

FOCUS

Dear Abby

Abigail Van Buren

Gossip's truth is only the pain

DEAR ABBY: I am a sheriff's deputy. I love my job. A couple of years ago my husband got fired because of some ugly rumors that were not true. This was very hard on both of us.

Around the time this happened, you had a poem in your column titled "Gossip." It fit my husband's situation to a "T." I took that poem to work and it disappeared. The sergeant who was working that day told me that the officer who had wrongly accused my husband took it. I guess that poem must have hit home.

Would you please run it again?

HURT BY GOSSIP
DEAR HURT: Here's the poem. It first appeared as a full-page ad in The Wall Street Journal:
NOBODY'S FRIEND
 My name is Gossip. I have no respect for justice. I maim without killing. I break hearts and ruin lives. I am cunning and malicious and gather strength with age.

The more I am quoted the more I am believed. My victims are helpless. They cannot protect themselves against me because I have no name and no face. To track me down is impossible. The harder you try, the more elusive I become.

I am nobody's friend.

Once I tarnish a reputation, it is never the same. I topple governments and wreck marriages. I ruin careers and cause sleepless nights, heartaches and indignation.

I make innocent people cry in their pillows. Even my name brings me fame. I make Gossip. I make headlines and headlines.

Before you repeat a story, ask yourself: Is it true? Is it harmless? Is it necessary? If it isn't, don't repeat it.

DEAR ABBY: A couple of my co-workers and I have been involved in a dispute lately that only you can settle. It seems that I read in your column about the way a bride wears her wedding ring. Questions: Should the engagement ring go on first and then the band—or vice versa?

Please settle this so we can go back to work in peace!
GAYLA IN LITTLE ROCK
 Their show grossed in excess of \$30 million in its first year at the Las Vegas Strip resort, a show business record for a stage attraction, according to producer Kenneth Fuchs.

CONFIDENTIAL TO FEELING LOW
 TACO: Don't despair. The world is bright. What looks like the end may be only the beginning.

RECORD

Military Note

Reavey assigned to duty

William P. Reavey, U.S. Navy son of William and Ruth Reavey of Portsmouth, N.H., formerly of Manchester, has been deployed on the U.S.S. Forrestal-CV-59.

Mr. Reavey is a 1976 graduate of East Catholic High School, Manchester and a 1981 graduate of Roger Williams College, Bristol, R.I. He is a Naval flight instructor assigned to VAQ-133.

Thoughts

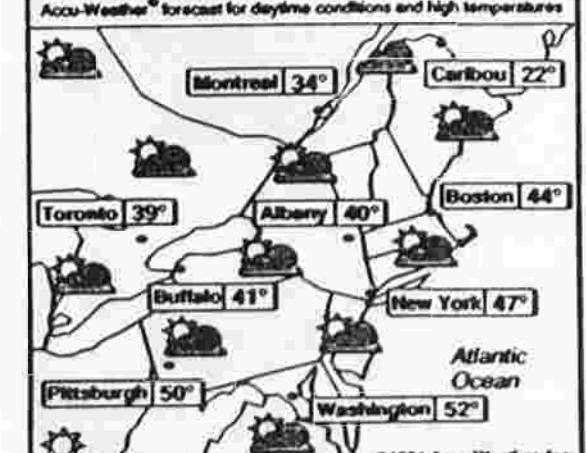
Dr. James Dobson tells about a man named Paul who was a child abuse victim and grew up to be a child abuser as often the case. Paul struggled to control himself. But one Christmas, when finances were tough, Paul gave his wife his last \$8 to buy food. She foolishly spent \$1 to buy wrapping paper. As she and Paul fought over this, his little daughter wanted the paper making a crude gift. Enraged at this, Paul beat the toddler violently. Paul still can't talk about this without crying. On Christmas, his daughter gave Paul her present, a wrapped empty box. Paul's temper flared again that the box was empty. The tiny girl said innocently, "Oh no Daddy. The box isn't empty. It has kisses in there for my daddy and put in love too. And it's for you!" Paul keeps that box yet today. He says it reminds him of love and God's love to us. He tells people that we each have an imaginary box—of God's love in our heart. He says, "Take out the box of Christ's Light and Love from time to time, but keep it in your heart."

Very Rev. William Oleksiak
 St. Maurice Parish

Weather

REGIONAL Weather

Saturday, Feb. 2
 Accu-Weather forecast for daytime conditions and high temperatures



Weather summary for Friday, Feb. 1, 1991:
 Temperature: High of 29 at 3:30 p.m., low of 21 at 5 a.m.
 Precipitation: Trace.

PEOPLE

It's baby time at NBC News, where three of the network's best-known female journalists are pregnant — Katherine Couric, "Today" co-anchor Deborah Norville and former "Sunday Today" co-anchor Maria Shriver.

NBC said Friday that Couric, the "Today" national correspondent, is expecting her first child in July. She is married to Washington attorney Jay Monahan. Couric will substitute as co-anchor on "Today" when Norville, who expects her first child in March, goes on maternity leave, NBC said. Norville is married to Karl Wellner, a Swedish businessman.

Shriver, who left "Sunday Today" last year after the birth of her first child, a daughter, still is doing specials for NBC News. But Shriver, whose next special will be shown Feb. 28, now is expecting another child, due "sometime this summer," an NBC spokesman said. Shriver lives in Los Angeles with her actor husband, Arnold Schwarzenegger.

A Wayne Newton concert was delayed 20 minutes when band members left the stage to retrieve belongings from their burning bus, NBC said.

Fire broke out under the rear of the band's Wednesday night as it was parked behind the Paramount Theater auditorium, said theater director Brad Mayne.

The fire was believed caused by a short in the bus generator and was contained to the rear underside of the bus, authorities said. Concert officials made new transportation arrangements for the tour.

The country music band Sheandoah has filed a Chapter 11 bankruptcy petition because of debts arising from three years of trademark litigation over the name.

The five-member group from Muscle Shoals, Ala., is nominated for a Grammy award this year for their song "Ghost in This House."

Bill Carter, manager for the band, said Thursday there are four other acts working under the name "Sheandoah" in the country and lawsuits over the trademark left the band with insurmountable debts.

The band will continue to perform concerts and make records, Carter said. Under a Chapter 11 petition, the band would be freed from the threat of creditors' lawsuits until it can develop a plan to put its finances in order.

Illustrations by Siegfried & Roy reached their first anniversary of performances at the Mirage Hotel on Friday.

DEAR GAYLA: The wedding band should go on first (so it's closer to the heart), then the engagement ring.

Siegfried & Roy continue to make as much magic

Dr. Gott

Peter Gott, M.D.

Surgery cures painful bunions

DEAR DR. GOTT: I have bunions on both large toes. What is the procedure today for removal?

DEAR READER: Bunions are actually caused by two conditions: bursitis of the joints at the bases of the first toes and an overgrowth of the toes on the foot-bones. This causes subluxations (loos of normal joint mechanics) with resulting destruction of cartilage, swelling of the joint, pain and inward deviation of the toes.

Bunions cause a characteristic appearance of the joints: enlargement (making shoes uncomfortable) and displacement of the big toes. The affliction requires no treatment until the deformity is severe enough to interfere with normal activities, such as walking. The preferred therapy is surgery to remove excess tissue and re-align the toes. This is a bread-and-butter operation for orthopedic surgeons.

I suggest you make an appointment with such a specialist, who can describe the surgery in detail and help you to decide whether to have it. In my experience, bunionectomy is almost always successful, with few complications, is permanent, and makes bunion sufferers more comfortable.

DEAR DR. GOTT: My husband has been diagnosed with Lou Gehrig's disease. I understand there is a cure in Europe, but it is not available in the United States. We're willing to make the trip if we can treat the disease.

DEAR READER: Amyotrophic lateral sclerosis, sometimes known as Lou Gehrig's disease, alters the nervous system. It is a progressive, neurodegenerative disorder of unknown cause. It is marked by worsening weakness, muscle cramps and difficulty in swallowing and talking. The disease typically begins in middle-aged males and follows a relentless course; death occurs within five years, although about 20 percent of patients live five years or longer.

There is no treatment. Therapy is directed toward maintaining comfort, mobility and independence. Therefore, physical therapy, tranquilizers (to reduce cramping) and a gastrostomy (feeding tube and assisted respiration) may be necessary.

There is no secret European cure for ALS. If such a cure were ever discovered, you can be sure American doctors would be quick to use it, because the disease is a tragedy for those unfortunate patients who suffer its devastation.

I suggest your husband put himself under the care of a neurologist. You can make the trip abroad — but only for pleasure, no miracles.

BURNING BUS

A Wayne Newton concert was delayed 20 minutes when band members left the stage to retrieve belongings from their burning bus during a concert in Cedar Rapids, Iowa.

at the box office as they do on stage," said Feld, who also produces Kingling Bros. and Barnum & Bailey Circus and Walt Disney's World on Ice.

Mirage chairman Steve Wynn signed Siegfried & Roy to a \$57.5 million, five-year contract before the resort opened in November 1989. Wynn and Feld then invested \$25 million each in the theater where their extravaganza is presented and in the show itself, which is known for its use of exotic animals such as white tigers.

A scheduled concert Saturday by singer Pat Boone in Jakarta had to be postponed for an undetermined time because of the Persian Gulf War, the organizer said Friday.

Boone, who was in Hong Kong, advised that the decision to postpone was made following consultations with his manager, Tim Swift, said Ary Sudarsono, president of Apro Ltd., sponsor of the concert.

Sudarsono promised that his company would soon repay those who bought tickets for the concert.

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GENERAL NEWS

Gorby orders start of talks

By ANN IMSE The Associated Press

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CREST INFORMATION TECHNOLOGIES, CEDAR RAPIDS, IOWA

Train line upgrade

SEYMOUR (AP) — Connecticut will spend more than \$9 million in the coming months to upgrade the unreliable and little-used Waterbury-to-Bridgeport train line in a bid to increase ridership, the state announced Friday.

The Department of Transportation will purchase seven new train cars to replace old self-propelled cars that have suffered frequent breakdowns, and improve station facilities. Transportation Commissioner James F. Byrnes said.

A ridership survey will also be undertaken to determine if changes can be made that will increase use of the branch line, the DOT said.

Eight trains, four in each direction, now operate daily between Waterbury and Bridgeport, with station stops in Naugatuck, Seymour, Ansonia and Derby-Shelton.

The line, operated under contract with the Metro-North Commuter Railroad, now averages only about 150 passengers a day.

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Credit crunch help sought

WASHINGTON — New England lawmakers urged Treasury Secretary Nicholas Brady on Friday to move quickly to solve the "credit crunch" squeezing businesses in the Northeast.

The administration showed signs it was taking the message. A letter to Brady on Friday signed by virtually the entire New England House and Senate delegation urged the Bush administration's top financial official to help those banks strong enough to survive the recession.

The problems are severe and we believe an immediate solution is required if we are to avoid a downward economic spiral so severe that the Bank Insurance Fund will be saddled with serious losses," the lawmakers wrote.

The move came a day after an angry exchange between Massachusetts members of the House Banking Committee and Brady, who was there to testify. The lawmakers said they would oppose further funding for the Resolution Trust Corp. — the savings and loan bailout agency — until something is done to bring the banking system in the Northeast.

"I can tell you this if we haven't got a good approach to the credit crunch in New England and the rest of the Northeast, I can't vote for the RTR bill," Rep. Barney Frank, D-Mass., told Brady.

Sen. Christopher Dodd, D-Conn., Senate Banking Committee member along with Kerry and the chief organizer of the delegation letter, said a number of administrative steps could be taken to get credit flowing.

At the time, Weicker said he stood by his campaign statements when he said that imposing an income tax during a recession would be like pouring gasoline on a fire.

Weicker is crafting a budget for a preliminary spending plan outlined by the previous administration of William A. O'Neill, which totaled \$8.6 billion.

The new governor has indicated he's looking for about \$1 billion in additional revenues and \$900 million in reductions in state agency spending.

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GAMES & HOBBIES

Dianthus data



Chinese pinks (Dianthus chinensis) flower first year from seed, giving prolific bloom all summer until frost in the fall. Maiden pinks (Dianthus deltoides) and cottage pinks (Dianthus plumarius) commonly grown as perennials, are spicy fragrant with filled flowers. Sweet Williams (Dianthus barbatus) are mostly biennial - plant one year, bloom the next. Carnation's name (Dianthus caryophyllus) means having clove-like scent. Known as clove pink or clove carnation in centuries past.

Sweet William
Dianthus barbatus
Copley News Service/Dan Clifford

Take a look back in time at "spooners"

Pattern glass lives in a world of its own. Here are three items in a nicely done gobeery design. You can even see the little dead ribs you have to pinch off when you make jam. The sugar bowl and the spooner use gooseberries for the handles.

What'd ya mean — "spooner"? Back down the road a spooner when somebody wanted a spoon, it was there. The "there" would have been right spang on the kitchen table in a dish like the one on the right.



Collector's Corner

Russ MacKendrick

DETAILED GLASS — These three antique glass containers, so intricately detailed with gooseberries, were used as a pitcher, sugar bowl, and a "spooner" — a holding place for spoons.

New England spooners were always kept handy and well-stocked. This one shows scars on the inside, perhaps caused when some young person, upon doing the dishes when it wasn't really her turn, banged in a handful of spoons too vigorously.

Warman's 24th edition of "Antiques and Their Prices," has under Gooseberry — "Non-flint of the 1880s. Made by Boston and Sandwich Glass Co. and other..."

Current prices are not outrageous: \$30 for the creamer, \$45 for the sugar bowl (but only if it had a cover), and \$25 for the spooner.

A "Babyface" spoon dish made about the same time would run you \$95, a Bullet Emblem (made to commemorate the Spanish-American war), would be \$125, the \$120 for a Log Cabin and another \$125 for a "Classic" out

of Philly in the 1870s. Meantime, back at the \$20 to \$40 ranch was the Apollo, Arched Grape, Art (in "clear," if ruby-stained would be \$55), Ashburton, Aurora, Aztec, Baltimore Pear, Barbewary, Barley, Basketweave, Beaded Acorn, Beaded Band, Beaded Acorn Medallion, B. Mirror, B. Swirl and B. Tulip; then skipping a few, Bowtie, Buckle, Budded Ivy — and not

even out of the Bs yet, for spooners listed at no more than 40 bucks.

All this is just a glimpse into the fascinating and awesome jungle of pattern glass. If you do go after spooners, don't pass up one because of some inside scratches — you'd be losing history; the image of a pig-tailed pre-teen saying, "It's not fair!" and then whammo!

Stamps show U.N. efforts to ban chemical weapons

By SYD KRONISH
The Associated Press

As part of its goal of world disarmament, the United Nations has urged a worldwide convention to ban all chemical weapons.

To publicize these efforts, the first 1991 issues from the U.N. Postal Administration feature a set of six stamps titled "Banning of Chemical

Weapons."

The stamps show a human figure pushing away the image of an airplane carrying chemical weapons to be dropped over a forest; a hand pushing away barrels of toxic materials; a hand pushing the contents out of a bleak city in the distance as chemical bubbles fill the air; a gas mask above gas bubbles; and a surrealistic design of masks and gas bubbles.

Also among new U.N. issues are two definitive. One features a Norman Rockwell painting showing people of different nationalities standing together. It bears the inscription, "Do unto others as you would have them do unto you." The other stamp shows a fluttering U.N. flag.

For more information about these stamps and their first-day covers, write to the U.N. Postal Administration, P.O. Box 5900, Grand Central Station, New York, NY 10163.

Soviet-Japanese Space Flight
It doesn't take long for the Soviet Union to project its space program onto its stamps. The Soviets recently issued a 20-kopeck stamp honoring the joint Soviet-Japanese space flight, the Soviet Culture Fund and the Charity and Health Fund.

The design features a part of the globe's surface and an outer-space scene. Also shown are the flags of the Soviet Union and Japan. The inscription "USSR-Japan" is made to resemble a spaceship.

Tanzania Is Sports-Minded
Tanzania postal officials have apparently been in a sports mood. The East African nation recently released two sets, each with eight stamps and two souvenir sheets, dedicated to sporting events.

One set honors various forms of racing. Depicted are a sailing-class yacht race, a downhill ski race, the Tour de France bicycle endurance race, the 24 Hours of LeMans endurance race, the two-man bobbed competition, the Belgian Grand Prix, the Indianapolis 500 auto race, and powerboat Gold Cup championship racing.

The other set pays tribute to the 1992 Summer Olympic Games in Barcelona, Spain.

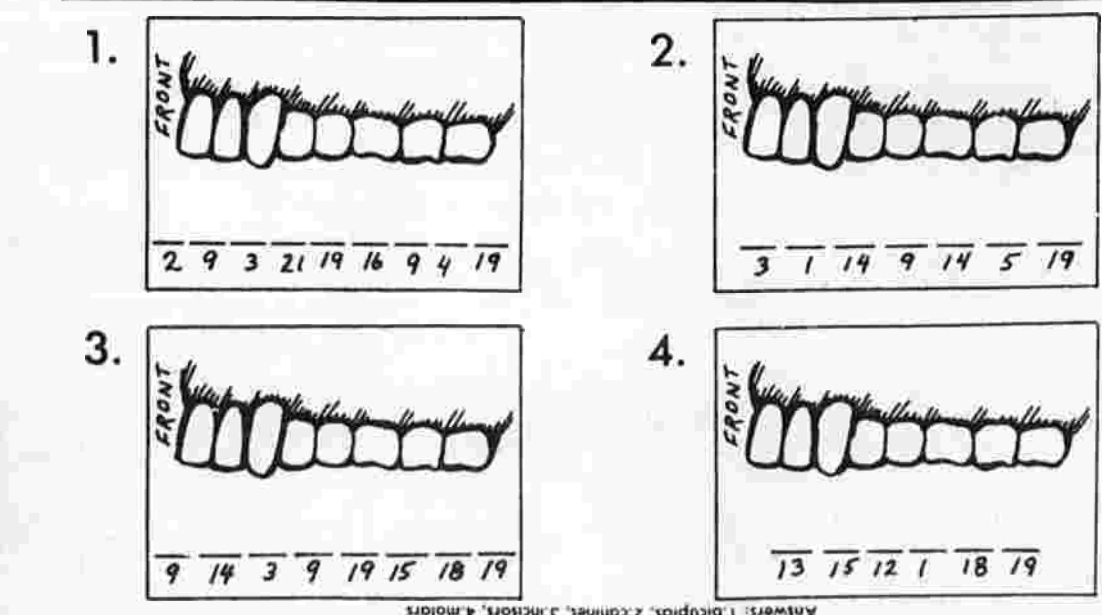
The BUOULE GUM Rapper

PUBLISHED JUST FOR KIDS

Teeth Types

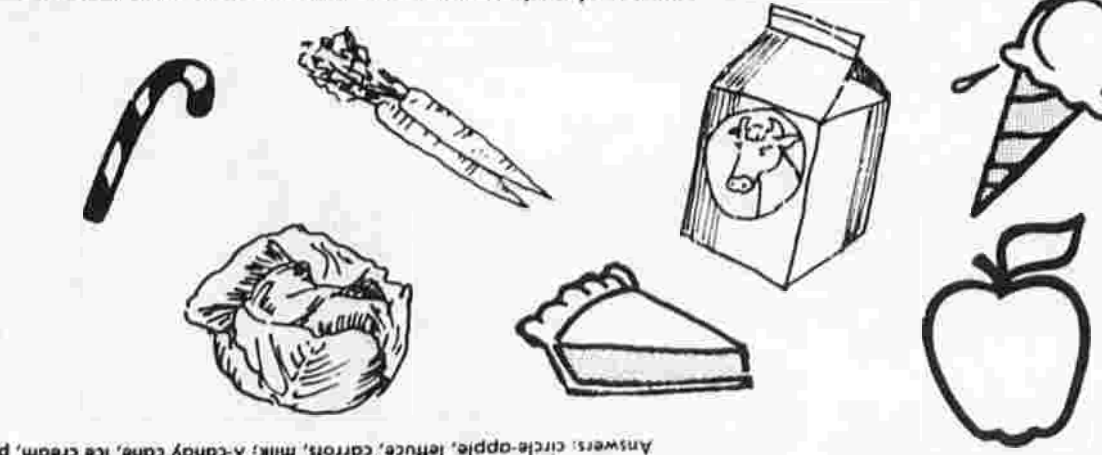
We have four kinds of teeth and each kind has a special job to do. To identify the different kinds, number the letter of the alphabet (A is 1, and so on), then fill in the blanks with letters which correspond to the numbers below the blanks.

A, B, C, D, E, F, G, H, I, J, K, L, M, N, O, P, Q, R, S, T, U, V, W, X, Y, Z



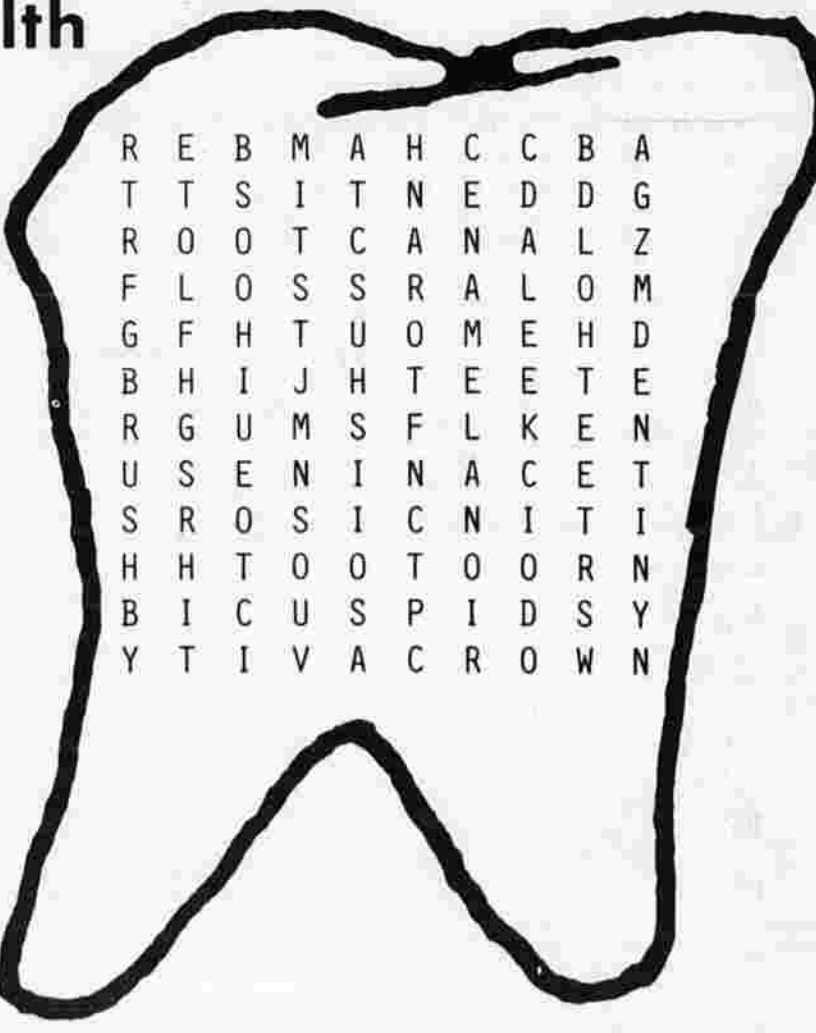
Teeth Treats

Part of dental health is eating the right kinds of food and brushing your teeth after every meal or snack. Foods that are high in sugar or starch cause tooth decay. Fruits can be high in sugar but because they require a lot of chewing, they increase the saliva in your mouth which helps clean your teeth. Draw a circle around the foods that are healthier and draw an X on the ones that are not as healthy for your teeth.



Dental Health

Circle all of the tooth-related words in the word search.



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root canal
bicuspids
canines
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molars
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brush
cavity
dentist
tooth fairy
mouth
gums
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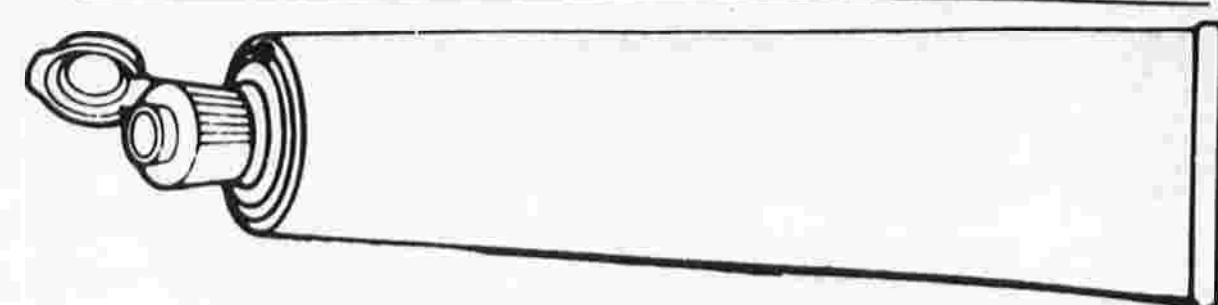
Toothpaste Time

Here's your chance to invent a new toothpaste! You can name it and design the toothpaste tube below.

What color is your toothpaste? _____

How much does it cost per tube? _____

Why do you think people will want to buy it? Why is it better? _____

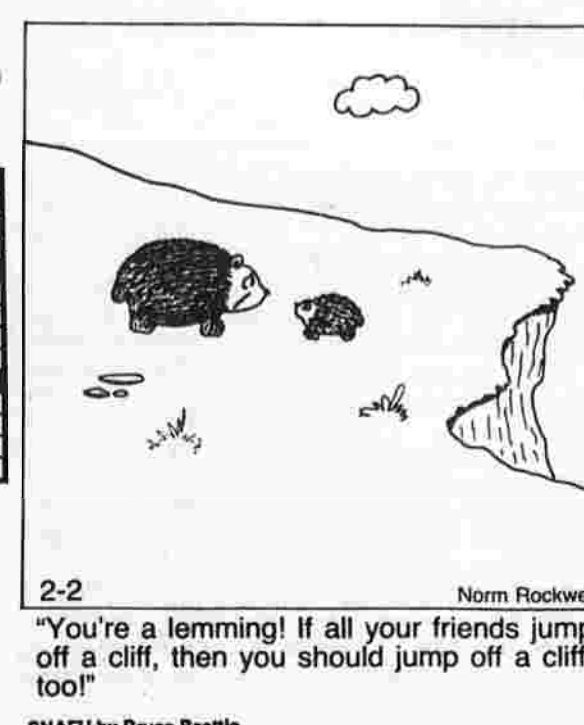


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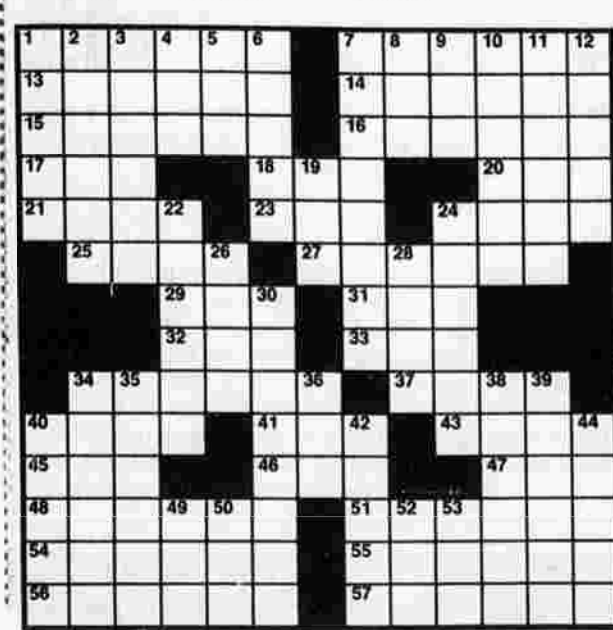
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THE NEW BREED



Norm Rockwell
"You're a lemming! If all your friends jump off a cliff, then you should jump off a cliff, too!"
SHAFU by Bruce Batts



Stumped? Get answers to clues by calling "Dial-a-Word" at 1-800-454-3635 and entering access code number 194 95c per minute. Touch-Tone or rotary phones.

JUMBLE

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

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NEFEC
FLUWAL
DELOON

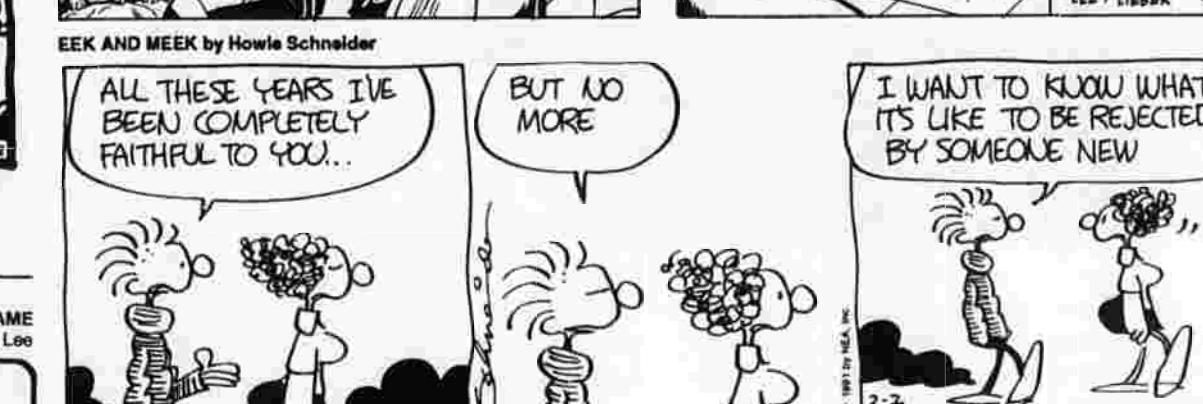
Now arrange the circled letters to form the scurrilous answer. As suggested by the above cartoon.

Answer: "O O O O O O O O O O"
Answer Monday
PREVIOUS SOLUTION: "All I need to make a comedy is a park, a policeman and a pretty girl." — Charlie Chaplin.

THE PHANTOM



BLONDE by Dean Young & Stan Deitz



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The Associated Press
WAR TALKS — President Bush makes remarks to Marine family members as he visits Cherry Point Marine Corps Air Station on Friday. Bush was here to bolster Marine family members that are in the Gulf War.

Germany sends aid to Israel

By MAUD S. BEELMAN
The Associated Press

BONN, Germany — The first shipments of German gas masks arrived in Israel on Friday as Chancellor Helmut Kohl's government faced more criticism for arms exports that helped Iraq boost the range of missiles aimed at the Jewish state.

The Bonn government has agreed to send Israel 330 tons of goods to protect against chemical attacks, including gas masks and special protective suits, as well as 10 tons of medical supplies. The Germans also are sending Iraq armored vehicles equipped with gas-detection equipment.

Technology from German firms helped Iraq build its chemical warfare ability and boost the range of the Scud missiles being fired at Israel, Israeli fear future Scuds may be armed with chemical warheads.

The aid sent to Israel is part of the nearly \$1 billion Germans have committed to the war effort. Germany's constitution prohibits sending troops outside the NATO alliance.

Kohl's government has been under pressure from Germans seeking a constitutional ban on arms sales outside the NATO alliance. The drive for the ban has been led by Oskar Lafontaine, leader of the opposition Social Democrats.

Some supporters of the ban claim the government is unwilling to put meaningful limits on Germany's powerful arms industry lobby.

'Friendly fire' deaths

By MARCY GORDON
The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Deaths from "friendly fire" are common in the rocket and missile battles of complex modern warfare. Even Persian Gulf commander Norman Schwarzkopf recalls being "bombed" by our own Air Force in Vietnam.

In the Gulf, a U.S. military investigative team was trying to determine whether some of the 11 Marines killed in a battle with Iraqi troops Tuesday were accidentally hit by American or allied forces.

One Pentagon source said Friday the rationale for the investigation includes the fact that a hole in one of the Marines' vehicles came from a 30mm gun, the weapon aboard the Air Force's A-10 attack "warhog." The source spoke on condition of anonymity.

In Tuesday night's fighting, Marines and Iraqis squared off in close ground fire, at times coming within 25 yards of each other, pool reporters said.

The military team is investigating the possibility that some of the Marines died from a missile fired by a U.S. warplane that struck a U.S. light armored vehicle.

During the Vietnam War, there were 90 friendly fire incidents caused by bombing from the air and artillery on the ground, according to a study by Army Lt. Col. Charles R. Shrader. That compared with 173 in World War II.

The military doesn't break out casualty figures resulting from U.S. troops accidentally firing on their compatriots.

The Pentagon's official figure for U.S. service personnel killed during the Vietnam War is 58,151, of whom 47,355 died directly in combat. The remaining 10,796 are listed as "other," which means deaths due to aircraft accidents, drunken driving, suicides — and friendly fire.

Schwarzkopf was a target of friendly fire in one Vietnam incident and was bitterly blamed for causing a death in another, which was highly publicized.

Contract

not using smoke and mirrors — usually down the road we get a clear picture, but by then it's too late.

Officials hope the smoke will clear on this complicated matter at the special town meeting on Monday. The board will present its case for the contract agreement, and a public discussion will follow, after which the town will vote by paper ballot.

"I hope a lot of people come to the meeting — and I hope they come with an open mind," Fernald said.

If the contract is rejected by the arbitrator, the town and you are automatically entered in a drawing for Dinner For Two at NULLI'S.

Dads

the 41-year-old data security consultant. "I think all fathers should take it. If you are interested in effective parenting, you probably will benefit."

Until recently, society has expected fathers to learn how to parent naturally, according to Furey.

"That is a misconception in our society," he said. "All the changes that have taken place in society have increased the need for such programs."

Despite efforts by Parents Anonymous and other parent support groups which have sprung up, many men remain embarrassed or opposed to seeking assistance because of the macho image they have been taught to imitate, Furey said.

"Men think they are supposed to be able to handle everything; they don't want to admit that they have a problem or need more information," said Furey.

But they must overcome that feeling in order to be the best fathers they can be, he said.

"Fathers today are expected to be more involved in rearing their children, nurturing them and doing household chores," such as changing diapers, cooking, cleaning and disciplining children, he continued.

Along with the job of caring for children comes the need to be able

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to console a hurt or angry child and teach them appropriate behaviors.

But many men have a difficult time when it comes to relating to children, especially showing affection, sensitivity and warmth, according to Furey. For instance, men may wrestle over the decision of when it is appropriate to give a child a kiss or hug, he said.

"This is because 25 years ago, most children growing up did not often experience that type of response from their fathers," Furey said.

But Holland claims any cost would be offset if only 1 percent of the salary increase was shaved off by the arbitrators.

"It's not that we don't support the teachers — we do," Holland said. "It's a matter of affordability."

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by
Attorney
At Law
Leo J. Barrett

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Germany Gulf

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As the Desert Storm air war went on without let-up, Iraqi radio claimed U.S. and allied warplanes were machine-gunning pedestrians in Iraq. Captured pilots should be treated as "war criminals," the radio declared.

Forty-four Americans and others are listed as prisoners or as missing in action, many of them pilots. The Pentagon on Friday identified the first woman missing in action as Melissa A. Nealy, 20, no hometown given. An Army specialist, Nealy disappeared with a male soldier during a transportation mission near an oil pipeline in northern Saudi Arabia.

In battered Baghdad, AP correspondent Salah Nasrawi reported several houses destroyed by what Iraqi officials said were two Tomahawks, low-flying cruise missiles launched by U.S. warships in the Persian Gulf.

Local Iraqis were enraged. "In this Western civilization" a woman screamed to reporters outside her collapsed home.

A British TV expert from Baghdad said one or two incoming missiles were shot down by ground defenses and crashed into a residential suburb.

Allied commanders say they target only military and other strategic targets, but acknowledge that civilian casualties are inevitable. The Iraqis have reported more than 300 civilian deaths in the 15-day-old air war.

The battle over Khafji, an abandoned oil town in Saudi Arabia's northeast corner, was part of a four-pronged advance late Tuesday and early Wednesday by 1,500 or more Iraqi troops, led by tanks, along a 25-mile front. Most of the Iraqi attackers were repulsed, but some seized and held Khafji through long hours of bloody street fighting.

By late Thursday, Saudi and Qatari troops, supported by U.S. air

Plane

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737-300, said USAir spokeswoman Agnes Huff. The flight originated in Syracuse, N.Y., then stopped in Washington, D.C., and Columbus, Ohio before traveling to Los Angeles.

The Boeing 737 is a twin-engine jetliner with passenger capacity ranging from 120 to 145. It has two-person cockpit crew.

Ms. Brekke said the Sky West plane was en route to Palmdale, about 50 miles north of Los Angeles.

A team of National Transportation Safety Board investigators was preparing to fly to Los Angeles and inspect the crash site, spokesman Ted Lopatkevich said.

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CAPTURED IRAQI — Iraqi prisoners of war, reportedly captured in the battle for Khafji, sit in a vehicle near the border town that has been the focus of fighting between allied and Iraqi forces. Photo from TF1 video via CNN broadcast.

SPORTS

High School Roundup

MHS shows character; tops SW in overtime

MANCHESTER — After a disastrous third quarter, Manchester High was able to come back and take the lead in the final stanza only to see South Windsor tie it at the buzzer at the end of regulation. But the Indians showed some character, pulling out a 52-49 overtime decision from the Bobcats Friday night in CCC East Division action at Clarke Adams.

Jeff Ross hit two big free throws with 18 seconds left to make it a 52-49 reading. The Bobcats had a chance to tie it a second time, but Chris Callio's 3-point try hit the front rim as time expired.

Manchester is now 6-2 in the CCC East, 7-6 overall while the Bobcats fall to 4-4, 7-7 with the loss.

Halftime: 16-17 Manchester
Bucksdale: 46-46

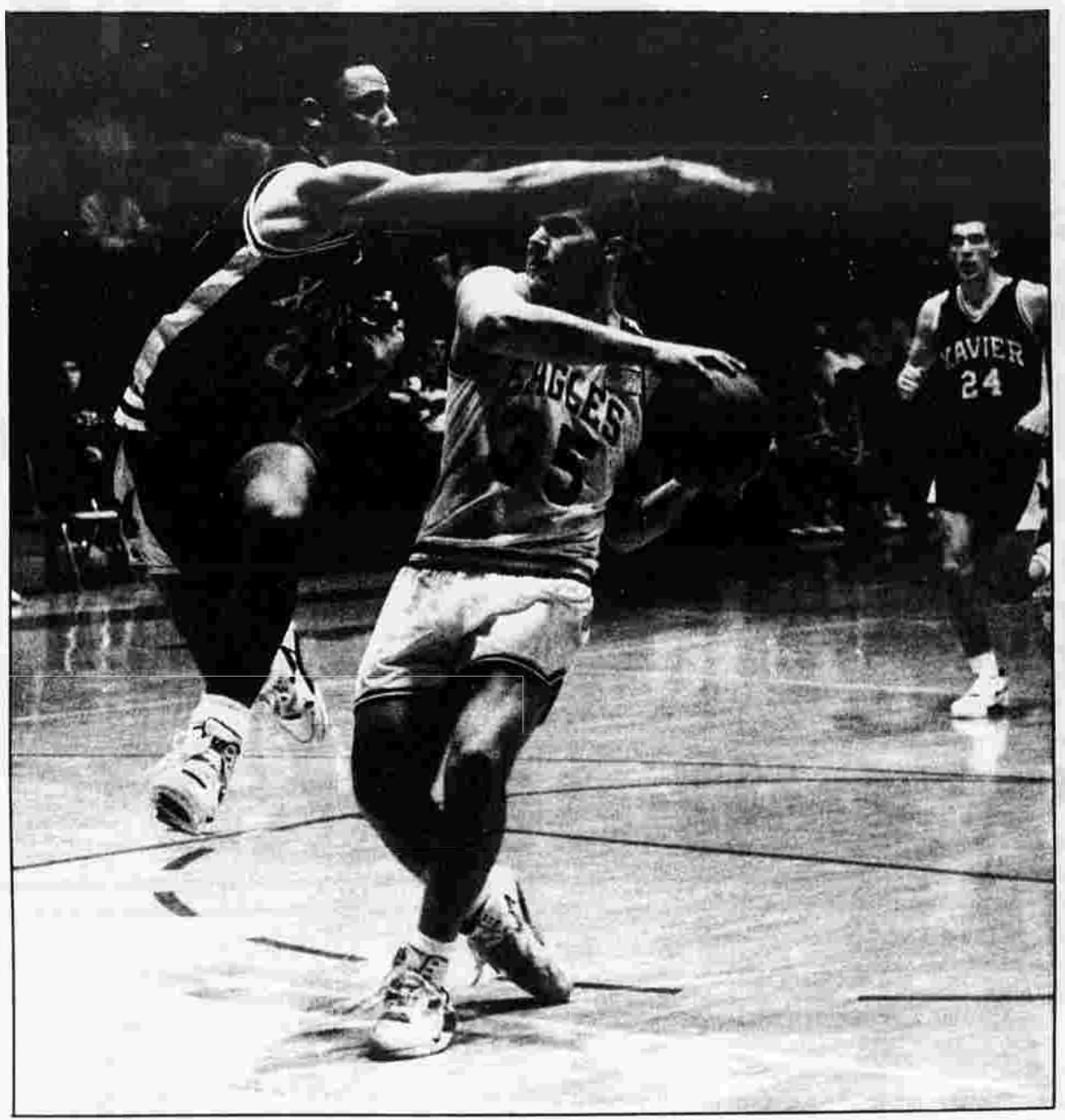
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Reginald Photo/Manchester Herald
ON THE MOVE — East Catholic's Rob Penders (35) has the basketball as Xavier High's Adam Brown defends in their ACC clash Friday night at the Eagles' Nest. The Eagles beat the Falcons, 72-68.

Williams keys Eagles fourth-quarter surge

By JIM TIERNEY
Manchester Herald

MANCHESTER — East Catholic's 6-7 senior center Wayne Williams has been on a tear over the Eagles' last seven games.

Williams is averaging 18 points and double figures in rebounds during that stretch, which has seen East win six times.

Friday night versus Xavier High of Middletown, Williams continued to make his imposing presence known.

Williams, who grabbed 16 rebounds and blocked four shots, scored 13 of his 23 points in the fourth quarter as the Eagles rallied for a 72-68 All Connecticut Conference victory at the Eagles' Nest.

Junior P.J. Monahan scored a game-high 26 points for the Eagles, including 14 in the second quarter.

East mainstay Matt Ryan (five assists, four steals) keyed East's defensive pressure in the final eight minutes with starters Chris Paradiso and Rob Penders on the bench for 15 minutes with 5:09 left.

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Reginald Photo/Manchester Herald
BASKET BOUND — East Catholic's P.J. Monahan (30) eyes the basket as Xavier High's Ron Hendrix defends from behind in their ACC contest.

with a jump-hook for a 63-59 lead. Marsh followed in a missed layup but Ryan for a 65-59 lead, and Marsh finished the run with a tough eight-footer along the baseline for the eight-point bulge at 67-59.

"We didn't execute. That's the bottom line," Xavier coach Rich Magner said. "He (Williams) played a good game. They both (Williams and Monahan) had very good games. We gave away two games (against East)."

Magner was referring to a 50-48 heart-breaking loss to East on Jan. 14. Monahan, who only had nine points in the first win over Xavier, hit a layup with two seconds left in that game.

"This is the first time he (Monahan) has really hurt us," Magner said.

An Andy LeCoulton (10 points) three-point play cut the East lead to 69-65 with 1:15 left. After Penders missed the front end of a 1-and-1 with 59 seconds left, Xavier had the chance to slice its deficit to two or one, but Corey Bick (team-high 20 points) was whistled for a traveling violation.

Williams tipped in a missed layup by Monahan to put East up, 71-65. After a Monahan free throw, Ron Hendrix (15 points) drilled a 3-pointer to cut the lead to 72-68.

After Williams missed the front end of a 1-and-1 with 28 seconds left, he blocked a Hendrix shot with 19 seconds remaining.

"We're playing real good basketball," Finnegan said. "Xavier's a nice team. They work hard. They run their offense and they get the shot they want."

Monahan, who was scoreless in the first eight minutes, scored 14 of the Eagles' 16 second-quarter points.

"He carried us in the second," Finnegan said.

East is off until next Friday when it hosts Notre Dame of West Haven in an ACC tilt at 7 p.m.

EAST CATHOLIC (72) — Rob Penders 21-30, P.J. Monahan 26-30, Wayne Williams 11-20, Chris Paradiso 2-2, Matt Ryan 2-0-0, Andy LeCoulton 10-12, Corey Bick 7-3-20, Mark Sharma 3-0-0, Adam Brown 1-0-0, Ron Hendrix 0-0-0, Terry Smith 1-0-0, Brady Neal 0-0-0. Total points: 72-68.

Halftime: 31-30 East.



Reginald Photo/Manchester Herald
BATTLE — Xavier High's Adam Brown, left, contests a shot by East Catholic's Matt Ryan during Friday night's game at the Eagles' Nest.

Celtics stung by the Hornets

CHARLOTTE, N.C. (AP) — Rex Chapman, fresh off the injured reserve list, made two free throws with 5.1 seconds left Friday night, lifting Charlotte to a 92-91 victory over Boston — the Hornets' first ever against the Celtics.

The Hornets, in their third season, are 1-10 against Boston, leaving Detroit, Portland and the Los Angeles Lakers as the only teams they have failed to defeat.

The Celtics, now 26-2 against the four newest expansion teams, played their 13th straight game without Larry Bird, out with a strained back. Boston is 6-7 in his absence and 32-12 overall.

After Chapman's free throws, Boston's Dee Brown drove past Johnny Newman for an apparent layup, but the ball nicked the back of the rim and sailed away as time expired. Chapman had missed five games with a sprained ankle.

Charlotte led most of the fourth quarter until Robert Parish tipped in a missed shot to put Boston ahead 87-86 with 3:18 left.

Newman's two free throws tied the game at 89-89 with 1:22 to go, but Reggie Lewis responded with a 15-footer for a 91-89 Boston lead with 1:06 to go.

Bacon downs Cheney Tech

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Roundup

Keith Moyer had 13 points and Eric Martin 12 to lead Bacon. Kevin Dean had six points and Todd Mercer and Brian Rouleau five apiece to lead Cheney.

Cheney's next game is Tuesday against RHAM High in Hebron.

BACON ACADEMY (9) — Kevin Dean 6 0-0, Jim Tuzet 2 0-0, Mike Owen 0 0-0, Drew Oakley 2 2-2, Greg Koper 0 0-0, Paul Carmichael 0 0-0, Eric Martin 6 0-0, Brian Rouleau 5 0-0, Steve Koper 0 0-0, Jeff McCreary 0 0-0, Tom 2 0-0.

CHENEY TECH (27) — Brian Rouleau 1 2-4, Jim Tuzet 1 1-3, Kevin Dean 2 1-2, 6, Todd Mercer 1 3-4, Scott Smith 0 0-0, Steve Shaw 2 0-2, Mike Owen 0 0-0, Paul Carmichael 0 0-0, Eric Martin 6 0-0, Brian Rouleau 5 0-0, Steve Koper 0 0-0, Jeff McCreary 0 0-0, Tom 2 0-0.

3-point goals: CT, Owen, Dean, Moyer. Halftime: 19-13 Bacon

Rocky Hill trips up Bolton High

ROCKY HILL — At halftime, the visiting Bolton High boys' basketball team was striking distance of Rocky Hill in their Capital Conference game Friday night.

The Bulldogs trailed by only four points, 29-25.

However, Jeff Dill tallied 10 of his team-high 18 points in a decisive third quarter which led Rocky Hill to a 72-52 victory.

Rocky Hill was 7-1 in the CCC and 9-4 overall while Bolton slips to 4-8 in the league and 5-9 overall. The Bulldogs reverse action Tuesday at home against Coventry.

The Terrers outscored the Bulldogs, 22-13, in the third and final, 51-38, leading into the final eight minutes.

"It (the third quarter) was a combination of poor defense and poor shooting," Bolton coach Craig Phillips said. "We came out in the third and missed out first three or four shots and were down by eight points like that."

Paul Sauer scored a game-high 21 points for Bolton, including four 3-pointers. Peter Della Bella and Dan Tocco added 13 points apiece for Bolton.

Rocky Hill (72) — Jeff Dill 9 0-10, Eric Owen 2 0-0, Bobby Green 4 1-4, Joe Conroy 8 1-3, Shawn Savage 2 1-2, Mike Owen 0 0-0, Mike Owen 0 0-0, Anthony Sear 3 0-0, Kevin Pospisil 0 0-0, Bill Lavelle 0 0-0, Tom 2 0-0, Total 72-52.

BOLTON (59) — Peter Della Bella 5 2-7, Paul Sauer 11 4-11, Chris Anderson 1 0-2, Brian Hill 3 2-4, Dan Tocco 5 2-7, John Ray 0 0-0, John Greenway 0 0-0, Tom 2 0-0, Total 59-72.

3-point goals: RH: Sear 2, Owen, B. Sauer 4; Della Bella, Tocco. Halftime: 20-15 Rocky Hill

SCOREBOARD

Basketball	
NBA standings	
EASTERN CONFERENCE	
Atlantic Division	
Boston	32 17 .658
Philadelphia	24 19 .558
Washington	15 28 .349
New York	25 43 .367
New Jersey	12 37 .244
Central Division	
Chicago	23 17 .577
Indiana	15 25 .378
Memphis	17 24 .413
Charlotte	15 25 .378
Cleveland	14 29 .326
Orlando	11 33 .250
WESTERN CONFERENCE	
Midwest Division	
San Antonio	31 11 .739
San Diego	29 15 .659
Houston	21 23 .479
Los Angeles	14 30 .319
Minnesota	14 30 .319
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Utah	11 33 .250
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Bush is proposing a \$295b defense budget

By DONNA CASSATA
The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — President Bush is proposing a defense budget of \$295 billion for fiscal 1992 that includes \$4.6 billion for the Strategic Defense Initiative and money for four B-2 stealth bombers, congressional sources said Friday.

The request for SDI would, if approved, be \$1.7 billion more than the \$2.9 billion Congress and the administration agreed to last year. Approval for four B-2s would double the number Congress financed last year.

The overall budget, a decrease of almost \$4 billion from last year's amount, is the first Persian Gulf war budget that also reflects a downturn in defense spending.

The budget does not include any of the costs of the war and U.S. participation in Operation Desert Storm, which the Congressional Budget Office estimates could range from \$28 billion to \$86 billion.

Among the major terminations in the president's proposal, according to sources who spoke on condition they not be identified, are the Trident Fighting Vehicle, the Trident submarine and the Air Force's Advanced Tactical Aircraft.

Last year's budget amounted to \$295.9 billion in real spending and \$285.5 in the authority given to the Defense Department for the year.

Consistent with the levels set by the Bush administration and the Congress in the budget agreement reached late last year, real spending in the new budget is \$295.2 billion while the authority totals \$290.8 billion.

The budget follows the steep reduction of 25 percent in military personnel proposed by Defense Secretary Dick Cheney over the next five years, even though the war has forced the Pentagon to call for more troops and National Guard units.

Army divisions will be cut from 28 to 18 by fiscal 1992, the number of ships in the Navy will drop from 345 to 451 and the total of tactical fighter wings will decrease from 36 to 26, according to sources.

Confidence took its biggest hit when peace efforts failed to the Jan. 15 deadline set by the U.N. for Iraq to quit Kuwait.

The decline was softened somewhat by euphoria over the success of the allies' first attacks on Iraq, supporting Greenpan's view that a victory could put consumers back in the mood to spend.

One government statistic raised faint hopes that recovery might be in the offing. The Index of Leading Economic Indicators rose 0.1 percent in December, the first increase in six months.

Other economic news confirmed what Americans already suspected. Wages, salaries and benefits lagged last year, with the year ending with a 4.9 percent increase, according to a Labor Department report.

Sales of new homes fell 6.7 percent and construction spending fell 0.5 percent in December, providing more evidence of the slump in real estate and building.

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The oil market remained volatile, but prices weren't straying far from \$20 per barrel.

With prices relatively stable, the government cut back its plan for releasing crude from the strategic reserve held in Texas and Louisiana salt caverns. In the absence of a real oil emergency, oil companies showed little interest in bidding for the inferior grade of crude that makes up the bulk of the stockpile.

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Among the cancellations proposed by the Pentagon is the Navy's futuristic A-12 stealth attack plane, as announced previously by Defense Secretary Dick Cheney, and the Air Force's equivalent, the Advanced Tactical Aircraft.

Cheney faulted the defense contractors, McDonnell Douglas Corp., and General Dynamics Corp., as well as officials in the Navy for the handling of the A-12 program.

Other terminations are the Navy's F-16 Falcon fighter and remanufacturing of the F-14D Tomcat jet fighter.

The Bradley Fighting Vehicle, currently in use in the Persian Gulf War, provides transportation for mechanized infantry units. It can also be used for reconnaissance and scouting.

The Pentagon also is proposing to cancel the Rainbow, a jet-powered drone that homes in on enemy radar and destroys it.

The proposed budget, according to sources, also includes the Pentagon's planned request for fiscal 1993.

In the 1993 plan, the Pentagon requests money for seven B-2 stealth bombers, \$4.9 billion for the strategic Defense Initiative, and \$715 million for the small intercontinental ballistic missile, or the Midgeman.

Research money in the 1993 plan includes \$106 million for the MX missile.

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