



# VIATION/WORLD

## Hostages would have welcomed the bombs

By MARK FRITZ  
The Associated Press

FRANKFURT, Germany — Lorn Hubbard says he felt no fear as he waited for American bombs to fall on the Iraqi ammunition plant where he was held as a human shield.

"We were hoping they'd blow the place up," the angry, tired Boeing aircraft executive said as he trudged through the Frankfurt airport, a free man after four and a half months as a vulnerable pawn.

Hubbard, 66, was among scores of Westerners taken hostage by the Iraqis and designated human shields, dispatched to areas the Iraqis considered vulnerable to a U.S. attack.

He said he and his wife, who had lived in Kuwait City for more than five years, were picked up in Kuwait City by Iraqi troops shortly after the Persian Gulf nation invaded the tiny emirate.

He and about 40 other foreigners were taken to Baghdad "in an unair-conditioned bus in the heat of the day, babies and everything."

He said they were farmed out to other locations, and that he and his wife were held in an office at a munitions plant about 40 miles west of Baghdad.

The composition of the nationalities he was with changed with the diplomatic overtures made by various countries.

"They'd take the French out, then they'd bring somebody else in, then they'd take the Germans out," said Hubbard, who is from Seattle.

"We had no idea when we'd get out," he said. "Nobody knew where we were, as far as I know."

Asked if he felt in danger to a U.S. attack on the ammo factory, Hubbard said:

"I want to see them make a hole in the ground at that place," he said. "We were hoping they would. I hope they blow it up."

Many other former hostages expressed rage when their ordeal finally ended. Several who managed to avoid detection in Kuwait said they were aided by an organized underground of Kuwaitis.

Don Latham, an engineer from Albuquerque, N.M., said he worked with a Kuwaiti resistance that called itself "The Guardians."

"The last thing I saw was a Kuwaiti family that had given refuge to an American citizen," he said. "They (the Iraqis) killed seven members of the family."

He said he photographed the body of a 12-year-old boy.

"Those murdering bastards," he said.

Latham, 51, said that he went underground with his 70-year-old stepfather, who had come to visit him just two days before the invasion.

"Several families put us up," he said. "The resistance is not totally violent. They're much more concerned with taking care of the people, getting food, not just to the Kuwaitis, but anybody."

Ernest Alexander, originally from Media, Penn., ran a law firm in Kuwait and also spent the time since the invasion in hiding, aided by a Kuwaiti underground, he said.

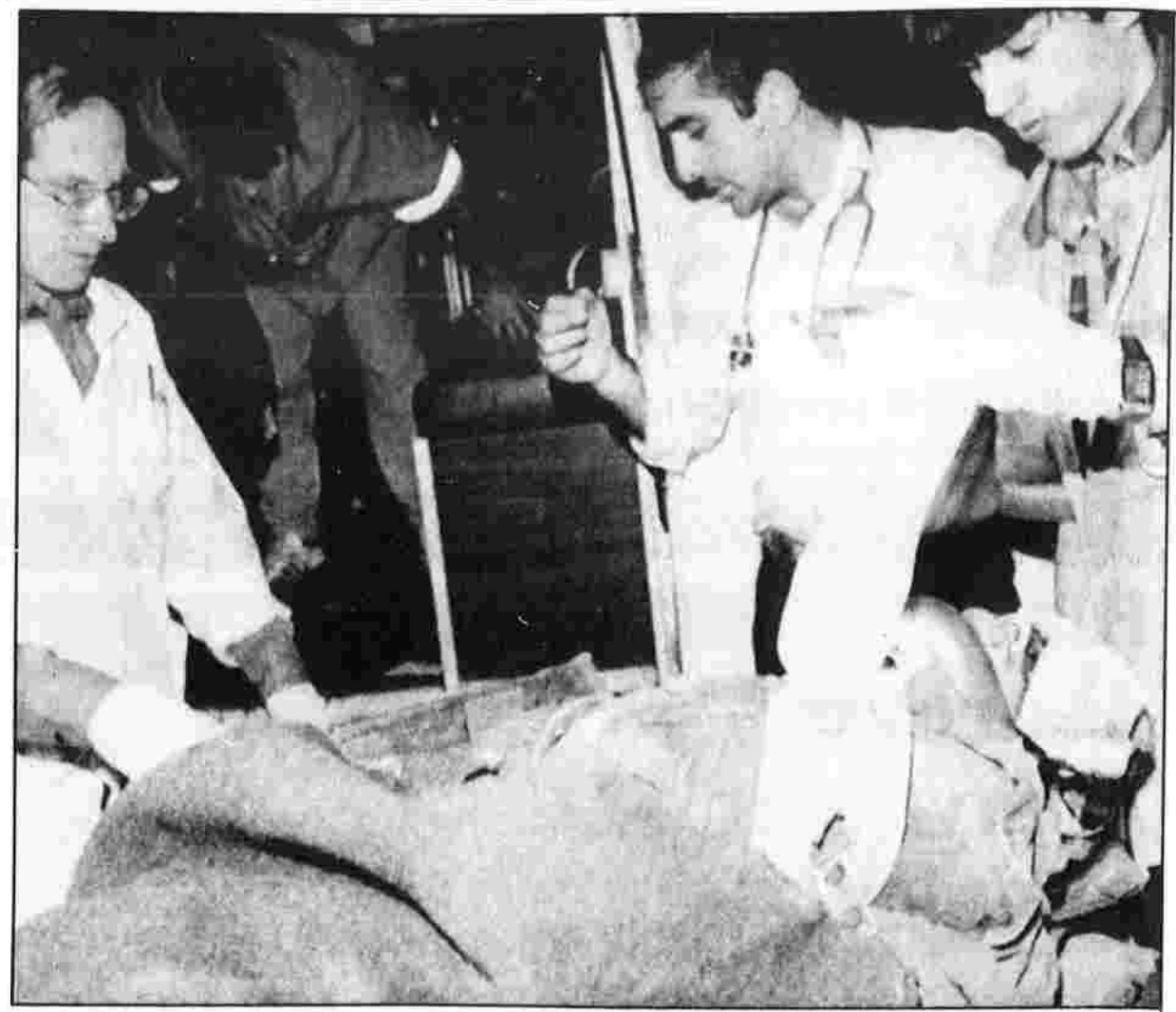
He said he believes Kuwaitis would welcome a U.S. military effort.

"They all do to every man to every woman to every child, even if it means they're all under a rain of bombs," said Alexander, 39.

"It was very demoralizing to find (Americans) suggesting that sanctions ought to go on for a year, 18 months."

Pete Dooley arrived in Kuwait in February to run a string of restaurants for his company. He said he hid in his apartment during the siege.

"They came to the door, but I didn't answer," said the 40-year-old resident of Hopkinsville, Ky.



UPRISING-ANNIVERSARY VICTIM — An Israeli soldier is rushed to a Jerusalem hospital in critical condition after being injured in a roadside bomb in the occupied West Bank. The soldier later died of his wounds. Three other soldiers were wounded in the explosion Sunday, the third anniversary of the Palestinian uprising.

## Pollution, industry blamed for rising cancer rates

By PAUL RAEBURN  
The Associated Press

NEW YORK — Cancer death rates in industrialized nations are rising faster than aging and smoking might account for, heightening suspicion that pollution and other environmental dangers are at fault, scientists say.

Cancer causes about 2.5 million of the 11 million deaths annually in industrialized nations, according to one of an international set of reports collected and published by the New York Academy of Sciences.

When lung cancer — most often caused by smoking — is excluded, the cancer death rate among men in industrialized nations has risen 9 percent since 1950, the report said. Cancer death rates for women have risen in some countries and fallen in others, it said.

"Cancer is increasing in industrial countries above and beyond that due to cigarette smoking or aging alone," said Devra Lee Davis, an editor of a collection

of studies and a researcher at the National Academy of Sciences in Washington.

"The combination of air pollution and industrial activity is obviously a very important factor."

Brain cancer is among the most rapidly increasing, Davis said, especially among people over 65. In some cases, the rate in the industrial world has increased more than six-fold in those over age 75, she said. Such cancer has also increased among young people, although at a lower rate, she said.

Research shows that in the United States, the rate of lung cancer deaths among nonsmoking women is now higher than the total lung cancer death rate in women 30 years ago, she said.

"That could reflect exposure to second-hand cigarette smoke as well as to radon, asbestos and air pollution," Davis said.

According to National Cancer Institute figures, the lung cancer death rate among all American women in

1955 was 5.1 deaths per 100,000 women. Davis and her collaborators calculated that the death rate in women nonsmokers by 1985 was 6.1 per 100,000.

Sharp increases are also occurring in a blood cancer called multiple myeloma and the dangerous skin cancer called melanoma, Davis said. The rates are climbing in many industrial nations, including the United States.

In Italy, Cesare Maltoni and colleagues at the Bologna Institute of Oncology found that cancer causes nearly 40 percent of all deaths in the Bologna area, and the rate continues to climb. That's double the rate for the rest of the country. Bologna is in the most industrialized part of Italy.

"The changes are so great over such a short time in so many countries in men and women that we need to look carefully for their causes," Davis said. "These could be very important clues for prevention."

Although the studies emphasize occupational and environmental exposures, smoking remains one of the greatest causes of cancer, Davis said.

## Daughters at odds on King holiday

TUCSON, Ariz. (AP) — The daughters of Martin Luther King Jr. and Malcolm X, echoing their fathers' split over tactics, divided over whether to take part in a play in Arizona following the state's failure to enact a King holiday.

Yolanda King, a 34-year-old actress, withdrew from the performance Sunday following the "Tomorrow" at the University of Arizona. Attallah Shabazz, daughter of the Black Muslim leader, kept her commitment.

The play was performed as scheduled, with a understudy taking Ms. King's role.

A statement read on Ms. King's behalf before the show said she felt her presence "could and would be misconstrued."

"I believe that the greater good would be served by my support of this boycott," she said.

The women's split recalled their fathers' King, who was assassinated in 1968, said civil rights should be achieved through non-violence. Malcolm X, who was shot to death in 1965, defended the use of violence.

Both women are founding directors of Nucleus, a performing arts group that has had the show nationwide for more than 10 years.

Arizona voters on Nov. 6 defeated two propositions to establish a paid King holiday. Since then, numerous conventions and other events have been held. The National Football League threatened to withdraw the 1993 Super Bowl from Tempe.



LAUNDRY DAY — Staff Sgt. Gary Johnson, of Jacksonville, Fla., a member of the 2nd Squadron, Third Armored Cavalry Regiment, based at Ft. Bliss, Texas, tosses out the laundry water after laundering some clothing at his unit's Saudi Arabian desert encampment.

## Wedding by proxy

LOLO, Mont. (AP) — Marine Sgt. Paul Flemmer is somewhere in the Persian Gulf, but he and the former Rhonda McWilliams were married here over the weekend anyway.

Flemmer's father, Del Flemmer, stood in for his eldest son under a state provision that allows proxy weddings.

"I haven't got married for 30 years," the elder Flemmer quipped just before exchanging vows Saturday with his daughter-in-law-to-be, Rhonda McWilliams, 25, of nearby Stevensville.

The wedding was arranged by mail, telephone and a legal power-of-attorney. "Usually, when the groom doesn't show up for the wedding, the wedding is off," said the Rev. Gale Fister, who conducted the ceremony at Lolo Community Church.

Flemmer and Miss McWilliams, who have a 1-year-old son, were scheduled to be married Aug. 30

## Peace talks continue amid 25 deaths

JOHANNESBURG, South Africa (AP) — Police said today that 25 people died in black factional fighting as President F.W. de Klerk and African National Congress leader Nelson Mandela carried on efforts to end political unrest.

Police reported scattered clashes over the weekend, with the worst violence in the Johannesburg black township of Tokoza, where 13 people were killed.

Eleven men were hacked and shot to death in the township, another man was "necklaced" with a burning

and a six-year-old girl was gunned down, police said. Dozens of people died in Tokoza last week in clashes.

De Klerk and Mandela issued a statement late Sunday revealing they had been holding secret talks on halting the violence that has claimed about 1,000 lives in the Johannesburg area since August. The statement said the two leaders had met several times in recent weeks, including a secret meeting Saturday.

The statement said significant progress had been made, but gave no details. It said urgent follow-up steps would be taken.

The statement said the major problem to be resolved involved the ANC's suspension of its armed struggle against the white-led government, agreed to at a meeting in Pretoria Aug. 6.

The government has accused the ANC of violating the agreement by continuing to recruit and train members for armed struggle. The ANC contends it never agreed to end preparations for possible future armed struggle.

Montana is one of the few states that allows proxy weddings.

The power of attorney gave Paul's father the legal right to act as his son's deputy or agent.

Family members said they would send Flemmer newspaper clippings, a tape recording, a videotape and photos of the wedding.

ANCHORAGE, Alaska (AP) — A polar bear attacked and killed a man as he walked with his girlfriend through a tiny Eskimo village on the Arctic Coast, officials said.

Officials later tracked down the bear and destroyed it, said U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service spokesman Bruce Batten. He said officials were speculating that the bear attacked the man because it was hungry, Batten said.

An autopsy on the victim, 28-year-old Carl Stalker, was to be held in Fairbanks. Federal wildlife officials planned to examine the bear's remains for possible clues to the attack.

Stalker was killed early Saturday in Point Lay, a village of about 160 residents some 200 miles southwest of Barrow and 700 miles northwest of Anchorage. His girlfriend, who has not been publicly identified, was not injured.

Such polar bear attacks are rare, Batten said.

"We're extremely interested in finding out what we can find out about this particular bear," he said.

Polar bears migrate from east to west at this time of year, and during the winter months their principal source of food is seal meat, said Batten. Unlike brown and black bears in southern latitudes, male polar bears do not hibernate and spend most of the winter hunting for food.

"They tend to be rather curious and will often be attracted by motion or activity," said Batten. He said some polar bears have been attracted by smelt of garbage.

## Ex-guerrilla army wins elections in Colombia

BOGOTA, Colombia (AP) — Voters have given former guerrillas the largest bloc in an assembly that will rewrite the country's constitution, dealing a resounding defeat to Colombia's traditional parties.

As if to punctuate its insistence that leftists can do better at the polls than in the jungle, the guerrilla army on Sunday raided the headquarters of a recruitant rebel group, the Revolutionary Armed Forces of Colombia.

The attack south of Bogota claimed the lives of 11 soldiers and as many as 40 rebels, the army said.

"Violent groups have lost their argument to persevere in their practices of hate," President Cesar Gaviria said in a televised speech Sunday night.

The voting capped a bizarre 12 months in South American politics. Last December, Brazil elected little-known businessman Fernando Collor de Mello as its president. In June, Peru selected Alberto Fujimori, a virtually unknown agronomist, as its president.

Only about 30 percent of the roughly 12 million eligible voters went to the polls on Sunday, elections officials said.

While the overall composition of the 70-member Constituent Assembly will be conservative-to-moderate, the results marked a remarkable turnaround for the leftist April 19th Movement, known as M-19, which laid down its arms in March.

With 83 percent of the vote counted, M-19 had 27 percent of the vote and should control 20 seats, political analysts said.

The governing Liberal Party garnered around 26 percent of the vote.

A right-wing splinter group of the Conservative Party, the National Salvation Party, won 16 percent of the vote, while the traditional Conservative Party captured around 10 percent. The rest of the vote was spread among smaller parties.

The assembly is empowered to reform a 104-year-old constitution that has been inadequate to handle wide political and drug-related violence and extortion, government corruption and desperate poverty.

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ANTI-WAR PROTEST AT WALDORF — Several thousand anti-war demonstrators rallied Sunday outside the Waldorf Astoria hotel where 101 Americans, including President Bush and four former presidents, were honored. Neither Bush or the four ex-presidents attended the gala.

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## Bethlehem '90: lots of room at the inn

BETHLEHEM, Occupied West Bank — In the season of Christmas pilgrims by Christians from around the world, the town where Jesus was born has no room at the inn.

Mayor Elias Freij looks out the window of his office onto the deserted square at the Church of the Nativity.

"Tourists? What tourists?" he asks rhetorically, sweeping an arm toward the emptiness. "This is the worst situation in my memory."

"With the drums of war beating in the Saudi desert and the large armada assembling in the Persian Gulf, people are simply too scared to come here," says Freij, a Greek Orthodox Palestinian who has been mayor for 18 years.

"He said the last straw" was Israel's decision in October to distribute gas masks in case of an Iraqi attack. "Would you go on holiday to a country where you need a gas

mask?" Freij asked.

Israel has suffered an overall loss in tourism because of the gulf crisis. Bethlehem and Arab east Jerusalem are especially affected because the crisis accompanies what usually is their busiest season.

The government had predicted a record in tourism, surpassing the previous high of 1.5 million visitors in 1987. Instead, tourist arrivals have declined by half since Iraq seized Kuwait on Aug. 2, said Tourism Ministry spokesman Yossi Shoval. He said the 1990 total would be 1.3 million at best.

Shoval said the ministry still was trying to woo Jewish religious groups and Christians pilgrims, but that Israel had canceled its overseas television advertising "until the gulf situation improves."

"There will be Christians here for Christmas," he said. "The question is how many."

On a recent morning in Bethlehem, a single tour bus was parked in Manger Square. Its seven Italian passengers were alone in the under-

ground grotto of the Church of the Nativity, kneeling at the silver star that marks the site of Christ's birth.

In normal times, pilgrims would be elbow-to-elbow in the church and the tiny grotto.

"Things are so bad that I am not earning enough to feed me and my wife," said Issa el-Boyaji, a man in his 70s who usually makes his living shining the shoes of pilgrims outside the church.

He has set aside his brass-inlaid shoeshine box and directs drivers into parking places around Manger Square, hoping they will give him small change for his efforts.

Traditional religious ceremonies are scheduled for the holidays. They will begin on Christmas Eve with the ceremonial arrival of the Roman Catholic patriarch of Jerusalem and end with Masses and Anglican chorale services.

For the fourth year, Bethlehem will forgo street decorations and holiday receptions in sympathy with the Palestinian uprising in the West Bank and Gaza Strip, Freij said.

The revolt against Israeli occupation, which began in December 1987, has taken the lives of more than 770 Palestinians and 53 Israelis.

"With the confrontations, with the desperation, there is nothing to celebrate," the mayor said.

The drop in tourism has taken its toll on the economy of Bethlehem, a town of 40,000 people.

Freij says only one of the six hotels is operating and nearly all the 80 restaurants are closed. Scores of craftsmen have been laid off at the 400 workshops that produce olive-wood carvings and mother-of-pearl jewelry.

Tax collections have fallen off so much, Freij said, that municipal workers could not be paid in November.

Fahmi Nashabih, secretary of the Arab Hotels Association in Jerusalem and Bethlehem, said he had closed two of his three hotels for pilgrims in east Jerusalem because more than half the Christmas bookings were canceled.

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## Open Forum

### A hero's praises

**To the Editor:**  
It's so wonderful to read of heroic deeds instead of murders — Christopher Varney is a hero. I am so very proud of you. Your child will have a wonderful, loving father. Good luck and God bless.

Mary Ann Leone  
65 Birch St.  
Manchester

**To the Editor:**  
I'd like to think if I had been in a similar situation someone like Mr. Varney would have helped me and my children.

Pat Sullivan  
22 Duncan Road  
Manchester

**To the Editor:**  
Young people all too frequently, are portrayed as thoughtless, uncaring, speed demons and totally lacking in the ability to show concern for others.

Of course, that's not true, as young Christopher Varney demonstrated with his quick action upon seeing that youngsters were in a car that was slowly disappearing in a pond.

Good thinking Christ!  
Frances S. Penning  
21 Ashworth St.  
Manchester

### Kinder, gentler Bolton needed

What is happening to the community of Bolton?  
At town meetings and public forums the language of some members is so aggressive as to make one nostalgic for the era when such conduct was considered as "lacking in breeding."

Also, the pleasant practice of walking along a road in pastoral Bolton reveals similar malaise. Tonight was not the first time that verbal abuse was heaped at me by a suburban housewife while I was walking my dog. Whatever happened to the civil tongue?

I recall our president talking about a kinder and gentler America during his campaign, but if this trend continues, Bolton will evolve into an uncivilized community.

Ivi J. Cannon  
2 Fernwood Drive  
Bolton

### A global education

**To the Editor:**  
We would like to salute our daughter's Kindergarten teacher, Mrs. Beverly Tarbox of Keeney Street School. She has done a great job of making her young students more aware of what's happening in Kuwait.

Thanks to Mrs. Tarbox's efforts, her class adopted a local serviceman, Darren Sears. She has been in touch with his parents who provided the class with some information about their son in Kuwait. There is a picture of Lt. Sears in the classroom. Many of the students talk about Darren as if he were a personal friend of theirs. They have written to him and he has answered their letters. Just recently they proudly packed a holiday box with all kinds of homemade and handmade gifts to send off to him to make his holiday brighter.

We applaud Mrs. Tarbox's her global approach to her teaching. Her students are learning not only how to use their heads but their hearts as well.

We would be remiss not to mention all of the other fine classroom teachers who are also making their students more aware of Kuwait. You all deserve a lot of credit!

Mary and Ray Juson  
Manchester

### A great race

**To the Editor:**  
The Manchester Road Race Committee would like to thank all of the people who put forth an effort to make the great Manchester Road Race a success. We would like to thank the runners and their cooperation, the volunteers for their efforts, the spectators for their support, the town employees for their efforts and the people in Manchester who supported our Race.

The 1990 race was the biggest and the best.  
Jim Balcome  
Manchester Road Race Committee

### Letters to the Editor

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### Bush plays catch-up at home

WASHINGTON — George Bush is again having trouble with "the vision thing," and his apparent solution is causing high-level dissension inside the White House and inside the GOP.  
"The vision thing" was Bush's off-hand response during the 1988 presidential campaign to charges that he did not have a well-formulated domestic policy.

During his first two years in the Oval Office the president has concentrated almost entirely on foreign affairs. The charges that he still does not have any comprehensive domestic agenda surfaced again in the aftermath of the protracted budget debate because of the White House's refusal to set domestic budget priorities.

The criticism over lack of a domestic program has become so pervasive that top White House advisers now consider it critically important for the State of the Union address in January to contain a detailed plan. This, in turn, has led to an all-out battle between presidential advisers to capture Bush's heart and mind for plans they back.

It now appears that the president will embrace a plan being put forward by conservatives, a plan that some very high-level administration officials — to say nothing of Democrats — scoff at as impractical and unworkable.

The new program has been given the mind-bending title "The New Paradigm" by one of its chief architects, White House domestic policy adviser James P. Pinkerton. That phrase in turn is taken from a book, "The Structure of Scientific Revolutions" by historian Thomas Kuhn, one of the "in" books around the White House these days.

The new domestic program envisions a new war on poverty built around the idea of "up-by-their-bootstraps" individual achievement to be brought about by maximizing individual choice and the empowerment of the poor. It sees

the United States has finally achieved something in common with the Soviet Union: Life expectancy in both countries is no longer increasing.

At least the Soviets have a decent excuse — socialism — for this disgraceful, abominable health care, lousy diet, terrible pollution, a falling standard of living and a demoralized work force that saves its pain with alcohol, all conspire to shorten lives.

Americans have no such cogent rationale. Life expectancy here dipped slightly in the latest figures — from 75 years in 1987 to 74.9 in 1988 — because a widespread breakdown in personal discipline — a breakdown in morals, if you want to get blunt about it.

Not that you're likely to hear much about a "breakdown in morals" when the state of the nation's health is discussed. Instead, you'll hear lots of clucking over the ravages of poverty, the absence of national health insurance or the supposed scourge of environmental poisons. Pres-

identically, radiation, toxic chemicals, air pollution, even inadequate housing — the fault of society at large or, better yet, profit-hungry corporations — are invariably dredged up long before anyone manages to mention personal responsibility.

Fortunately, national mortality figures don't support this self-flagellation. To the contrary, those figures point out how very difficult it is to die prematurely in America. You have to be very unlucky or you have to work to it. A man who dies of brain cancer at 42 is a victim of fate. He is also unlucky, since the peak age for cancer deaths is 72. But a man who dies in a gang shootout, or from infected needles, or of a drug overdose, or from reckless driving, is a victim of his own behavior.

We have, in the past 20 years, witnessed an epidemic of self-indulgent behavior. The reckoning is tallied in premature deaths.

After a lengthy court battle in New York City, the poor lost. The Supreme Court let stand a New York ban on people begging in the subway system. Begging is also illegal in the Washington, D.C., subway system, and the trend against tolerating panhandlers is spreading to smaller cities too. This is another case of people asking the court to solve the little unpleasantnesses of life that we don't want to deal with ourselves. Such convenience always sacrifices the rights of individuals. No one likes to be panhandled, but the solution is not to call the police and have the panhandler locked up. The solution is to say no. Sure, some panhandlers get aggressive and threatening when they are turned down. But there are already laws against accosting someone else. It is proper to call the police if someone threatens you. But the United States should not be a country where you call the police when a poor person asks you for a handout.

Washington — The latest dose on diet pills is that they may be more dangerous than the Food and Drug Administration has admitted. It wouldn't be the first time the FDA erred on the side of recklessness. Nor would it be the first time that dieters had been disappointed by the promise of quick and easy results.

A yet-to-be-released report prepared for Congress by a U.S. Public Health Service physician says that the appetite suppressant in many over-the-counter diet pills is ineffective for most people and can be a health hazard, especially to young people obsessed with thin figures.

The report, by Dr. Paul Raford, raises the possibility of consumer fraud and questions whether the ingredient — dimethylphenylamine hydrochloride, or PPA — should be sold over the counter.

The news means that the FDA has some explaining to do. Last month, the FDA had a chance to ban PPA from non-prescription uses but decided not to. Several other non-prescription diet ingredients were prohibited from being sold without prescription, but the FDA declined to put PPA on that list, saying it was safe.

"Things are happening very fast," said David Vadas, an economist with the Aerospace Industries Association, a Washington, D.C.-based lobbying group. "When you have the big boys — Pratt & Whitney, GE and Rolls-Royce — going into joint ventures, there is no turning back."

Development of a new jet engine costs between \$1 billion to \$2 billion. The development costs for the superonic engine that GE and Pratt & Whitney are contemplating could reach a staggering \$4.5 billion.

Perhaps 80 percent of jet engines built over the next two decades will be produced by international partnerships, said Mark A. Bobbi, an analyst with Forecast International in Newton, which follows the aerospace industry. That will eventually increase to almost 100 percent, he said.

"The nature of new engines and new aircraft almost dictates it, because of the costs and risks," Bobbi said.

Like countries forging alliances against a common foe, jet-engine makers are joining forces in ever-changing combinations, making it almost impossible to track developments. GE is now working on at least five jointly produced engines for wide-body jets. Volvo Flygt Motor of Sweden eventually joined the consortium, which builds the PW2000 series for planes like the Boeing 757.

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An alliance between Pratt & Whitney and GE would be the most surprising of all. The two companies have been slugging it out since the 1970s for primacy in the jet-engine market.

Pratt & Whitney controlled 10 percent of the market until 1970, but GE is now regarded as the biggest jet-engine maker. Pratt & Whitney logged \$12 billion in orders and options last year, compared to GE's \$1.5 billion.

The companies announced in October they were exploring joint development of a superonic jet engine to power planes faster and bigger than the French-British Concorde, which is powered by an engine built by Rolls-Royce and Snecma.

"There was no way either company could do it alone from a technological or financial viewpoint," said Donald Rudolph, managing director for development and planning at Pratt & Whitney. "Everybody recognized it is so big that you need help."

### Diet pills may be harmful

By JACK ANDERSON and DALE VAN ATTA

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## BUSINESS

### Engine makers converge against a common enemy

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General Electric Co. says, claiming the deal violates the terms of its own agreement with Daimler-Benz. Then GE drops the suit, and announces this fall it is exploring its own joint venture with another jet engine maker.

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NEW YORK (AP) — Though you might never guess it from the way they are described, recessions aren't all bad, any more than Michael Milken is totally greedy or completely charitable.

Recessions put stocks on sale, making them available to new buyers. They allow housing prices to drop into the range of folks who have waited for years to fulfill their dream. They tend to bring inflation down.

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# Walesa

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ment car with three police vehicles in escort.

He later made a sentimental pilgrimage to the former Lenin shipyard, his former workplace and birthplace of Solidarity. Walesa told workers he wouldn't forget that he once wore overalls.

"I am going to return here often," he said.

The Solidarity chief's margin of victory was 77 percent to 23 percent, according to exit polls conducted by the German polling firm Infas. Official results from all but one province had him ahead 73.25 percent to 26.75 percent.

Two bitter and divisive rounds of voting have strained the nation, splintering the Solidarity movement a year after Poland ousted the Communists and embarked on the most ambitious economic reform plan in Eastern Europe.

Walesa said he would decide by Wednesday which of seven possible candidates to select to succeed Prime Minister Tadeusz Mazowiecki.

The former Walesa ally was eliminated by Tyminski in the Nov. 25 first round of presidential voting.

In a taped address to the nation on Sunday night, Walesa repeated his campaign theme of speeding up the dismantling of Communist-collected industries and encouraging private enterprise.

"In Poland there is enough work for everyone. We must change and modernize much," he said.

"Europe will appreciate us for this. An economically developed Poland will be one of the pillars of peace and calm in Europe, whereas a poor Poland will meet a wall of disapproval at all borders."

"I hope to be a good sheriff — determined, strong and effective," Walesa told a news conference earlier.

Some Mazowiecki supporters have accused the vocational school graduate of demagoguery and promising more than he could possibly deliver.

Walesa sipped champagne for the TV cameras and gave an awkward but affectionate kiss to his wife Danuta at the insistence of photographers.

He said he thought Tyminski would "fade away quickly," but was worried about the welinging of anger the entire businessman apparently harnessed in his come-from-nowhere campaign.

Newspaper editor Adam Michnik, a Mazowiecki ally who has bitterly accused Walesa of demagogic tenacity, promised "loyal" opposition.

Writing today in his paper, Gazeta Wyborcza, Michnik described Walesa as an "outstanding politician" who had to decide which course he would pursue as president.

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Dodd's views mirror those of Sen. Sam Nunn, D-Ga., the moderate-to-conservative chairman of the Senate Armed Services Committee.

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By ARTHUR ALLEN The Associated Press

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The first wave of American hostages freed under Saddam Hussein's blanket release headed home today. But even as it related and released foreign captives, Iraq declared it would not compromise "one iota" over Kuwait.

U.S. consular officials in Germany said 152 Americans and four Canadians left Frankfurt on a Pan Am flight headed for Andrews Air Force Base near Washington.

While expressing relief at the freeing of the hostages, the Bush administration wants nothing less than Iraq's total withdrawal from Kuwait.

But the Baghdad government's information minister, Laif Jassim, said today any talk of an Iraqi withdrawal from the emirate was "nothing but dreams and wishful thinking."

"Kuwait is for Iraq, whether in the past, present or future," Jassim said in a statement carried by the official Iraqi News Agency.

"We will not compromise one iota on Kuwaiti territory, its waters or the money and investment of the buried Al-Sabah dynasty," he said, referring to Kuwait's deposed ruling family.

The Bush administration is urging a meeting between President Saddam and James A. Baker III by Jan. 3 so Iraq would have time to pull out by Jan. 15, the deadline set in the U.N. resolution authorizing force to drive Iraq out of Kuwait.

In the house, about 277 Britons gathered at a downtown Baghdad hotel today to prepare to fly to London. Four Americans and an unspecified number of other Westerners also were to be given seats on the British-chartered plane, which can carry 350 passengers.

The Americans who left Frankfurt today were among about 175 former captives who had arrived a day earlier from Baghdad aboard a U.S.-chartered Iraqi Airways jet.

The flight from Baghdad also included 101 former British hostages, who were flown this morning from Frankfurt to London, where they were greeted by jubilant relatives and government officials.

"I feel euphoric," said one of the freed British captives, 45-year-old Harvey May.

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about a jet chartered by former Treasury Secretary John Connally, who was in Iraq on a private mission to free hostages.

About 8,000 Westerners had been prevented from leaving Iraq and Kuwait since Iraq overran Kuwait on Aug. 2, including about 600 who were held at strategic sites to guard against a feared attack by U.S.-led forces.

Saddam announced Thursday that they could all go home.

The move came a week after the U.N. Security Council approved the use-of-force resolution, which President Bush followed up by inviting Iraq to exchange envoys in an effort to avoid war.

Iraqi Foreign Minister Tariq Aziz plans to visit Washington for a meeting with Bush, possibly on Dec. 17. Baker's trip to Baghdad would follow some time later, but Iraqi and U.S. officials have yet to agree on a date.

Baker said that if Saddam does not agree to a meeting by Jan. 3, it will show the Iraqi leader is not serious about averting war.

A meeting Jan. 12, as proposed by Baghdad, would not give Iraq enough time to withdraw from its oil-rich neighbor before the Jan. 15 deadline, Baker said.

The Iraqi ambassador to the United Nations, Abdul Amir Al-Anburi, said the meeting might be scheduled earlier. Speaking on NBC-TV's "Meet the Press," he said the disagreement over scheduling was "a minute one."

British and Arab newspapers reported Sunday that Iraq had redrawn its border with Kuwait in possible preparation for a partial pullout from Kuwait.

The reports, in the Observer of London and the Arabian Daily in Abu Dhabi, said Saddam's aim was to keep the entire Rumailah oilfield and two islands, Warba and Bubiyan, which would give it open access to the Persian Gulf.

The oilfield, which lies chiefly in Iraq, extends two miles into Kuwait and Saddam accused Kuwait of overexploiting it before he invaded.

The weekly Observer, citing unidentified Arab sources in Washington, said most Arab governments expect Iraq to withdraw from the rest of Kuwait in late January but completion of a new border fence around Rumailah, a southern time indicates an even earlier withdrawal.

Baker said that in his meeting with Saddam he would not agree to give Iraq all of Rumailah because "to say anything else would be to reward an aggressor."

Baker predicted the public would support using force even if Iraq demanded only a small part of Kuwait because Americans would stand up against "international outlaws like this man."

The United States has 250,000 troops in the Gulf and plans to build that force up to 400,000 by mid-January. The anti-Iraq coalition includes an estimated 100,000 troops from other nations.

Rivers	Outflow	Length (miles)
Nile	Mediterranean	4,160
Amazon	Atlantic Ocean	4,000
Chang Jiang	E. China Sea	3,964
Ob-Irtysh	Gulf of Ob	3,362
Huang	Yellow Sea	2,903
Congo	Atlantic Ocean	2,900
Amur	Tatar Sea	2,744
Lena	Laptev Sea	2,734
Mackenzie	Arctic Ocean	2,635
Mekong	S. China Sea	2,600

The Nile is the world's largest river system, as measured from the source of its remotest headstream — the Hwuzronza River, southwest of Lake Victoria. Bushi, Rwanda; Tanzania; Kenya; Uganda; Zaire, the Sudan; Ethiopia and Egypt all share its basin of more than 1.1 million square miles.

# Blast

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Officials are not sure if anyone is buried in the ruins because they don't know how many people were in the buildings, said Army specialist Chuck Gordon.

The post on the edge of town serves as a processing center for soldiers on route to the Persian Gulf, although he hopes they will.

Fire authorities had been called in about 5:45 p.m., or 30 hours before the explosion, military police says. The blast, after people reported smelling gas, Downing said. He said officials had planned to evacuate the 240-unit Harrison Village complex before the explosion.

Harley said authorities turned the gas off at one housing unit where they thought the leak was occurring. But a nearby unit, where the gas had not been turned off, blew up, he said.

Some residents complained that they were not adequately warned.

Adams, whose husband is a sergeant, said that about two hours before the explosion, military police began telling residents that a gas leak had been found and would be fixed.

He told us there was no danger for us to stay there," she said. Her family had planned to leave anyway, because the complex was without heat and hot water, but the explosion happened before they did so, she said.

The blast was felt more than two miles away. Wood and other debris were scattered where a two-story building once stood.

By BRIAN M. TROTTER Manchester Herald

BOLTON — The Public Building Commission will meet tonight to discuss plans for the new town garage.

Representatives from Russell & Dawson Architecture and Engineering of Hartford are expected to show members of the commission the final plans for the building when they meet at 7:30 p.m. in Town Hall.

The new 8,000 square-foot garage is scheduled to be built on North Road, near the old garage. It will replace a 2,000 square-foot facility that will be converted for use as cold storage by the Public Works Department.

The plans for the new garage include four bays, offices, locker rooms and hazardous materials storage areas. There will also be a facility for recycling at the site.

When the original plans for the new building were first shown in October, Public Works Director Dan Rattazzi said that the garage was too low to perform maintenance on some of the town's larger dump trucks.

The original building plans called for an oil-fired furnace feeding several large ducts hanging from the ceiling supports. The problem was that the bottom of the ducts was only 12 feet above the floor. The new design has 14 feet of clearance.

The town's largest truck is only 10.5 feet tall, but larger trucks may be purchased in the future and room is needed inside the building to raise the beds to perform some of the maintenance on the vehicles.

There is a \$350,000 budget for the project which could be completed by next spring.

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# Three projects suggested for Linear park

By ALEX GIRELLI Manchester Herald

MANCHESTER — Three proposed improvements in the Hockanum River Linear Park can be constructed at a cost of about \$987,511, easily within the \$1.1 million available for the park.

The report will be presented to the Board of Directors when it meets tonight at 7:30 in the hearing room of Lincoln Center.

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In his report, Pellegrini says that a committee studying development of the Linear Park has also recommended buying land along the river behind Adams Mill Restaurant.

The report says the Union Pond Park can be completed in time for skating at the area by 1991 if design work begins soon and permits are



CENTENARIAN — Toofia Parciak, of 75 North St., Manchester, celebrated her 100th birthday Dec. 2 at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Joseph Lovett. In attendance were her children, 15 grandchildren and 12 great-grandchildren. Her birthday cake was made by her daughter-in-law, Stella Parciak of Manchester.

# DARE bears on board room walls

By JACQUELINE BENNETT Manchester Herald

COVENTRY — Bears are hibernating at the Town Office.

Actually, it's drawing of DARE bears by fourth graders at G.H. Robertson School which are lining the walls of the office building's Board Room.

The children wrote essays and drew pictures of bears as gifts to local Drug Awareness Resistance Education Officers Nancy Gillson and Hans Danielson. The police officers teach DARE classes in town, and

the students recently graduated from the five-week program.

The DARE bear symbolizes the program and the children's art work contains many messages. One child wrote, "Drugs are a non-food that change your body and mind."

In a related matter, the Coventry DARE program will sell Christmas trees for \$25 each to raise money for its program. Trees will be sold at the Pillon Tree Farm, 1022 Grant Hill Road until Dec. 23 on Saturdays and Sundays from 1 to 4 p.m. Trees can be cut for customers or customers can cut their own.

By BRIAN M. TROTTER Manchester Herald

BOLTON — Members of the Conservation Commission are considering a proposal that could designate some of the streets in town as scenic roads.

The proposal is similar to ones passed in Coventry and Mansfield earlier this year. Those acts designated several streets as scenic roads, thus limiting the changes that developers could make to the roads.

The ordinances also allow residents to petition the town to have their streets designated as scenic roads.

To qualify as a scenic road, a street has to meet at least one of several requirements. A street must be lined with mature trees, have scenic overlook, have stone walls along its sides, have some historic significance or be made of dirt to receive the special designation.

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# Illing course helps parents with problems

By SCOTT B. BREDE Manchester Herald

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"His father always had him for difficult to understand her step-son, Chad Scott, who had recently come to Manchester to live with his father," Cobana said.

Instead of trying to deal with the problems on their own, the two women seek the advice of others in similar circumstances when they meet with other parents at a weekly meeting.

The parenting enhancement course at Illing Junior High, a six-week class which meets tonight for its last session, is more of a support group than an actual classroom, said both Green and Cobana.

"I have a very strong-willed son, and being strong-willed myself, I don't want to stifle him, but I want to be in control," Green said.

"I don't want to shut him out, and that's the way it was going," she added.

Green said the course gave her many helpful hints on communicating with and disciplining her child.

"I learned that listening to your kids is very important, you just can't lecture them," she said.

"I am not so apt to jump all over him anymore," Cobana said she and her husband Doug Scott signed up for the course to learn how to handle Scott's eighth-grade son, who had previously been living with his mother in Maine.

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By BRIAN M. TROTTER Manchester Herald

BOLTON — Members of the Conservation Commission are considering a proposal that could designate some of the streets in town as scenic roads.

The proposal is similar to ones passed in Coventry and Mansfield earlier this year. Those acts designated several streets as scenic roads, thus limiting the changes that developers could make to the roads.

The ordinances also allow residents to petition the town to have their streets designated as scenic roads.

To qualify as a scenic road, a street has to meet at least one of several requirements. A street must be lined with mature trees, have scenic overlook, have stone walls along its sides, have some historic significance or be made of dirt to receive the special designation.

By BRIAN M. TROTTER Manchester Herald

MANCHESTER — Sharon Elliott-Sullivan, a teacher at Nathan Hale Elementary School, tells her instruction card into a classroom full of fourth-grade students, but instead of a standard greeting, she utters, "Esta bien, class?"

The students' responses vary, from "muy bien" to "asi asi" to "estoy mal."

For some, the responses may seem unusual, but for

"[Elementary school students] are much more enthusiastic and much more receptive to learning [Spanish] than older kids," said Sullivan, who taught Spanish at junior high and high school levels before coming to Nathan Hale to take on the newly-implemented Spanish lessons.

They are not worried about how they sound when they say things in Spanish, she said, noting that secondary students are more apt to be concerned with how they are thought of by others.

Throughout the day, Sullivan varies from 20 to 25 minutes, giving third-through-sixth-graders 15-to-20 minute language lessons.

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# Charges

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the middle of the front seat, the mother told police.

The older girl, Lancey, 3, was wearing a seat belt and sitting in the passenger's seat.

When rescuers reached the children, they both were standing on the back seat, trying to keep their heads out of the water which was seeping into the car. At the time, the rear portion of the vehicle was the only part remaining above water.

# STATE

## Liberal political group marks tenth anniversary

By JUDD EVERHART  
The Associated Press

HARTFORD — Leaders of the Legislative Electoral Action Program, a liberal group committed to getting progressives into office, say the retirement of conservative Democrat Gov. William A. O'Neill can only help their cause.

LEAP, a coalition of labor, community, civil rights and environmental groups which covers several key legislators among its successes, marked its tenth anniversary this weekend.

Although O'Neill occasionally locked horns with liberals, he has just as frequently gone along with, if not championed, several progressive issues, including abortion rights and education reforms.

He has opposed calls for a state personal income tax and election law reform, which LEAP and other liberal groups advocate.

And with him leaving office next month, LEAP Co-Director Nick Nyhart believes progressive issues will advance.

"With Bill O'Neill not there, that sort of takes everybody's hands off," Nyhart said in an interview last week. "I think we're going to have a chance to really shine now. There won't be that iron fist at the top."

Nyhart said the state's mounting budget problems, including a \$2.1 billion gap between spending the O'Neill administration says it needed to maintain current services and current tax levels, will force a more serious look at an income tax and tax reform in the 1991 legislative session. O'Neill made a career of opposing an income tax.

Nyhart said O'Neill's departure and Gov.-elect Lowell P. Weicker's arrival present "an opening to transfer to a more progressive tax system."

"Governor O'Neill slammed the door so early and so hard and locked it," said the other LEAP co-director, Rebecca Doty. "I don't think Weicker has done that."

Besides, she said, "there really are so few options and the deficit is so huge, it's a better time than ever before."

O'Neill's argument against an income tax has always

been that it is not the panacea many of its supporters say it is. He points to all of the surrounding states that have an income tax and notes that they have fiscal problems just as severe as Connecticut's.

Weicker, a former Republican U.S. senator elected governor as an independent, has said he wouldn't impose an income tax during his first year in office, but has left the door open after that.

More than 500 LEAP activists were expected at a LEAP anniversary dinner over the weekend in New Haven.

"When you look at who is on the horizon as leaders of the Democratic Party, it's clear that all are more liberal and progressive than previous leadership," Doty said, pointing to state Comptroller-elect William E. Curry Jr., U.S. Rep.-elect Rosa DeLauro, D-3rd District and state Attorney General-elect Richard Blumenthal.

Said Nyhart: "There are no young Bill O'Neills moving up."

"We wanted to build an infrastructure of progressive activists that could run election campaigns and increase their organizations' political operations," Doty said of LEAP's first decade.

LEAP counts among its most successful candidates several Democrats in the House of Representatives: Miles S. Rapoport of West Hartford, Doreen DeBianco of Waterbury, Elizabeth C. Brown of Waterbury, Joseph S. Grubbs Jr. of Bridgeport, Geri Langlois of Thompson, Mary Mashinsky of Wallingford, David Padlin of New Britain, Jessie Stratton of Canton and Americo Santiago of Bridgeport.

LEAP took part in about 45 legislative campaigns this year.

The idea, Nyhart said, is to be "running activists for office, rather than having them just go up to the Capitol and lobby."

"When LEAP was formed, we set out to do several things," Doty said. "Primarily, we wanted to show that progressive candidates can win running on progressive issues."

"After 10 years of victories, it's a goal we feel we have accomplished," Doty said.

## Teacher pay increases down but still healthy

NEW HAVEN (AP) — Unions representing the state's teachers say they are not as fearful of layoffs due to the slumping economy as they are forcing them to ask for less than usual in contract negotiations.

But while the average amount of teachers' pay raises appears to be dropping this year, many school districts say what teachers are getting is still too much.

Raises for teachers in the 13 communities that have settled contracts for the 1991-92 school year will average 7.1 percent, according to the Connecticut Association of Boards of Education.

"That is a drop from the 8.7 percent average increase this school year and the 9.2 percent average in 1989-90."

But school board negotiators contend teachers are still getting more than their share.

"Townships are still getting hit on the chin," said Mark Litnabury, who monitors contracts for the Connecticut Association of Boards of Education.

"Although these percentages

might look smaller, they're still above the state's teachers pay much for towns to absorb."

In East Haven, the teachers' union sent its members a questionnaire asking how big a raise the teachers believed warranted for fall 1989 to August 1990.

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# RECORD

## About Town

### Diabetes club meets

The East-of-the-River Diabetes Club will meet on Tuesday at 7:30 p.m. in the cafeteria of the Manchester Memorial Hospital. Meetings are free and open to anyone interested in diabetes. For more information, call the club's spokesman at 643-9548. In case of bad weather, listen to WKIT-AM 1230.

### Senior band schedule

The Manchester Senior Big Band will be playing for the Manchester Municipal Retirees Association Christmas Banquet at the Manchester Country Club on Dec. 11. On Dec. 14, the group will play a concert at the Shepherd Park in Hartford. On Dec. 18, the band will play at the Manchester Country Club for a private Christmas dinner. The band will be in Glastonbury Dec. 21 for a Holiday Dance at the Academy School cafeteria.

### Performance at temple

Voice of the turtle, a Sephardic music ensemble, will perform at the Charter Oak Temple Cultural Center on Thursday. The performance takes place on the third night of Hanukkah, the Charter Oak Temple Cultural Center is located on 21 Charter Oak Ave., in Hartford. For ticket information, call 249-1207.

### Seminars at UConn

The second in a series of five seminars on managing non-point water pollution will be offered Wednesday by the University of Connecticut's Institute of Water Resources. The free seminars run the second Wednesday of each month through April 1991, and are at 4 p.m. in the auditorium of UConn's W.B. Young Building.

### First Night is back

First Night Hartford 1991 will return on Dec. 31 for an encore performance with a spectacular celebration of Hartford's arts. From 2 p.m. to midnight on Dec. 31, a multi-cultural array of over 60 performances and exhibits will be held at over 20 indoor and outdoor venues downtown. For more information, contact Maureen Connolly at the Hartford Downtown Council at 728-3089.

### Today in History

Today is Monday, Dec. 10, the 344th day of 1990. There are 21 days left in the year.

### Today's Birthdays:

Composer-conductor Morton Gould, the president of ASCAP, is 77. Actress Dorothy Lamour is 76. Actor Yusef Karam is 60. Actress Susan Dey is 38.

### Today's Highlight in History:

On Dec. 10, 1906, President Theodore Roosevelt became the first American to be awarded the Nobel Peace Prize, for helping to mediate an end to the Russo-Japanese War.

On this date: In 1520, Martin Luther publicly burned the papal edict demanding that he recant, or face excommunication. In 1817, Mississippi was admitted to the Union as the 20th state.

In 1869, women were granted the right to vote in the Wyoming Territory.

In 1896, a treaty was signed in Paris officially ending the Spanish-American War.

In 1931, Jane Addams became a co-recipient of the Nobel Peace Prize, the first American woman so honored.

In 1950, the United Nations General Assembly adopted its Universal Declaration on Human Rights.

In 1950, Ralph J. Bunche was presented the Nobel Peace Prize, the first black American to receive the award.

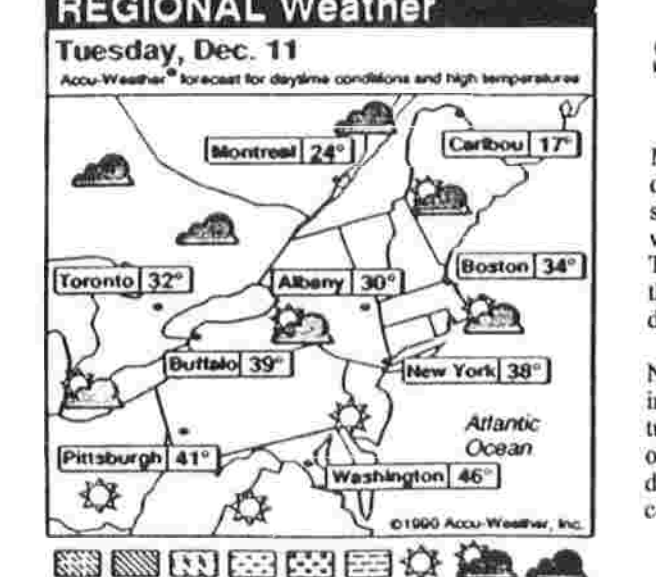
## Lottery

Here are the weekend lottery results from around New England:

**SATURDAY**  
Connecticut 1-3-3. Play Four: 4-2-1-7  
Massachusetts 4-17-25-28-33-35  
Rhode Island  
Northern New England  
Pick Three: 1-6-7. Pick Four: 1-7-4-6. Tri-State Megabucks: 2-5-6-8-14-22

**SUNDAY**  
Connecticut  
Daily: 1-9-8. Play Four: 0-9-9-3  
Massachusetts  
Daily: 1-6-1-8  
Rhode Island  
Daily: 7-1-6-0

## Weather



## Obituaries

### Paul J. Accarpio Sr.

Paul J. Accarpio Sr., 70, of 37 Griffin Road, Manchester, died Dec. 10 at Manchester Memorial Hospital. He was the husband of Marian (Cacio) Accarpio. He was born June 1, 1920, in Hartford, and lived there before moving to Manchester in 1959. He was a Sergeant in the U.S. Army from April 3, 1943, to Nov. 30, 1945. He was employed as a truck driver for Mechanics Uniform Co. of Hartford and was a member of The New England Teamsters and Trucking Industry Local #559. He retired in 1980. He was a communicant of St. Bridget Church, a member of the Manchester Senior Citizens, a member of the Retired New England Teamsters and Trucking Industry Local #559 and was also a Gold Card Member at the Army and Navy Club of Manchester.

Besides his wife, he is survived by his mother, Mary (Maratta) de Accarpio of Westfield; two sons and daughters-in-law, Paul and Linda Accarpio Jr. of Manchester, East Dominic and Eva Accarpio of East Hartford; one daughter, Christine Accarpio of Glastonbury; two brothers, Corrado Accarpio of Kensington, and Frank Accarpio of Westfield; two sisters, Lucy Arcata and Carm Cavallo, both of Hartford; five grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews.

Funeral services will be Wednesday (Dec. 12) at 9:15 a.m. at the Holmes Funeral Home, 400 Main St., Manchester, followed by a mass of Christian burial, 10 a.m. at St. Bridget Church, 80 Main St., Manchester. Burial will be in Mt. St. Benedict Cemetery, Bloomfield. Calling hours will be Tuesday, 2 to 4 p.m. and 7 to 9 p.m. Memorial contributions may be made to the American Leukemia Society, 40 Woodland St., Hartford 06105.

### Eleanor (White) Baleswicz

Eleanor (White) Baleswicz, 76, of Wilford, mother of William and wife, Christine Baleswicz Jr. of Coventry, died Saturday (Dec. 8) at her home, Barn in Somersville. She had been a lifelong resident of the Somersville-Hazardville communities.

She is survived by another son and daughter-in-law, Dennis and Linda Baleswicz of Stafford Springs; three daughters and sons-in-law, Nancy and Robert Proulx of Stafford, Judy and John Ramsey of Stafford, and Shirley and George Fisher of Deland, Fla.; two sisters, Mae Field of Hollywood, Fla., and Laura Sojka of Vernon; 12 grandchildren and five great-grandchildren. She was predeceased by a brother and a sister.

Funeral services will be Tuesday, 9:15 a.m., from the Somers Funeral Home, 354 Main St., Somers, followed by a mass of Christian burial at 10 a.m. in St. Bernard's Church. Burial will be in St. Bernard's Cemetery. Her family will receive relatives and friends at the funeral home on Monday, from 2 to 4 p.m. and 7 to 9 p.m. Memorial donations may be made to the American Heart Association, 5 Brookside Drive, Wallingford 06492.

### Delbert L. Carter

Delbert L. Carter, 65, of 237 Oak St., Manchester, died Friday (Dec. 7) at Manchester Memorial Hospital. He was the husband of Ann (DiScollo) Carter. Born in Maine, he had lived in Manchester for 29 years. He was recently retired from Globe Security Co. He was a Navy veteran of World War II and a member of several local gun clubs, including The Handgunners Club.

Besides his wife, he is survived by three children, Lloyd Carter of Vernon, Delberta Rideout, and Janice Beebe, both of Tolland; seven

grandchildren, Tracy, Kimberly, Kristine, Thomas, Abram, Jason, and Camelot; three great-grandchildren, Amanda, Brian and Rachael.

Funeral service will be held today, 10 a.m., at the John F. Tierney Funeral Home, 219 W. Center St., Manchester. Burial will be in Rose Hill Memorial Park, Rocky Hill. Friends may call at the funeral home, today, 6 to 8 p.m.

### Peter A. Yonika

Peter A. Yonika, 78, of East Hartford, husband of Edna (Delaney) Yonika, father of Joan M. Foss of Hartford, died Thursday (Dec. 6) in Hartford Hospital. He was born in South Windsor, and lived in East Hartford for many years.

He is survived by two other daughters, Beverly A. Toffi of East Hartford, and Barbara J. Rawlinson of South Windsor; a brother, Benedict Yonika of South Windsor; three sisters, Stella Sala of Glastonbury, Virginia Gaudron of East Hartford, and Julia Burke of South Windsor; eight grandchildren; six great-grandchildren; and many nieces and nephews.

Funeral service will be held today, 8:15 a.m., from the Callahan Funeral Home, 1600 Main St., East Hartford, followed by a mass of Christian burial, 9 a.m., in St. Mary's Church, East Hartford. Burial: St. Mary's Cemetery, East Hartford. Calling hours are today, 2 to 4 p.m. and 7 to 9 p.m.

### John Klein

John Klein, 83, of 116 Shepard Drive, Manchester, died on Dec. 9, at a local convalescent home. He was born Nov. 24, 1907, in Austria, Hungary, and came to the United States when he was four years old. He was a lifelong resident of Manchester. He served in the U.S. Army during World War II and received a purple heart. He then became a loom fixer for Cheney Mills of Manchester. He was born in 1974. He was a member of the Senior Citizens, A.A.R.C. and was a past president of the Zipser Club, all in Manchester.

He is survived by two sons, Robert Heim and Joseph Heim, both of East Hartford; a daughter and son-in-law, John and Marie Rice of East Hartford; a daughter and son-in-law, Nancy and Robert Proulx of Stafford, and John Ramsey of Stafford, and Shirley and George Fisher of Deland, Fla.; two sisters, Mae Field of Hollywood, Fla., and Laura Sojka of Vernon; 12 grandchildren and five great-grandchildren. She was predeceased by a brother and a sister.

Funeral service will be Wednesday (Dec. 12) at 11 a.m. at the Holmes Funeral Home, 400 Main St., Manchester. Burial will be in East Hartford Memorial Home, 400 Main St., Manchester. Calling hours will be Tuesday from 2 to 4 p.m. and 7 to 9 p.m.

### Mark Gary Foster

Mark Gary Foster, infant son of Frank R. and Edna (Wolf) Foster Jr., of 146 Chestnut St., Manchester, died Friday (Dec. 7) at John Dempsey Medical Center in Farmington. He was born Jan. 11, 1989, in Manchester.

Besides his parents, he is survived by two brothers, James M. Rising II of Dallas, Pa., and Robert C. Rising at home; one sister, Shaubalee L. Rising, also at home; his maternal grandparents, Robert L. and Valera V. (Plesset) Wolf of Barre, Vt.; his paternal grandparents, Shirley A. (Rockwood) Foster of East Hartford, and Frank F. Foster Sr. of Quincy, Mass.; his paternal grandmother, Alice Milkowski of Unionville; several aunts and uncles; and many cousins.

Funeral service will be Tuesday at 1 p.m. at the South United Methodist Church, 1226 Main St., Manchester. Burial will be in East Cemetery. Friends may call the Holmes Funeral Home, 400 Main St.,

Manchester, from 6 to 8 p.m. Memorial contributions may be made to the United Cerebral Palsy Fund of Greater Hartford, 80 Whitely St., Hartford 06105.

### Ruth V. Allen

Ruth V. Allen, 73, of Starwood Park Circle, Farmington, Maine, formerly of Manchester, died Wednesday (Dec. 5) at Franklin Memorial Hospital in Farmington, following a long illness. She was born Nov. 7, 1917, in Greenfield, Mass., the daughter of Ralph and Dorothy (Bennett) Scribner. She was a homemaker and for some time had owned her own dress-making business in Connecticut. She lived in Manchester for several years before moving to Maine 12 years ago. She had delivered the Manchester Herald for some time. She was a member of the Jehovah's Witnesses.

She is survived by her husband, Richard Allen; four daughters, Janet Griswold, of New Sharon, Maine; Dorothy, of Farmington; Judy Griswold of Rockville, Lucy Duffer of Hartford; one son, Ronald Allen of East Hartford; one step-daughter, Dolores Beatty of East Windsor; one stepson, Reginald Allen of Stratford; three brothers, Donovall, of East Hartford, and Reginald Scribner of Melrose, Mass.; David Scribner, of Harland, Mass.; and several nieces and nephews.

Private funeral services were held Friday (Dec. 7) and burial was in Augusta, Maine. Funeral arrangements were made by Wiles Funeral Home of Farmington, Maine.

### Rodolphe "Rudy" R.J. Lachapelle

Rodolphe "Rudy" R.J. Lachapelle, 32, of Vernon, son of Joseph (Montalvo) Lachapelle, brother of Lisa (Lachapelle) Farnell and Ann Lachapelle, all of Manchester, died Saturday (Dec. 8) at Hartford Hospital. He was born in East Hartford and was a resident of Vernon for the past two years, formerly living in East Hartford.

He is survived by his father, Albert R. Lachapelle of Wilkes Barre, Pa.; a brother, Peter Lachapelle of Vernon; another sister, Diane (Lachapelle) Bergeron of Bristol; a niece; and a nephew.

Funeral service will be Wednesday, 9:15 a.m., at the New Britain Memorial Funeral Home, 444 Farmington Ave., 10 a.m., at St. Jerome's Church, New Britain. Calling hours are Tuesday evening, 7 to 9 p.m. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to the charity of the donor's choice.

### Opera singer

MERIDIAN, Miss. (AP) — John Alexander, a tenor with the Metropolitan Opera for 27 years, died Saturday of a heart attack at age 67.

### In Memoriam

Dale LaChapelle ran in the Manchester Road Race on Thanksgiving Day for the second year, in the memory of his Grandfather, Albert (Jeff) Koehlsch.

His parents, Jack and Judy LaChapelle were there to cheer him on.

### In Memoriam

In loving memory of my dad, Richard Bartholme, who departed this life December 10, 1990.

Faraway sounds of a fluttering wing  
Crying out to the distant spring  
And left us with unending night  
The year that God revoked your name  
I took you in the morning light  
And let us go with unending night  
The winter chill, still stings like mace  
And the Spring you missed  
Never showed its face  
Forever loved and missed,  
By your Wife & Children

### Weather

Sunny, cold

The weather tonight in the greater Manchester area will be with light diminishing winds and mostly clear skies. Low around 20. Northwest wind diminishing to around 10 mph. Tuesday...Sunny and cold. High in the mid 30s. Outlook for Wednesday...Fair. High 35 to 40.

A cold front will sweep across New England this morning ushering in a blast of wintertime temperatures. High pressure will move south of New England tonight and Tuesday...Moving off the mid-Atlantic coast late Tuesday.

## Current Quotes

"What we would want to see is his weapons of mass destruction programs or his nuclear, biological and chemical programs under strict international supervision, so that he cannot develop that kind of capability." — National Security Adviser Brent Scowcroft on what the United States would want for Iraq and its leader Saddam Hussein once the gulf crisis is over.

"If he is unwilling to pick any day in the 15 days between Dec. 20 and Jan. 3, I think it shows that he is not serious, or that he wants to somehow delay the U.N. deadline." — Secretary of State James A. Baker III on what date Saddam Hussein might pick for their meeting in Baghdad.

"An international conference is a way to escape peace, not get peace." — Israeli Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir, opposed to any conference that would link peace efforts in the gulf crisis with the Palestinian issue.

"Privately, it's a bit hard. I expected that and I'm facing it. A lot of Frank was a very spontaneous, naturally giving kind of person. Right now, I don't see that." — Reed's wife, Fifi.

"The point was that anger is a great energizer. Then you use humor to tone it down and rechannel it more productively. I guess I've always been able to laugh at myself. I didn't have the psychological problems I was expected to have." — former hostage Robert Puhlik.

"They warned me that he would go into a depression. But I said, 'I don't think so.'" — Puhlik's wife, Ferial.

## Public Meetings

The following meetings are scheduled for today:

**MANCHESTER**  
Board of Directors, Lincoln Center hearing room, 7:30 p.m.  
Permanent Memorial Day Town Hall Committee, Municipal Building coffee room, 7:30 p.m.  
Board of Education, 45 North School St., 7:30 p.m.  
8th District Committee — job description, Willis Hall, 6:30 p.m.

**ANDOVER**  
Inland/Wetland Commission, Town Office Building, 7:30 p.m.

**BOLTON**  
Board of Finance, Center School, 7:30 p.m.

**COVENTRY**  
Planning and Zoning Commission, Town Office Building, 7:30 p.m.  
Youth Services, Town Office Building, 7:30 p.m.  
Finance Committee, Town Office Building, 7:30 p.m.

**HEBRON**  
Land Acquisition, Town Hall, 7:30 p.m.

## Thoughts

"Charity begins at home." "Home is where the heart is." "Parity of the heart is to will one thing."

If one of the most wonderful things about giving and receiving is the experience of "ones heart really being in it," then it is essential to give some attention to our own hearts during this holiday season.

"Practical good news to the poor." Isaiah 61:1.

Our feeling need to hear some "good news" — they need to be listened to and held, to be warmed. This time of year can become so full of concern for pleasing others that we neglect investing even a few moments each day listening to the voices inside — wonderings, dreams, wishes, joys and sorrows, hurts and healings. Sometimes when we stop to listen there are so many voices seeking our attention that we are overwhelmed and run away into more busy-ness. But for a change, listen to just a voice or two. The others will wait, especially if they know soon they will have an ear, also.

Rev. Ernest Harris, Chaplain  
Manchester Memorial Hospital

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### Crossword

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**CELEBRITY CIPHER**

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

**CONIT**

**VOLEN**

**ZERBAL**

**REFTER**

**Answer:** CONIT, VOLEN, ZERBAL, REFTER

**WINTHROP** by Dick Cavalli

HI/ MY NAME IS WINTHROP AND... ARE YOU SURE? WELL, OF COURSE I'M SURE! YOU LOOK MORE LIKE AN "ARCHIVE" TO ME. I'M REALLY BEGINNING TO HATE MONDAY MORNINGS.

**ERINIE** by Bud Grace

YES, FOLKS, BELIEVE IT OR NOT, MY DOG YACQ CAN ACTUALLY TALK. YELL ME, WACKO, WHAT IS THREE TIMES SIX? BOY, TALK ABOUT A TALKING AUDIENCE!

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THE FACT THAT A CONSTITUENT DONATED A LOT OF MONEY TO MY RE-ELECTION CAMPAIGN. IN NO WAY GUARANTEES HIM ANY SPECIAL TREATMENT FROM ME... I TREAT ALL MY RICH CONSTITUENTS THE SAME WAY.

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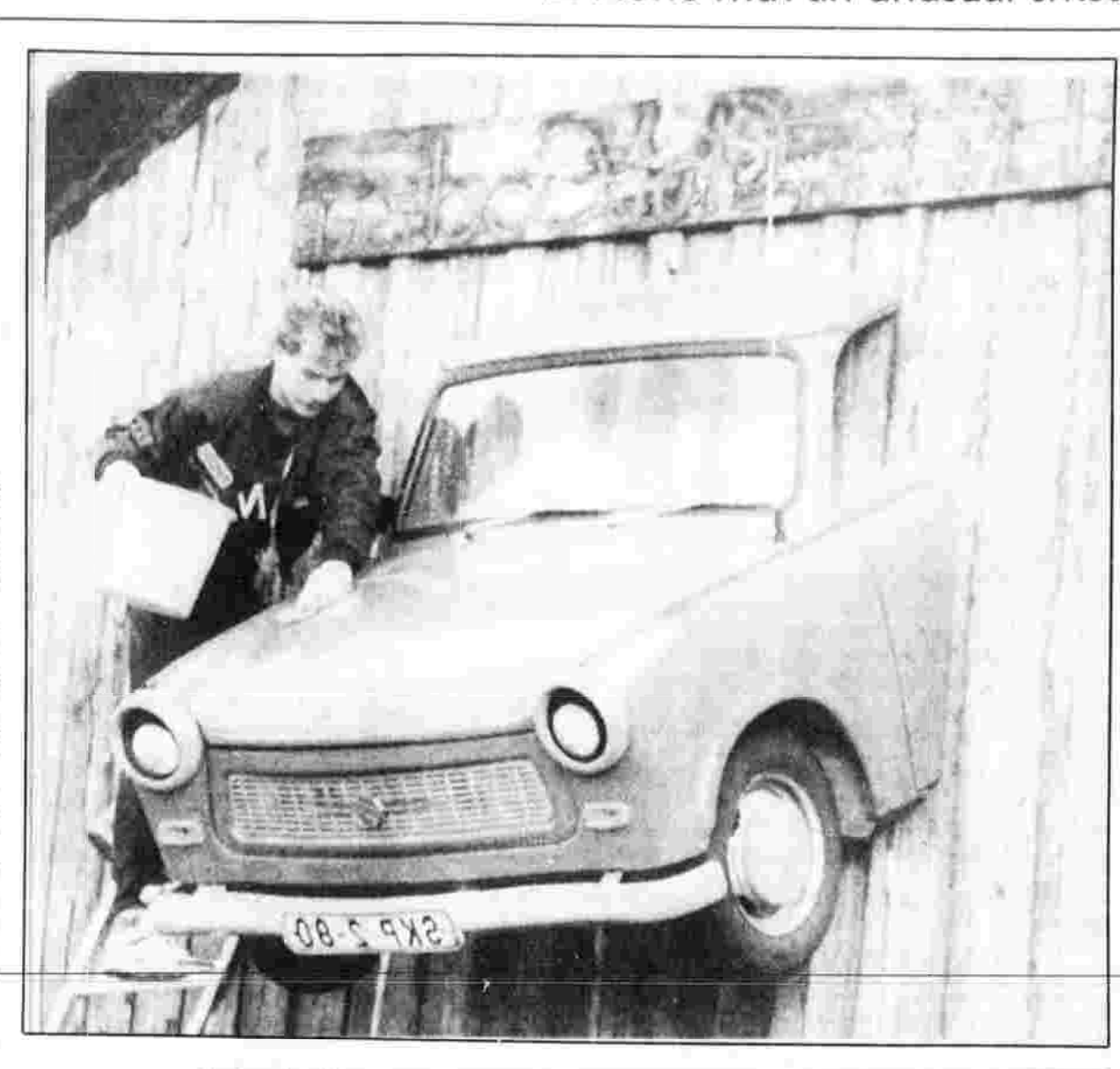
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News of The Weird

Denver police charged a 16-year-old girl with stabbing her 14-year-old brother in April after she accused him of taking her cookies. The boy had responded to the accusation by throwing his shoes at the girl, then punching her. Their mother said she then "tried to separate them" by beating both of them with a vacuum cleaner hose, before the girl took a knife to her brother. Earlier this year, a 39-year-old woman in Salinas, Calif., after an argument with her husband over the appropriate length of her hair, grabbed a .38 revolver and fired into his vegetable garden, destroying his prized tomato plants. Jose Luis Guila, a 16-year-old employee at Rigby Upholstery, was charged with murder in April in San Antonio. Guila reportedly shot his boss to death because he was angry at the boss's order to straighten the fabric on work Guila did the day before. Send your Weird News to Chuck Shepherd, P.O. Box 57141, Washington, D.C. 20037. NALJ Please newspapers "News of the Weird" (\$6.95) and the all-different "More News of the Weird" (\$7.95) - each with over 500 of the most bizarre true news stories from the collections of authors Chuck Shepherd, John J. Kohut and Roland Sweet - are available at most bookstores or by mail from New American Library, P.O. Box 699, Bergenfield, N.J. 07621. Include \$1.50 per book for postage and handling.



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# FOCUS

## Dear Abby

Abigail Van Buren



## Do call 911 for all emergencies

**DEAR ABBY:** In your column of Sunday, Nov. 25, was a letter signed "911" that needs some clarification. Abby, 911 was designated as a national emergency number and should be used to report all medical, police or fire emergencies. Apparently, the writer of the letter you published is from a community where they dispatch only for the police department.

We at the International Society of Fire Service Instructors strongly advocate and teach nationwide that 911, when available, should be used to report any emergency dealing with fire or smoke, as well as accidents and medical emergencies. By using the 911 system, access to telephone number and location is available to the dispatcher immediately, thus greatly reducing response time and consequently saving many more lives.

Contrary to what the writer said, DO call 911 should your television emit sparks or should you smell something burning.

**DEAR MR. MC CORMACK JR.,** CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER, INTERNATIONAL SOCIETY OF FIRE SERVICE INSTRUCTORS

**DEAR MR. MC CORMACK:** Thanks for the information, I've heard from many others advising me of the same thing.

**DEAR ABBY:** I am a sailor aboard a Navy destroyer presently in the Persian Gulf as a part of Desert Shield. First, God bless you for all you have done to support us while we are on the front line. We have been literally overwhelmed by the sheer volume of mail we have received. This has been heard from three elementary schools, two junior high schools and one high school. Abby, 3,000 letters are a lot to answer, and I want to apologize because there is no way we can answer all those letters personally.

Secondly, I do not want to appear ungrateful, but what has happened to our school system? I just read a letter from a high school from a southwestern state. I quote: "I now you are doing very best to perk our nation fun them and I want you to be no proud of you."

Abby, this is not unusual, I assure you. I do not know how this student ever got out of the third grade.

I read letters from two foreign students — one was a Dominican and the other a Russian — ages 9 and 10. Their handwriting was very neat and easy to read, and their spelling was perfect.

God help America if our kids are graduated from high school spelling and writing like the U.S. O'BRIEN

## PEOPLE

■ **Paula Abdul** was banged up but not seriously hurt in a three-car accident involving her Jaguar. The pop singer was treated Sunday at Medical Center of North Hollywood after complaining of pains in her head, neck and upper body, authorities said.

Miss Abdul rear-ended a car, which then rammed a third car, said police Sgt. Al Zardeneta. No charges were immediately filed.

"We don't know how it happened," Zardeneta said. "There are two options — either she was speeding or she was following too closely."

The other drivers complained of sore necks but were not taken to the hospital, he said.

Miss Abdul's 1989 debut album, "Forever Your Girl," spawned the hits "Straight Up," "Cold Hearted" and "The Way You Love Me."

She also choreographed the films "Coming to America" and "The Running Man" and won an Emmy for her choreography on television's "The Tracey Ullman Show."

■ **Frank Sinatra** is going home for his 75th birthday.

Of Blue Eyes returns on Tuesday, the eve of his birthday, to an arena near his New Jersey hometown of Hoboken to begin a yearlong world tour. He plans to fulfill a lifetime dream of performing in the Soviet Union and possibly China.

Sinatra grows older — his light baritone has gotten deeper and richer — he exudes vitality. Still, Sinatra may be thinking about his age.

During a toast on an upcoming TV special, he lifts his glass and says, "May you all live to be 400 years old, and may the last voice you hear be mine."

After kicking off his Diamond Jubilee World Tour at the Meadowlands' Brendan Byrne Arena, Sinatra will gather with his family at a hotel for a private birthday celebration.

■ **It's been 24 years** since **Dolly Parton** and her husband, Carl Dean, have appeared together on stage, and that's the way she wants it.

Her Dec. 21 Christmas special on ABC, "Dolly Parton ... Christmas at Home," will include her mother, father, six brothers, five sisters, about a dozen aunts and uncles and 15 or so nieces and nephews — but not her husband.

"He's very shy, and not the least bit interested in show business," she said in next week's TV Guide.

"Carl rented a tuxedo for the night, and I won an award for best song of the year," she said. "But when we got home, he said 'Dolly, I think you're terrific and talented, and I wish you the best, but don't ever



**IN CAR CRASH** — Singer Paula Abdul, who ranked 33rd in a list of Forbes Magazine's 40 highest paid entertainers, suffered minor injuries in a three-car crash in Los Angeles Sunday. The former LA Lakers cheerleader was treated at Medical Center of North Hollywood and released.

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Dean doesn't accompany Ms. Parton on the road, preferring to remain in Nashville, where he owns an asphalt-paving business.

■ **One more crack** about her producers and **Delta Burke** might have to kiss "Designing Women" goodbye.

Linda Bloodworth-Thomson, a producer of the CBS show, said in next week's TV Guide she has most patience with Ms. Burke, who has complained for months that she doesn't get enough recognition and respect on the set.

"She seems to be continuing to escalate the situation to a point where a choice has to be made — and a choice will be made," Bloodworth-Thomson said.

The feud has caught co-star **Dixie Carter** in the middle because she considered both women close friends.

## Dr. Gott

Peter Gott, M.D.



## Antibiotics help heart patient

**DEAR DR. GOTT:** I am an elementary-school student with a leakage in my mitral valve. Now I need to take an antibiotic before going to the dentist. Why does my doctor make me take this?

**DEAR READER:** Any patient with a diseased or leaky heart valve is at risk for developing bacterial infection on the valve. Called endocarditis, this serious infection can lead to further valvular damage and life-threatening bloodstream infection.

During dental work, such as periodontal cleaning or extractions, bacteria from the mouth enter the bloodstream. The microorganisms will not attach to healthy heart valves, but they have a predilection for abnormal ones. Therefore, antibiotic coverage shortly before, during and after dental procedure is standard policy for patients with valvular disorders. Ordinarily, prophylactic antibiotics are not necessary for simple cleaning and scaling, but if you contemplate more extensive work, antibiotics are advised.

The same guideline holds true for patients who need colonoscopy, sigmoidoscopy or cystoscopy, procedures during which the bowel or bladder are examined and bacterial spillage is common. Your doctor is correct in prescribing antibiotics prior to extensive dental work, although — as I mentioned — routine dental procedures do not present as serious a hazard.

See your doctor who has your own right hand have become enlarged from arthritis. Is there any method, other than surgery, to remove the bumps, and would such an operation result in less rigidity of the joints?

**DEAR READER:** Osteoarthritis, the most common form of arthritis in the elderly, is caused by the gradual wearing down of joint surfaces, associated with a progressive accumulation of calcium deposits in the bone ends. This leads to bumpy joints and stiffness, especially in the fingers, knees and shoulders. Because the calcium deposits are not the cause of pain and loss of mobility, their removal does not improve the symptoms.

Rather, treatment is directed toward the arthritis itself: aspirin and similar anti-inflammatory analgesics, physical therapy, heat, passive exercises, and (in the most severe cases) joint replacement. There is no medicine now available to treat the calcium deposits, which are themselves simply signs of the arthritic disorder.

See your doctor who can help you plan a therapeutic approach to your arthritis. To give you more information, I am sending you a free copy of my Health Report "Understanding Osteoarthritis."

## Inventor claims better X-mas tree stand

By RICH HERBERT  
Waterbury Republican-American

**LITCHFIELD** — Looking forward to trimming the Christmas tree, but dreading the annual struggle with your stand?

Patented help is finally on the horizon, courtesy of local inventor Joseph Juhas.

The little metal baby Juhas calls Patent No. 4,913,395 looks surprisingly similar to the red and green contraptions that millions wrestle with each December.

But using the universal joint principle, Juhas may eventually deliver America from hours of yuletide frustration.

Just anchor the tree with four screws, loosen four wing nuts, then swivel the adjustable, rotating base until the family says it's just right.

"We can set up trees in two minutes and have them perfectly straight. I've timed it," said Juhas, a 74-year-old retired manufacturing engineer who's been patenting gadgets for five decades.

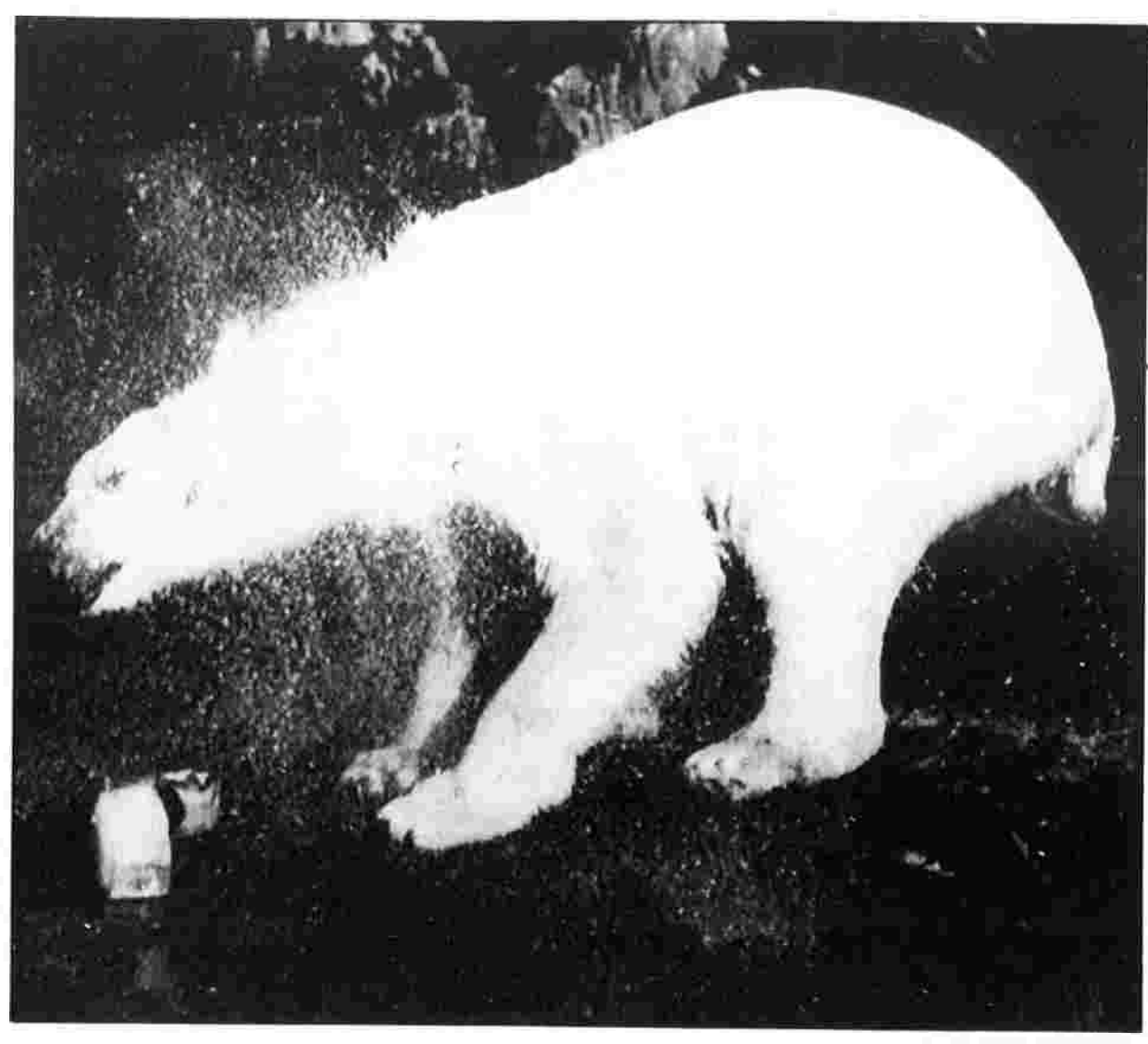
Juhas hasn't shown it to anyone who hasn't said that it was an improvement, Juhas said.

Juhas first conceived of the improved stand in 1986, after a two-hour fight with the tree in a long line of crooked trees.

It kept getting more and more frustrated. The thing kept pricking me. Finally I said, "There's gotta be an easier way," he said.

Juhas fashioned a prototype of his invention in a basement workshop and immediately realized that he was on to something.

But it wasn't until he hired an attorney to research the patent history of tree stands that the idea of



**BEARABLE WEATHER** — Germany, a polar bear at the Central Park Zoo, shakes off after retrieving an apple frozen in a chunk of ice fed to her by zoo keepers in New York.

## Story of Oz author Baum is a nice try, but no Toto

By JAY SHARBUTT  
The Associated Press

**NEW YORK** — There are times when the best intentions on TV go awry due to such things as a feeble script and acting that is not so hot. Case in point: "The Wizard of Oz: The L. Frank Baum Story" tonight on NBC.

The movie stars John Ritter as Baum, the failed businessman and perennial optimist who wrote "The Wonderful Wizard of Oz," a lovely book that has enchanted generations of children since it was published in 1900.

With Annette O'Toole as Maud, his loving wife, it features brightly colored fantasy trips into the tales of Dorothy, the Tin Man, the Scarecrow and the Cowardly Lion that is first span for his sons and other tykes.

Even Ritter, who has a gift for playfulness in his acting, generally seems amiable, even when surrounded by kids.

It's not that "Dreamer," written by Richard Matheson, doesn't have a heart. It's that it has so much heart — including an unspecified heart ailment that eventually does in author Baum — it almost makes you want to pick it up and say:

"Take two tablespoons of Wicked High-Tech-Elkair every 10 minutes and you'll be just fine."

Baum's tale is told through the memories of Maud, starting in 1939 at the Hollywood premiere of "The Wizard of Oz" (like that movie, the opening and closing scenes of Ritter's effort are filmed in black and white).

Now old, white-haired and 70 years a widower, Maud quietly arrives at the premiere. She's spotted by a young reporter who, by golly, once did a term paper on Baum's children's books. He starts asking questions about Baum.

This begins a fairly conventional account of Baum's

## Doggie death row appeal

By MICHAEL FLEEMAN  
The Associated Press

**SANTA BARBARA, Calif.** — Behind the gray bars of doggie death row sits a pit bull named Spot, tried and convicted of biting people, but granted a stay of execution while his humanes owner appeals.

Spot, 85 pounds of muscle, fur and nervous energy, was found guilty of biting two people in a late-night scuffle under a fig tree where owner Ed Mannon sometimes sleeps.

Spot was impounded and sentenced to die unless Mannon gives the dog a proper home with a fence — something Mannon says he can't even give himself.

"This wouldn't happen if I had a house," said Mannon, 38, homeless for 10 years. "I don't know how to be nice about this anymore. This is just one of the many interruptions that have plagued my life."

Police see it as a public safety matter and say Spot earlier bit another man.

"I think it's a little bit ludicrous," said police spokesman Lt. Richard Glass. "We're not in the dog killing business. We're in the public safety business. This guy habitually keeps his dog not even on a leash."

Spot was sent to the pound after a midnight clash in March in an area between the freeway and the train tracks where the city's homeless gather.

Two people were bitten but not seriously hurt. Mannon says he was there and after they tried to catch a radio and one of 12 puppies fawned by Spot. The puppies included character witness Spot, an obligation to maintain public safety. This guy habitually keeps his dog not even on a leash."

Mannon bought Spot for \$100 in 1987 and say the dog protects him from street thugs and once helped him beat a marijuana rap by eating the evidence.

At a hearing, a police lieutenant heard and Spot testimony from fellow officers and animal-control authorities. Mannon's defense included character witness and videotape of him playing with Spot at the county kennel.

The lieutenant decided Spot should be killed or kept in a pound permanently unless he is kept in a fenced yard or on a leash.

Mannon appointed to Superior Court. He called the pro-homeless option a thinly veiled effort to deny homeless people the right to own dogs. The court upheld the ruling but granted a stay of execution while the case is under appeal.

Will Hastings, an attorney with the non-profit Legal Defense Center, took over Spot's case, which is now before the Santa Barbara Superior Court.

"Ed would not have been in this situation and neither would the dog if Ed had not been homeless," said Hastings.

## Forensics meets entymology sleuth

By JANET MCCONNAUGHEY  
The Associated Press

**NEW ORLEANS** — Flies and maggots can tell investigators when people died and whether they took drugs. They can also help solve cases involving the living.

Lee Goff, a University of Hawaii entomologist who runs a Honolulu company called Forensic Entomology Enterprises, said police usually call him to help figure out how long someone's been dead.

But last summer he got a different question: How long had a baby barely alive and covered with buries and maggots — been left near a Hawaii lake?

"Yes, we clean and bathe them regularly," he said. "The nursing home will say, 'We're clean and bathe them regularly,' but the maggots have been sitting there and developing for five or six days," he said.

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