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Gorbachev gains new powers; Ryzhkov ailing

By ALAN COOPERMAN
The Associated Press

MOSCOW — The Congress of People's Deputies approved Mikhail S. Gorbachev's sweeping reorganization plan today, giving him broad authority to exercise direct control over the 15 republics and the national economy.

Final approval of the constitutional amendments came hours after Gorbachev announced that Prime Minister Nikolai I. Ryzhkov had suffered a heart attack.

Ryzhkov was stricken Tuesday, the same day Congress voted to eliminate the Council of Ministers that he heads and replace it with a new Cabinet under Gorbachev's direct control.

Gorbachev said Ryzhkov, his friend and political ally, was resting in a hospital and was out of immediate danger.

With Ryzhkov's heart attack and the surprise resignation last week of Foreign Minister Eduard A.

Shevardnadze, Gorbachev has lost — at least temporarily — two of his most trusted advisers and supporters.

Shevardnadze said he was quitting to protest what he called the move toward "dictatorship" with the concentration of more power in the hands of the president. He is continuing as foreign minister until a replacement is found. Gorbachev has held out hope Shevardnadze will stay in the government.

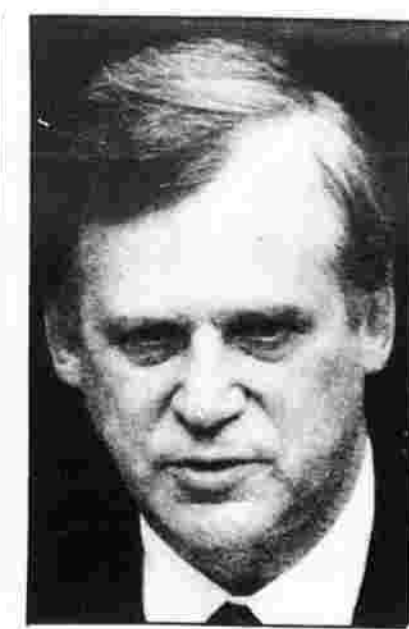
Gorbachev has not indicated whether Ryzhkov, 61, would hold any post in the new Cabinet.

Ryzhkov has been a stalwart opponent of a quick transition to a market-driven economy. Radical reformers have been agitating for his ouster for months, but Gorbachev has so far stuck by the man who became prime minister four months after his May 1985 rise to power.

The 2,250-member Congress voted today 1,555 to 110 with 83 abstentions to approve the entire package of constitutional amend-



MIKHAIL GORBACHEV



NIKOLAI RYZHKOV

ments on presidential power and put it into effect immediately.

The deputies, earlier in the morn-

ing and on Tuesday, approved specific amendments without putting them in effect.

The Congress still must vote on a candidate for the new post of vice president. Gorbachev is expected to nominate a candidate before the lawmaking body ends its session by Friday.

After the announcement about Ryzhkov, the Congress returned to work and passed an amendment defining the duties of the revamped Cabinet.

It voted 1,499-117, with 52 abstentions, to approve a draft that gave the body most control over the national economy, including defense

industries, energy, communications, transportation, and financial and monetary policies.

The Congress had voted Tuesday to revamp the Cabinet, which will be subordinate to the president rather than the national Supreme Soviet legislature as Ryzhkov's Council of Ministers currently is.

The Congress, however, failed to agree which officials would be members of the revamped Cabinet and finally agreed to turn the question over to the Supreme Soviet, which will meet again in January.

Wealthy countries tighten oil belt

ROME (AP) — Belgium has brought back Mr. Energy and Japan even asks its citizens to take smaller baths. With the Persian Gulf confrontation as a reminder, affluent nations are conserving oil once again.

A decade after Europe's last oil crisis, Belgium is reviving heat limits in public buildings, designating in each a "Monsieur Energie" employee to watch the thermostat.

Italy has announced measures ranging from mandatory tire pressure checks to nuclear energy research.

A new spirit of conservation is emerging in Western Europe and Japan as the Gulf crisis drives home the risks of heavy dependence on foreign oil.

"There's a lot of encouragement going around; there's the feeling

that oil demand has to be curbed," said Peter Bogie, assistant director of energy-saving investments in homes or industries. It plans to invest in nuclear power research and spend \$2.7 billion on extending bus and subway networks.

"What's important is that that's a feeling that hasn't existed for the past five years."

Western Europe and Japan generally have not suffered severely from the rise in oil that followed the Iraqi seizure of Kuwait on Aug. 2.

Their economies have generally had higher growth than the U.S. economy. The dollar, the currency in which oil prices are set, is relatively cheap and world oil supplies have remained fairly constant.

What the crisis has done is jar rich nations into realizing their risk if war breaks out, and many are trying to curb their thirst for oil.

In Italy, the government has

decided to tighten enforcement of speed limits and pay 30 percent of energy-saving investments in homes or industries. It plans to invest in nuclear power research and spend \$2.7 billion on extending bus and subway networks.

Some governments banned Sunday driving or forced restaurants to close early. Street and store lights were dimmed, and customers sometimes shopped by candlelight.

Europe now sees the results of its investments in alternative energy: France, for example, gets more than 80 percent of its electricity from nuclear plants. Norway exports electricity from its hydroelectric plants.

Companies and individuals in France are allowed to write off 100 percent of energy-saving investments.

The measures are new versions of those introduced in the early 1970s, when the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries quadrupled oil prices.

Even so, cheap petroleum and good economic times have encouraged Europeans and Japanese in recent years to increase their use of oil and buy bigger cars.

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...as poor nations fight to survive

NEW DELHI, India (AP) — Developing countries have been dealt a staggering economic blow by Saddam Hussein's occupation of Kuwait and the higher oil prices it created.

Countries struggling to climb out of poverty are having to cope with losses in the billions of dollars.

Rising prices of gasoline and other petroleum products have affected every sector of their economies. Inflation abounds, trade has suffered and foreign exchange reserves are shrinking.

"It's a big blow," said Gene Tindick, a World Bank economist in New Delhi. "The big problem is uncertainty. No one knows for how long this will last."

Many developing nations find the U.N. embargo of trade with Iraq and occupied Kuwait has affected their exports.

The International Monetary Fund estimates the crisis cost African nations \$2 billion in 1990.

India, Pakistan, Bangladesh and Sri Lanka stand to lose a total of more than \$2.5 billion in 1990. All four import oil, had strong trade links with Iraq and Kuwait, and received remittances from thousands of citizens working in the two nations.

Economists in New Delhi project a loss of more than \$2.5 billion for India alone if the crisis continues until March.

Brazil's oil bill has risen \$1.2 billion. Philippine government efforts to cope with the problem prompted criticism against President Corason Aquino.

Here is a review of some developing countries and how they are affected:

BAHRAIN — A continuing crisis in the Gulf would cost more than \$500 million a year: \$150 million in lost remittances from workers, \$222 million in higher oil prices and \$150 million in lost exports and tax revenue, mostly from tea and jute sales.

BRAZIL — The oil bill has doubled to \$600 million a month, including \$145 million Iraq owes Hungary and \$55 million in canceled contracts. Not included is \$120 million in higher prices for oil, most of which comes from the Soviet Union.

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from the Suez Canal and an end to remittances from 400,000 Egyptians working in Iraq and Kuwait. The United States and Persian Gulf nations wrote off Egyptian debts of \$13.7 billion, however, and the rise in oil prices helped Egypt, an oil exporter.

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Teen-age suicide prevention aid may not help

By COLLEEN DISKIN
The Associated Press

CHICAGO — School suicide-prevention programs for teen-agers can do some youngsters more harm than good, researchers said today.

Columbia University researchers said they found little evidence that such programs reduced suicides or suicide attempts, according to a study in today's Journal of the American Medical Association.

"It was some evidence of unwanted effects" on teen-agers who have attempted suicide, researchers from Columbia's medical school.

Discussing the topic openly often stirred up suicidal feelings, subjects of the study said. Of those who had tried to kill themselves before taking part in school counseling, 26.7 percent thought the programs increase the chances that youths will attempt suicide.

"Attempts exposed to programs were significantly less likely to recommend that the programs be presented to other students and significantly more likely to indicate that talking about suicide makes some kids more likely to try to kill themselves," the study said.

"There is a clear need to evaluate such programs to determine their effectiveness and to determine their safety."

The team, headed by David Shaffer, director of the division of child and adolescent psychiatry at the medical school, studied the impact of prevention programs on the attitudes of students in the ninth and 10th grades who said they had tried

to commit suicide.

The researchers found that those teen-agers continued to believe suicide was a possible solution to their problems and that they would be less likely to seek help or discuss their feelings with peers who haven't tried to kill themselves.

Suicide is the third leading cause of death among people 15 to 24 years old.

A psychiatrist not connected with the study said he was not surprised by the results.

"You can't just get kids not to commit suicide by just educating them about the problem and telling them where to get help," said Dr. Jan Fawcett, chairman of the Department of Psychiatry at Rush Presbyterian-St. Luke's Hospital in Chicago and an authority on suicides.

"It's not an intellectual exercise. There's more to it than that."

The study evaluated the impact of school-based suicide prevention programs on 973 teen-agers, 61 of whom said they had tried to kill themselves.

The students were divided into two groups, with 524 participating in prevention programs, including 35 suicide attempters. The 449 others — 28 of whom had tried to take their lives — did not participate in the programs, which were conducted by specially trained teachers.

The warning signs of young people at risk were described in the programs, some of which lasted as long as three hours.

Holiday cheer and charity shine

(AP) Thousands of the poor, sick, homeless and hungry were showered with gifts, food and shelter — at least for one day — as millions of Americans put aside worries of war and recession to enjoy a Christmas Day of peace and giving.

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LOBSTERING AT SUNRISE — A lobsterman throws an empty trap back into the sea at sunrise off the Maine coastline near Bailey Island. Some lobstermen and dealers say their business is in an economic crisis.

Right-to-die protagonist Nancy Cruzan dies at 33

By JERRY NACHTIGAL
The Associated Press

MOUNT VERNON, Mo. — Nancy Cruzan, an auto crash victim who lay severely brain-damaged for years while a landmark right-to-die battle was waged around her, died today, 12 days after her feeding tube was removed.

Ms. Cruzan, 33, died at the Missouri Rehabilitation Center at about 3 a.m., said hospital spokeswoman Barbara Shoun.

The tube that had sustained Ms. Cruzan for eight years in what doctors described as an irreversible vegetative state had been removed at her parents' request after a three-year legal battle that produced the U.S. Supreme Court's first right-to-die ruling.

Ms. Cruzan's condition had deteriorated rapidly on Tuesday.

dropping from deteriorating to serious to critical, Miss Shoun said.

"Her parents and I believe some other relatives were with her when she died. Except for a very short time when they would go home to pick up something, (her parents) have been with her the whole time," the spokeswoman said.

In its 5-4 decision in June, the Supreme Court blocked Joe and Joyce Cruzan from withholding food and water from their daughter in the absence of "clear and convincing" evidence she would have wanted to die.

After former co-workers of Ms. Cruzan testified they recalled her saying she would never want to live "like a vegetable," a state judge ruled such evidence existed, and he gave permission Dec. 14 to remove the tube.

Doctors had said the death would be painless.

Anti-euthanasia activists had gone to court seven times to try to force the state to resume feeding Ms. Cruzan but were turned back for lack of legal standing. Nineteen demonstrators were arrested Dec. 18 when they stormed the hospital in an attempt to reattach the tube, which had been implanted in the woman's stomach.

About a dozen demonstrators sang carols and prayed outside on Christmas as police watched. "If you're out to save someone's life you just go do it, whether it's in the middle of dinner or at Christmas," said Rob Rousseau of Portland, Ore.

Blum is chief of the Addictive Diseases division in the Department of Pharmacology at the University of Texas Health Science Center in San Antonio.

He said the government study had several inadequacies: failure to adequately define severe alcoholism; failure to screen out possible alcoholics from the control subjects who were compared with alcoholics and exclusion of alcoholics who had active medical disorders, including cirrhosis, which afflicts many long-time alcoholics.

Blum's team studied genes from the brains of 35 alcoholics who had died, compared them with genes from 35 non-alcoholic cadavers, and reported the results in the April 18 Journal of the American Medical Association.

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Alcoholism gene link is doubted

CHICAGO (AP) — A finding earlier this year that alcoholism may be caused by a single gene has come under question by government researchers.

The new study did not rule out the possibility that alcoholism is genetically caused, at least in part. But the study said the gene in question is probably not especially linked to the disease.

"You can look at our data lots of different ways, but you don't find support for the linkage," said Dr. David Goldman of the National Institute on Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism.

A study published in April found the gene — called the dopamine D2 receptor gene — in 69 percent of severe alcoholics studied, but in only 20 percent of the non-alcoholics.

Goldman's research team found the gene present in 38 percent of the alcoholics studied and in 30 percent of people chosen at random, casting doubt on the earlier report, according to a study in today's Journal of the American Medical Association.

A co-leader of the earlier study said Monday he stands by his findings.

We never said this particular gene form would be widespread in all of alcoholism. We're just talking about a group of very severe alcoholics," Dr. Kenneth Blum said in a telephone interview Monday from San Antonio, Texas.

Blum is chief of the Addictive Diseases division in the Department of Pharmacology at the University of Texas Health Science Center in San Antonio.

He said the government study had several inadequacies: failure to adequately define severe alcoholism; failure to screen out possible alcoholics from the control subjects who were compared with alcoholics and exclusion of alcoholics who had active medical disorders, including cirrhosis, which afflicts many long-time alcoholics.

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Debate on disc jockey

To the Editor:

An article in the Manchester Herald on December 13, 1990 told how angry the townspeople of Manchester were at "Sebastian," the WCCC disc jockey for using degrading and demeaning words to describe the women who dressed and behaved more promiscuously than other women.

I am appalled to think that women are still described by those derogatory terms. It seems we haven't advanced from the Stone Age as far as these words are concerned. They are manipulative, controlling devices used by men. They carry no weight except in people's minds.

It is a disgrace to think that women still are not looked upon as equals today. Where are the words to describe men who are "loose?" There are none. It is still supposed to be a male prerogative to be promiscuous; their "right." Baloney!

As far as dressing promiscuously, women should be free to wear whatever they want and not to be classified according to some obsolete value.

If women want to be open with men, flirt with them, be direct, that's their right. Men have exercised that right for centuries.

Women need to take control of their lives and decide they are not going to be manipulated by men anymore. Only then will men like "Sebastian" lose their power, become ineffective and gradually disappear like the dinosaurs they are.

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To the Editor:

BY AUTHORITY OF THE COURT OF OUTRAGED WOMEN in Manchester you are hereby ordered to summon one radio announcer JOSEPH SCHLOSSER, aka Sebastian, of uncertain address, to appear before a special session of the Superior Court to be held in the Town of Manchester, County of Hartford and State of Connecticut, at the earliest convenience of said Court, then and there to answer unto said WOMEN OF MANCHESTER, who complain and say:

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To the Editor:

The dictionary defines "dip" as: dirty, immoral, untidy, lewd, and a bitch. According to Hartford radio announcer Joseph "Sebastian" Schlosser the above terms best describe the women of Manchester.

Joseph Schlosser is a passing fat catering to listeners who revel in "smut," truly a small minority of listeners! It would be an exercise in futility to respond to him on the air, as he would only hang up on me. But he can not hang up on the newspapers.

It is apparent that Schlosser's opinions of the decent women of Manchester leave much to be desired, and are totally erroneous due to his limited sphere of acquaintances. However, we do control Schlosser's ability to pontificate. Just turn the damn fool off!

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Weicker gets way — for now

By BOB CONRAD

State legislators may be overdoing on the spirit of the season as they watch Lowell Weicker put together his Cabinet. Whatever the reason, members of the two parties that have been here all along don't intend at this point to lay a glove on the independent governor-elect's choices for top jobs in his administration.

Oh, there may be "one or two" Weicker nominations that will be challenged, says Sen. Adela Eads of Kent, the incoming floor leader for Senate Republicans. She expects, however, that most will be handled favorably and without any "hassle."

There's no buzz among House and Senate members of either party about giving Weicker a hard time just to assert the legislature's status as a co-equal branch of government where his nominations must ultimately be confirmed or rejected.

"I've heard no such talk," says Senate Majority Leader Cornelius O'Leary of Windsor Locks. Certainly nothing of an organized nature, adds O'Leary, an observation he shares with Manchester Democratic Rep. Jon Pello, the deputy House majority leader who has doubled as political director for his party since 1987.

House Speaker Richard Balducci of Newington puts it a little differently. He has heard of any mischief being plotted by his troops, but Balducci says the first priority as far as he's concerned is, in a manner of speaking, the good of the order — the people's business.

"That's what we're sent up here for," he says. Balducci is for cooperating with the new governor, unless of course he comes up with a clerk or two.

On the day he was elected House minority leader, GOP Rep. Edward Krawicki of Bristol expressed similar views on the relationship his side intends to have with Weicker. "When we think he's right, we'll support him. When we think he isn't we won't," said Krawicki.

Cooperating with a new governor is hardly new at the State Capitol. It is, in traditional normal times that the governor is given pretty much the team he or she wants. There may be bumps along the way — Gov. William O'Neill was unable to get his choice for an open seat on the state Board of Education, Eva Hudak of Torrington, through the assembly.

The change at the top this year, however, is not what you can call "normal times." Weicker, the former Republican legislator, congressman and U.S. senator, whipped candidates of both established parties in his independent run for governor.

Democrats and Republicans don't yet know how to take this big fellow from Greenwich — how to co-exist with him in a historic adventure at the State Capitol. So while it may be traditional to cooperate with a new governor, members of the long-established parties are taking the high road of harmony for reason that are practical as well.

There was, after all, a voter uprising in this year against "politicians." Knowing how bitter the public was, and how

Some pols deserving of praise

By JACK ANDERSON and DALE VAN ATTA

WASHINGTON — Selfless acts by government officials usually go unheralded in Washington where the public and the press are tough taskmasters. A job well done is not news because it is — or should be — the norm.

From the chronicles of the norm, we pulled these stories to remind our readers that their public servants do serve them well:

We start at the top with George Bush. Several years ago, someone placed a burning cross on the Washington lawn of a minor embassy functionary from an African nation. The victim was humiliated and his family was frightened.

The newspaper accounts caught the attention of a man living not too far away at the Naval Observatory, then-Vice President Bush. From the moment he got the impression that the diplomat's neighbors were not terribly sympathetic.

Bush called the command post of the Secret Service and ordered up a convoy of police cars and his own limousine for an "off the record" movement. "That meant they were to follow normal traffic patterns so as not to draw attention to themselves.

Then, about a half mile from the diplomat's house, Bush ordered the lights and sirens turned off. His Secret Service agents jumped out of the car and ran alongside. He sent someone ahead to alert the African diplomat to meet him on the lawn in full view of all the neighbors.

Bush arrived, invited the diplomat's children to get in the limo and play with his dog, and he went inside to chat. He emerged 10 minutes later, escorted by the diplomat that many people would stand by if he were ever harassed again, and drove away.

There was no press, just enough neighbors to spread the word that the vice president of the United States thought an injustice had been done.

— We recently reported on the tragic case of Sgt. Charles Earnest, a Green Beret injured in the crash of an Army Black Hawk helicopter in a training exercise last summer. He lies in a coma at Walter Reed Army Medical Center in Washington. We learned that civilian doctors had recommended a course of rehabilitation therapy for his head injury, but that the Army had refused, saying it was too expensive and too unproven.

Earnest's mother had refused to leave his bedside, fearing that the Army had decided to warehouse her son as a vegetable.

Sen. Connie Mack, R-Pa., read the column and called the Pentagon. The Army changed its mind and announced that Sgt. Earnest will get the recommended treatment.

A young commander of the Afghan resistance is recuperating at home from surgery performed for free in the United States, thanks to Rep. John Porter, R-Ill. It marks the third time that Porter has arranged medical care in the United States for members of the Afghan resistance.

The most recent patient was Commander Mohammad Zaman, whose feet were shot up by machine-gun fire. Porter arranged for free surgery to be performed at Highland Park Hospital in Illinois because Zaman could not get the care he needed at home.

Porter was touched by Zaman's plight in particular because he is a tribal leader who has worked hard to rebuild his war-torn country. Zaman has established several schools in his home district, including one for girls — often the forgotten sex in the Afghan education system.

In 1988, a military doctor, who wants to remain anonymous, reported irregularities in patient care at U.S. military hospitals overseas. For speaking out, he lost promotions and pay raises, but that did not silence him.

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STATE Holiday accidents claim seven lives

Seven people were killed in highway accidents in Connecticut over the long Christmas holiday weekend, which saw record-breaking warm temperatures before Christmas, followed by a rapid 40-degree plunge into winter chills.

Christmas was green and brown instead of white, and forecasters said it looked like 1990 would end with no snow on the ground.

Forecasters at the National Weather Service said light snow was possible Friday but that a warming trend over the weekend would change any continuing precipitation to rain.

Temperatures were seasonal on Christmas Day — in the 20s and 30s — after the mercury did a dramatic about-face Monday.

The temperature at Bradley International Airport at Windsor Locks climbed to a record high 59 degrees at 6:30 a.m. Monday, but had dropped to 19 degrees by 6 a.m. Tuesday as a cold front moved in, the National Weather Service said.

Car accidents Saturday and Sunday claimed the lives of seven people.

The worst accident occurred early Sunday afternoon in Bloomfield, when three people were fatally injured when a church van collided with a car which was part of a funeral procession.

Killed in the accident was the driver of the car, Sharon Vallario, 38, of Newington, and two of her passengers: her aunt, Irene Ruzensky, 67, of Bloomfield, and

her father, Samuel Ruzensky, 75, of West Hartford. Vallario's mother, Lorraine Ruzensky, 62, remained in critical condition late Tuesday at Hartford Hospital.

The cause of the accident remained under investigation.

Also Sunday, Richard A. Cusano, 42, of North Haven, was killed when a car driven by Jose Komero, 43, of Stratford, crossed the center line of Benham Street in Hamden and collided head-on with his car. Romero was taken to the Hospital of

St. Raphael in New Haven, where he died Monday.

On Saturday afternoon, Ambal Gonzalez-Enriquez, of Hartford, was killed in an accident in Hartford. Gonzalez-Enriquez was a passenger in a car that collided head-on with another car after grazing a truck and going out of control.

Early Saturday night in Farmington, John Aivali, 86, of Unionville, was fatally injured when his car crossed the center divider and collided with an oncoming car.

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Young could not be reached Tuesday to determine how the restoration work affected the statue's value.

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Galasso said.

"I thought it would look gorgeous if it were over-restored," the priest said.

The 30-inch-high figure was restored just in time to go on display on Christmas Eve at St. Peter's Church, where Galasso has been pastor for 11 years.

The 131-year-old French Gothic brownstone is this city's oldest Catholic church.

St. Nicholas, a Deep River artist who spent months restoring the statue, said it is enormously valuable.

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The image was cemented for generations by Clement Clarke Moore in his famous 1823 poem, "An Account of a Visit from St. Nicholas," which begins with the line, "Twas the night before Christmas."

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Elections tainted by cash

AGOURA HILLS, Calif. — Incorporated less than a decade ago, this residential community 40 miles west of downtown Los Angeles doesn't claim much in the way of tradition. Indeed, much of its growth occurred during the 1980s, when its population almost doubled from 11,000 to just under 20,000.

But Agoura Hills residents knew they'd lost an important element of the community's heritage when they discovered that construction workers had cut down several of the city's cherished 300-year-old oak trees while clearing a site for construction of a five-building office complex in the mid-1980s.

The ugly stumps on the barren hillside inspired a citizen's examination of the project — and led to the revelation that the real estate developer, Katell Properties, had made substantial campaign contributions to municipal officials shortly before the project was approved by the city council.

Mayor John Hood received more than \$4,000 from various real estate interests based outside Agoura Hills, including \$1,000 from Katell. One city council member got \$400 from Katell while a pro-development candidate for another council seat, Hayden Finley, received more than \$18,000 — a phenomenal amount for the community — in small donations from unidentified contributors.

An aroused citizenry formed a grassroots political reform organization whose candidates defeated both Hood and Finley in the 1985 elections — even though they had raised far more money than all other candidates for municipal offices.

That tale is pertinent not only to the hundreds of other communities here in California but to thousands of cities and towns in other states. It illustrates the increasingly important role of money in local elections throughout the nation.

But at a time when considerable attention is being focused on the need to reform campaign finance at the national level, the equally urgent need to deal

are improperly influenced by campaign contributions."

Assorted disputes and controversies over other matters come and go, but land use by far the most enduring issue faced by local governments everywhere in the nation. From constructing modest shopping centers in small towns to building skyscrapers in big cities, county commissions and city councils are constantly dealing with real estate development proposals.

Promoters of those projects understand that securing the requisite government approvals can make them wealthy — and they're willing to pay to enhance their chances of success. Some of those payments are technically legal campaign contributions while others are blatantly illegal bribes. All are corrupting.

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Attempting to remedy that situation, the California Commission on Campaign Financing examined the financing of campaigns for public office in 17 representative cities, towns and counties across the state, then prepared a voluminous report on the subject.

"A wide-ranging mixture of the exemplary and the excessive, the picture of money and politics in the Golden State illustrates the best and the worst in local campaign financing," said the private, non-partisan commission, whose 25 members represent business, labor, agricultural, political and other interests.

An example of the disparities cited in the report is rural, northern Modoc County, those seeking to be elected to the board of supervisors "never spend more than \$500 in an election." But one candidate spent \$2.8 million in a recent race for a seat on the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors.

"The enormous diversity of electoral money and politics is rising sharply in many local jurisdictions, particularly in the larger cities and counties" while "incumbents dominate fund-raising in most local campaigns."

"Money from real estate developers plays a major role in candidate fund-raising. Many California residents believe that local zoning and land-use decisions

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leaders last week that he surely would not wait as long as summer. There have been no signs that Saddam is any nearer to backing to the pressure of international sanctions and the U.S.-led 400,000 troops deployed against him in Saudi Arabia and the Persian Gulf.

After months of dashing around the country and the world, Bush was keeping an unusually low profile in his 11-day stay at the presidential retreat in the Catoctin Mountains of Maryland, about 60 miles southeast of Washington.

"He just needs to recharge his batteries," said a White House official, speaking on the condition of anonymity.

He'll need fresh batteries for the coming weeks.

Congress returns on Jan. 3 — two days after the president — and his Persian Gulf policy will be the No. 1 topic after both houses take care of the business of organizing themselves.

Also facing the president is a decision on a budget for fiscal 1992, the first one under the \$500 billion, five-year, across-the-board agreement struck between the White House and Congress in the fall.

The economic slump and the cost of Operation Desert Shield will add to the deficit, complicating the job of putting together a budget. The fiscal blueprint will be submitted to Congress the first week in February.

Furthermore, Bush apparently is going to abandon yet another campaign pledge as he works out the new spending plan: his call for a cut in capital gains taxes.

Although the administration contends that cutting the tax rate on capital gains — profits from the sale of stock, real estate or other assets — would generate growth and gain revenue for the Treasury, it can't prove it.

And under the budget pact, anytime a tax cut or spending increase is proposed, it has to be offset by a tax increase or a spending cut in another area. Ten days ago, Bush said he would give up the capital gains idea because he could not find the savings elsewhere in the budget — perhaps as much as \$20 billion, by some estimates — to pay for it.

Some other decisions facing the president:

— He must select a new chairman of the Republican National Committee to replace his first choice, former national drug policy director William Bennett, who spurred the offer after being told by White House lawyers he'd have to give up a lucrative book contract and outside speaking engagements.

— He soon must fill a vacancy on the Federal Reserve Board created when the resignation of Vice Chairman Manuul Johnson.

— He must complete work on a long-delayed national energy strategy. The plan is snagged in an internal administration feud over how much the government should involve itself in conservation efforts.

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agreement.

"Our embassy in Baghdad is in almost daily contact with the Iraqi Foreign Ministry. There has been no Iraqi movement on the question of dates," said Sandra McCarty, a State Department spokeswoman in Washington.

Saddam has previously offered to receive Baker in Baghdad on Jan. 12, but the White House has rejected that date as being too late. It has said any date after Jan. 3 would not give Iraq time to withdraw by the U.N. deadline.

Earlier this week, however, it was learned that Iraq had recalled its ambassadors from Western Europe, the United States and other nations. There was speculation that Iraq was planning a new diplomatic initiative. Diplomats in the region say Saddam might be willing to make concessions if he can secure linkage between resolution of the Persian Gulf crisis and efforts toward establishing a Palestinian self-rule in the Israeli-occupied territories.

The United States has rejected linking an Iraqi pullout from Kuwait to the Palestinian issue.

But Maury said Jan. 9 Baker-Saddam meeting could be linked to plans by Assistant Secretary of State Dennis Ross to visit Israel on Jan. 7 to discuss new Middle East peace proposals.

The State Department appears to be putting together a proposal for opening peace talks between Israel and Arab countries in tandem with holding municipal elections in the occupied territories, the paper said.

Maury also reported "military movement" along Israel's border with Jordan, and Israel's chief of staff, Lt. Gen. Dan Shomron, said Iraq might try to use Jordan as a springboard for action against Israel.

An Israeli army spokesman declined comment on the reported military moves. Iraq has lately escalated threats to attack Israel, saying missiles would be fired at the Jewish state if war breaks out in the Gulf.

In his speech Tuesday broadcast on Iraqi state radio, Saddam again tried to link the Palestinian question with Iraqi withdrawal from Kuwait.

"Let all the fleets and Israel boats, Palestine comes first and it must be liberated," he said.

Saddam also reiterated his claim that Kuwait was unjustly removed from Iraq's rule by British colonial rulers. He challenged Western powers massing in the Persian Gulf

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to put the question of Kuwait's future to an Arab referendum.

"Why do they not hold a referendum to see the inclination of the majority of the Arab people?" Saddam asked.

The Iraqi ship, the 11,000-ton Ibn Khaldoun, was seized today in a 30-minute confrontation. Sailors, who had landed on the ship by helicopter, were forced to fire warning shots, plus a smoke grenade and a noisemaker grenade "for crowd control," said U.S. Navy spokesman Cmdr. Mark Neubauer.

He said that the trouble started when the boarding party approached the pilot house of the freighter Ibn Khaldoun "and a number of the crew attempted to hold the boarding party members back and grab their weapons."

The ship had originated in Algeria and was carrying up to 12,000 tons of sugar, officials said. It was forced to anchor near Masirah Island off the coast of Oman, officials said.

Everyone knows what section they're going to.

Yet, both locally and nationally, prospects for a reversal of the lackluster holiday shopping season were slight with much of the country mired in economic recession, but buyers who take advantage of steep markdowns on Christmas cards, decorations and wrapping paper might help ease storekeepers' pain somewhat.

Pre-Christmas sales were hurt by the economic slowdown, especially in the Northeast, and fears of possible harder times if war breaks out in the Persian Gulf, analysts said.

Local store managers said they don't expect post-holiday shopping to make up for a marginal Christmas selling season.

"It was really busy in the three days before Christmas," Marciano said. "But prior to that, it was quiet."

"We're slightly below expectations," said Matthew Howard, senior vice president for marketing at Sears, Roebuck and Co., the nation's largest retail store chain.

A surge in the three days before Christmas helped, he said Monday. Other high-profile retailers also reported an 11th-hour jump in sales, but the extra business wasn't considered enough to turn the season around.

Retailers traditionally count on Christmas sales for up to half of yearly receipts.

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members in the past.

"They keep buying me jogging suits. After 70 years, I don't do much jogging," he said with a smile.

Tracy Schleicher was another patient who was happy to be home on Christmas morning.

But unlike Gutzmer, she had an extra reason to smile. On Dec. 17 she gave birth to a six-pound daughter, Emily Marie.

Although there was never a real question whether she would be home for the holidays, Schleicher said her family was nevertheless relieved to have her back.

"[They were] real excited. They were ready for [Emily Marie] to come home," she said over her two sons' anticipation of their homecoming.

Schleicher said that with Emily Marie's birthday falling before Christmas, it might be overshadowed by the holiday.

"But, we'll make sure her birthday is special every year," she added.

Christmas gifts pour in for hero who was victim

WATERBURY (AP) — An unemployed truck driver whose money was stolen as he rescued a motorist from a frigid pond has been inundated with gifts of money, food, toys and even job interviews from people who heard the story of his money-losing rescue.

"I didn't expect this kind of response," said Ameen El-Masri. El-Masri doesn't have a telephone, but people bearing gifts have found their way to his second-floor apartment at 96 Elmwood Ave. in Waterbury since Christmas morning, the day after a story detailing his heroism appeared in The Waterbury Republican-American.

The newspaper's switchboard was flooded with calls from people who wanted to help.

People brought enough money to cover this month's rent, more than making up for the \$370 stolen from him during the rescue on Dec. 17. His family has also received more than 30 Christmas cards, candy, fruit, wine, a ham, three turkeys, and a box of toys for his three children.

"At first I felt like I was robbing people," he said, explaining that he tried to refuse the gifts at first.

"Then I realized that people want to give things, they want to help."

The Christmas season started off badly for El-Masri. When he dove into a frigid pond Dec. 17 to help save the life of a motorist, someone stole his jacket, which he had taken off before plunging into the pond. It contained \$370, money from his last unemployment check.

El-Masri said he was upset at losing the money, but was even more troubled because bystanders were so reluctant to help him rescue the motorist. He said he had to threaten some bystanders into lending a hand.

The experience caused him to question the generosity of others, he said. But after news accounts of his rescue appeared, those questions were answered.

"Now I know there are people out there who will help," he said.

The publicity he has received has helped him set up six job interviews on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday.

"I'm going to be pretty busy this week," he said.

Sales

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Monday: Orange juice, stuffed peppers with tomato sauce, rice, waxed beans, rye bread, lemon pudding. Tuesday: Closed for New Year's day. Wednesday: Corn chowder, fish, mashed potatoes, broccoli and cauliflower, white bread, applesauce with raisins. Thursday: Pineapple juice, turkey ala king, buttered noodles, diced carrots, pumpkinseed bread, sliced pears. Friday: Apple juice, roast pork loin with broth, chived mashed potatoes, french style green beans, dinner roll, ice cream.

Meals on Wheels

The hot noon meal is listed first and the cool evening meal, second. Monday: Boneless pork loin with gravy, baked potato, squash. Chicken sandwich, fruit, milk. Tuesday: New Year's Day, no meals delivered. Wednesday: Shells with meat sauce, wax beans, peas; Turkey sandwich, fruit, milk. Thursday: Baked meatloaf, whipped potato, carrots. Chicken salad sandwich, fruit, milk. Friday: Baked haddock, whipped potato, spinach. Tuna salad sandwich, fruit, milk.

Manchester High School

Monday & Tuesday: Closed. Wednesday: Footing hot dog on roll, baked beans, tomato soup, fruit, milk. Thursday: Beefburger or cheeseburger on roll, corn niblets, fruit, milk. Friday: Pasta with meat sauce, Italian bread, tossed salad, fruit, milk.

Manchester junior highs

Monday & Tuesday: Schools closed. Wednesday: Hot dog on roll, baked beans, tomato soup, or salad bar, fruit, milk. Thursday: Beefburger or cheeseburger on roll, corn niblets, or salad bar, fruit, milk. Friday: Pasta with meat sauce, Italian bread, tossed salad, or deli bar, fruit, milk.

Manchester elementary schools

Monday & Tuesday: Schools closed. Wednesday: Hot dog on roll, tomato soup, baked beans, choice of fruit, milk. Thursday: Beefburger or cheeseburger on roll, corn niblets, fruit, dessert, dairy, milk. Friday: Pasta with meat sauce, Italian bread, tossed salad, fruit, milk.

Coventry High School

Monday & Tuesday: School closed. Wednesday: School-baked pizza, green beans, fruit. Thursday: Chicken nuggets with dip, potato puffs, school baked roll, assorted fruit. Friday: Cheeseburger, onion rings, assorted fruit.

Hale, Robertson, Grammar

Monday & Tuesday: Schools closed. Wednesday: Chicken nuggets with dip, whipped potato, choice of vegetable, school-baked roll, gelatin with topping. Thursday: Cheeseburger on a bun, corn niblets, sliced peaches. Friday: School-baked pizza, tossed garden salad, assorted fruit.

Bolton Elementary-Center

Monday & Tuesday: Closed for holidays. Wednesday: Chef salad, ham, cheese and turkey, baked pretzel, cookie and applesauce. Thursday: Orange juice, taco with shredded lettuce and tomato, barbecued rice, corn, cake with topping. Friday: Peppercorn pizza, tossed salad, dressing, fruited gelatin with topping.

Andover-Hebron schools

Monday & Tuesday: Closed for holidays. Wednesday: Cheese pizza, green beans, peas. Thursday: Rib ticklers, mashed potatoes, peas, rolls, pudding with topping. Friday: Hot dogs, hash browns, corn, spice cake.

Din disturbs HRC agency

By RICK SANTOS
Manchester Herald

MANCHESTER — What would happen if the mayor showed up at the next meeting of the town's Board of Directors only to find a soda machine occupying the corner of the hearing room in the Lincoln Center?

Or, what if the school superintendent found a refrigerator in the meeting room used by the Board of Education?

Such machines plus an air conditioner and a vending-style coffee machine do occupy the meeting room used by the Human Relations Commission. The room, aptly named the coffee room because it is, is in the basement of the Municipal Building.

It's not the unglamoriness of the appliances — although they aren't quite Queen Anne-style furniture — but rather the ungainly noise they produce that has struck the auditory nerves of some members of the commission.

"The noise makes it difficult to hear people," commission member Kathryn Dimlow said during a meeting Tuesday night.

Even before the discussion on finding a new room began, commission Chairman Jonathan Mercier abruptly got up from his chair, sauntered over to the loud air conditioner, and summarily yanked the plug.

Maybe the action, which yielded a sigh of relief from most in attendance, was an attempt to dramatize his own feelings, which he later enunciated.

"It's not so much the time of the meetings," he said to commission member Joseph Sweney, who questioned the plan to change the days on which the commission meets. "It's the location."

And after a quick sampling of the members, his thoughts proved correct.

The commission reached a tentative consensus not to change the night meetings. Instead, they asked the town's acting personnel officer, Nancy Simmonds, to see if other rooms in town buildings are available on the third Tuesday of each month.

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Menus

The following lunches will be served the week of Dec. 31-Jan. 4:

Westhill and Mayfair Gardens

Monday: Orange juice, stuffed peppers with tomato sauce, rice, waxed beans, rye bread, lemon pudding. Tuesday: Closed for New Year's day. Wednesday: Corn chowder, fish, mashed potatoes, broccoli and cauliflower, white bread, applesauce with raisins. Thursday: Pineapple juice, turkey ala king, buttered noodles, diced carrots, pumpkinseed bread, sliced pears. Friday: Apple juice, roast pork loin with broth, chived mashed potatoes, french style green beans, dinner roll, ice cream.

MACC seasonal sharing falls \$7k short of goal

By BRIAN M. TROTTER
Manchester Herald

MANCHESTER — The region's tough economic climate has caused fundraising efforts by the Manchester Area Conference of Churches to fall far short of its goal.

MACC Executive Director Nancy Carr said Monday that donations totaled about \$7,000 below their goal of \$32,000. The cause of the decline in donations is the belt tightening that has been going on since the economy went into a slump.

"Our major givers are not people with a lot of money," Carr said. "They are moderate income families who share out of what little they have."

Carr said she holds some hope that they might get a bit closer to their seasonal goal but she doubts that a flurry of late donations will come in to put them over the top.

"We're really down to the wire," Carr said. "But surely there's not \$10,000 worth of checks in the mail."

Carr said the shortage could cause problems for some of MACC's programs. For example, some of the money from the seasonal sharing campaign is used to support a rent assistance program. Carr expects many programs to run out by the end of the month.

"We're spending more than we ever have," she said. "I don't know how were going to make it."

On the brighter side, Carr said that there were enough toys and food donated this year to ensure that every family in need received something this Christmas. There had been some concern about there not being enough toys to go around, but an eleven-hour rush of donations saved the day.

"There was not an excess, but there was enough," she said.

Also, \$10,000 in vouchers have been distributed to area families with special needs. The vouchers are good for purchases at several department and second-hand stores in the Manchester Area.

Local briefs

Prague fighting already

HARTFORD — Edith Prague, who is soon take over as the state's Commissioner of Aging, has said she will oppose a recommendation that the state's CONNFACE and Home Care programs be eliminated.

"I will fight to preserve these programs," she said.

The Thomas Commission, which studied the operations of state government, recommended elimination of the programs.

Prague, a Columbia Democrat, will take on her new duties as part of the administration of Gov.-elect Lowell Weicker. She said she plans to meet with Weicker after the Christmas holiday to determine objectives.

One of them is to start a state information phone line on Medicare.

Prague resigned as state representative from the 8th Assembly District to take the commissioner's post.

Coventry Democrat Dorothy Grady will face Columbia Democrat Robert Bogue in a Jan. 29 election to fill the post.

— JACQUELINE BENNETT

Town hall drug policy

COVENTRY — In compliance with the 1988 Federal Drug Free Work Place act, the town manager has adopted a drug free workplace policy for town employees.

Efforts to continue to receive federal funds we must comply," Town Manager John Elieser told the Town Council at a recent meeting. Elieser said he did not consult the council about the policy because it was within his "administrative powers" to make the decision.

The policy prohibits manufacture, distribution, dispensing, possession or use of unlawful drugs at "all work stations, town sites, in town vehicles, town facilities, and by town employees at all times while acting in their capacity as employees."

Punishment for violation could be immediate dismissal or a requirement to complete a drug abuse assistance or rehabilitation program.

Elieser noted the town offers an employee assistance program to help employees overcome drug and alcohol abuse or personal problems that may adversely affect their job performance.

An employee must notify a superior of any criminal drug statute conviction or violation at the workplace within five days of conviction.

In turn, in compliance with the federal act, the town must notify federal grant giving agencies of the conviction.

The policy is similar to one approved by the Board of Education.

— JACQUELINE BENNETT

Recycling regs adopted

COVENTRY — Officials are reminding residents that in compliance with a state mandate for towns to recycle starting Jan. 1, the town has adopted recycling regulations.

Residents must separate glass, paper, metal and cardboard. Residents have two options. One is to contract for curbside pick-up of recyclables. The other is to bring items to the town landfill themselves.

Curbside recycling is available to town residents from Reliable Recycling, (282-8282). Residential charge is \$3 per month. It is not required to have curbside pick-up of non-recyclable trash.

More detailed information is available from Dom Romarino, town engineer and recycling coordinator (742-6407); Roger Belland, highway superintendent (742-6585) or John Elieser, town manager (742-6324).

— JACQUELINE BENNETT

Town gets Christmas present

COVENTRY — What could a town get from Santa to boost its holiday spirit unmeasurably? Additional state reimbursements, maybe. But town officials say Coventry got an even better Christmas present than that, a 40-page feature on "Historic Coventry" in a prominent magazine.

"Phones have been ringing off the hook," said Rose Fowler, a former councilwoman and former chair of the town's Economic Development Commission.

Fowler and her husband, Joseph, are now innkeepers at their Wall Street home, which they turned into a bed and breakfast, inn and Fowler says what better boost to local tourism could a town get than a magazine story.

The feature is in the February issue of Colonial Homes. It includes lavish photos on the Nathan Hale Homestead, Captain's Herb Farm, other historic sites and private homes of the Colonial era that have period furnishings.

— JACQUELINE BENNETT

Student Council regroup

COVENTRY — A representative of the Coventry High School Student Council says the group wants to breathe new life into the student government by focusing its efforts on contemporary social concerns.

Sophomore Sean Henley, a Student Council representative, told the Board of Education at a recent meeting at the high school that this year's officers are "excited about changes."

Henley said last year there was a lack of cooperation but there is determination this year to rejuvenate the council. Henley said the council plans to do that by scheduling activities to spark interest and involvement of the entire student body. It is hoped focusing on social issues and concerns may do the trick.

For example, Henley noted, the council will hold a "Hunger Project" Dinner on Jan. 11. Proceeds will go to an international organization dedicated to "trying to end chronic sponsoring the second Annual Senior Citizen Dinner — a semi-formal event for students and senior citizens."

The council is also organizing a letters and gifts campaign for U.S. troops in the Persian Gulf.

"We are trying to increase our visibility and be more open," Henley said.

Board Chairman Patrick Flaherty noted the council is picking up on an admirable tradition at the school of social consciousness, including past blood donation drives and recycling that students initiated at the school.

— JACQUELINE BENNETT



CONTEST WINNER — Lindsay Williams of Manchester won first prize for her age group recently in a contest sponsored by Aetna Life & Casualty Insurance Co. to increase awareness of Connecticut's new mandatory recycling law. The contest tied the corporate recycling program to local town and regional recycling efforts beginning Jan. 1, 1991. Children of Aetna employees designed posters illustrating the theme, "Recycling at Work and Play."

All-day kindergarten just wishful thinking

By SCOTT B. BREDE
Manchester Herald

MANCHESTER — Despite citing the advantages of a full-day kindergarten class, teachers and school administrators say that such a program is out of the question for at least a couple years in the space-crunched Manchester public school system.

"It's not enough time in two-and-a-half hours to do everything that you would like to do," said Daryl Morrison, a kindergarten teacher at Highland Park Elementary School.

On the other hand, Morrison said, lengthening kindergarten classes now is simply not possible with the space problem in the elementary schools and the existing budget constraints.

But if such a program were possible, the kindergarten teacher added, the extra hours would do more than just allow kindergarten students to finger paint longer.

"It would provide more consistent care" for the children, Morrison said, noting that many students now come from homes where both parents work.

"Parents would not have to be shipping their children out to a day care for the other half of the day," she said.

A longer kindergarten class would help children better adjust to being away from their parents and get ready for first grade, Morrison said, but she said she would not favor the extra hours to be used for earlier academic advancement.

"It should not be first grade shoved down into a kindergarten," she said.

Assistant School Superintendent Alan Chesterton said the biggest advantage of a full-day kindergarten program is to help those students who are lacking in language skills.

With the advent of working mothers, Chesterton said, many children are not learning the necessary language skills simply because their parents are spending less time talking to them.

A full-day kindergarten class for the Manchester public school system has been discussed before, the school administrator said, but because most parents are aware of the current space problems, the topic has not come up recently.

Chesterton said that lengthening kindergarten classes cannot be implemented until the addition to Manchester High School is complete and the sixth-graders are moved up into the middle schools — and even then, budgetary problems may still hamper such a program.

"People have got to be willing to pay for it," he said, adding that he would expect such a program to receive heavy support from parents.

Chesterton noted that, in recent years, there has been a push for educational programs for younger children.

There are about 125 four-year-olds enrolled in the Headstart program in Manchester. Headstart is a program tuned to low-income or disadvantaged youths to socialize them toward being ready for school.

In September of 1991, St. James School will be adding a full-day kindergarten class to its curriculum.

Bolton gets insurance rebate

By DAVID LAMMEY
Manchester Herald

BOLTON — The good news that was expected from the town's Blue Cross & Blue Shield budget just got better.

Not only will the health insurance rates for the 1991-92 fiscal year remain at present levels, but the town received a rebate of \$50,000.

The rebate was much larger than anticipated, said First Selectman Robert Morris. "It should help us offset town budget shortfalls due to the increase in fuel costs."

The rebate was announced last week. According to Morris, it will "go back into the general fund."

Morris added that the town's next year's bill (Fiscal 1992-93) will be good, too, because the town has not increased the number of claims.

The Board of Finance, which meets Jan. 4, will eventually decide which portions of the town budget will directly benefit from the rebate.

The report came in the wake of a fire that had started one night last fall in the K-4 building. If the fire had not extinguished itself, it could have raged out of control since there is no detection system now installed, according to Superintendent Richard Packman.

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Senior exercise classes

Water Aerobics for Seniors will be held at the IOH pool at Manchester High School on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 9:15-10:15 a.m. starting Jan. 15 through Feb. 21, 1991. Class size is limited, so please register by calling the Manchester Health Department at 647-3174. Exercise class for Seniors will begin on Jan. 14, 1991. Classes will be held Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays from 2-3 p.m. at the Senior Center, 545 E. Middle Turnpike. To register, please call the Health Department at 647-3174.

Manchester Symphony Choral

The Manchester Symphony Choral invites singers to join its current members for an April 6th performance of Mozart's "Requiem." Rehearsals begin Jan. 7 on Monday evenings from 7:30-10 p.m. at Manchester High School. For more information, call Betsy Henderson at 659-8260.

New Year's square dance

Come celebrate your New Year's eve with the Manchester Square Dance club on Monday, Dec. 31, at Hilling Junior High School, 229 E. Middle Turnpike. A delicious hot and cold buffet will be served from 8:30-9:30 p.m. The dance will be held from 9:30 p.m. to 12:30 a.m. A dinner/dance ticket will be \$30 per couple, and a dance ticket only will be \$12 per couple. For more information, call 643-9375 or 643-1005.

North East Promotions Inc.

The state's largest camping show is in its ninth year and will be held Jan. 11 to the 13 at the Hartford Civic Center. Families can take advantage of a great selection of motorhomes, travel trailers, campers, conversion vans, and pop-ups. Camping and vacation information centers, accessories and educational displays are also part of the three-day event that gathers over 70,000 square feet of vehicles and information under one roof for the convenience of spectators. For more information, call 529-2123.

College Notes

Inducted into Phi Beta Kappa

Eric C. Griffith, son of Mrs. Eva Griffith and the late David Griffith of Manchester, was inducted into Phi Beta Kappa, high honors society, recently at Trinity College, Hartford.

The ceremony took place at Smith House at Trinity. Griffith is a 1987 graduate of East Catholic High School with distinction and high honors. He is a senior at Trinity and plans to enter law school after graduation.

Named President's Fellow

Eric Griffith, son of Mrs. Eva Griffith of 34 Crestwood Drive, Manchester, has been selected by the Trinity College faculty as the President's Fellow in economics for the 1990-91 academic year.

Griffith participated in Community Outreach, a student volunteer organization for three of his years at Trinity, acting as a tutor in his junior year. He has also been a member of the Newman Club, a Catholic organization on campus, for three years.

Griffith has received faculty honors for academic achievement several times while at the college. He is a 1987 graduate of East Catholic High School.

Public Meetings

The following meetings are scheduled for Thursday, Dec. 27.

COVENTRY
Thursday
Board of Education, Coventry High School, 7:30 p.m.
Town meeting concerning Interlocal agreement with Bolton, Town Office Building, 7:30 p.m.

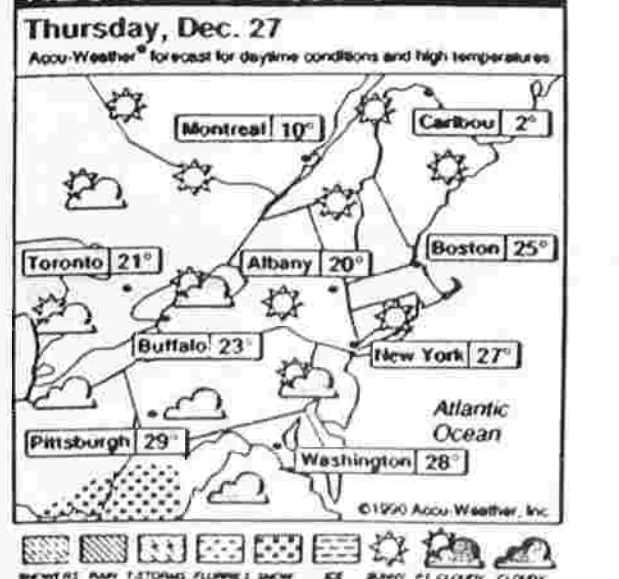
Lottery

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

Connecticut
There were no drawings Tuesday in the Connecticut State Lottery.
Daily: 9-5-2-3
Massachusetts
Northern New England
Pick Three: 3-4-3. Pick Four: 1-9-7-1
Rhode Island
Daily: 5-1-8-8. Lot-O-Bucks: 3-11-35-38-39

Weather

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Obituaries

Anna F. Sheehan Schatz

Anna F. Sheehan Schatz, 104, of Wheeling Road, Andover, died Tuesday, Dec. 25, at the New York City, the daughter of the late William and Margaret (Gavin) Ryan and resided in Andover since 1936. She was Andover's oldest resident and was a communicant of St. Columba Church, Columbia. She was the widow of both Dennis Sheehan and Frank Schatz.

She is survived by two sons, Edward Sheehan and Lawrence Sheehan, both of Andover; a daughter, Dorothy Anderson of Colorado Springs, Colo.; 16 grandchildren; 22 great-grandchildren; two great-great-grandchildren and two great-great-great-grandchildren. Funeral mass will follow in the Townsend Cemetery, Andover. There are no calling hours. Burial, West Hartford, Connecticut, at the funeral home, Willimantic, has charge of arrangements.

Johanna Rapp Derrick

Johanna Rapp Derrick, 86, of East Hartford, wife of George S. Derrick, mother of Douglas A. Rapp of Hebron, died Monday, Dec. 24, at Manchester Memorial Hospital. Born in New York City, she had lived in East Hartford for the past 60 years.

She is survived by a daughter; two sisters; two stepdaughters; a grandson; six stepgrandchildren; two great-grandchildren; and eight stepgreat-grandchildren. She was predeceased by a stepson.

Private graveside service will be in Pine Grove Cemetery, Middletown, there are no calling hours. The Glanbury Funeral Home has charge of arrangements.

Freda L. (Langer) Wagner

Freda L. (Langer) Wagner, 82, of Rockville, mother of Theodore C. Wagner of Manchester, sister of Edward Langer of Bolton, grandmother of Kurt Wagner of Manchester, died Monday, Dec. 24, at the Manchester Memorial Hospital. She was the widow of Theodore A. Wagner. She was born in Stors, May 18, 1908, and had been a resident of Rockville for 55 years. Before retirement, she had been employed by First National Stores in Manchester and Vernon. She was a member of St. James Church in Manchester.

She is survived by a sister; three grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren. Funeral service will be Friday, 8:15 a.m., at the Holmes Funeral Home, 400 Main St., Manchester, with a mass of Christian burial at 9 a.m.

Deaths Elsewhere

Mayor

XENIA, Ohio (AP) — James T. Henry, a former city commission president and Ohio's third black mayor, died Monday at age 80. Henry was first elected to the City Commission in 1952 and chosen as commission president in 1963.

He became the state's third black mayor — after Robert Henry of Springfield and Carl Stokes of Cleveland — when Xenia city commissioners elected him in 1969. Henry also was a retired chairman of the earth science department at Central State University.

Navigator

SCRANTON, Pa. (AP) — William F. O'Hara, who survived 83 days on an ice cap in Greenland after a bomber crashed during World War II, died Monday at Mercy hospital at age 82.

Ambassador
JUPITER, Fla. (AP) — Foy David Kohler, a career diplomat

Christian burial at 11 a.m. in St. Lawrence O'Toole Church, Hartford. Interment will be in Oakley Hill Cemetery, Hartford. Friends may call at the funeral home on Thursday from 2 to 4 p.m. and 7 to 9 p.m.

Francis B. Cole Sr.

Francis B. Cole Sr., 81, of West Hartford, husband of Trudy Lewis Cole, brother of Carrie Gleason of Manchester, died Saturday, Dec. 24, at St. Francis Medical Center. Born in Hartford, he had lived in the Hartford area for most of his life. He is survived by three sons; three daughters; four other sisters; 21 grandchildren; and 36 great-grandchildren.

Funeral service will be Thursday from the Sheehan-Hilborn-Breen Funeral Home, 1084 New Britain Ave., West Hartford, with a mass of Christian burial, St. Peter Claver Church, at a time to be announced. Burial will be in Fairview Cemetery, West Hartford. Calling hours will be in St. Edward Cemetery, calling hours are Thursday, 7 to 9 p.m. Memorial donations may be made to State Police Alumni Educational Foundation, 294 Colony St., Meriden 06450, or American Cancer Society, 243 E. Center St., Manchester 06040.

Edward M. Smith

Edward M. Smith, 77, of Vernon, formerly of Manchester, died Monday, Dec. 24, at the Manchester Memorial Hospital. He was the husband of Evelyn (Rieg) Smith. He was born in Seymour Aug. 24, 1913, and had been a resident of Vernon for 35 years. He was a veteran of World War II, serving in the U.S. Army, and prior to retirement was employed as a lead man for Pratt & Whitney at the East Hartford plant.

He is survived by a son and daughter-in-law; another daughter and son-in-law; two brothers; four sisters; five grandchildren; and many nieces and nephews. Funeral service will be Thursday, 11 a.m., at the Masonic Home Memorial Park, Rocky Hill, gifts, in his memory, may be made to the Masonic Charity foundation, P.O. Box 70, Wallingford 06492. The B.C. Bailey Funeral Home, 273 S. Elm St., Manchester, has charge of arrangements.

Armand Langevin

Armand Langevin, 72, of West Hartford, husband of Margaret (Ledwith) Langevin, father of Margaret M. Langevin of Manchester, died Monday, Dec. 24, at his home. He was born in Notre Dame du Rosaire, P.O. Canada, and had lived in the greater Hartford area for over 50 years. He is survived by a son and daughter-in-law; another daughter and son-in-law; two brothers; four sisters; five grandchildren; and many nieces and nephews. Funeral services will be Friday, 11 a.m., at the Holmes Funeral Home, 400 Main St., Manchester, and burial will be in the veterans' section of the East Cemetery, with full military honors. Friends may call the funeral home Thursday, 7 to 9 p.m. Memorial contributions may be made to the Second Congregational Church, 385 North Main St., Manchester, or to the Manchester Memorial Hospital Intensive and Specialty Care Unit, 71 Haynes St., Manchester.

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Today In History

Today is Wednesday, Dec. 26, the 360th day of 1990. There are five days left in the year.

Today's Birthdays:
Actor Richard Widmark is 69. Comedian Alan King is 63. Record producer Phil Spector is 50. Actress Jane Lapourie is 46. Baseball catcher Carlton Fisk is 43. Former baseball player Chris Chambliss is 42.

Today's Highlight in History:
On Dec. 26, 1776, the Battle of Trenton was fought during the Revolutionary War. Gen. George Washington's troops captured 1,000 Hessian soldiers in a major defeat for the British.

On this date:
In 1799, the late George Washington was eulogized by Col. Henry Lee as "first in war, first in peace and first in the hearts of his countrymen."
In 1865, James H. Nason of Franklin, Mass., received a patent for a coffee percolator.

In 1893, the future leader of China, Mao Tse-tung, was born in Hunan province.

In 1917, during World War I, the U.S. government took over operation of the nation's railroads.

In 1931, the Pulitzer Prize-winning musical "Of Thee I Sing" opened on Broadway.

In 1941, Winston Churchill became the first British prime minister to address a joint meeting of the U.S. Congress, warning that the Axis would "stop at nothing."
In 1944, in the Battle of the Bulge, the embattled U.S. 101st Airborne Division, surrounded by German forces in Belgium, was relieved by units of the 4th Armored Division.

In 1947, heavy snow covered the Northeast, burying New York City under 28 inches of snow in 16 hours. That same day, Los Angeles reached a high temperature of 84 degrees.

In 1972, the 33rd president of the United States, Harry S. Truman, died in Kansas City, Mo.

In 1975, the Soviet Union inaugurated the world's first supersonic transport service with a flight of its Tupolev 144 airliner from Moscow to Alma Ata.

10 years ago:
Iranian television footage was broadcast in the United States, showing a dozen of the American hostages sending messages of encouragement to their families.

Five years ago:
Ford Motor Co. began selling its Taurus and Sable sedans and station wagons.

One year ago:
Romanian television broadcast videotape showing ousted President Nicolae Ceausescu and his wife, Elena, at their secret trial as well as footage of the former leader's body following his execution. This same day, a provisional government took control of Romania.

Thoughts
"The Gathering at the Creche" is a song that reflects not on the Biblical account of the birth of Christ, but instead upon the figures that are represented in the manger scenes that appear at Christmas-time on living-room mantles and Church lawns. The final verses lift up the wonderful variety of God's people who are symbolized in a traditional creche:

Oh, see the ones who've come to find the new-born Savior-Child!
The peasants and the royalty together kneel and smile;
The stranger and the native stand in friendship to embrace —
The glory of God's promise that was seen upon his face.

"The children and the common-folk, the ones some call the least,
And learned ones did stand beside the servants and the beasts,
And nowhere was there disrespect, no hate nor enmity;
But for this holy moment — there was perfect unity!"

In a world where so much talk centers on people's differences, how wonderful it would be — if the creche would come to life!

Charles H. Ericson, Pastor
Bolton Congregational Church UCC

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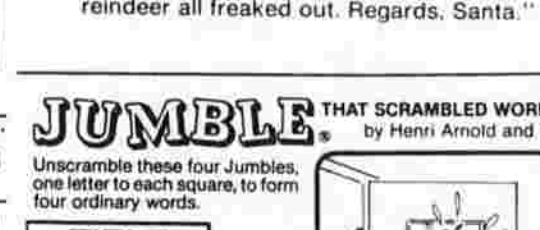
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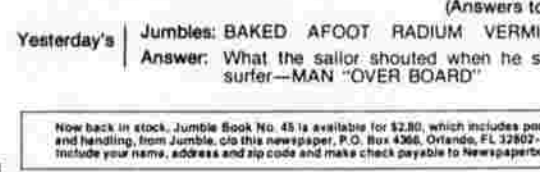
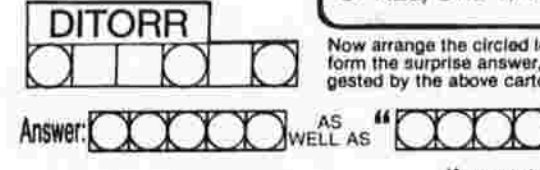
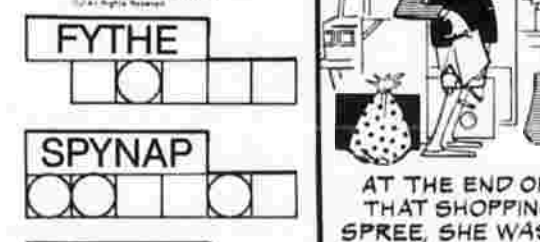
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"Take this down next year, will ya? The reindeer all freaked out. Regards, Santa."



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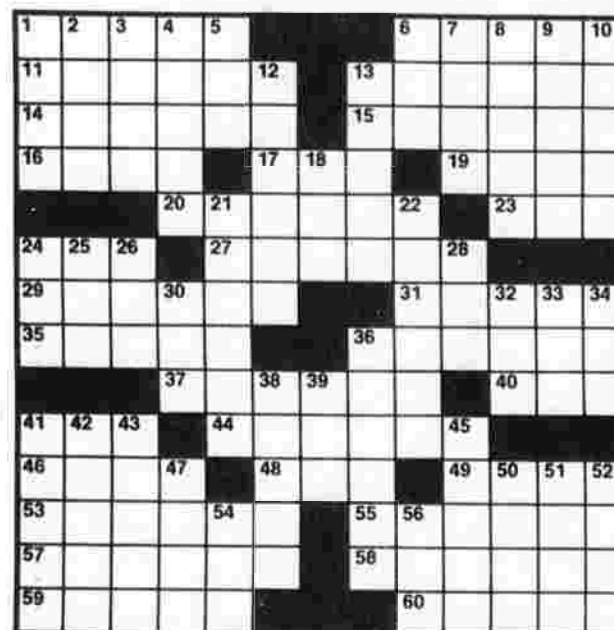
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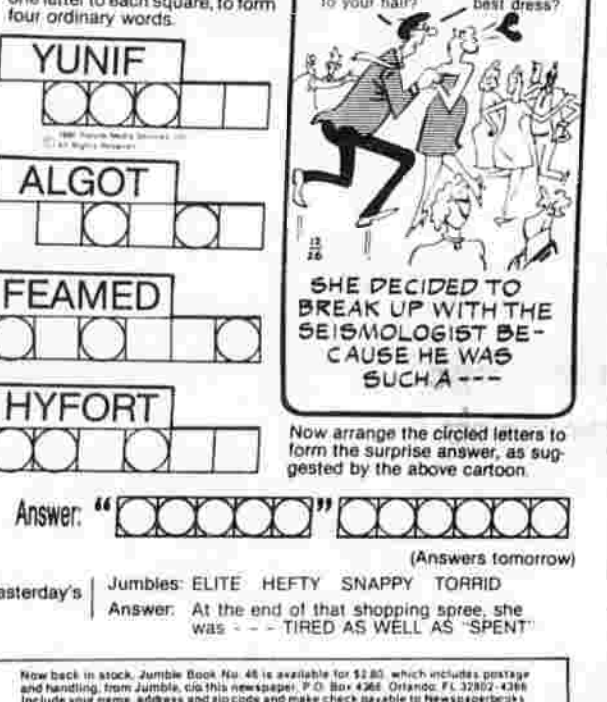


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Answer: HUNTER, TONIC, MOUNTAIN, TOWN



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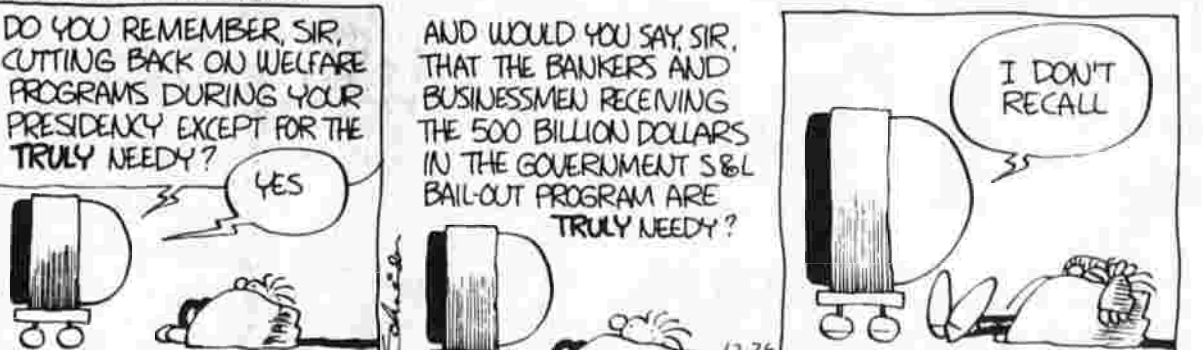
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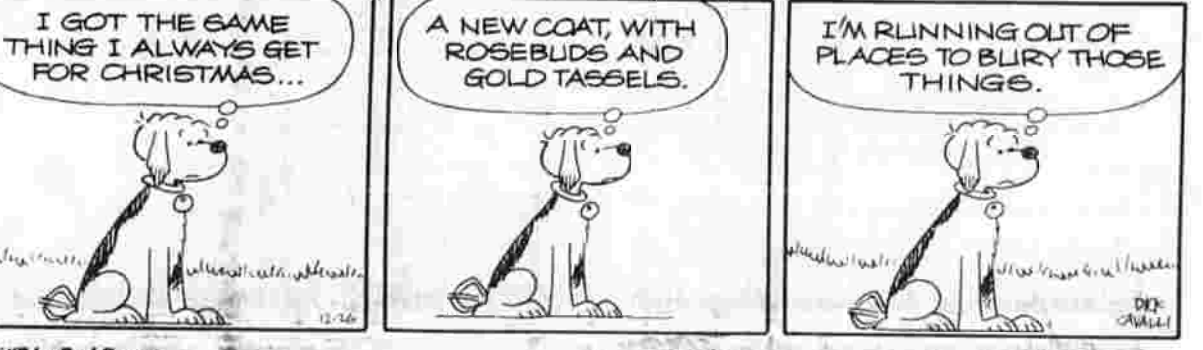
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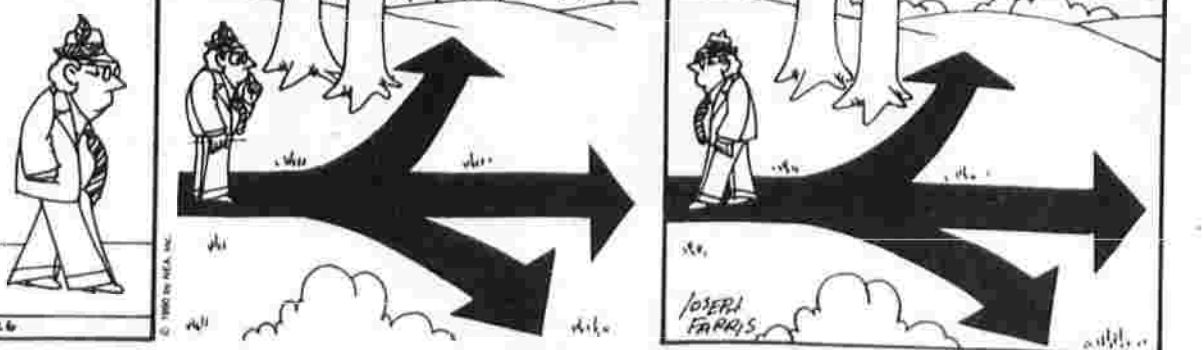
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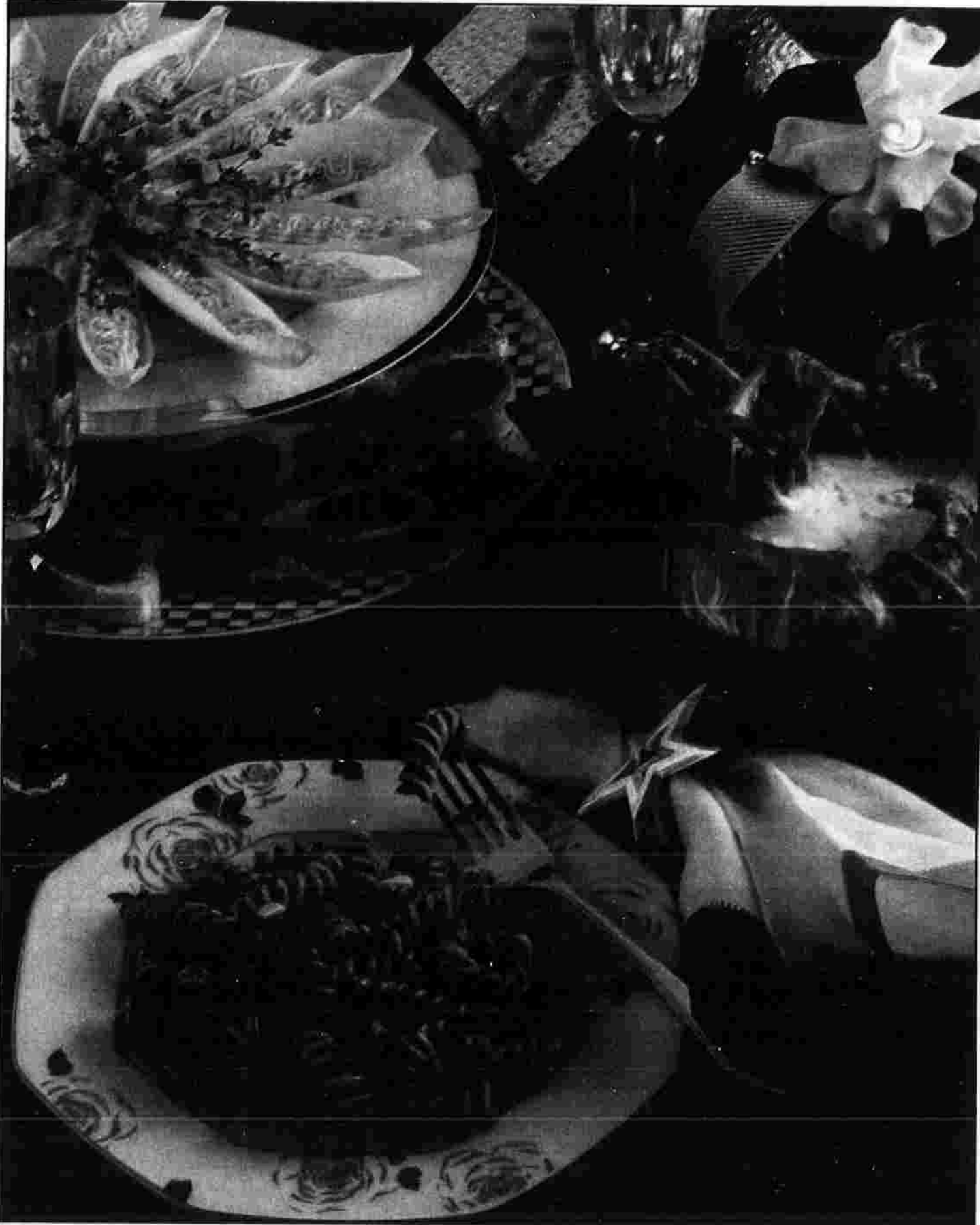


FOOD

Manchester Herald

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Healthy Holiday ENTERTAINING



There's nothing like biting into a mouthwatering, succulent cheesy appetizer to induce guilt in the health-conscious. Most people would never think of serving "diet" dishes at holiday time. But a few simple substitutions can give you the same sumptuous dishes without the same calorie count. Your guests will appreciate these delicious recipes that are much lighter than they look.

Healthy holiday entertaining is easy when you know the basics. Even hearty dishes, like our Cilantro Pasta Salad, can be low in calories and you'll need at least one substantial dish for your buffet. Balance this dish with several bite-size appetizers and some crunchy vegetables with dip.

You can prepare low-calorie versions of your favorite dips by substituting lite cream cheese, neufchatel or low-fat ricotta for more caloric cheeses. Lite cream cheese has fewer calories and less fat than neufchatel, but is not suitable for baking because of its low fat content. Lite salad dressings make an excellent base for spreads and add flavor and texture to dips.

All of these recipes can be whipped up quickly in the blender or food processor but, wherever possible, directions are given for preparing by hand with a wire whisk or fork. The spreads and the dip can be prepared in advance and refrigerated. Serve Creamy Dijon Dip in a hollowed out radichio. For preparations that are to be piped, such as Belgian Endive Spread, allow time for them to soften after refrigeration. While the spread is softening, you can prepare the Cilantro Pasta Salad.

The zesty flavors of the Italian spreads will nicely balance the more subtle flavors of the dip and the endive spread. Simply spread Sun-Dried Tomato Spread or Olivada Spread on French bread rounds. The Sun-Dried Tomato Spread must then be broiled.

These make-ahead shortcuts will leave you plenty of time to decorate, set the table and spend time on yourself. You'll find these easy recipes require little work for more flavor. So lighten up your holiday party with these entertaining party ideas.

PRETTY PARTY Ideas

- ★ Use a plastic bag as a pastry bag! Fill the bag with spread, filling or dip—then snip one corner with scissors and squeeze onto crackers or vegetables. This makes a great bag for piping without cleanup! Try this for piping cake decorations too.
- ★ Add punch to your party with a cider or tea punch. Both have fewer calories than alcohol and add a unique holiday touch. For an extra touch, pour tea into an ice cube tray. Add one berry to each cube of the tray. These "tea cubes" will add flavor to your punch as they melt and they look beautiful!

- SUN-DRIED TOMATO Spread**
 8 sun-dried tomato halves, (dry-packed)
 2 tablespoons water
 1/4 cup Wish-Bone Lite Olive Oil Classics Vinaigrette Dressing
 1 medium clove garlic
 1 medium clove shallot*
 1/4 teaspoon crushed fennel seeds (optional)
 In small microwave-safe bowl, microwave sun-dried tomatoes with water, covered, at HIGH (Full Power) 1 minute; drain. In food processor or blender, process tomatoes, lite olive oil vinaigrette dressing, garlic, shallot and fennel seeds 10 seconds or until mixture is coarsely blended, scraping sides twice. Thinly spread on sliced French or Italian bread; broil until bread is toasted.
 *Makes about 1 1/2 cups spread.
 *Substitution: Use 1 tablespoon chopped onion.
 CALORIES: 150
 FAT: 4g.
- CREAMY DIJON Dip**
 1/3 cup Wish-Bone Lite Classic Dijon Vinaigrette Dressing
 1 package (8 oz.) cream cheese, softened or 1 tub (8 oz.) lite cream cheese
 1 tablespoon horseradish
 1 medium green onion, sliced
 Suggested Dippers*
 In medium bowl, with wire whisk or fork, thoroughly blend lite classic Dijon vinaigrette dressing, cream cheese and horseradish until smooth. Stir in green onion; chill. Serve with Suggested Dippers.*
 *Makes about 1 cup dip.
 *Suggested Dippers: Use cooked and chilled shrimp, crab claws or lobster. Also great with imitation crabmeat, assorted crackers or fresh vegetables.
 CALORIES: 680
 FAT: 61g.
- CILANTRO PASTA Salad**
 8 ounces uncooked rotelle pasta (dry-packed)
 2/3 cup loosely packed fresh cilantro (coriander)
 2/3 cup loosely packed parsley
 1/2 cup Wish-Bone Lite Olive Oil Classics Vinaigrette Dressing
 2 tablespoons pignoli (pine) nuts or chopped walnuts
 2 tablespoons grated Parmesan cheese
 Cook pasta according to package directions; drain and rinse with cold water until completely cool.
 In blender or food processor, process cilantro, parsley, lite olive oil vinaigrette dressing and nuts until smooth. Stir in cheese. Toss with pasta. Garnish, if desired, with additional nuts.
 *Makes about 4 servings.
 NOTE: Refrigerate any leftovers. Before serving, stir in additional dressing.
 CALORIES: 280 per 2oz. serving
 FAT: 7g; per 2oz. serving
- BELGIAN ENDIVE Spread**
 1 package (8 oz.) cream cheese, softened or 1 tub (8 oz.) lite cream cheese
 1/2 cup Wish-Bone Lite French-Style Dressing
 1 teaspoon thyme leaves
 Belgian endive leaves*
 In medium bowl, with wire whisk or fork, thoroughly blend all ingredients except endive until smooth. Spoon or pipe into endive leaves. Serve immediately or cover with damp paper towel and chill until ready to serve. If filling is prepared ahead, cover and chill, then let soften before serving.
 *Makes about 1-1/2 cups filling.
 *Variation: Also terrific served on cucumber, yellow squash or zucchini slices or sliced celery.
 CALORIES: 830
 FAT: 73g.
- OLIVADA Spread**
 1/4 cup Wish-Bone Lite Italian Dressing
 1 can (6 oz.) pitted ripe olives, drained
 1 medium clove garlic
 1/4 cup loosely packed parsley
 3 tablespoons grated Parmesan cheese
 In food processor or blender, process all ingredients 10 seconds or until mixture is coarsely blended. Spread on freshly toasted sliced French or Italian bread.
 *Makes about 1 cup spread.
 CALORIES: 230
 FAT: 20g.
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FOCUS

Dear Abby

Abigail Van Buren

Man's marriages are worldwide

DEAR ABBY: I have a charming Australian boyfriend (I'll call him Aussie). We've been together for four years, but we have a few knotty problems. When Aussie was about to expire, so he married her so she could stay in England. A year later, they separated, and Aussie figured he was already in such a mess, why bother with a divorce. So, he lost track of her, too.

Now 11 years after Aussie's first wife left him, she contacted his mother, saying she needs a divorce because she has met a fine Australian gentleman who wants to marry her. My Aussie is thrilled because he wants to wipe the slate clean so he can marry me!

My question is whether Aussie needs to obtain a divorce from wife No. 2 in England for our marriage to be recognized here — also, would it be recognized here in the United States?

What are the British laws on bigamy? Should Aussie go back to England and contact a lawyer? And could he be prosecuted there if he divorces his Australian wife and marries me?

DEAR CONFUSED: I have a long-standing agreement with the American Bar Association. I promised not to practice law, and they have promised not to write an advice column.

However, this advice may help: Contact a lawyer in New York who is licensed to practice international law.

DEAR ABBY: I am in a terrible spot. Debby is my best friend. She is very much in love with a fellow I'll call Richard. Debby thinks Richard loves her, too. Well, maybe he does, but yesterday Richard called me up and asked me to go out with him. I told him no.

Now, here's where you come in, Abby. Should I tell Debby that Richard asked me out? Or should I let her keep on being in love with a rat like him? Answer in the paper, please, and sign this...

DEAR YES OR NO: I vote no. If Debby really loves Richard, nothing you say will change her feelings for him. If you tell Debby that Richard asked you out, she might be angry with you. (When some people get bad news, they blame the messenger.)

Rats like Richard eventually trap themselves. And when that happens, Debby will need a good friend, and you will be there for her.

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PEOPLE

James Brown returned to center stage for the first time since he went to prison two years ago, entertaining 4,000 soldiers whose holiday leaves were canceled because of the Persian Gulf crisis. Brown sang "God Bless America" to close the show at Fort Jackson, which was his first performance since going to prison.

He was on a 72-hour Christmas furlough until today.

Brown is serving a six-year sentence for aggravated assault, failure to stop for police and weapons violations stemming from a two-state, high-speed chase after which Brown tested positive for PCP use.

In April, after serving 15 months in a prison, Brown entered a work-release program where he counseled youths on drug abuse. He spends his nights at a minimum-security facility and is eligible for parole on March 8.

Francis Ford Coppola says that although "The Godfather, Part III" is barely out, people are already second-guessing him.

"When you work on a film, you work for two years and people say, 'You should have done this, or you should have done that,'" the director said during an interview broadcast Tuesday on "Entertainment Tonight."

"When you cook, it takes 20 minutes and everyone's happy," he said.

The third "Godfather" was released Christmas Day, but critics, producers and others have seen early screenings of the long-awaited film.

Coppola, 51, said that despite success for the first two "Godfather" films, the only movie and sequel to win best-picture Oscars, his recent flops added to his motivation to create a blockbuster closing chapter of the Mafia saga.

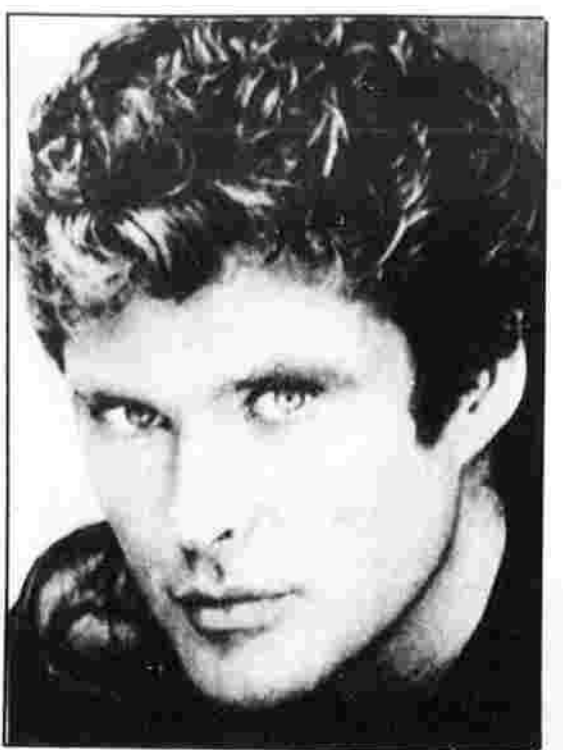
"The worst thing for Italian people is to make a bad showing," he said.

Leonard Clark, the last of six brothers who once owned the company that makes Clark bars, laments efforts to sell the brand name and possibly move the candy plant from Pittsburgh.

The for-sale announcement by Leaf Inc., which now owns the candy bar company, made Clark, 79, "sick to my stomach."

"I have a sentimental dedication that the company not go down the drain," said Clark, who lives in Santa Clarita, Calif.

Clark said he's trying to interest Pennsylvania food giants H.J. Heinz Co. and Hershey Foods Corp. in giving the Clark bar new life.



ANOTHER CHANCE — The canceled TV series "Baywatch" after the iffy drama starring David Hasselhoff that drowned in low ratings, is riding a new wave of popularity overseas and will resume production next year, its syndicator said.

The company founded in the late 1800s by Clark's father, David Lytle Clark, was a Pittsburgh landmark until Leaf Inc. of Bannockburn, Ill., moved manufacturing to suburban Pittsburgh.

The Clark brothers ran Clark from 1939, when their father died, until 1955, when it was sold to Beatrice Food Co.

George Hamilton, who hasn't had a role in a feature film since 1981, almost didn't end up in "The Godfather, Part III."

Hamilton, 51, plays a WASP lawyer who sets up a deal for the Corvone family with the Vatican Bank.

Hamilton said in the January issue of Vanity Fair that his agent at first turned down the role because he had been told it would be a cameo.

"You did what?" he recalled telling his agent. "We're talking about 'The Godfather' here."

Finally Hamilton called director Francis Ford Coppola in Italy and Coppola assured him that he still wanted the actor.

Dr. Gott

Peter Gott, M.D.

Candida infection causes vaginitis

DEAR DR. GOTT: Have you ever heard of Candida syndrome? What causes it, and what is the treatment?

DEAR READER: Candida is a yeast that causes oral infection (thrush) in infants, vaginitis in women taking antibiotics and various skin infections in diabetics and persons with deficient immune systems.

A few years ago, the concept of a yeast syndrome, called chronic candidiasis, was popularized by several non-M.D. authors who believed that it caused chronic fatigue, depression and ill health. Candidiasis became a fad illness, a designer disease that toppled hypoglycemia as the affliction of the decade. (Candidiasis has subsequently been judged out of first place by chronic Epstein-Barr virus infection.)

Candida infection does exist, but it is not a "hidden epidemic" and is not a syndrome causing fatigue and other symptoms, such as swollen glands and susceptibility to infection. Chronic fatigue syndrome is an elusive ailment of unknown cause. (Candidiasis has subsequently been judged out of first place by chronic Epstein-Barr virus infection.)

Candidiasis is diagnosed by a fungus culture, and it is treated with nystatin (Mycostatin).

DEAR DR. GOTT: I'm a 73-year-old male diagnosed with lumbar stenosis. I'm in great pain and wonder if there is any recourse other than surgery for relief?

DEAR READER: Lumbar spinal stenosis means that a portion of the bony spinal column has narrowed and is pinching a nerve to your lower back and legs. The symptoms (buttock and leg pain, numbness and tingling) resemble those of sciatica, a more common condition caused by a slipped or herniated disc between the backbones. Ordinarily, spinal stenosis and disc disease respond to rest, heat and analgesics.

However, in some patients, the narrowing is so severe that it causes weakness, such as foot drop (weakness of the foot). Such cases require surgery to repair the stenosis and release the nerves, which will function normally once the compression is removed.

Lumbar stenosis and other, similar back problems are diagnosed by MRI scans, which use electromagnetic radiation to produce a picture of the spine. Also, a myelogram (special spinal X-ray) will indicate the extent and position of the stenosis.

In my opinion, you should see a neurosurgeon. After examining and testing you, this specialist can advise you whether surgery — in preference to other non-operative treatments — is necessary or whether you can safely wait and control your symptoms as they appear. Surgery can properly be considered a last resort if pain is your only symptom and you have no signs of leg weakness.

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The restaurant, with its ancient porch and modern wide windows, is overlooking an inclined meadow surrounded by native trees. Over and above you can see the Hartford lights in the evening. Sunset, a pond, cows and emigrating geese are an usual and breathtaking, colorful scenario.

Inside you find an array of booths and table adorned with fresh flowers. One large dining room to the left and a smaller one to the right. The latter is an ideal semi-private dining area for small groups.

Authentic regional dishes from Italy, each with its own distinctive style. Fresh poultry, pork chops, lamb rack, rib steaks, veal, seafood and vegetarian delights make Vito's menu one of the most satisfying.

Vito's goal is to please any palate, so that you can feel very comfortable in choosing your meal. Every dish is prepared with care and love by a team of expert chefs. Fresh ingredients and herbs enhance every meal.

Wining at Vito's is another fun experience. You can choose from a worldwide wine selection. A fact that the Wine Spacator recognizes every year with an "Excellence Award".

Service is another fixture of Vito's. A friendly staff awaits to

make your dining comfortable and pleasant; Vito's is dedicated to serve you with love.

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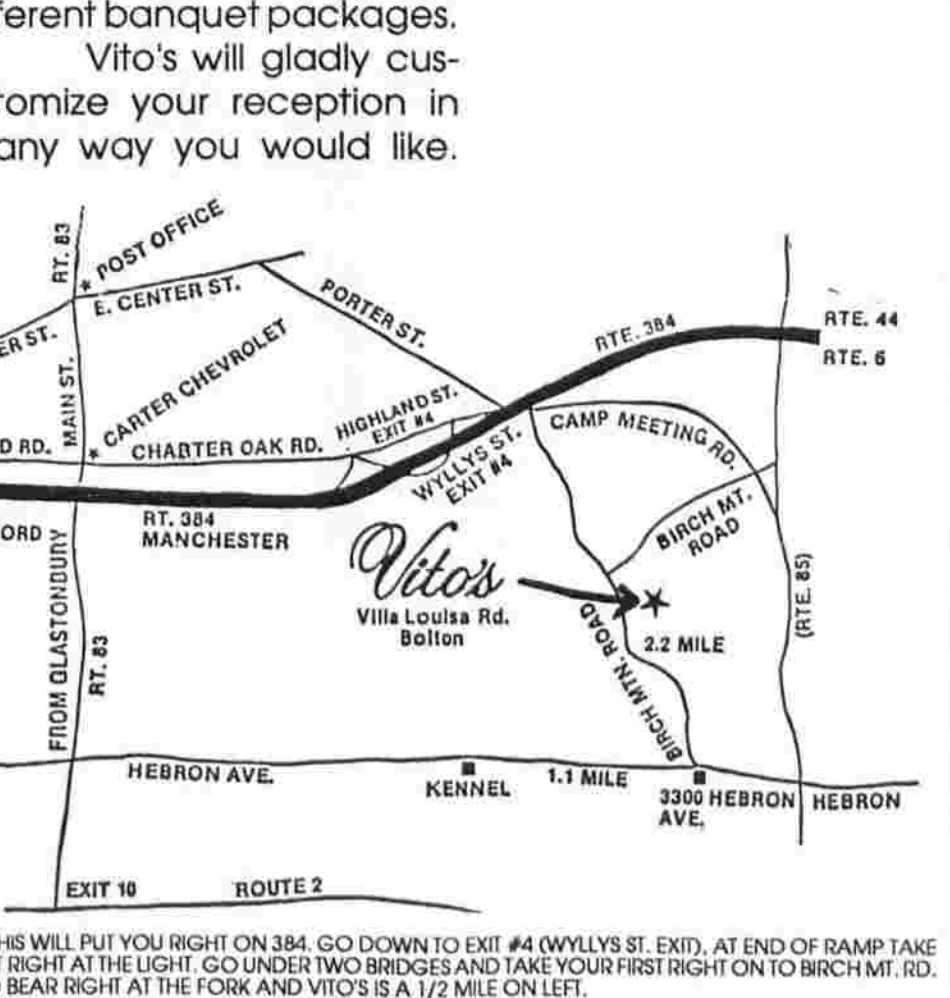
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BUSINESS

VapoRub: 100 years in blue jar

By LARRY ROSENTHAL
The Associated Press

SHULTON — One hundred years after pharmacist Lewis and Richardson first mixed up a batch of their Magic Croup Salve, the concoction in the distinctive blue jar is still unclogging millions of stuffed noses with its unmistakable vapors.

Vicks VapoRub, one of America's most enduring cold remedies, remains virtually unchanged since the day Richardson combined menthol, camphor and eucalyptus in a petroleum base at his pharmacy in Greensboro, N.C.

People under the weather with colds and the flu smear the vaporizing salve on their chests, throats and under their noses.

The Richardson family used coffee pots to pour warm salve from large kettles into small jars. Vapo-Rub sales in Model T's traveled the countryside searching for customers and hanging advertisements high up on barns and trees.

Today, Vicks VapoRub is sold in more than 100 countries and manufactured at more than a dozen locations around the world, from its birthplace in North Carolina to plants in Mexico, India and Australia.

The product is also available these days in 2 ounce tubes — a response to complaints from mothers they didn't like getting the gel under their nails.

More than 1 million gallons of VapoRub are sold annually worldwide, according to Richardson-Vicks Inc.'s marketing. Nearly 4 out of 5 Americans have used the product at one time, and if every container ever sold in the United States were laid side to side, the line would wrap around the world at the equator more than two times.

That is not to say that VapoRub has entirely withstood the test of time — and the onslaught of new cold remedies.

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Bridge

Give declarer a way to go wrong
By James Jacoby

Although defending a hand properly usually involves determining when to play a spade to dummy's king, if partner's high cards are and how best to utilize them, one can sometimes know immediately that partner has nothing at all. In that event, the responsibility of the defender is to find a way to make the declarer go wrong. Place yourself in the East position in today's deal, and listen to the bidding. South plays six no-trump after jumping to two no-trump as a rebid, traditionally showing 18-20 high-card points. West leads the nine of clubs. As soon as dummy is tabled, East should calculate with little effort that West cannot hold any high cards at all. (At West, most could have the jack of diamonds.) Therefore, if declarer needs to find the 12th trick in the heart suit, a successful heart finesse will provide it. East needs to smoothly provide declarer an alternative in the play, an alternative that will fail.

So declarer won the opening lead with the ace of clubs and immediately played a spade to dummy's king. If East took the ace, whatever the subsequent defense, South would fall back on the heart finesse and make his contract. But East casually played low on the king of spades. Declarer returned to his hand and played another spade to dummy. When he went up with the queen, East's hand was face and cashed the jack and nine to set six no-trump two tricks. West gave declarer the chance to err.

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How about the Whalers playing only road games

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Season ticket refunds.

Of course, this may be just wishful thinking. But if our fortune-telling powers are correct, the Hartford Whalers shortly will announce they are cancelling the rest of their home schedule at the Civic Center.

"We don't think we're giving the fans their money's worth," Whaler general manager Eddie Johnston will say at an impromptu press conference. "And we've done a survey of the players and they agree that the Hartford fans put too much pressure on them to win. Therefore, with the best interest of the hockey club in mind, we've petitioned the National Hockey League to allow us to play the rest of our schedule this year on the road."

Hartford, which was 2-7-1 in its last 10 home dates on

Thoughts Aplenty
Len Auster

Civic Center, and with a sub-500 mark for the second consecutive year, figures to be better off without the pressure of the home fans breathing down their necks.

"Certainly, I think this is in our best interest," Whalers head coach Rick Ley will say. "We have one style of play at home and another on the road. And the road style is the one I'd like to see us play 100 percent of the time."

"I only want the best for my team," Gordon will proclaim.

The Whalers' move from the Civic Center will be unprecedented in professional sports. It, however, won't be the first time the Whalers have vacated the Civic Center. They were forced from their Hartford home in January of 1978 when the roof fell in. They moved the rest of their games across the border to Springfield, Mass., where they would remain until February 6, 1980.

"I think this is the best move for us. I'm tired of listening to Bruins and Rangers fans in my own building. I think we perform as I think we will on the road, our fans will want us back," Ley will argue.

But, thankfully, there will be no timetable for returning the Whalers to Hartford.

Len Auster is sports editor of the Manchester Herald.

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Hostetler getting the time to do the job for the Giants

BY TOM CANAVAN
The Associated Press

EAST RUTHERFORD, N.J. — Jeff Hostetler has always had plenty of time on his hands with the New York Giants. Now, he's got time to get ready to play.

Hostetler, who can count the number of starts he's made in seven years on one hand, has almost three weeks to prepare for the playoffs.

The backup quarterback bought himself an extra week by leading the Giants to victory over Phoenix Sunday to clinch a first-round playoff bid.

"The more time I have to do it, the better it will go," Hostetler said. "The timing is going to improve. I'm going to get better throwing to the right place at the right time. The more reps I get the better it's going to be."

Coach Bill Parcells agrees.

"Right now, we've got through two more additional weeks of preparation for him," Parcells said. "Now, he's got 10 more practices and a game. He's got 15 full practices with him at the helm. That should be enough."

He may not even need that much, Parcells said. Hostetler, who is subbing for the injured Phil Simms,

showed the coach a lot in the 24-21 win over the Cardinals in Phoenix. "We had second and 3 and I might have been suffering the effects."

On the Giants' second offensive play, Hostetler called an audible from the New York 33 and just missed hitting a deep throw to Mark Ingram.

"I'd seen it on the films, the look they had given us on the play," he said. "We had second and 3 and I felt it was a big opportunity. I didn't think the play we called would do anything and since we had one on one, I felt it was a chance to take a shot."

Hostetler maintains the audible was a good call.

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There will be more chances this weekend against New England and then the playoffs the weekend of Jan. 12-13, when New York will play either Chicago, Washington or Philadelphia.

Hostetler said he felt a little sore Monday, but it's a soreness he didn't mind. He said feeling great the day after not playing can be more difficult to handle.

Calhoun out of hospital; Walker is set to return

HARTFORD (AP) — University of Connecticut basketball coach Jim Calhoun, apparently a victim of the flu, was released from the hospital Friday for Christmas after undergoing two days of tests, hospital officials said.

All the medical tests proved negative, and Calhoun left St. Francis Hospital and Medical Center at 6 a.m. "He's hale and hearty," said a hospital spokesman, Pete Mobilia.

Mobilia said it appeared Calhoun had "a touch of the flu."

Calhoun went to the UConn Medical Center just after 3 a.m. Sunday after being stricken ill. He was transferred Monday to St. Francis for additional tests.

The hospitalization forced Calhoun to miss his first game in 19 seasons of college coaching. He is in his fifth season at Connecticut, after spending 14 years at Northeastern University.

Connecticut (6-1), minus its head coach, defeated Fairfield 94-70 on Sunday night. The Huskies, ranked No. 13 in the nation, meet Lafayette on Friday in the Connecticut Mutual Classic at the Hartford Civic Center.

Calhoun should be cheered at the Classic with the return of 6-7, 225-pound sophomore forward Toriano Walker. After missing the first seven games of the season because of academic problems, Walker is expected back in uniform for Friday night's game with Lafayette.

UConn has not made an official announcement concerning Walker, but the Husky forward says he has been given the OK to play after successfully completing his fall semester courses.

Walker says he expects it to be difficult to return after the layoff, but will do whatever he can to help. "I think I'm going to start off kind of slow," Walker said. "But as the games go on, I'll get into it."

Rhode Island and William & Mary meet in the Classic open Friday at 7 p.m. The tournament consolation and championship games are Saturday at 7 and 9 p.m. at the Civic Center.

Bulls apply the pressure on the slumping Pistons

By JIM LITKE
The Associated Press

CHICAGO — The alibi sounded familiar, even if the guy who got caught using it did not.

"Credit me with good, aggressive defense," Detroit coach Chuck Daly said Tuesday after Michael Jordan, celebrating the birth of his second son, scored 37 points as the Chicago Bulls held off Isaiah Thomas and the slumping Pistons 98-86.

Chicago's 100-point score in the second half. Thirty-six points just isn't enough to win in this building. They double teamed Isaiah," he added, "and we didn't adjust."

Substitute name "Michael" for "Isiah" in the alibi above and you have, almost word for word, the kind of postgame speeches Chicago coach Phil Jackson, his players and their fans have been stuck making for three seasons now.

So how happy were the Bulls to do the whipping instead of getting whipped?

"This is probably the biggest Christmas present I have ever had," the Bulls' Horace Grant said.

Still, it was hardly overstatement when he added a moment later, "It was a big present for the team, also. It helped us out psychologically."

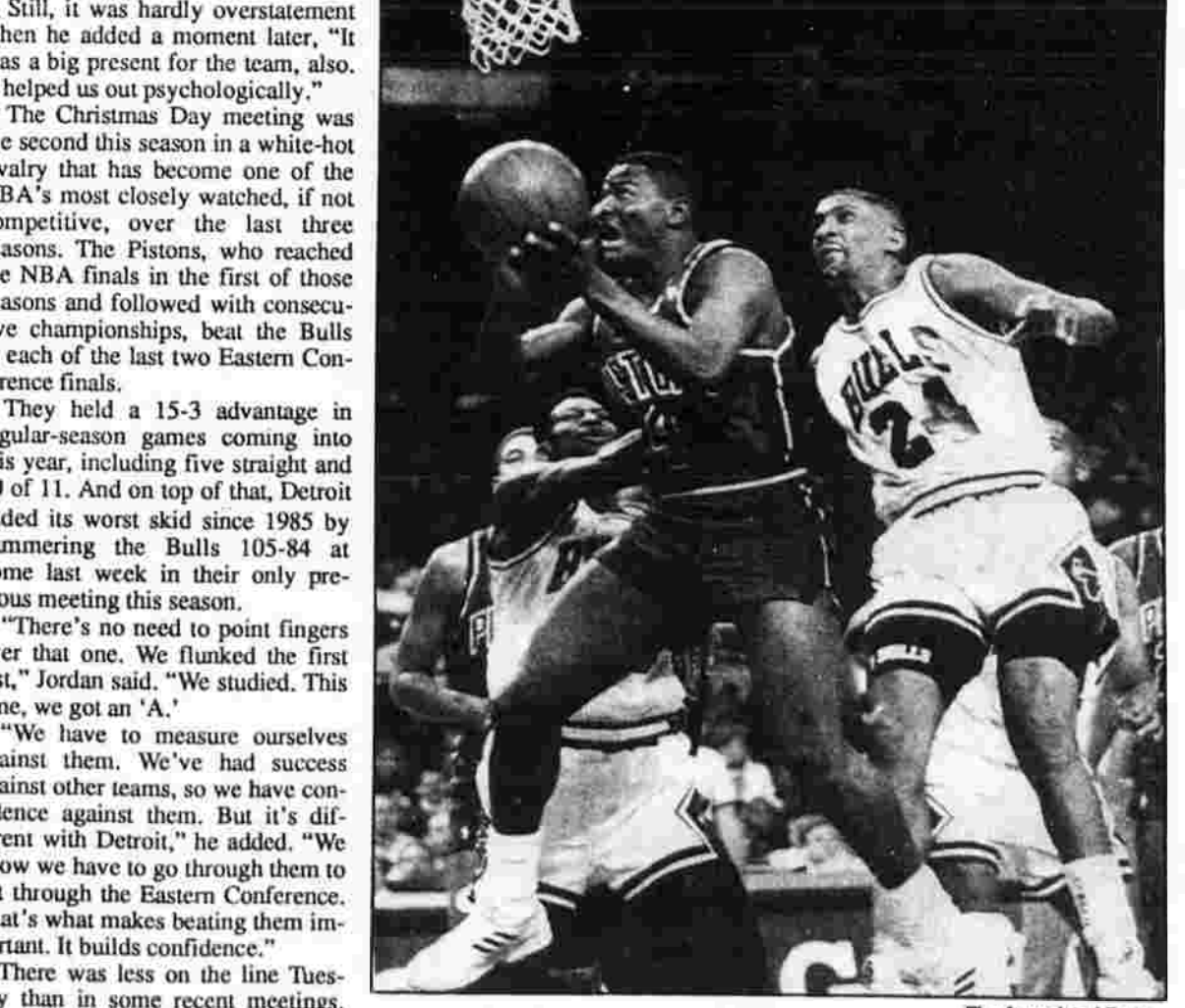
The Christmas Day meeting was the second this season in a white-hot rivalry that has become one of the NBA's most closely watched, if not competitive, over the last three seasons. The Pistons, who reached the NBA finals in the first of those seasons and followed with consecutive championship wins, beat the Bulls in each of the last two Eastern Conference finals.

They held a 15-3 advantage in regular-season games coming into 10 of 11. And on top of that, Detroit ended its worst slide since 1985 by hammering the Bulls 105-84 at home last week in their only previous meeting this season.

"There's no need to put fingers over that one. We flunked the first test," Jordan said. "We studied. This time we got an A."

"We have to measure ourselves against them. We've had success against other teams, so we have confidence against them. It's not different with Detroit," he added. "We know we have to go through them to get through the Western Conference. That's what makes beating them important. It builds confidence."

There was less on the line Tuesday than in some recent meetings. But with the Bulls seeking revenge for the embarrassing defeat last week, and the Pistons wanting a cold-shooting second half — they shot just 24 percent in the third



IN CONTROL — Detroit's Joe Dumars (4) outmuscles Chicago's Bill Cartwright (24) and Cliff Livingston as he pulls down a rebound in their game Christmas day in Chicago. The Bulls beat the Pistons, 98-86.

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Manchester athletes get all-league honors

MANCHESTER — The all-Central Connecticut Conference East Division teams for the fall seasons were announced and several Manchester High athletes drew honors.

The Manchester High girls' soccer team, which won its seventh straight CCC East title and shared the Class I championship, placed six on the all-league team. Garnering all-league honors were seniors Jen Brindisi and Kathy Cumberbatch, juniors Mary Moriarty, Patty Hornbostel and Jessica Marquez, and sophomore Sarah Fish.

The Indian boys' soccer team, which also took the CCC East championship, had five players cited. Honorees were seniors Jason Dietler, Nigel Cooper, Dwayne Gooden and Brian Wry, and sophomore midfielder Evan Milone.

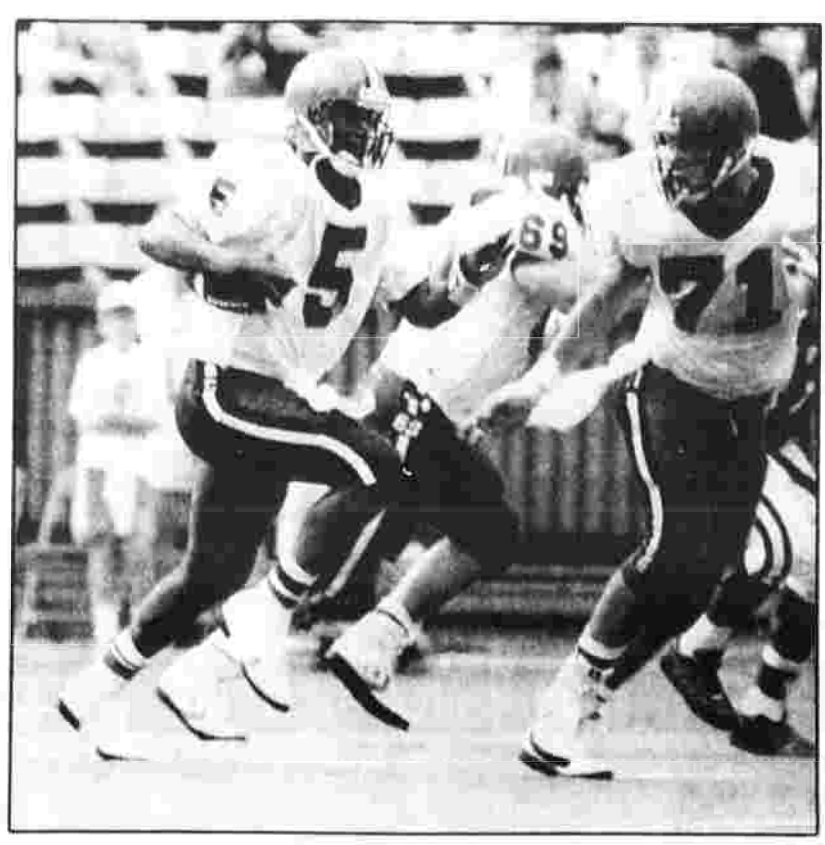
The Manchester girls' swimming team, which was a third fall team to take the CCC East championship, dominated the all-league team. Senior Katelyn Lindstrom was honored in the 200 IM end pool breaststroke; senior Kent Lindland and sophomore Erica Ringbom were honored in diving; sophomore Melissa Myers in the 50 free and 100 free; sophomore April Little in the 100 butterfly; and 100 free; sophomore Emily Lappen in the 100 butterfly; and sophomore Sandy Brindamour in the 100 backstroke.

Three Indian relays also received all-league notice with the foursome of Brindamour, Lindstrom, Lappen and Karen White in the 200 medley relay; Lappen, Little, Myers and Lindstrom in the 400 free relay; and Chris Hughes, White, Little and Myers in the 200 free relay.

Scott Herman, Dave Hoagland, Joe Moriarty and Matt Labbe were named to the all-league cross country team for the Indians. The girls' cross country team included a pair of Indian runners, Jen Tierney and Mary Ann Loto.

The football team placed three on the all-league team. Manchester was represented by offensive tackle Marcus DeFrost, defensive back Kevin Bostomley and linebacker John Rossi.

Manchester also placed two on the all-league volleyball team in Julie Smart and Becky Fiduk.



The Associated Press

BIG HOLE — Syracuse quarterback Marvin Graves (5) is all end zone in Tuesday's Aloha Bowl in Honolulu. The Orangemen registered a rarely in a bowl game as they blanked the Wildcats, 28-0.

Arizona a no-show at the Aloha Bowl

By STEVE ELLIOTT
The Associated Press

HONOLULU — The sun arrived late for the Aloha Bowl. In some ways, Arizona never did show up. On a soggy Christmas Day in Hawaii, Syracuse won 28-0 by shutting down the Wildcats' offense, mauling long drives and taking advantage of defensive lapses.

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"It's not one of the better Christmas I've had," Arizona coach Dick Toney said. "It was a terrible performance."

Syracuse kept almost constant pressure on Arizona quarterbacks Ronald Veal and George Malamaulu, sacking them four times, and the Wildcats were unable to sustain any drives.

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Sooner quartet helps Blue stave off Gray

By PAUL NEWBERRY
The Associated Press

MONTGOMERY, Ala. — Probation prevented Oklahoma from playing in a bowl game, but it didn't keep four Sooners from grabbing some postseason attention.

Scott Evans made a key interception to halt one drive and teammate Frank Blevins stopped another with a goal-line tackle as the Blue team held on for a 17-14 victory Tuesday in the 33rd annual Blue-Gray football game.

Evans, a defensive lineman at Oklahoma, was named the Blue's most valuable player, adding two sacks to his interception.

Blevins, a Sooner linebacker, stopped Houston's Steve Weatherup on fourth-and-goal at the 1 and finished with five tackles, tied for the team lead with yet another Oklahoma player, lineman Tom Backes, who also recovered a fumble.

The fourth Oklahoma defensive player, lineman James Goode, chipped in with five tackles.

"We weren't going to a bowl, so we wanted to prove ourselves," Evans said. "We wanted to show people around here that we have some players at Oklahoma. I think we did that."

The final totals for the Oklahoma contingent: 20 tackles, two quarterback sacks, an interception and a fumble recovery.

Oklahoma State's Cary Blanchard broke a 14-14 tie with a 33-yard touchdown pass to tight end Steve Weatherup on fourth quarter with a 25-yard field goal.

But the Gray's downfall was a lack of production deep in the Blue territory and a failure to capitalize on six Blue turnovers.

Five times the Gray had a first down inside the Blue 15. Only once did it come away with points.

In the first quarter, the Gray had a first-and-goal at the 7. Three plays later, Gray's quarterback, Steve Weatherup, was thrown for a 1-yard loss by Blevins on fourth down.

"We guessed that they were going to try to run up the middle," said Blevins, who weighs 225. "I was clogged up and I happened to be there... I was surprised we stopped him. He's a load."

In the fourth quarter, after rallying from a 14-0 deficit only to fall behind on Blanchard's field goal, the Gray wasted two more chances to win.

On first down from the Blue 11, a screen pass by Scott Zolak of Maryland was intercepted by Evans with 6:25 remaining. Evans saw that the play was intended for Weatherup and held back at the line of scrimmage instead of rushing.

"We'd worked on that play all week," Evans said. "I saw Weatherup and I just stopped. (Zolak) tried to throw it over my head, but I was able to jump up and catch it."

The Gray had one final chance after Oklahoma State's Gerald Hudson fumbled at the Blue 48.

Zolak appeared to throw an 8-yard touchdown pass to Phil Logan of Kentucky with less than two minutes remaining. But another receiver, Louisiana Tech's Bobby Stlaughter, was called for pass interference. The drive stalled and Georgia Tech's Kevin Scott (28) of Stanford drove over the Blue 40-yard field goal attempt with 1:38 remaining.

Weatherup was stopped on another fourth-and-goal at the 1 by North Dakota State's Phil Hansen in the third quarter.

The Blue scored on its first two possessions.

Sheldon Carter of San Jose ran 7 yards for a touchdown, capping a four-play drive that began when Blevins stripped the ball from Zolak.

"It felt really good to get another chance," Blanchard said. "I didn't have to get a yard running."

Defensive back Larry Brown of Texas Tech made it easier for him to forget his miss on an earlier 40-yard try and a punting average of just 28.8 yards.

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OVER THE TOP — The Gray squad's Chuck Weatherup (33) of Houston dives over the Blue squad's Kevin Scott (28) of Stanford during the Blue-Gray All-Star game Christmas day in Montgomery, Ala. The Blue hung on for a 17-14 win.

Air Force, for one, very happy to be in the Liberty Bowl

MEMPHIS, Tenn. (AP) — Ohio State may prefer roses, but Air Force is happy to be anywhere, especially in Memphis on Thursday night for the Liberty Bowl.

"Oh, I think Ohio State is a great team," Air Force quarterback Rob Perez said. "They're 17-point favorites, right? I'm surprised we're not worse underdogs than we are. But we'll go in there and give it our best shot. I know to beat them our offense is going to have to have a great night. (7-3-1) missed out on Ohio State. We just came up a yard and a half short."

Mary residents bristled at comments by Ohio State quarterback Greg Grey and other Buckeyes who grieved about spending Christmas week in Memphis. But Ohio State finally has a reason to get excited.

"When you turn on the TV and see a commercial where a couple of guys are promoting Air Force to beat Ohio State, sure it gets you going," Perez said. "I know they're just trying to sell tickets, but I would like to beat Air Force in a big way."

Ticket sales for the Liberty Bowl have been sluggish due to the current cold snap and a lack of interest in two out-of-state schools, Bostwick said last week, only 37,000 tickets had been sold, much lower than last year's record attendance of 60,128 when Mississippi beat Air Force 42-29.

The Falcons (6-5) are the hosts here by virtue of winning the Commander in Chief's Trophy for sports academies.

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SCOREBOARD

Football

NFL standings

AMERICAN CONFERENCE

Team	W	L	T	Pct.
Buffalo	13	2	0	.867
Indianapolis	11	4	0	.731
Pittsburgh	8	6	0	.565
Cincinnati	7	7	0	.500
Cleveland	7	8	0	.464
San Diego	6	9	0	.400
Denver	6	9	0	.400
Minnesota	5	10	0	.333
Chicago	5	10	0	.333
Atlanta	5	10	0	.333
Philadelphia	4	11	0	.267
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