican ticket. There will be less they can do about it in 1992, and fewer to try.

The threats of a challenge come from conservative organizations and interest groups, not from elected Republicans. Those activists would have trouble lining up a credible candidate to carry their protest in GOP primaries or a third-party campaign.

Jack Kemp, an ardent foe of the tax increase, says he's in the Bush Cabinet to stay for as long as the president wants him. The secretary of housing and urban development, a 1988 presidential candidate, says that despite the difference on taxes, "I never, ever, offered to quit."

Lacking names to run with, disenchanted conservatives at this point seem to be concentrating on names they want run out of the administration, beginning with Richard G. Darman, the budget director.

"Darman's disregard and contempt for conservative and conservative ideas is no secret," said David A. Keene, chairman of the American Conservative Union, which has urged a staff overhaul beginning with the budget director.

There is speculation that Darman might be leaving after the new Bush inauguration in January to go to Congress early in February.

And Bush's State of the Union message will include promises and proposals to a credible candidate to carry their protest in GOP primaries or a third-party campaign.

Time for truth on Gulf

OK, let's get serious about the crisis in the Persian Gulf.

I, Although I personally believe a military operation is the only solution to the problems presented by Iraq under Saddam Hussein, realism compels the recognition that the air is going out of that balloon pretty fast. The American people have not been effectively sold on the necessity for an attack (see below), and the Democrats who control Congress are prepared to use Congress' undeniable constitutional power to declare war (Article I, Section 8) to keep George Bush on a short leash.

They are too ahistorical, of course, to reject all use of military force outright. That would enable Bush to pull back our troops and blame Congress for the consequences (see below). But they will drag their feet, take care to pose as More Peace-Loving Than Thou, and make sure that Bush gets the full blame for every American casualty if and when hostilities break out. Under such conditions, Mr. Bush may well be unwilling to order an attack.

If Mr. Bush did a fine job of lining up world support for a boycott, and even for an attack on Iraq. But he has been far less successful because inarticulate and inconsistent, in explaining the need for a military operation to the American people.

As originally stated, our aim was to defend the Saudi oil fields, to keep Hussein from acquiring a grip on Middle Eastern oil that he could use to precipitate a deep depression throughout the Western world. That aim was valid, and in America's and the world's highest interests. But unless U.S. forces are to be stationed in Saudi Arabia permanently,

it will prevail — not only for now, but forever.

As Winston Churchill warned the British people after Munich: "We have passed an awful milestone in our history. The terrible words have for the time being been pronounced against the Western democracies: 'Thou art weighed in the balance and found wanting.' And do not suppose that this is the end. This is only the beginning of the reckoning."

TV. And what about the rest of the reckoning? If Saddam Hussein gets away with absorbing Kuwait and keeps on working to build nuclear weapons, what is in store for the world? "A few cents at the pump?" So pretty soon the world will be a nuclear wasteland, no more than that. His next victim will be Israel. (Or will Pat Buchanan and Joe Sobran consider Israel's survival worth sending Americans to the fort?)

After Israel there will be others.



Castro's capitalist excesses

By JACK ANDERSON
 and DALE VAN ATTA

WASHINGTON — Cuban dictator Fidel Castro claims only one son, but he has at least seven children by three women. He preaches socialist equality, but has 32 houses in call home and three luxury yachts.

Those are some of the revelations about Castro that are now coming to us, and to the Central Intelligence Agency, from Soviet sources, including the KGB.

It is the kind of information that the CIA used to pay tens of thousands of dollars for — the kind of information that kept Panamanian strongman Manuel Noriega on the CIA payroll. Except in the old days, Noriega might have made up the information because he knew the CIA was hungry for inflammatory stories about Castro's personal life. Sometimes Castro himself would help Noriega make up nonsense.

But the information from the KGB sources is considered genuine, and the Soviets are sharing it because they are fed up with their heavily subsidized disinformation in Havana.

Castro is an unreconstructed socialist, in full if not in deed, and he refuses to pull his nation into the new decade. Even students at the University of Havana from which Castro spawned his revolution three decades ago against dictator Fulgencio Batista, have taken to calling him "el loco" behind his back.

The one thing sure to anger the paranoid prima donna is an examination of his personal life, which is why our Soviet sources shared the details:

— Castro lives well in his 32 houses. Three of them are in Havana, and two are underground bunkers because Castro fears a nuclear attack by the United States.

— He has a bodyguard force of 9,700 men. Some 2,800 of them are stationed in Havana. If he is feeling especially paranoid, Castro can summon another 20,000 men from the Ministry of the Interior and the Army.

— He was spooked by past bizarre plots of the CIA to, among other things, make his beard fall out and poison him with toxic shellfish. So, when Castro indulges in his favorite sport of scuba diving, he has more than 100 frogmen check the waters for any foreign objects, and protect him while he dives.

— Castro is known to be divorced from his first, and only acknowledged, wife who now lives in Spain. But the Soviet sources say he has at least five sons from a secret second marriage. They all have names that start with "A." (Castro's own middle name is Alejandro). The Soviets know the sons well because they were schooled in the Soviet Union where Cuban security agents posed as their parents. Castro also has an illegitimate daughter named Alma Fernandez Revuelta who is in her mid-20s.

— Castro's only acknowledged son, from his first marriage, is Fidelito, head of Cuba's nuclear agency, Fidelito married and then divorced a Soviet woman. He then married a Cuban, but is about to drop her for a Spanish aristocrat.

— Castro's younger brother, Raul, has not been allowed the luxury of divorce that Fidel gets himself. At Fidel's whim, Raul says married to Vilma Espin even though they despise each other. Raul, who heads the Cuban armed forces, has consorted himself with the bottle, and an affair with the director of Cuban television (with whom he had a daughter) and more recently with a Bulgarian mistress.

While the details of Castro's personal life seem suitable for the tabloids, they serve a political leverage for the Soviets who don't mind exposing Castro as a hypocrite.

Nuclear threat

The Nuclear Regulatory Commission has been none-too-meticulous about the safety at American nuclear power plants, but even if it had been, there would still be a nuclear threat to the U.S. officials can't regulate Mexico's Laguna Verde nuclear reactor north of Vera Cruz has set a world record for emergency shutdowns, and it has spilled more than 2.5 million gallons of radioactive water into the Gulf of Mexico. Mexican officials are privately worried about the danger of a meltdown, but they have nevertheless given Laguna Verde the go-ahead to operate at full power.

Mideast editorial

If George Bush had been given a choice, he could have picked a better Arab nation to rescue than Kuwait. The Kuwaiti aristocracy flaunts its wealth in front of the rest of the Arab world. That opulence was resented by other Arabs, particularly Palestinians. If the United States is able to reclaim Kuwait for the Kuwaitis, Bush should not expect a standing ovation from the Arab world. Arabs may have allied themselves with the United States to stop Saddam Hussein from marching across the Middle East, but they care little about the fortunes of Kuwait.



STARTING OUT — Louis Taylor, of Bay City, Mich., takes shelter from a heavy storm Monday as he cleans his car prior to driving on snow-covered streets. The winter's first storm caused transportation delays in much of the Midwest.

Bored kitties will perk up at sight of 'video catnip'

By ROBERT M. ANDREWS
 The Associated Press

HERNDON, Va. — At last, the purr-fect Christmas stuffer for indoor cats who have everything. It's their very own videotape, featuring a mouth-watering parade of live birds, squirrels and chipmunks coveting on the TV screen.

The 25-minute, full-color video, taped in a wooded backyard of this Washington suburb, is sure to delight all those lachrymose kitties who are bored with napping, scratching the furniture and swatting ornaments off the Christmas tree.

Just slip a \$19.95 copy of "Video Catnip" into the VCR and watch their turn into regular couch furballs. But heed the warning at the start of the tape:

"While watching this video, your cat may become excited and attempt to get inside your television set to get at the birds. ... We strongly suggest that you remove all breakables from on top or around your TV set. No kiting."

Creator Steve Malareky promises "some cat-satisfying fun with no naps in the action." His satisfied customers, speaking for their pampered pussycats, say his video really delivers the goods.

"The two actions I've divided into segments titled 'Choo- Thrills,' 'Mews and Feather Report' and 'A Stalk in the Park.' Yowiesicure feline viewers will enjoy lots of juicy close-ups of their favorite outdoor creatures, feasting mostly on birdseed and popcorn.

Malareky was a disgruntled computer technician searching for a career change when he decided to "get into the cat business." He tried making heated "cat houses" and tree-shaped scratching posts, but both were flops.

Then one night, he said, "I was sitting in front of the TV with my wife, watching a National Geographic special on birds of the Cayman Islands or somewhere," he said. "Our cat Stick, who never even glanced at TV before, came out of his box like a shot and sat right in front of the screen, growling and mowing."

Malareky borrowed a friend's video camera and tripod, seeded his backyard with treats and let the tape run for an hour.

"When I brought the tape back to the house and showed it to Stick, he went ballistic," Malareky said. "He was in front of the TV, behind the screen, on top of the TV, knocking things over and swiping at the screen. My friend showed the tape to his cat, Tiger, who also never watches TV, and Tiger went absolutely nuts."

Panama seeking to try Noriega

By ALINA GUERRERO
 The Associated Press

PANAMA CITY, Panama — Panama's judicial authorities have requested the extradition of Gen. Manuel Noriega to stand trial in this country for murdering the leader of an attempted coup against the former Panamanian ruler.

Noriega, in a Miami prison facing trial on U.S. drug trafficking charges, is sought in Panama in the murder of Maj. Moises Giroldi, government prosecutor Danilo Montenegro told a news conference Monday.

"The district attorney asked the Foreign Ministry for his extradition," said Attorney General Rogelio Cruz. It wasn't known whether the request had yet been conveyed to the United States.

Noriega's defense attorney in Miami is seeking to have the drug charges dropped on the grounds that Cruz is tapping of attorney-client conversations and a dispute over Noriega's legal fees have ruined Noriega's chances of a fair trial.

A total of 96,834 members of the Army, Navy, Air Force, Marine Corps and Coast Guard reserves and National Guard are on active duty under call-up authority granted by President Bush on Aug. 23. Thousands more have been alerted to prepare to mobilize.

The Pentagon gave no reason for increasing the callup limit. Gen. Colin Powell, chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, made a pitch for the reservists in congressional testimony Monday. He said their participation in Desert Shield "has been a significant factor in affording us flexibility and balance."

The current callup of reservists is the first since the Vietnam war and the largest since the 1961 crisis triggered by East Germany's construction of the Berlin Wall.

Cheney increases reserve ceiling

By ROBERT BURNS
 The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Defense Secretary Dick Cheney is raising the callup authorizations on the number of military reservists who can be ordered into uniform for the Persian Gulf crisis to near the current legal limit of 200,000.

The Pentagon announced Monday that Cheney increased by 65,000 the maximum number of Army, Navy and Marine Corps reservists who can be ordered to active duty for Operation Desert Shield. It said he signed the order on Saturday.

The new limit is 185,000 for all services, although the Air Force and Coast Guard totals were not changed. On Oct. 12, Cheney had raised the overall ceiling from 50,000 to 125,000.

Yeast infection medicine given green light for sale

By DEBORAH MESCE
 The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Public health officials are making it easier, faster and cheaper for millions of women who suffer from vaginal yeast infections to get treatment.

With the availability soon of the first over-the-counter drug to treat these infections, women will be able to skip the doctor's office and go straight to the pharmacy — and pay less than when it was a prescription drug.

"We're delighted," said Cindy Pearson, program director of the Women's Health Network, who testified in favor of the switch before an FDA advisory committee. The committee recommended the action the FDA took Monday.

"We've had nothing but positive and enthusiastic support from our members" for the FDA action, Ms. Pearson said. "Some want to give it (the drug) to their friends for Christmas."

Vaginal yeast infections afflict nearly three-fourths of all women at least once in their lifetimes. About 22 million cases are reported annually.

The drug that was approved for over-the-counter use is clotrimazole, which is sold under the trade name Gyne-Lotrimin by its maker, Schering Plough HealthCare Products.

Dr. Carl Peck, director of the FDA's Center for Drug Evaluation and Research, said the drug has been used safely for more than a decade, is highly effective and has little risk. Gynecologists and other medical professionals who spoke at the company's news conference in New York on Monday, said the FDA's decision — which takes effect immediately — will allow women to spend their health care dollars more effectively.

"This is one of the most common things you see in practice," she said. "It can be a significant disruptor of a woman's lifestyle. Now they'll be able just to go to the store and get an effective treatment."

China: vote won't hurt efforts to improve ties

By KATHY CHENAUULT
 The Associated Press

BEIJING — Foreign Minister Qian Qichen said Tuesday that China's refusal to support a military threat against Iraq disappointed U.S. officials, but won't derail Chinese efforts to improve foreign relations.

"This visit to Washington was very successful and I'm very satisfied with it," Qian said upon returning from the first official Chinese visit to Washington since China's military violently suppressed the pro-democracy movement in June 1989.

Qian hedged when asked if he considered U.S. China relations normalized following his talks with President Bush and other U.S. officials.

"Both sides agreed to increase our contacts and exchanges so as to increase our mutual understanding," Qian said.

China gained considerable international goodwill by supporting the United States' resolution to support the resolution for the resolution, hoping to marshal universal support to show Iraq the international community opposes its occupation of Kuwait.

Qian said the abstention would not hurt China's efforts to improve foreign relations. China drew widespread condemnation after its army opened fire on student-led demonstrators urging democratic reforms. Hundreds of people were killed.

"China decides on its voting based on its own position and I think all countries understand that," Qian said. "The Americans expressed a certain disappointment, but they also expressed a certain understanding."

Qian also said he welcomed Bush's decision to send U.S. Secretary of State James A. Baker III on a peace mission to Baghdad.

"It has always been our position there should be some dialogue," Qian said.

Western countries and Japan have gradually lifted sanctions imposed against China to protect the military trade.

Western diplomats have acknowledged China's improved international standing resulted in part from its cooperation during the Gulf crisis.

Japan sent its education minister to Beijing in September and resumed low-interest loans to China. The European Community voted in October to lift all sanctions except the ban on arms sales and defense cooperation.

The United States had tried to downplay Qian's visit to Washington, saying it didn't violate a U.S. sanction against high-level exchanges.

The U.S. State Department said the ban remains in place, but applies only to "exchanges of a formal and ceremonial nature."

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Hero

nobody around to help," Varnet said Wednesday night in an interview at his Springfield home.

The two drove to the station as quickly as they could, parking the van near the edge of a cliff-like embankment that steeply dropped about 40 feet to the water below.

When they got out of the linen truck, a woman, who had come out of the store was screaming that her "babies" were in the car and could not swim. The woman, Salatia Inokorah of East Hartford, apparently left the car running while she went into the station to pay for her gasoline.

Without pausing to think, Varnet jumped out of the linen truck, unstrapped a leg brace he was wearing, ran to the water and jumped in.

"I dove in, but the water was only up to my chest," Varnet said, estimating that the car was less than 10 feet from the water.

He explained that he was wearing the leg brace because a basket from one of the linen trucks had fallen on his leg about two weeks ago.

"I have a torn ligament in my knee," Varnet said, adding that he had gone to the doctor Monday morning and began his shift later than usual, with his boss substituting for him. "If my appointment had been a half-hour later, maybe he'd be the one in the water."

"I took the brace off because I thought I might have to swim and I wouldn't get in the way," Varnet said. Clutching at his leg as he recounted the story from his apartment in Springfield, he said, "I was just trying to get the damn thing off. It has like 12 Velcro straps."

All the while, he said the only thing in his mind was to get the people out of the quickly sinking car.

"When I got there, it was about three-quarters full of water," Varnet said. The passenger-side door to the Oldsmobile opened with little resistance, he said, surmising that the water on the inside of the vehicle helped to counterbalance the pressure of the water on the outside.

Inside the car, he found the two children, who are sisters, standing on the back seat, trying to keep their heads out of the water.

"They were screaming their heads off," Varnet said. He reached toward them, but was shielded by a child safety seat which he promptly yanked out of the vehicle and pushed to one side.

He then grabbed the younger child, Helena, 2, and passed her to Brengi, who had followed him into the water. He then pulled out the older girl, Latelye, 3.

Varnet then scaled the steep hill, carrying the girl and wondering why several bystanders stood motionless, not offering a hand.

"All these people were there, and they were just standing there, not

doing anything," he said with exasperation.

Varnet, who is an expecting father, said, "God forbid that anything would happen to any child of his, but I would hope that somebody would do the same for me."

The rescue took enough out of Varnet so that he and his wife decided not to attend their first childbearing class which was to be held Monday night.

Modestly, he said that rescue crews were on the scene by the time he ascended the hill and they would have more than likely saved the children.

When Varnet returned to work after the ordeal, he said he was feeling OK. "Oh yeah, I'm fine. I'm cold, but I'm fine." He also said his leg seemed to be all right.

His boss, Harry Felt, Belmont's division manager, was elated.

"Our guy's just a cut above the rest," Felt said. "We're very proud of him."

Manchester Police Sgt. Gerald A. Calve said today that he was participating in a program to recognize officers and citizens for heroics.

"These two (Varnet and Brengi) will definitely be on the list for doing a real nice job," Calve said. "They're real good guys."

He added that a third man, Angel Medina of Hartford, had rushed to the scene of the accident and may also be commended.

As an aside, Varnet was somewhat upset because his \$600 watch, which he had just got back from the jeweler, was lost during the rescue.

"When I was yanking the car door open, I saw it go flying," he said, adding that he didn't try to retrieve it because of the risk of injury to the cold pond.

"But I really don't care," Varnet said. "If I can save 3600 and those two kids are fine, then it's worth it to me."

Rescue

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Christopher C. Varnet, a Springfield, Mass., man who dove into the water and pulled the children to safety, speculated that the engine had been left running and one of the children may have accidentally shifted the car into gear.

It is unlikely that the car simply rolled into the water because the surface of the service station is flat and a four or five inch curb is set around the perimeter of the lot. On the other side of the curb is a grassy area that gives way to a steep hill, which is almost cliff-like.

The children, who were rushed to Manchester Memorial Hospital, were treated and released Monday, hospital spokesman Andrew Beck said today. They were uninjured, he said.

School

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think it is proper for the townfolk to have this waiting for them with out the knowledge of the cost."

First Selectman Robert Morra said that the selectmen have "thrown around some ideas" on what to do with the building, but do not have the funds to see if any of those ideas are feasible.

The selectmen have recommended that the Housing Authority use some of its consulting funds to see if the building could be used for elderly housing.

Clayton Adams, a member of The Neglected Taxpayers, said that something would have to be done with the building if it were abandoned and that it would likely be a big expense to the town.

But Morra said that if the town had control of the building, it could pay for itself. "That's not to say that it will," he said. "There's a big difference there."

Cheney said that if the building project is approved, it would still be three-and-a-half years before the building project would be completed and the town would have to decide whether to mothball or renovate the building. Still, he said, the town will have to have some money up front to put the building into a condition to do anything with it.

After the meeting, Christine Walsh, co-chair of the Citizen's Alliance for School Excellence, said it is ironic that TNT, which had fought so hard for budget cuts, was now complaining about the lack of funds in town.



Reginald Pinto/Manchester Herald

TOWED OUT — Workers tow out of a pond on Buckland Street a car which unexplainedly plunged into the pond Monday, with two toddlers inside. The toddlers were rescued, and neither was injured.

Crash

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weather. Airport officials wanted the two planes, both operated by Northwest Airlines, moved to a hospital and released, and there was no word the others were injured. Their names were not released.

Crew members on both planes and air traffic controllers were ordered to undergo drug tests, which are routine after such an accident. It was not immediately known what instructions the DC-9 received before straying into the path of the 727.

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Ribbon Mill bond issue goes to the wire

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By ALEX GIARELLI
Manchester Herald

MANCHESTER — As the Housing Authority stares at a Wednesday deadline for action on the controversial plan to refinance the Ribbon Mill Apartments, Malcolm Barlow, legal counsel for the authority, pointed out errors in the documents about the plans and an added provision at a Monday meeting.

No vote was cast Monday by the Housing Authority on a plan to refinance the Ribbon Mill Apart-

ments and the authority was scheduled to meet again today at 4 p.m. to make a decision.

At the meeting, Barlow said that the new documents he has received about the plan contain a number of minor errors, such as references to a "city clerk" instead of a town clerk, and to the need for a signature by a mayor. The Washington, D.C.-based law firm that drew up the documents will deliver revised versions by messenger today.

Barlow also said the new resolution the authority is being asked to

approve contains stronger language than the former one, making it more clear that town taxes and the revenues of the Housing Authority, except revenues from the transaction, do not stand behind the proposed \$4.5 million in new bonds.

And Barlow said one added provision is that the commissioners of the authority must state that they have no personal conflicts, no financial interest in the developer, the mill project, or the loan.

While no action was taken at the brief meeting Monday, the authority

did invite comments from the public. Robert Samuelson, J. Russell Smyth, and Irene Fisiere repeated their opposition.

Vincent Kelly told the commissioners that when the commissioners vote, they should say why they voted as they did.

Smyth said the commissioners should insist that all the "Y"s are dotted and the "Y"s crossed now that CDC Financial Corp. is involved as the mortgage servicer in the transaction. He criticized the role of CDC in the financing arrangements for

the conversion of the former Bennett School building to apartments for the elderly.

Attorney Stephen Penny, a former mayor who represents the developer, said the Bennett conversion has been accomplished and is "extraordinarily successful."

Commissioner Richard Schwolsky asked Robert Donovan of the federal Department of Housing and Urban Development about what would be the status of the 21 apartments now set aside for low- and moderate-income tenants if

HUD forecloses on the property. Donovan said the tenants would be issued Section 8 rent subsidy certificates. They would be allowed to remain in the apartments or use the certificates elsewhere, but the apartments would not be reserved in the future for low- and moderate-income tenants.

If the commissioners vote in favor of the refinancing, they will be acting against the view of the town's Board of Directors, which has approved a resolution opposing the project.

Jolly old elf to appear at park

By RICK SANTOS
Manchester Herald

MANCHESTER — Children who cry and pout better watch out — Santa Claus is coming to Center Springs Park.

Starting Thursday and running through Sunday, good ol' St. Nick will make his annual appearance in the Lodge Building at the park and spread plenty of good cheer for the holiday season. The hours for the festivities are 5 to 8 p.m., Thursday and Friday, and 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Saturday, and noon to 4 p.m. on Sunday.

One of the main thrusts of Santa's visit will be the traditional event which features smiling, or crying, children climbing onto Santa's lap and telling him what gifts they want for Christmas.

For \$4, parents can purchase a snapshot of the special event, and all proceeds will be donated to the University of Connecticut Medical Center and go toward the purchase of medical equipment, explains Cathy Hopperstad, a recreation supervisor with the town.

The Parks and Recreation Department, along with the Manchester Junior Women's Club, is sponsoring the event.

As well as Santa, the day will feature a petting zoo with horses, goats and sheep. Unfortunately, there will be no reindeer because they can't track down someone willing to get a reindeer. Hopperstad sadly announced.

The four-day festival also will include a card-making session for children. The Christmas cards will be colored on the front by the children, then sent to soldier stations in the Persian Gulf.

That way, they will be more personalized," Hopperstad said.

She added that the department is looking for more information about where local servicemen and women are staying overseas, so they can get cards to them. The office telephone number is 647-3009.

Also, the Junior Women's Club is looking for teen-agers to volunteer their efforts to work as elves and toy soldiers, said Roberta McCormick, a member of the club and a coordinator of the event.

McCormick noted that volunteering for the event is a good way to earn community service hours for those religious education students working toward their confirmation with the Roman Catholic Church.

As another way to usher in the spirit of giving which brightens the holiday season, people attending Santa's visit are asked to bring small stocking stuffers for the needy children. They are asked also to bring toiletry items or articles of clothing for the MACC's Samaritan Shelter.

"I know it's a tight season for everybody, so if people can just bring a little bit of something I'm sure MACC will appreciate it."



HO-HO-HO — Manchester residents Timmy DeCormier, 5, and Lindsay Tomko, 6, sit with Santa Claus in his wonderful sleigh. Santa is scheduled to descend upon the Center Springs Lodge on Thursday and remain there through Sunday, bringing holiday cheer to all who attend.

Welfare workers paid more than welfare director

By BRIAN M. TROTTA
Manchester Herald

BOLTON — The town Welfare Director's request for a raise failed to win approval from the Board of Selectmen Monday because there is not enough money in the town's surplus fund.

It was going to be a hot issue for the Board of Finance.

Selectman Carl Preuss offered Cannon a deal similar to one given to the town's assessor, Charles Danna, who worked many extra hours when the town went through re-evaluation last spring.

"We understand that your workload has increased,"

said First Selectman Robert Morra. "But we've since received continual memos from the Board of Finance saying there's not enough in the reserve to fund anything."

Morra said that the board could approve Cannon's request, but it would certainly be shot down by the Board of Finance.

The selectmen did not have the money to pay the as-

essor this year for his extra hours, but said they would make up the difference in next year's budget. In Cannon's case, that would mean the selectmen would include the \$7,000 for this year's work in Cannon's salary next year, along with a raise to cover the work Cannon will do next year.

Morra said the selectmen would send a memo to the finance board telling them to expect a large appropriation for Cannon's salary next year.

"You're telling me to take it on faith that there will be a raise," next year, she said. "The people I pay on

welfare are earning more than I am."

Cannon said she did not want the selectmen to just dismiss her request without a vote. "I would think it would show your commitment to me to make a [favorable] recommendation to the Board of Finance," she said.

Selectman Doug Cheney made the motion to approve the raise but when no one seconded, the motion failed.

"This is not a vote against or for Ivi Cannon," Morra said. "This goes along with past precedent. This is the policy we set and this is the policy we'll follow."

Ethnic holidays noted at schools

By SCOTT B. BREDE
Manchester Herald

MANCHESTER — Cinco de Mayo and Sojourner Truth Day are probably not two holidays depicted on your standard calendar, but Manchester teachers will soon become familiar with them.

The day of Mexico's celebration of its victory over the French in the Battle of Puebla in 1862 and the commemoration of a woman's right convention in 1851 are just two of the items on the multi-cultural calendar which is currently circulating through the school district.

The calendar is an attempt at bringing understanding of diverse cultures to the town's students.

"We choose to highlight African-Americans, Asian-Americans, Hispanics and native Americans," said Lou Irvin, the multi-cultural coordinator for Manchester secondary schools.

"There are many groups you can highlight, but we decided to start with those groups," he said, adding that they make up most of Manchester's minority population.

Other listings on the calendar include the birth dates of famous minority members and the dates of

events that shaped the different cultures, Irvin said.

Along with the calendar, teachers receive a packet on suggested lessons or activities to go along with the day.

"It's adding another resource that teachers can use to teach their students about diverse cultures," he said.

Originally, Irvin was asked to form a committee to find ways to teach diversity to kindergartners to third-graders by Assistant Superintendent Allan B. Chiverton, Irvin said. But after designating the calendar, the committee decided to send it to all the teachers in the district, he said.

"It is an on-going belief that all students should become familiar with different cultures," he said, noting that minorities make up 13.5 percent of the town's population.

Irvin said people often read about minorities cast negatively in the print media, such as being involved in crimes and drug busts. "We are trying to paint the community with the positive aspects of these cultures," he said.

PZC approves sewer pump station

By SCOTT B. BREDE
Manchester Herald

MANCHESTER — The Planning and Zoning Commission Monday night stamped its approval on a sewer pump station on Knollwood Road, and decided a vacant two-story home on Hartford Road could house a business.

At last month's meeting, residents

The sewer pump station will service a 23-home development at 154 Knollwood Road — which was proposed by BCL Corp., and approved by the PZC in March — despite criticism from Knollwood Road residents who argued that the development would increase traffic flow in the rural neighborhood.

The pump station will sit on the southeast side of Millard Road, which abuts Knollwood Road and cuts through the 28-acre develop-

ment site.

In March, commission members argued against a public utility being built within 150 feet of a rural dwelling — a violation of zoning regulations.

In other action, commission members voted to change the zoning of a two-story vacant home at 362 Hartford Road from rural residence to a Business II zone.

Interim chamber president named

By ALEX GIARELLI
Manchester Herald

MANCHESTER — Working with other towns to improve the region's economic climate is one item that Stacey Pincus Murdock will be advocating during her stay as interim-president of the Greater Manchester Chamber of Commerce.

Murdock, 25, who has worked as downtown coordinator of the

adding that the East of the River Chamber of Commerce, of which Manchester is a member, includes chambers from East Hartford, Rockville, South Windsor and the Enfield area.

"There is power in numbers," she said, noting that as a single chamber, the agency can only affect local

far-reaching effects on the form of local governments.

At the Thursday meeting, the commissioners will hear from General Manager Richard Sartor on suggestions made by town administrative officials.

Among the matters to be considered are the direct election of a mayor and vesting more authority in that office, electing instead of ap-

pointing the Planning and Zoning Commission, reviewing the position of a part-time elected treasurer as compared with those of a full-time controller, creating an inland-wetlands commission separate from the Planning and Zoning Commission, creating a water and sewer commission separate from the Board of Directors, providing for recall of town officials.

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Gejdenson wants national version of LBJ bill

By JOHN DIAMOND
The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — LBJ did it. Lloyd Bentsen did it. Why, asks a Connecticut lawmaker, shouldn't any Capitol Hill mogul be able to seek the White House without risking hard-won legislative clout?
Rep. Sam Gejdenson, D-Conn., said Monday he will introduce a bill next month to let House members and senators run for president and still appear on the ballot for their legislative jobs.
The bill would adopt nationally the essence of a Texas law designed for Lyndon Johnson and used by Lloyd Bentsen in 1988 to ensure he could run for vice president without giving up his Senate seat.

Texas is the only state with such a law, Gejdenson said.
"It shouldn't just be Texans who have the opportunity to run for re-election and president simultaneously," Gejdenson said. "And the country shouldn't be put in the position where a person of that experience should either remove himself from office or stay as majority leader or minority leader or committee chairman."
Republicans viewed the legislation as a thinly veiled bid to widen the field of possible challengers against President Bush in 1992.
"It's nonsense," said Sen. John Chafee, R-R.I., a close friend of the president. "If the states want to do it, let them do it. . . . If legislators are not serious enough about the presidency to be willing to give up a Senate seat or a

House seat, then they're not serious about being president."
Gejdenson said there is a crisis in a political system when seasoned elected officials stay out of the presidential fray because the odds are so long compared to the security of a powerful post on Capitol Hill.
Political science Professor Larry Sabato of the University of Virginia said the GOP "would be crazy" to go along with Gejdenson's proposal.
"They'd just be encouraging opposition to George Bush," Sabato said.
The Texas law allowing a candidate to appear on the state ballot for two different offices was tailor-made in 1959 for Sen. Lyndon B. Johnson, the Texas Democrat who ran for president the next year. He lost the nomination

to Sen. John F. Kennedy of Massachusetts, but was on the successful national ticket as Kennedy's running mate.
Sen. Lloyd Bentsen, D-Tex., used the law to his advantage in 1988 when he ran for re-election while joining Gov. Michael S. Dukakis in the presidential race.
The move backfired for Dukakis, though. Instead of helping Dukakis carry Texas, many voters in the Lone Star State supported Bentsen for Senate and then voted for Bush for president.
"It was 'Vote twice for Texas!'" Sabato said, "so it actually ended up hurting the Democrats." Bush, of course, claims Texas as his home state.
The LBJ law also cost Texas Democrats in 1960,

Delegation wary of a Gulf war

By JOHN DIAMOND
The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — New England lawmakers are getting one message loud and clear from their constituents: they don't want war in the Persian Gulf.
Just back from a series of constituent meetings in his district, Rep. Chester Atkins, D-Mass., said war veterans, parents, even those who might be considered hawks are voicing caution.
"I was really blown away by the passionate opposition that people have to the President's policies in the Persian Gulf," Atkins said.
"I had a number of families who have kids over there who kept asking me, 'Tell me what it is you're asking my son to die for?' Or in some cases, 'my daughter,'" Atkins said.
Sen. Christopher Dodd, D-Conn., said he has been deluged by calls from constituents.
"The calls give one message: don't send us to war," said Dodd's press secretary Julie Rosson.
"Most of my people say, 'Thank heaven the President is willing to talk to that man. My kid is over there, my cousin is over there,'" said Rep. Joseph Moakley, D-Mass. "Everybody thinks we have to try to use all the sanctions — increase the sanctions out. These quick as quick as people think."
Moakley ended up with his district, which includes downtown Boston, South Boston and the Dorchester section of Boston, is an area of bedrock patriotism.
"Every corner's got a kid's name on it that got killed in Vietnam," Moakley said.
One after another, lawmakers from Massachusetts, Rhode Island and Connecticut — Republican and Democratic alike — supported a go-slow position. The sanctions imposed by the United Nations against Iraq should be given time to work before U.S. forces attack and try to expel an entrenched Iraqi army from Kuwait.

that aggression does not pay," Chafee said there was no need for a special session of Congress, something that Sen. Edward Kennedy, D-Mass., has repeatedly called for.
"We don't know what the diplomatic efforts are going to yield," Chafee said. "We wouldn't get anywhere. It would be a decision to take no decision."
Kennedy said "Neither Congress nor the country is ready to go to war in the Persian Gulf." Kennedy said Congress should get a commitment from Bush not to go to war in January until Congress has been able to debate the issue.
"The President has a constitutional responsibility to come to Congress for approval in advance before he goes to war," Kennedy said.
Several lawmakers said opinion against the military operation in the Persian Gulf began to coalesce in early November when the President announced the addition of 230,000 troops to the Desert Shield deployment.
"The President made a terrible mistake in pushing to deploy the additional troops," Atkins said. "I think he's pushing us toward a war at a time when we ought to be letting the sanctions work."
Opinion on the Gulf did not automatically follow party lines.
Rep. Barney Frank, D-Mass., disagreed with other liberal Democrats by saying there is no need now for a special session of Congress. Frank does insist, as did other New England lawmakers, that congressional approval is required before Bush goes to war.
"I would not vote for a declaration of war today," Frank said. "I support what the President has done up until now. . . . It is too early to talk about invasion."
On the other side of the aisle, Rep. Silvio Conte, R-Mass., while agreeing that no special session is necessary, said, "The case for force has not yet been made. . . . Violence and war always have unpredictable consequences, and must always be an absolute last resort."
Rep. Ron Machley, R-R.I., said lawmakers want to present Hussein with a united front but also see flaws in the administration's policy and want to express their views about a possible war.
Machley said he supports the moves Bush has made so far.
Among those calling for a special session of Congress were Reps. Joseph Early and Joseph P. Kennedy II, both Massachusetts Democrats. "We should take a definite position," Early said. "I do not advocate aggression in any way."
Kennedy said patience is a virtue in standoff situations. The Cold War against the Soviet Union amounted to 40 years of sanctions that ultimately worked, "and we didn't spill any blood," Kennedy said. "This notion that we've created an artificial date in Jan. 15 for sanctions to work is patently ridiculous."



TOYS FOR JOY — Volunteers at St. Mary's Episcopal Church sort through a load of toys donated for the needy by Manchester's Purdy Corp. The Toys for Joy program is still desperately short of gifts for distribution to needy children in Manchester and Bolton. New or good-as-new toys may be dropped off at the Eighth Utilities District's central firehouse at the corner of Main and Hilliard streets, or at Comited bank at 1007 Main St.

State still fighting Indian gambling

HARTFORD (AP) — The state has asked the U.S. Supreme Court to overturn a lower court ruling that would allow the Mashantucket Pequot Indians to open a gambling casino in Ledyard.
The tribe was successful in arguing before the U.S. District Court and the 2nd U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals that casino games are not prohibited but merely regulated in Connecticut. As such, the courts

found, the federal law applies. The courts ordered the state to negotiate with the Pequots regarding terms of gambling activities to be permitted on their Ledyard reservation.
A compact setting forth the terms of gambling was selected by a court-appointed mediator in October.
Unless the Supreme Court agrees to consider the case and then overturns the lower court rulings, the Indians would be able to open a casino, a dog track and an off-track betting parlor, although the tribe has said that only a casino is planned in the immediate future.
Barry Margolin, lawyer for the Pequots, said he believes the Supreme Court is unlikely to consider the case because it does not break new legal ground and because the state's arguments already have been considered and rejected by two lower courts.
But the state is arguing that its case is different.

RECORD

About Town

Grange presentation

Covestry Grange #75 will hold an open meeting at the Grange Hall on Route 44 at 7:30 p.m. Thursday. The public is encouraged to attend. No charge and free refreshments. Regular Grange meeting will follow presentation. Members attending should bring articles for the Food Bank and \$1 grab bag gift. For more information, call 742-6256.

Blood pressure clinic schedule

The Visiting Nurse and Community Health of Eastern Connecticut will hold the following blood pressure clinics: Dec. 4, 2 to 3 p.m., Moose Hall in Marlborough; Dec. 5, 10 to 11 a.m., Hebron Town Hall, and 1 to 2 p.m., Willington Senior Center; Dec. 6, 11 a.m. to noon, Sprague Town Hall and 1:30 to 2:30 p.m., Hebron Firehouse; Dec. 11, 11 a.m. to noon, Mansfield Town Hall; Dec. 12, 10 to 11 a.m., Hebron Town Hall, and 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., Chaplin Grange and Scotland Congregational Church, and 2 to 3 p.m., Lebanon Community Center. All residents of the towns served are eligible to attend and receive blood pressure checks, line tests, and health guidelines. For more information, call 423-1651.

Cheney Tech open house

Howell Cheney RVT School will host an "Open House" on Wednesday, Dec. 5, from 7 to 9 p.m. All shops and classrooms will be open and all prospective students and their parents are encouraged to attend.

Daughters of Isabella

Daughters of Isabella, St. Margaret's Circle, will hold its annual Christmas Party on Thursday at 6 p.m. at Assumption Hall, Assumption Church, 285 W. Center St. Members should bring an unwrapped gift for a child. Wrapping paper is needed.

Manchester grange meeting

Welcome Neighbors Night will occur at Manchester Grange Hall at 205 Olcott St. at 8 p.m. on Wednesday. All members are reminded to bring items for the auction table and pantry basket. For more information, call 871-1712.

Sierra Club monthly meeting

The Greater Hartford Sierra Club will hold its next monthly meeting on Thursday at 6 p.m. for the Third Annual Christmas Potluck Supper. Site is Westmore Park, 119 Flagg Road, West Hartford. Bring your own place setting and a serving of eight of either appetizer, soup, salad, vegetable, pasta or meat casserole, sandwich platter or dessert. Hot and cold drinks will be provided. Meet leader Rich Hathaway on Saturday at 10:30 a.m. at the Route 185 entrance to Penwood State Park in Bloomfield for a four-mile moderate hike and an optional afternoon hike at Falcon Mountain State Park. Raindate is Dec. 15. Dress for weather and walk, bring lunch. For more information, call Rich at 529-3846 or Joyce at 521-8157.

Singles Forum topic

The Singles Forum is a weekly educational/discussion group for single adults of all ages and stations of life that meets every Wednesday evening at 7:30 p.m. at the First Church of Christ, Glastonbury, 2183 Main St. This Wednesday's topic is "The Myth of Romantic Love." For more information, call Rev. Malcolm Marler at 633-4641.

One more time sale

The Salvation Army, 661 Main St., Manchester, will hold a "One More Time" craft and bake sale on Thursday from 6 to 8 p.m. in the Youth Center. The Army's annual fair was held in November, and this will help to sell those items that weren't purchased on that date. Great for last minute holiday shoppers!

Decorating with holiday greens

Are you having difficulty deciding how to decorate for the coming holiday season? If the answer is yes, then join us on Thursday at 7:30 p.m. in the auditorium of the Whittier Memorial Library as the Manchester Public Library in cooperation with Paul Buettner, florist, will present "Decorating With Holiday Greens." To register for this program, please call the Whittier Memorial Library, 643-6892.

Lottery

Here are Monday's lottery results from around New England:

Connecticut	Daily: 9-8-6. Play Four: 6-6-6-6
Massachusetts	Daily: 8-1-9-9
Northern New England	Pick Three: 5-0-0. Pick Four: 9-9-4-2
Rhode Island	Daily: 5-3-1-2

Weather

REGIONAL Weather
Wednesday, Dec. 5
Ave Weather - Forecast for daytime conditions and high temperatures

Obituaries



WAITING IN LINE — Sewer pipes are lined up, ready to be buried on Oak Grove Street in Manchester by Central Paving Inc. of South Windsor.

Obituaries

Florence Andrews Gordon

Florence Andrews Gordon, 89, formerly of Enfield, mother of Bernard Andrews of Manchester, died Tuesday, Dec. 2, at a local convalescent home. She was born in Burlington, Vt., Jan. 19, 1901, and had lived in Enfield for many years.
She is survived by her husband, Randall Gordon of Enfield, another son, Robert Andrews of Winookski, Vt.; a daughter, Marion Nascembini of Avon; seven grandchildren; 20 great-grandchildren; three great-grandchildren; and two sisters.
Graveside service and burial will be private in St. James Cemetery, Manchester. There are no calling hours. The John F. Tierney Funeral Home, 219 W. Center St., Manchester, has charge of arrangements. Memorial contributions may be made to the American Cancer Society, 670 Prospect Ave., Hartford 06105.

Joseph E. Lutz

Joseph E. Lutz, 82, of 292 Woodland St., Manchester, died Monday (Dec. 3) at a Manchester convalescent home. He was preceded by his wife, Edna (Cebelius) Lutz, in 1989. He was born in Rockville, Feb. 6, 1908, and had been a resident of Manchester most of his life. Prior to retiring, he was employed as traffic manager for the Eastern Gas & Oil Corp., New Haven, having worked for the company for more than 40 years. He was a member of the St. Mary's Episcopal Church, Manchester Masonic Lodge No. 73 A.F.&M., the Tall Cedars of Lebanon, the Scottish Rites Bodies, Sphinx Temple of Hartford, Omar Shrine Club, and Washington Social Club, both of Manchester. He also had a Connecticut real estate license and was a former commissioner of the 8th District Utilities and had been an active member for many years. He is also survived by two daughters, Joyce Fairweather of Coventry, and Joan Hutchinson of Manchester; four grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren.

Bertha L. (Jenkins) Murphy

Bertha L. (Jenkins) Murphy, 72, of Wedgewood Drive, Manchester, died Thursday (Nov. 29) at a local convalescent home. She was the widow of Henry F. Murphy, born in Falmouth, Mass., the daughter of Rawson and Evalina (Dimmock) Jenkins, she lived in Manchester for many years. She was formerly a librarian on Cape Cod, and a member of St. Mary's Episcopal Church.
She is survived by a daughter, Sharon K. Murphy of South Bend, Ind.; three grandchildren, Timothy M., Amy H., and Hans F. Krabel; and a brother, Delmar R. Jenkins of Sarasota, Fla.

Rene Rodrigue

Rene Rodrigue, 82, husband of Anita (Ricard) Rodrigue, of Florida, father of Rita Kessing of Andover, died Dec. 3, at his home. He was born Aug. 6, 1908, in St. Samuel, Province of Quebec, Canada, and had lived for most of his life in the United States.
He is survived by a son, Leo Rodrigue of Quebec, Va.; two other daughters, Amette Rodrigue and Jeanne Drevie, both of Florida; nine grandchildren; two great-grandchildren; a brother; and four sisters.
Funeral service will be in Fort Lauderdale, Fla. Arrangements: Fairchild Oakland Park Chapel, Oakland Park, Fla. Memorial contributions may be made to Hospice, c/o Broward County Inc., 309 S.E. 18th St., Fort Lauderdale, FL 33316.

Simone Cousteau

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Embezzler

PARCHEMAN, Miss. (AP) — Ed Cates, an embezzler who attempted to fake his death, died in prison Sunday at age 62.
Cates, a Jackson City Council member from 1969 to 1973, was arrested in 1983 five months after highway patrolmen found what they believed to be his charred remains in a car.
He was later sentenced to 40 years in prison for embezzling \$223,336 from a former client and for manslaughter in the death of the man found in his car.

Today In History

Today is Tuesday, Dec. 4, the 338th day of 1990. There are 27 days left in the year.
Today's Birthdays:
Actress-singer Deanna Durbin is 69. The president of South Korea, Roh Tae-woo, is 58. Actor-producer Max Baer Jr. is 53. Actor Jeff Bridges is 41.
Today's Highlight in History:
On Dec. 4, 1783, Gen. George Washington bade farewell to his officers at Fraunces Tavern in New York. In a choked voice, the departing chief commander of the Continental Army said, "With a heart full of love and gratitude, I now take leave of you."
On this date:
In 1816, James Monroe of Virginia was elected the fifth president of the United States, defeating Federalist Rufus King.
In 1839, the Whig Party opened a national convention in Harrisburg, Pa., during which delegates nominated William Henry Harrison for president.
In 1875, William Mary Tweed, the "Boss" of New York City's Tammany Hall political organization, escaped from jail and fled the country.
In 1918, President Wilson set sail for France to attend the Versailles Peace Conference, becoming the first chief executive to travel outside the U.S. while in office.

Correction

A story published in Saturday, Dec. 1 issue of the Manchester Herald incorrectly stated the number of Trinity Covenant Church members who have been laid off from their jobs. The correct number is about three or four. The Herald regrets the error.

Public Meetings

The following meetings are scheduled for today:
ANDOVER
Democratic Town Committee, Town Office Building, 7:30 p.m.
BOLTON
Inland/Wetland Commission, Community Hall, 7:30 p.m.
COVENTRY
Housing Authority, Orchard Hills Estate, 7 p.m.
School Building Committee, Coventry High School, 7:30 p.m.
Republican Town Committee, Town Office Building, 7:30 p.m.
Historical District, Coventry High School, 7:30 p.m.
HERRON
Planning and Zoning Workshop, Town Hall, 7 p.m.
WPCA, Town Hall, 7:30 p.m.

Thoughts

My Assurance
When I walk by the wayside, God is along with me. When I enter into company amid all my forgetfulness of Him, He never forsakes me in the silent watches of the night, when my eyelids are closed and my spirit has sunk into unconsciousness, the observant eye of Him who never slumbers is upon me. I cannot flee His presence, go where I will. He leads, watches me and cares for me. And the same Being who is now at work in the remotest dominions of nature and of providence is also in my hand, to give to me every manner of blessing, and to uphold the exercise of all my feelings and faculties. Yes, dear one, we can rest in the assurance that the unseen God is always near. A skeptic once asked a Christian, "Where is God?" The Christian answered, "Tell me where he is not."
Doris Howard
The Salvation Army

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ACROSS

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- 2 Washington Sound
- 11 Lined with
- 13 Soup dish
- 14 One city
- 15 Made of silver
- 16 Fictional city
- 17 Book feature
- 18 Inhabitant
- 21 Son of Noah
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- 23 Gin tone
- 24 Making puns
- 25 Address Data
- 26 Making puns
- 27 In that case
- 28 Packard
- 29 600, Roman
- 30 Domain
- 31 Baseball game

DOWN

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Christmas Hut

Rule #1: Guys with toupees are usually less squeamish about artificial trees.

Stumped? Get answers to clues by calling "Dial-A-Word" at 1-900-454-3535 and entering access code number 104 95c per minute. Touch-Tone or rotary phones.

CELEBRITY CIPHER

Celebrity Cipher contains four columns of names by famous people, past and present. Each letter in the cipher stands for another. Today's cipher is as follows:

M L G J M S A M E H
D J K D B J S F V E C S F M S
D K B H U H B M W B J U
M G J M U V L E K R
V E S J B B V L J E X J . . .

W M O W M G M T M B S J O U .
PREVIOUS SOLUTION: "Whatever creature is individually is disposition, by whatever name it may be called." John Stuart Mill.

THE PHANTOM by Lee Falk & Sy Barry

HAGAR THE HORRIBLE by Dick Brown

ALLEY OOP by Dave Coverly

THE BORN LOSER by Art Sanson

THE NEW BREED

SHAFU by Bruce Beattie

JUMBLE THAT SCRAMBLED WORD GAME

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

POSOI
LAQUI
ENGOIP
PHORGE

Answer here: _____

THE GRIZZLIES by Bill Schorr

FRANK AND ERNEST by Bob Thaves

PHIPPS by Joseph Farris

BLONDIE by Dean Young & Stan Drake

ARLO AND JANIS by Jimmy Johnson

SPIDER-MAN by Stan Lee

LEK AND MEEK by Howie Schneider

WINTHROP by Dick Cavalli

ERINIE by Bud Green

BUSS BUNNY by Warner Bros.

JASMINE by Bill Schorr

THE GRIZZLIES by Bill Schorr

PHIPPS by Joseph Farris

IN VOGUE

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Trends ■ fashion ■ social scene

'Magical' powers in symbolic jewelry, perfume

The potential of magic is the marketing theme for Island Magic's line of collectible jewelry, which is being sold locally at Harvest, 44 Oak St., Manchester.

Using knowledge of art, symbolism, magic, mythology and fantasy, New Yorkers Karen and Lyn Mandelbaum are creating and selling a distinctive line of products.

The mainstay of the product line are large, complex, handmade earrings which feature several symbolic designs in the form of charms. Designs include masks, shooting stars, crescent moons, candles, cards, clocks, top hats, hearts, fans stars, crystals, bows, spoons, numerals and more.

The jewelry "is fascinating," according to Jerry Satriano, owner of Harvest in Manchester, which specializes in collectibles.

Satriano described the jewelry pieces as "a wonderful collection of certain symbols." Priced be-

twen \$40 and \$70 per set of earrings, Island Magic jewelry is among Harvey's more expensive pieces, but selling well, he said.

For their jewelry ideas, the Mandelbaum sisters looked back to circumstances surrounding their childhood. Mother was a dancer on the circuit with Fred Astaire, who did some magic in her act, reading cards and relating to ancient cultures and symbols.

Father was a lawyer.

Both sisters studied at the Tyler School of Art in Philadelphia, Pa.; Karen concentrated on filmmaking and sculpture, Lyn on photography and printmaking.

Eight years ago, the sisters went to the Caribbean, to the French side of St. Martin, to restore themselves after their father died. As the visit was drawing to an end, they heard that a local bar, La Calanque, needed a mural on one of its walls. The sisters applied and were hired, so they postponed their trip back home.

Most artists have gaps in their skills. Likewise, neither Lyn or Karen could draw suitably, a serious flaw for anyone undertaking a wall-sized painting of the island's seascape. Boasted boasts were painted over as islands.

After the mural was painted, demand for their services grew. Eventually, the sisters decided to return to New York and set up Island Magic in New York.

The first line of merchandise was jewelry, long on erudition and high in price. Each piece came with a long explanation of its component symbols.

"Every piece had the equivalent of a 200-page art history symposium," Lyn explained in a recent article about her jewelry. "It was like a doctoral thesis." Prices ran to hundreds of dollars.

Sales were slow. Finally, to crack the New York market, the sisters decided to try and capital-

ize off Yale University sociologists' reports in 1986 that a single woman's chance of marrying was slim at age 30 and a 40-year-old woman was more likely to die at the hands of a terrorist than find a husband. Another report said that today's children couldn't hope to live as well as their parents.

It all was depressing news, and the Mandelbaum sisters decided that a little "magic" couldn't make things worse. They designed a line of four talisman necklaces: "Isis," intended to bring true love; a "sun" design to bring the wearer wealth and success; a "key" design to confer prosperity; and "Venus," for romantic and true love.

Today, sales of "Island Magic" jewelry are about \$1.5 million per year. The firm has a nationwide net of 37 sales representatives, with its jewelry selling in 4,000 stores.



AUS GEBO



CHARMING—New Yorkers Karen, above, and Lyn Mandelbaum are the earthly forces behind Island Magic, Inc., mythically inspired jewelry that is selling at Harvest in Manchester.

Perfume tips offered to wearers

In honor of its new fragrance, "Augebo," Island Magic, Inc. is offering 12 things women should know about fragrance, but probably don't:

- Every fragrance is unique. A single drop of perfume may contain up to 1,000 different ingredients.
- Contemporary scents—consisting of fragrant oils blended with an alcoholic solution—originated in the 14th century at the command of Queen Elizabeth of Hungary.
- The concentration of oils to alcohol determines the difference between a perfume or eau de toilette in the following manner: perfume, 15 to 30 percent oils; parfum de toilette or eau de parfum, 8 to 15 percent oils; eau de toilette, 4 to 8 percent oils; eau de cologne, 3 to 5 percent oils; splash cologne 1 to 3 percent oils; and eau fraiche, about 3 percent oils.
- The word "mixture" means water. Although the mixture is mainly alcohol, some water affects the fragrance and is why a single perfume will always smell differently on different people.
- When shopping for a new fragrance, never try on more than three scents at a time. After three, one's sense of smell becomes fatigued.
- The reason perfume is traditionally applied to the wrist, bend in the arm, and behind the ears is because fragrance is most effective where the skin is warm and there is good blood circulation. Hair and clothing made of natural fabrics also carry fragrance well.
- Never wear more than one perfume at a given time. Each fragrance is designed to balance to itself and by applying more than one, a disharmony results which destroys the character of all of them.
- If your skin is dry, it will not retain fragrance as long as those with oily skin. If you have dry skin, be a bit more generous in your application.
- When first applying a

Chrome-domed? Then the time is right to flaunt it, baby

NEW YORK (AP) — Drain clogged with what once was your hair? Friends complaining about the reflection off your scalp? Women observing "he's awfully cute... too bad he's losing his hair?"

Baldness, skin is in, so take pride in your pate, says Richard Sandimir, the anti-hairpiece activist who wrote the book on baldness.

"Bald men are the equal of haired men. I'm tired of people talking to the top of my head, or asking why I don't use minoxidil. Keeping your head natural is the way of the '90s," says Sandimir, author of "Bald Like Me: The Hair-Raising Adventures of Baldman."

Sandimir, 33, has watched his follicles falling for the past 13 years. But the self-proclaimed "Baldman" isn't turning to toupees or rubbing Rogaine on his head. Instead, he's asking his chrome-domed associates to rise up against the haired.

Answering the call: some of America's best-known baldies, including weatherman Willard Scott and sports announcer Dick Vitale.

"It's almost like a brotherhood, like people who pass each other on Harley's. It's stigmatic," Scott says of baldness. "You're just one of the group... Bald people know each other pretty well."

Willard, by the way, started balding at the tender age of 20. Vitale started losing his hair at about the same age, and the hyperactive color man couldn't be happier.

By 30, I was bald big time, baby. But I was sexy... Bald is beautiful, baby, bald is sexy. No rugs get my scalp. It's what I am. I'm a bald, bald man.

This is what Sandimir lives for: the few, the proud, the hairless. Sandimir, born Sept. 4, 1957, started going bald in 1978. By 1985, he was resigned to a world without hair.

and a personal idol. "The most fully evolved bald man to ever walk the planet. God rest his pate," Sandimir says reverently.

He goes on to dish the dirt about who's under a rug: Burt Reynolds and Frank Sinatra own about 20 pieces each. Howard Cosell doesn't take care of his. Charlton Heston owns one of the world's most frightening toupees. William Shatner's NFL great Y.A. Tittle, actor Ken Howard and actor Louis Gossett Jr.

Gene, but definitely not forgotten: Yul Brynner, "his Royal Baldness"

Wedding

Seaton-Wilcox

Lisa Marie Wilcox, daughter of Raymond and Marlene Wilcox of 516 Woodbridge St., Manchester, and Donald Robert Seaton, son of Carl and Joseph Seaton of 15 Bremen Road, Manchester, were married Oct. 6 at Emanuel Lutheran Church in Manchester.

The Rev. Paul Johnson officiated. The bride was given in marriage by her father, Susan Wilcox, sister of the bride, was maid of honor. Bridesmaids were Barbara Bottomley and Valerie Foley.

Daniel Bissette was best man. Ushers were Paul Seaton and Michael Nagorka.

The reception was at Vito's Birch Mountain Inn, Bolton, and the couple is living in Andover.

The bride is a graduate of Manchester High School and is attending the University of Connecticut at Storrs.

The bridegroom is a graduate of Manchester High School and is vice president of Vikstrom Productions Inc. of Manchester.

Silver Anniversary

Mr. and Mrs. James Nakos

Mr. and Mrs. James Nakos of East Hartford celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on Nov. 18 at a reception at Veteran's Memorial Clubhouse in East Hartford. The reception was given by their children and grandchildren.

The couple was married on Nov. 23, 1940 in St. Patrick's Cathedral in New York City.

James Nakos worked as a supervisor of data processing at Pratt & Whitney Aircraft, East Hartford. From 1965 to 1975, he was vice chairman and from 1975-85, was chairman, of the Regional Council of Manchester Community College.

Mrs. Nakos, the former Emily Anderson, worked as a nursing instructor at St. Francis Hospital School of Nursing in Hartford.

The couple's children are Janet Levensgood of Cleveland, Ohio; Laura Hansen of West Hartford; Steven Nakos of Andover; and James E. Nakos of Manchester. They have six grandchildren.

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Dear Abby

Abigail Van Buren

Man goes to mom, hurts marriage

DEAR ABBY: I've been married to Harry for six years. It's been a constant struggle to keep our marriage going, due to his drinking and my co-dependency. Harry has been sober for six months, and we are both seeing therapists at an alcohol treatment center.

Recently, we had a severe crisis that we considered divorce. We both did a lot of crying and thinking. (We have four children.) During this time, Harry went to his parents for emotional support.

His mother decided that I am not a good wife because I don't cook big, elaborate meals, and I don't give Harry sex often enough, so divorce would be in his best interest. Then she cooked a pork roast and made sandwiches from the leftovers for him to take to work. She brought this lunch to the house while Harry wasn't home and said to me, "You don't like me doing this, do you?"

I replied, "No, I don't."

Then she shook her finger in my face and proceeded to tell me all the things she didn't like about me, so I took her hand in mine and held it at her waist while I attempted to correct her misconceptions. Then she sat down and waited for Harry to come home so she could tell him that I had picked a fight with her and twisted her arm! Can you believe this?

What do you think of this woman's behavior? She has been interfering in my marriage since day one, and I am totally exasperated! What is your advice?

DEAR END: As I see it, the central problem in your marriage is your mother-in-law's interference. She must let go of her son so he can be a mature man instead of a mama's boy.

You say that both you and Harry are seeing therapists. That's good. What does your therapist think of Harry's complaining to his mother about his inadequate sex life? Unless your husband can outgrow his dependence on his mother, I see little hope for your marriage.

What teen-agers need to know about sex, drugs, AIDS, and getting along with their peers and parents is now in Abby's updated, expanded booklet, "What Every Teen Should Know." To order, send a long, business-size, self-addressed envelope, plus check or money order for \$3.95 (\$4.50 in Canada) to Dear Abby, Teen Booklet, P.O. Box 447, Mount Morris, IL 61051. (Postage is included.)



ASK DICK KLEINER

Q. Was Ted Danson — Sam Malone of "Cheers" — really a relief pitcher for the Boston Red Sox? And, if he was, who isn't he my mom? I know the Coach (Nicholas Colasanto) is dead, but he was also a baseball player or umpire or something? — B.M., Tappenhish, Wash.

A. Television, like the movies, is make-believe, and the people you see are actors, playing roles. From the start, Ted Danson and Nicholas Colasanto were simply actors playing parts. They were never involved in pro baseball.

Q. A wager is on your answer to who played Taranzi first, Johnny Weissmuller or Buster Crabbe? I bet on Weissmuller. — D.T., Morganville, N.Y.

A. You will have to check the wording of that bet carefully. If you bet which one of those two played the part first, you win — Weissmuller started Tarzan in "32, Crabbe in '33. But if you bet who was the first Tarzan, Weissmuller or Crabbe, you both lose — Elmo Lincoln was the first ape man, back in 1918.

Q. I am a very big fan of "Guiding Light." I would like to know why Kim Zimmer left the show, and why did they change the actor who is Alan Michalek? — C.C., Lawrence, Mass.

A. Kim Zimmer and her husband, A.C. Weary, decided to try their fortunes in Los Angeles. So she quit the New York-based program. Similarly, Carl Evans, who had played Alan Michalek, wanted to move on and try his luck elsewhere. He left and was replaced by Rick Hearst.

PEOPLE

The Gatlin Brothers — Larry, Steve and Rudy

are basking to enter the top 10 in the Persian Gulf. But the country singers found out a lot of other entertainers had the same idea, and the next available slot is February.

So the Gatlins are doing the next best thing: sending over a Christmas special taped in Las Vegas and backed up by an 80-voice high school choir.

Larry Gatlin has a soft spot for the thousands of soldiers sent to Saudi Arabia after Iraq invaded Kuwait Aug. 2. His voice broke as he talked about the possibility that, come February, there may be no need to entertain the troops.

"I hope to God we're out of there by then," he said. "I hope to God our people don't have to shoot or be shot."

"I pray on a daily basis this Saddam fella will come to his senses. He can make the blood run in the streets if he wants. I hope he doesn't."

But Gatlin isn't all soft spot, as he made clear on the taped special.

"I hope Saddam Hussein does the right thing so we don't have to open up a shoe store in his rear end," he told the audience.

Just because the lost her job doesn't mean Margaret Thatcher is a friend in Ronald Reagan. And vice versa.

The former president and his wife, Nancy, landed at Heathrow Airport on Monday for a five-day visit to Britain. The Reagans will lunch on Thursday with Queen Elizabeth II. Later they'll pop in to see Mrs. Thatcher, who until last week was prime minister.

Mrs. Thatcher quit as center in her Conservative Party slipped away. The new prime minister is her protégé, John Major.

Mrs. Thatcher, 65, came to power in 1979. The prime minister and the president were close allies in their parallel political lives.

Pierce Brosnan, the suave detective in the TV series "Remington Steele," turned the joke on Hollywood critics and penned an article that quikly dismissed his new film.

Brosnan defended the movie, "Mr. Johnson," in a Los Angeles Times column Monday, saying his yet-to-be-released film directed by Bruce Beresford should be given a chance.

"If any art form ever equaled an open mind and a closed mouth until the work had a chance to prove or disprove itself, it is the motion picture," Brosnan wrote.

He was responding to a recent Times article that reported: "No word at all on Bruce Beresford's 'Mr. Johnson' ... but referring to its setting of rock build-



Dr. Gott

Peter Gott, M.D.

Pacemaker helps sinus syndrome

DEAR DR. GOTT: Is sick sinus syndrome hereditary? Is there anything I can do to prevent it?

DEAR READER: Sick sinus syndrome, often known as tachycardia-bradycardia syndrome, is not inherited; it is an acquired abnormality of the heart's normal pacemaker.

As we age and progressively develop rust in our pipes, circulation of the cardiac nerves is reduced. This process can selectively affect the blood flow to the sino-atrial node, a button of nerve tissue that generates the impulses which trigger heart contractions. When the sino-atrial node malfunctions, it resembles an accelerator on an old car: Sometimes it runs too fast (tachycardia) and sometimes too slowly (bradycardia). This results in cycles of inappropriate fast (or slow) heartbeat that may cause symptoms, such as lightheadedness, fainting, chest pain, palpitations, weakness and shock.

Last month, I spent most of an evening with an elderly patient in the emergency room. He had previously experienced bursts of inappropriate rapid pulse, which he offered, however, during the night in question, his heart rate repeatedly fell into the 30s, causing him to faint. I could not get his pulse to rise into the normal range, even with intravenous medicine. Eventually, a surgeon was able to place an artificial pacemaker, a device commonly used to treat sick sinus syndrome.

Today's pacemakers are remarkable contraptions. An electrode wire, threaded through a vein into the heart, is attached to a small, battery-driven generator. The pacemaker can be programmed to "sense" the impulses from the sino-atrial node (during which the generator is inactive), however, if for some reason the heart fails to beat at a normal rate, the artificial pacemaker fires, replacing the heart's own pacemaker with electrical signals of its own. This is called demand pacing.

Pacemakers can also be programmed to disregard ineffective natural electrical impulses or to override them. Many people with sick sinus syndrome have returned to full activity, thanks to pacemakers. The miniaturized computer/generator/battery pack is permanently implanted, by surgery, under the skin of the chest, where it sits, ready to do its job when called upon to do so. Pacemakers last for years. Depending on the amount of use, the batteries have to be replaced at intervals, usually about five years.

Therefore, sick sinus syndrome is a consequence of aging, over which we have no control.

FILES BANKRUPTCY — Airline entrepreneur Frank Lorenzo's best-known airline, Continental Airlines, filed for protection under federal bankruptcy court Monday, blaming the move on a stunning rise in fuel costs and heavy debt accrued in the free-spending 1980s.

ing in West Africa in the 1920s, one producer quipped: "They ought to put speed bumps in the aisle ... to prevent people from leaving in droves."

Brosnan noted that Beresford directed such distinguished films as "Driving Miss Daisy," "Tender Mercies" and "Breaker Morant."

"Mr. Johnson" was originally scheduled for a Christmas release. It will now open in February.

Free-thinking Mass. town devises a New-Age plan

By TRUDY TYMAN The Associated Press

WENDELL, Mass. — The more things change, the more this tiny town wants to remain the same.

That means the kind of place where people live in old school buses or build homes as the spirit moves them. A place where the town building inspector can take a six-month leave of absence to help a peace group build a school in El Salvador. Where volunteers give away bread on Fridays. Where most of the roads are dirt. Where most of the residents like them that way.

This is a town of rugged individuals who came here because they wanted to be free to be ourselves," said Prudence Smith, a member of the five-person town planning board.

And so they are, a happy mélange of young and old, of machinists and musicians, college professors and farmers, sewage workers and aging hippies.

Isolated and poor, with no services to speak of and no intention of adding any, Wendell has always attracted its share of transients.

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Not only are some of my best friends hippies, but some of our best selectmen have been hippies," said Selectman Ted Lewis, not a hippie himself.

But Wendell appeared to be falling victim to its own popularity, with the population more than doubling to 830 in 20 years. The problem facing children of the '60s in the 1990s was how they could all stay in Wendell and still retain the town spirit that attracted them there in the first place.

"For a long time, our poverty and isolation protected us, but no longer," Smith said. "The cost of living, even here, has increased to the point where it is becoming difficult for a lot of people."

So townfolk held a seven-hour "visioning work hop" in which they wrote down, illustrated and debated things the town could do, such as a tool collective to share such homeowner necessities as mowers, chainsaws, grass clippers and lawnmowers. They drew up lists of "Places of the Heart," or landmarks, they wanted to protect, ranging from the town common to a local rookery.

Some changes came quickly. A volunteer committee, called the "Star Riders," was formed to offer others rides into town, the result of a discussion about the lack of public transit.

With a \$200,000 state grant, residents hired a small, local consulting firm to help draw up a master plan from the University of Massachusetts and the other colleges clustered around Amherst, 30 miles away.

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Kiddie comedy topping box office for 3rd week

By JOHN HORN The Associated Press

LOS ANGELES — The kiddie comedy "Home Alone" packed them in at the movie theaters last weekend for first place with \$14.4 million.

In second at the box office was "Misery" with \$10.1 million, Exhibitor Relations Co. said Monday. Rob Reiner's adaptation of the Stephen King novel stars James Caan and Kathy Bates as a writer and the sick fan who tortures him.

Third was the sequel "Three Men and a Cradle" starring Ted Danson, Tom Selleck and Steve Guttenberg, with \$8 million. It was followed by Kevin Costner's Western "Dances With Wolves," which sold \$7.7 million in tickets.

"Home Alone," starring Macaulay Culkin as a 10-year-old boy who accidentally leaves him behind when they go on a Christmas vacation, already has made a remarkable \$66.7 million in three weeks.

Meanwhile, "Cheers," starring Patrick Swayze and Demi Moore, should pass the \$200 million mark by next week, making it the 11th highest-grossing film in history.

Here are the top movie ticket sales Friday through Sunday as tallied by Exhibitor Relations Co., with distributor, weekend gross, number of theaters screens,

average per screen, total gross and number of weeks in release.

1. "Home Alone," 20th Century Fox, \$14.4 million, 1,342 screens, \$10,721 per screen, \$66.7 million, three weeks.

2. "Misery," Columbia, \$10.1 million, 1,244 screens, \$8,100 per screen, \$10.1 million, one week.

3. "Three Men and a Little Lady," Disney, \$8 million, 1,283 screens, \$6,269 per screen, \$29.8 million, two weeks.

4. "Dances With Wolves," Orion, \$7 million, 1,053 screens, \$6,671 per screen, \$24 million, four weeks.

5. "Predator II," 20th Century Fox, \$4.1 million, 1,217 screens, \$3,421 per screen, \$11.8 million, three weeks.

6. "Rocky V," MGM-UA, \$3.3 million, 2,106 screens, \$1,569 per screen, \$32.1 million, three weeks.

7. "The Rescuers Down Under," Disney, \$2 million, 1,439 screens, \$935 per screen, \$24.5 million, four weeks.

8. "Ghost," Paramount, \$1.9 million, 1,528 screens, \$1,211 per screen, \$196 million, 21 weeks.

9. "Child's Play 2," Universal, \$1.3 million, 1,439 screens, \$935 per screen, \$24.5 million, four weeks.

10. "Jacob's Ladder," Tri-Star, \$825,970, 1,094 screens, \$755 per screen, \$23.7 million, five weeks.

Flight 103 TV docudrama points finger at Pan Am

By DEBORAH HASTINGS The Associated Press

LOS ANGELES — It's been two years since Pan Am Flight 103 rained down on the Scottish countryside. The lawsuits still are winding their way through the courts, the investigations continue and on Sunday comes a British-American docudrama quite unlike its staid cousins.

"The Tragedy of Flight 103: The Inside Story" contains no on-camera crash, no grieving relatives, no buckets of tears.

This docudrama, co-produced by Britain's Granada Television and the United States' Home Box Office, is an investigative effort that serves as an indictment of Pan Am security measures at its Frankfurt terminal.

Flight 103, which originated in Frankfurt, exploded over the Scottish village of Lockerbie on Dec. 21, 1988, as it turned toward New York on the final leg of its trip. All 259 passengers and crew, as well as 11 onlookers, were killed.

Officials of Pan Am, depicted as corporate moguls more concerned with public image than protecting passengers, have their own view of the film's findings.

"Outright fabrication" is one. An "attempt to exploit the tragedy without regard to the facts" is another.

A U.S. presidential commission on aviation security and terrorism investigated the crash and came up with its own conclusions in May. One: Much of the blame belonged to inept and confused Pan Am security

personnel. Another: "The destruction of Flight 103 may well have been preventable."

The 90-minute docudrama, which stars Ned Beatty, Peter Boyle, Vincent Gardenia, Timothy West and Michael Wincoat, is culled from more than 40 interviews with former Pan Am safety officials and police officers and reviews of internal memos, government documents and regulatory reports.

It recreates damning conversations between former Pan Am chairman C. Edward Acker and the air-traffic controller who was in charge of the flight, Fred Ford, alleges serious security flaws at Pan Am's Frankfurt terminal and suggests the terrorist blast could have been avoided if Pan Am had paid greater heed to intelligence reports warning of such a bombing.

The program is not the first television treatment of the Lockerbie crash.

A New York press conference said by Pan Am to introduce its new "Alert" security system actually resulted in a series of bombings against Pan Am and the U.S. government, as well as a voluminous lawsuit filed by the victims' families alleging willful misconduct by the airline in allowing the bomb to be placed in a carry-on bag.

Granada and HBO claim the docudrama, which debuted in Britain on Nov. 26 and premiered on HBO at 9 p.m. Sunday, is the most comprehensive television investigation of the bombing.

It also is not the first collaboration between Granada Television and HBO. In August of last year, a joint production examined the fatal Soviet attack on a Korean Air Line jet in "Tailspin: Behind the KAL Tragedy."

Earlier this year, HBO aired Granada's "The Investigation: Inside a Terrorist Bombing," which created an uproar in England by concluding that six Irish men given life sentences for the 1974 bombings of two Birmingham buses, which killed 21 people and wounded 162 others, were innocent.

The Lockerbie crash docudrama likewise puts no punches. Struggling to boost air travel after the September 11 attacks, Pan Am announced an unprecedented security system designed to offer greater protection from terrorist retaliation.

Among the allegations in the Granada-HBO docudrama was that Pan Am to introduce its new "Alert" security system actually resulted in a series of bombings against Pan Am and the U.S. government, as well as a voluminous lawsuit filed by the victims' families alleging willful misconduct by the airline in allowing the bomb to be placed in a carry-on bag.

Pan Am's colorized X-ray magnetic resonance imaging (black-and-white models can detect plastic explosives) was not working the day the radio-cassette and its plastic explosive device was loaded on the doomed flight.

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Knicks' Bianchi turns to an old friend in MacLeod

By BARRY WILNER
The Associated Press

PURCHASE, N.Y. — The students are floundering, so the New York Knicks have turned to a teacher.

John MacLeod replaced the fired Stu Jackson at coach of the NBA team Monday. MacLeod, the fifth winningest active coach in the league, makes his debut tonight against Orlando.

At 7-8, New York is off to a spurring start. The team has been criticized for a lack of discipline and teamwork on the court.

So general manager Al Bianchi, who was an assistant coach under MacLeod at Phoenix for 11 years, turned to his old friend.

"His strengths are his discipline and he is a meticulous guy right down the line," Bianchi said. "It's difficult to be that consistent all the time, and that is one of the things that amazed me about him."

"When we were at Phoenix, the 6-00 has left at 5-45 because everybody already was on it. If they were not there on time, they knew it would go, so they all would be early."

"If John says it's a 10:00 practice and the hands on the clock are straight up, it's time to get there."

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strengths are what this team needs, that discipline, that kind of guy."

This is not the first time Bianchi has tried to hire MacLeod to coach the Knicks. When Rick Pitino left for Kentucky after the 1988-89 season, Bianchi first went after MacLeod, who turned around teams at the University of Oklahoma and with the Suns.

"The timing was not right," said MacLeod, 53, who was with the Dallas Mavericks then and didn't want to move his family. "For me, now is right. I've been out of coaching for a year, doing television and scouting, so I stayed current."

The current Knicks team doesn't shoot well from the outside, rarely sets any picks and has little identity, aside from Patrick Ewing's offensive work at center. What ultimately cost Jackson the job, however, was the Knicks' poor showings at home, where they are 3-5.

Not that Jackson was working from strength. Bianchi did little to upgrade the team's roster after it lost to the Pistons in last spring's playoffs.

Still, MacLeod comes in with an optimistic attitude. He made that clear at Monday's practice, to the surprise of team officials.

"I think that kind of discipline and staff filters down to I think those to execute on the floor, I think those

just have a good year or be playing when others are at home watching on television."

"I am a teacher. There is a misconception that pros don't need teaching. They need it — some not as much as others. I do have a reputation as a teacher and this is a classroom."

The students seem eager to learn.

"There's no doubt when you look to compare John and Stu," said Tom Tucker, "John is a guy you go to look at for experience. He's used to dealing with guys and with a lot of different personalities."

"I was very surprised it happened now. But most of the guys know John and feel he is a good basketball coach and a good man, and he has been successful and he knows how to help our team reach its potential."

"People are expecting us to move to the echelon of better teams in the league. When it doesn't happen, these changes are made. The pressure falls back on the coach."

The Knicks' job was Jackson's first as a head coach at any level. He served as an assistant to Pitino, now at Kentucky, for two seasons in 1987-88 and '88-89 before leading the Knicks to their third straight playoff appearance and a first-round victory over Boston last season.

Jackson, a former player at Oregon, also was an assistant under Pitino at Providence a year before coming to New York.



NEW COACH — John MacLeod answers questions at a news conference in New York where it was announced he will coach the New York Knicks. MacLeod replaces Stu Jackson, who was fired.

Free agent market starts to open up

By JIM DONAGHY
The Associated Press

ROSEMONT, Ill. — The signing of Willie McGee, Terry Pendleton and Dennis Martinez have led to all sorts of other possibilities in the free agent market.

With some of the names now on the dotted line, serious bids might be finalized soon for Bob Welch, Teddy Higuera, Zane Smith and George Bell.

McGee was the big winner on Monday when he signed a four-year deal for \$13 million with the San Francisco Giants.

"Could we have waited and made more money in a market," said Tom Reich, McGee's agent. "Last year was very frustrating for Willie. He just wanted to get this done."

Most players would gladly accept such frustration. Even though he finished the season with American League champion Oakland, McGee ended up winning the National League batting title with a .335 average for the St. Louis Cardinals.

The Cards feared they could not sign McGee and traded the speedy outfielder to the A's on Aug. 29 for outfielder Felix Jose and two minor leaguers. McGee left Oakland because manager Tony La Russa could not guarantee him everyday job.

"Willie McGee wants to wake up in the morning knowing he's in the lineup," La Russa said. "With Dave Henderson in center, I couldn't promise that."

The Giants feared center fielder Brett Butler would be declared a new-look free agent and general manager Al Rosen was not prepared to pay his asking price of \$15 million for four years.

"We didn't want to leave him without a center fielder," Rosen said. "I think we have a good one."

McGee, 32, is a lifetime .297 hitter who was selected the MVP in 1985 when he led the NL with a .353 average.

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HOT ITEM — Bob Welch, who won the Cy Young Award pitching for the Oakland A's in 1990, is subject of a lot of talk at the winter meetings. There are a lot of clubs who want him on their roster for the '91 season.

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Celts pay tribute to Johnny Most

By JIM DONAGHY
The Associated Press

BOSTON (AP) — Johnny Most, the radio voice of the Boston Celtics for 37 years, was honored Monday night at Boston Garden.

Most, who has been ill since open heart surgery more than a year ago, was saluted in half-time ceremonies between the Celtics' game with the Seattle SuperSonics.

Hall of Famer Tom Heinsohn, a former Boston star, introduced Most, who was given a long standing ovation by a sellout crowd of 14,890.

Most was presented an 18-karat white and yellow gold lapel pin with 37 diamonds, one for each year with the Celtics, and a unique ring symbolic of the 16 NBA championships won by the Celtics.

A \$2,000 annual scholarship in Most's name at Emerson College was announced. Former Celtic Tom Sanders, now with the NBA, presented Most with an antique microphone, while Larry Bird gave the announcer a piece of the Garden's parquet floor. "The

ceremonies were capped by the unveiling of a silver replica of a microphone on the facade of the balcony, just below Most's position in the Garden press row.

"Johnny, you didn't have a number, but you had a microphone," Most said, noting that Most was given another long ovation.

As the message board proclaimed, "Johnny Most — A Celtic Forever," he said that when he joined the Celtics in 1953 he planned to stay "just a couple of years, and instead I stayed 37 years."

He said there were three major reasons he stayed: late owner Walter Brown and coach, general manager and now president Red Auerbach. They, Most said, taught him the meaning of the words "friendship and loyalty."

"The third reason," Most said, "was you people, you people up there. From you I learned the meaning of love."

STORRS — A limited number of reserved tickets (\$13) will go on sale today for both nights of the 1990 Connecticut Mutual Classic at the Hartford Civic Center.

The tickets will be available at the Civic Center box office and all Ticketron locations throughout the state as well as the UConn athletic ticket office.

The Classic is set for Dec. 27-28. The opening night pairings are Willie and Mary vs. Rhode Island at 7 p.m. and host Connecticut vs. Lafayette at 9 p.m. The third place and championship games are Saturday, Dec. 29, at 7 and 9 p.m.

Buccaneers fire Ray Perkins

TAMPA, Fla. (AP) — Ray Perkins was fired as coach of the Tampa Bay Buccaneers, a day after the team ended a six-game losing streak with a 23-17 victory over Atlanta.

Bucs owner Hugh Culverhouse named assistant head coach Richard Williamson as interim coach. The move comes with the Buccaneers 6-8 a loss shy of their eighth consecutive losing season.

Perkins' record in just less than four seasons with the Bucs was 19-41.

NBA hands out more fines

NEW YORK (AP) — The NBA issued a new round of fines Monday, including one of \$4,000 to Harvey Grant of the Washington Bullets — bringing the league total in the past four days to 19 players penalized for a total of \$21,750.

Grant received the biggest fine for starting a fight with Greg Dumars of Detroit during a Saturday night game. Dumars got a \$1,000 fine for retaliating, and six others were fined for coming off the bench late in the game.

Greg Foster of Washington got \$2,000, Darrell Walker of Washington \$1,500 and Dennis Rodman of the Pistons \$1,000. Finest \$500 were Mark Aguirre, William Bedford and James Edwards, all of Detroit, which lost 94-83.

The other fight, also Saturday night, occurred in East Rutherford, N.J., near the end of the third quarter between Derrick Coleman of the Nets and Mark Acres of the Orlando Magic. Coleman was fined \$1,000, Acres \$500 and Jack Haley of the Nets got \$2,500 for coming off the bench after Acres. Haley was ejected from the game. The Nets won 111-92.

Coleman rookie of the month

NEW YORK (AP) — Derrick Coleman of the New Jersey Nets, the No. 1 pick in last summer's draft, was named NBA rookie of the month for November.

Coleman led all NBA rookies with 16.3 points and 10.7 rebounds per game during the month. He is the league's sixth-leading rebounder with 10.9 per game and established a single-game high for the season when he grabbed 23 and scored 28 points against Philadelphia last Tuesday.

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NEW YORK (AP) — New Jersey's John MacLean, who had five goals and three assists in three games, was named the NHL player of the week.

MacLean, who has eight goals in his last six games, scored twice in a 5-5 tie with Philadelphia, added a goal and an assist in another 5-5 tie with the New York Islanders and scored two goals and added two assists in a 4-1 victory at St. Louis.

Florida will find a way into NHL

By JIM DONAGHY
The Associated Press

WEST PALM BEACH, Fla. (AP) — The Tampa-St. Petersburg region is a haven for 800,000 Canadians who often retire or spend their winters there. It has the 11th-largest television market in the United States, the largest market among the competing bids.

While Tampa and St. Petersburg are separated by 20 miles, they are worlds apart on their expansion bids.

St. Petersburg has ownership stability in Compaware Corp. of Detroit. But its downfall is its arena — the SunCoast Dome — which was built for baseball.

Tampa's shortcoming is its financing, although Hockey Hall of Famer Phil Esposito visited Japan in a late search for investors. Esposito says he has everything in place to meet the NHL's build demands.

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Stith proves to be difference for Virginia

By JOE MACENKA
The Associated Press

RICHMOND, Va. — A little Tylenol and tape added up to a victory for No. 21 Virginia over 11th-ranked Pittsburgh.

"He's really something," Virginia coach Jeff Jones said after Bryant Stith came back from a first-half ankle injury to rally the Cavaliers to an 84-80 triumph over Pittsburgh in Monday night's opening game of the ACC-Big East Challenge.

Stith, a 6-foot-5-inch forward and the Cavaliers' top inside rebounder, turned his ankle while battling for a rebound with 8:31 left in the first half. He had to be assisted to the dressing room.

"I really thought I was out for the game because I really rolled it over," he said after the game, his ankle wrapped in ice.

But when the second half started, Stith showed no sign of injury.

"He made a miraculous recovery," Pittsburgh coach Paul Evans said. "I'd like to have a trainer like that."

Stith finished with game highs of 28 points, 12 rebounds, five steals and three blocks. He also had two assists and no turnovers.

Stith said he wasn't as pain-free as he may have appeared.

"I've hurt it worse before," he said, "but I don't think I've ever played as well as I'm playing now."

Virginia (4-2) took the lead to stay on a spinning 12-foot jumper by Stith that made it 73-71 with 4:10 left. His 3-point shot with 2:30 remaining gave the Cavaliers a 76-72 edge, and Pittsburgh (4-1) never got closer.

"Stith is too quick for any of our big kids," Evans said. "He reminds me of Billy Owens, but Owens is bigger. He comes inside and makes you miss with the big plays. I don't think we have anyone in our league who's 6-6 and can play like him."

The Cavaliers also got 18 points from John Croty, 15 from Kenny Turner and 14 from Anthony Oliver.

Jason Matthews led the Panthers with 24 points. Sean Miller added 11.

Riceon College (5-1) got huge contributions from a pair of freshman guards — Gerrod Abram and Howard Easley. Abram hit six of seven 3-point tries and finished with 30 points, and Easley's 24 points included a string of 11 consecutive free throws in the final 1:57.

Senior forward Doug Able had 20 points and Billy Curley, yet another freshman, added 11 points for the Eagles.

Walt Williams led Maryland (2-2) with 30 points, Matt Roe had 15 and Evers Burns added 10.

The Eagles made five of 10 3-pointers en route to a 37-26 lead with 4:42 left in the opening half before their youth caught up with them. They scored just one point the rest of the half, but trailed just 39-38.

"Every game we've played, we've gone through offensive dry spells," coach Jim O'Brien said. "Especially with a young team, you get concerned about how well they're responding well."

Na. 15 Southern Mississippi 105, Hawaii Lua 71; in Hattiesburg, Miss., every player except one scored in Southern Mississippi victory over Hawaii Lua.

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Lindstrom, Lindland honored

NEW HAVEN — Manchester High's Katelyn Lindstrom and Kerri Lindland were honored at the Connecticut Interscholastic Swim Coaches' Association All-State Dinner held Monday night.

Lindstrom was also recipient of the Scholastic-Athletic Award presented by the association.

Lindstrom earned All-State honors by winning the state Class I 100-yard breaststroke title and taking third place in the 50 freestyle. Lindland earned All-State honors by taking second in the Class L diving competition.

Little League needs sponsors

MANCHESTER — The Manchester Little League is looking for additional sponsors for the 1991 season. Local businesses, interested in sponsoring a team, should contact Sue Pemberton at 646-8732.

Pee Wee registration closed

MANCHESTER — The Manchester Rec Department has announced that registration for pee wee (ages 6-7) indoor co-ed soccer is closed as the program has reached its capacity.

Big East honors Bascom

PROVIDENCE, R.I. (AP) — Kerry Bascom, who became Connecticut's all-time leading scorer Saturday, was named the Big East women's basketball player of the week. Providence's Jennifer Mead was named rookie of the week.

Fairfield downs Bucknell

FAIRFIELD (AP) — Scott Sytauk and Kevin George each scored 17 points to lead the Fairfield Stags to a 94-67 victory over Bucknell Monday night.

Classic tickets go on sale

STORRS — A limited number of reserved tickets (\$13) will go on sale today for both nights of the 1990 Connecticut Mutual Classic at the Hartford Civic Center.

Buccaneers fire Ray Perkins

TAMPA, Fla. (AP) — Ray Perkins was fired as coach of the Tampa Bay Buccaneers, a day after the team ended a six-game losing streak with a 23-17 victory over Atlanta.

NBA hands out more fines

NEW YORK (AP) — The NBA issued a new round of fines Monday, including one of \$4,000 to Harvey Grant of the Washington Bullets — bringing the league total in the past four days to 19 players penalized for a total of \$21,750.

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PONTIAC, Mich. (AP) — Cuing discipline and attitude, Detroit coach Wayne Fontes fired a key player off the team and told quarterback Rodney Peete to quit winning and start producing.

St. Louis Cardinals come to town

The Cardinals come to town, which was really tough, this feels awfully good," said Philadelphia's defensive tackle Dean Hamer.

The Cowboys have won three games in a row for the first time since 1986. Dallas has won consecutive games at home for the first time since 1982.

"The win was great and everybody

starts talking about the playoffs, but for us every win is great," said fullback Daryl Hendrix said.

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Penguins' Bourque answers call

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NEW YORK (AP) — The Pittsburgh Penguins were hoping to add defensive stability to their first by moving left wing Phil Bourque to their explosive first line.

Instead, Bourque's first career hat trick in nine years turned Monday night's contest against the New York Rangers into a lopsided 9-4 Penguin win.

Playing with Bourque for the first time since last season, right wing Mark Recchi collected five assists, including three on Bourque's goals, and center John Cullen had a goal and three assists as the Penguins tied a club record for goals in a road game.

Pittsburgh, which had won once in its last seven games, continued its mastery over New York. The Penguins are 13-2-1 in their last 16 meetings with the Rangers, including an opening-round playoff sweep in 1989.

"It was like falling into a pair of old shoes," said Bourque, who replaced Kevin Stevens on the line that led the NHL with 109 points before Monday's change. "I felt really comfortable playing with those two guys. They're both unbelievable hockey players."

Cullen and Recchi are 2-3 in the league scoring race. Stevens, a weaker defensive player than Bourque, scored his team-leading 16th goal in the second period.

"We were sitting down and eating breakfast and he (coach Bob Johnson) said 'I've got a challenge for you. I have a big surprise for you.' And he said, 'I'm going to put you on the big line. Can you do the job?' And I said, 'You bet I can do the job,'" Bourque said.

The Penguins' change forced the Rangers to make one they hadn't planned on. New York replaced goaltender John Vanbiesbroeck with Mike Richter to start the second period after Bourque, Chris Dahlquist, Paul Coffey and Cullen had scored to give Pittsburgh a 4-1 lead.

It was the first time this season that New York, which entered the game boasting the NHL's second-best goals-against average (2.69), altered its system of rotating the starting goalies without relief.

Vanbiesbroeck faced 12 shots; Richter faced 24 and surrendered the remaining five goals to Stevens, Bob Errey, Joe Mullen and Bourque, who scored the game's last two goals.

For Bourque, who played superbly with his team a

man up and a man down, the hat trick brought redemption for two near misses earlier this season. Against Winnipeg, he scored what would have been his third goal of the game on a play that was ruled offside. He had scored twice in another game against Minnesota before hitting the post in the third period.

"I thought I'd never get a hat," Bourque said. "I don't think I have another nine years to wait for another one."

Devils 4, Jets 4; Ed Olczyk's power-play goal earned Winnipeg a come-from-behind tie with New Jersey.

Olczyk, who also set up the Jets' third goal as they overcame a two-goal deficit, tipped a shot past Devils netminder Sean Burke 41 seconds into the third period to earn Winnipeg just its second point in a four-game homestand. They opened with a tie against Calgary before losing to Minnesota and Vancouver.

But Elynn, Dave McLewain and Phil Housley also scored for the Jets, who have just one win in eight games and a 9-17-4 record. Paul MacLean, Eric Weinrich, Peter Stastny and Doug Brown scored for the Devils (14-10-4).

"It's been an uphill battle the whole homestand," Olczyk said. "Tonight we were down a couple of goals a couple of times and we never gave up. That's a good sign."

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