

SCOREBOARD

Hockey

NHL standings

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| | W | L |
| NY Rangers | 27 | 19 |
| Philadelphia | 27 | 23 |
| Washington | 24 | 26 |
| NY Islanders | 19 | 28 |

Wales Conference

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| Chicago | 32 | 12 |
| St. Louis | 31 | 13 |
| Detroit | 29 | 15 |
| Minnesota | 17 | 21 |

Central Division

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| Los Angeles | 25 | 19 |
| Edmonton | 20 | 24 |
| Calgary | 15 | 29 |
| Winnipeg | 12 | 32 |

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| Putnam | 13 | 17 |
| Wareham | 12 | 18 |

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| Westford | 14 | 16 |
| Putnam | 13 | 17 |
| Wareham | 12 | 18 |

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| Westford | 14 | 16 |
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Basketball

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| New York | 19 | 35 |
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| Minneapolis | 24 | 21 |
| Indiana | 15 | 30 |
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Western Conference

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| San Antonio | 30 | 15 |
| Utah | 15 | 27 |
| Dallas | 14 | 28 |
| Phoenix | 13 | 29 |

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OPINION

Saddam puts his stamp on budget

By WALTER R. MEARS and DALE VAN ATTA

WASHINGTON — A federal budget is a book full of numbers without a plot, but the new one does have a villain: Saddam Hussein.

The budget that President Bush sent to Congress on Monday holds the Iraqi dictator largely responsible for the U.S. recession. That economic slump and the cost of the war to drive Iraq out of conquered Kuwait are the two great uncertainties in the Bush spending plan.

Administration assumptions that the recession will be a mild, short-lived one and that war appropriations can be held to a minimum both run into Democratic skepticism.

"If you believe those assumptions, I've got a dream vacation in Baghdad I'd like to sell you," Rep. Bill Richardson, D-N.M., told the House.

A year and a war ago, the peace dividend was the catch phrase at budget time — everybody wanted a piece of the bonus. There is none, actually, it vanished before Operation Desert Storm, into a deficit reduction deal that would have forbidden tradeoffs between defense cuts and domestic spending even if there had been money available.

Under the revised rates, spending is divided into categories — defense, international and domestic — and savings in one can't be used to offset increases in another. That holds until 1993, and it means that advocates of increased spending on domestic programs are going to have to choose which items to boost, competing with one another if they can't agree.

In order to make their deal, the 1990 budget negotiators agreed that they wouldn't count the cost of the Persian Gulf crisis against the defense share of the budget.

The budget forecasts a deficit of \$31.8 billion during the current government year, which ends Sept. 30. Next year's forecast is \$28.9 billion — more than 10 times as much as the administration predicted in the last budget.

Furthermore, those numbers are based on a brief, mild recession, with a return to economic growth in the second half of 1991, and on an early end to the Persian Gulf War, now in its third week.

The administration has avoided forecasting a time frame for the war, saying it will be waged until Saddam surrenders Kuwait. The budget seeks spending authority of \$30 billion for the war and provides \$15 billion in actual outlays.

But the administration says those are only interim figures with the real numbers due later, when costs and offsetting allied contributions can be foreseen. The separate war appropriation bill is to be sent to Congress later this month.

Congressional estimates of the cost of the war run to about \$1 billion a day. The Congressional Budget Office has projected \$86 billion for a three-month conflict. The administration says other nations have pledged more than \$51 billion in contributions, but those are promises, not cash. And not all of them are direct payments that would defray U.S. war expenditures.

The war appropriation won't really be an issue, with more than 500,000 American troops in the war zone, Congress will vote what the Pentagon deems necessary. The differences will be over its impact on other spending needs, on the economy as a whole, and on how to pay for it.

Some of the economic ills that strain the current budget were coming with or without war. The 1990 deficit reduction deal between the White House and Congress was overruled by both parties despite the pruning it requires, record deficits were in prospect this year.

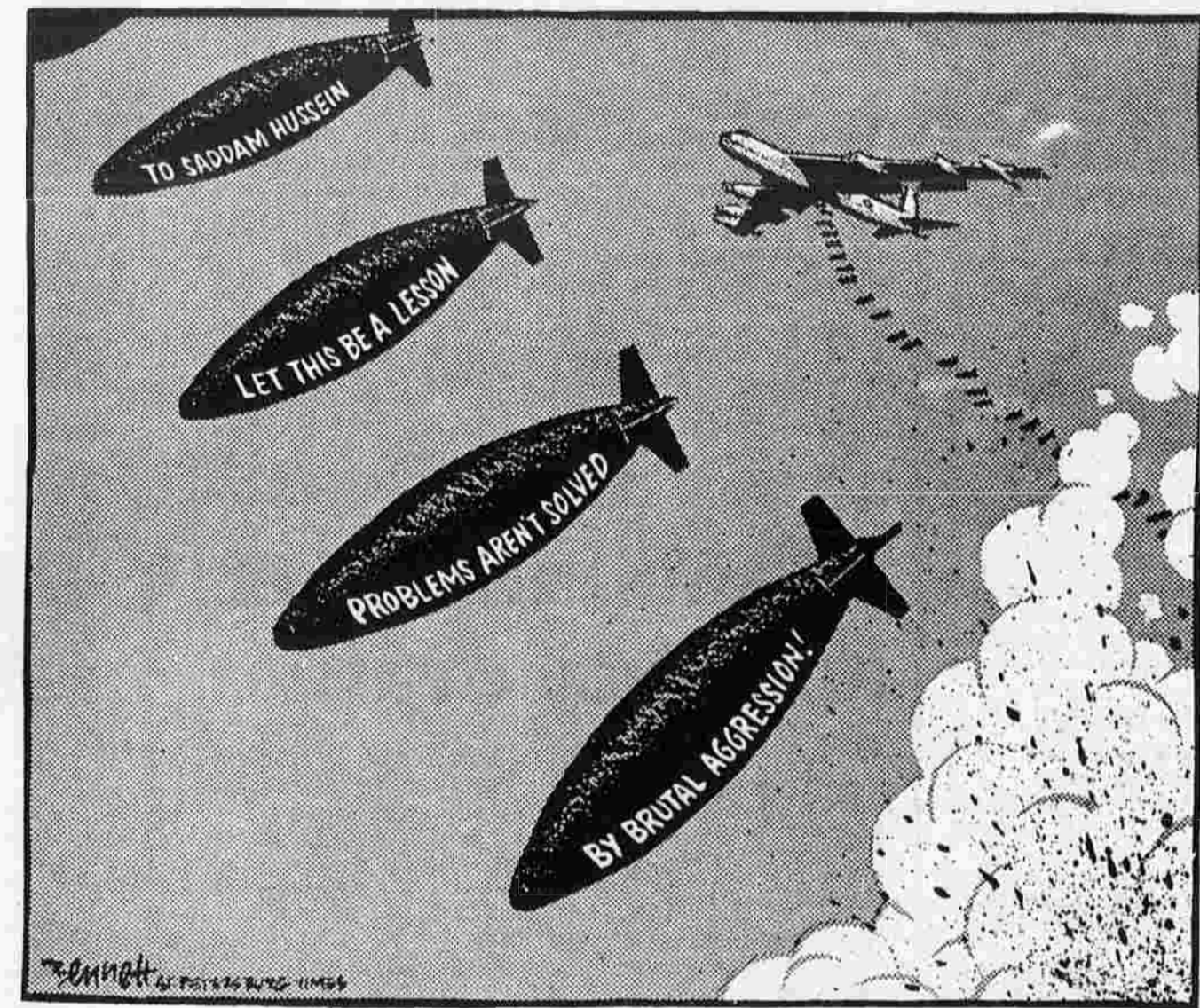
The outlook is worse than expected, a situation that budget director Richard G. Darman blamed largely on \$109.5 billion in extra outlays for the savings and loan crisis and an \$87 billion decrease in tax revenue because of the economic slump.

Enter the villain of the piece. Darman said the economic downturn was caused "perhaps most significantly" by the crisis that followed Saddam's invasion of Kuwait on Aug. 2.

Oil prices went up at first, lenders put a "risk premium" into long-term interest rates and consumers and investors held back, Darman said in the budget.

"The resulting economic slowdown has taken its toll," he said. "And the problem of the fiscal deficit has thus been compounded by the effects of the crisis in the Gulf."

That links the point on which polls give Bush his highest job approval ratings, the war, with the problem on which he ranks lowest, handling of the economy. The challenge to the administration will be to win in the Gulf and then deliver on the budget promise of economic resurgence.



Troop, not war, support

A radio station in the Midwestern city where I live held a "Support Our Troops" rally last weekend. The local barbershop chorus and the university jazz band presented patriotic music; war veterans and a U.S. congressman gave speeches; and people waved American flags and tape-recorded messages to send to the troops.

In promoting the rally, radio station personnel emphasized that the rally didn't necessarily signify support of the war or the president's policy, but represented our appreciation for the men and women serving in the Persian Gulf.

In the crowd were those who had protested the Vietnam War 20 years ago, as well as those who thoroughly detested anti-war protesters then and now. Some of the members of the crowd didn't believe in this war any more than they believed in the Vietnam War. They came in support of fellow citizens who had put themselves in danger either because they believe in this cause, or because it is their job and they agreed to do it.

One of the most poignant moments in the rally was when John McEuen, a member of the Nitro City Dixie Band who was in town to perform that evening, heard the rally on his car radio, drove over and asked if he could play his banjo for the crowd and for the troops who would receive a recording of the rally. Picking out a patriotic melody on the banjo, McEuen told the crowd he had



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to stand for nothing. And if you stood for something, I realized, it might be impossible to skirt military engagement forever.

These, I initially opposed an attack, fearing that the weapons wouldn't work, even though I supported the principle that big nations shouldn't gobble up their smaller neighbors. Once Congress voted to support the president, I felt it incumbent to support him. Today's doves, I think, view war as a Rorschach ink blot. No matter what it looks like, they see it as Vietnam. But that's as dangerous an oversimplification as the hawkish notion that apply small countries should be remodeled into parking lots.

Which brings us back to the "amari" bombs that actually were. The night the war started, I decided my father deserved a few words of respect from his only child.

"I can't believe how well those weapons worked," I told him on the phone. "Daddy, I'm proud to be your daughter."

"Which of my daughters is this?" he said.

"The one who made a mistake."

"If this were a movie larded with symbolism, the music would well up and Jane Fonda would replace the receiver in its cradle before inserting her surgically enhanced body into the arms of uncaptivated Ted Turner for a pre-fade-out embrace."

But life isn't a movie. Soon Saddam Hussein had fired Scuds into civilian neighborhoods and abused allied prisoners. War began to look like war; scary and deadly. I succumbed to the temptation to speculate on what might have been done with a "peace dividend."

But I did succumb to the temptation to take to the streets and comfort the enemy.

Ultimately, it seemed hollow

Shortage of medical personnel in U.S.

By JACK ANDERSON and DALE VAN ATTA

WASHINGTON — Add another casualty to the Persian Gulf war — the entire U.S. health-care system.

The call-up of more than 60,000 medical professionals with their reserve units to buttress Operation Desert Storm has left hospitals, clinics and laboratories short-staffed. Some rural communities have lost not just the best doctor or the favorite doctor, but the only doctor.

The American medical establishment, shortened and overworked before Saddam Hussein became a household word, is now staggering from the loss of doctors and nurses. Reservists have been called to the Persian Gulf or have been ordered to report to military hospitals in the United States to fill the void.

A small clinic in Nebraska sent its only physical therapist to Operation Desert Storm, leaving patients in pain and administrators scrambling for a qualified replacement.

The shortages are not limited to small, rural facilities. In the nation's cities, hospitals have sent doctors and nurses to the war. Often the medical schools are filled, but not with the same caliber of professional.

At Mt. Sinai Hospital in Chicago, the head emergency room nurse left her post for Desert Storm. The head operating room nurse and other nurses at the hospital could be shipped out any day.

One hospital was too short-staffed to keep a constant eye on a disoriented patient with a head injury. State law prevented the hospital from locking the patient in his room to keep him from wandering off. So, a hospital representative said off the record, that the staff filed a bedsheet on the door and then anchored the door to a hospital cart outside the room.

Civilians are victims in no small task. There is a nationwide dearth of qualified professionals before the call-up. Many administrators won't say publicly, but patient care is suffering. Privately they worry that catastrophic harms if the war drags on too long and the wounded are left to the mercy of the elements.

"We're just not ready to take care of them beyond medical stabilization and immediate acute care," said a spokeswoman for the Muter Group, a firm representing more than 500 hospitals, nursing homes and clinics. "Our system just couldn't take a sudden flow of injured soldiers."

The Department of Veterans Affairs and military hospitals would provide the primary care for wounded soldiers, but the VA is already scouting for extra beds in private hospitals where the military hospitals run out of room.

Kaiser Permanente, the nation's largest health maintenance organization, says its hospitals are full and short-staffed. Already, 120 of its nurses and 30 of its doctors have been called up for Operation Desert Storm.

Other experts say that not only is there a lack of space for the wounded, but there is also no plan for long-term care and rehabilitation therapy for soldiers.

Justice delayed — The families of the victims of Pan Am flight 103 get little information from the U.S. government, so they have turned to unofficial sources. A former Central Intelligence Agency official has told them that the German government is planning to release the only person being held in the terrorist bombing — a Palestinian named Dal Komico. If the Germans let him go, it will send a message to the people that the two-year investigation into the crash has gone nowhere.

Mini-editorial — Does Saddam Hussein have a nuclear weapon? He says yes, but the U.S. government doubts it. Saddam's use of oil as a weapon against the environment may answer the question. The oil slick Saddam poured on the Persian Gulf shows that he will use whatever weapon he has, no matter how despicable, so he either doesn't have nuclear or he has no way of delivering them.

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Menus

The following lunches will be served the week of Feb. 18-22:

Mayfair & Westhill Gardens Monday: Closed for Washington's birthday. Tuesday: Italian sausage, Italian sauce, ziti with Italian sauce, Italian blend vegetables, parmesan cheese, Italian bread, strawberry gelatin with topping. Wednesday: Chicken vegetable soup, Teriyaki chicken, carnival rice, garden salad, Thousand Island dressing, eye bread, sliced peaches. Thursday: Tomato juice, meatloaf with gravy, parsleyed boiled potatoes, mixed vegetables, white bread, apple raisin crisp. Friday: Blended juice, baked macaroni and cheese, stewed tomatoes, garden salad, French dressing, wheat bread, fresh fruit.

Manchester secondary schools Monday: No school. Washington's birthday. Tuesday: Footlofting hot dog on roll, baked beans, tomato soup, choice of fruit, milk, cherry cookies. Wednesday: Chicken nuggets, buttered noodles, mixed vegetables, fruit, milk, cherry jubilee. Thursday: Pasta with meat sauce, tossed salad, garlic bread, fruit, milk, cherry crisp. Friday: Pizza, tossed salad, choice of fruit, milk, black forest cake.

Bolton Elementary-Center Monday: No school. Tuesday: Beef and baconburger on a roll, potato puffs, assorted fruit. Wednesday: School-baked pizza, tossed garden salad, assorted fruit.

Manchester elementary schools Monday: No school. Tuesday: Hamburger, puffs, green beans, pudding with topping. Wednesday: French bread pizza, choice of vegetable, raisins. Thursday: Doughboy, cole slaw, peas or broccoli, cake with frosting. Friday: Grinders, chips, salad, pears.

Israeli army eases curfews; Arabs defiant

By KARIN LAUB The Associated Press

JERUSALEM (AP) — Israel has begun easing a 3-week-old curfew imposed on the occupied lands at the outset of the Gulf War, and the army said today more restrictions could be lifted if no anti-Israeli violence breaks out.

Palestinian leaders urged the 1.7 million Arab residents in the occupied West Bank and Gaza Strip to violate the curfew to keep up the momentum of their 3-year-old revolt against Israeli occupation.

There were two incidents today in Israel. In the north, a Palestinian riding on an Israeli bus stabbed and lightly wounded a soldier, police said. The attacker, a resident of the West Bank town of Jenin, apparently broke the curfew and entered Israel. He was arrested.

In Arab east Jerusalem, police fired in the air to disperse Palestinians who tried to prevent the arrest of two youths suspected of damaging an Israeli car, police said. Scores of Israeli cars have been torched by Palestinian militants during the uprising.

Meanwhile, a small group of Jewish and Arab doves urged an immediate U.N.-monitored cease-fire in the war and an international peace conference to resolve Israel's conflict with the Palestinians — both steps opposed by the Israeli government.

"The horrible price of their war is paid by ordinary people," said a petition signed by 103 Israelis. It was presented at a news conference by a new group called Incaf.

"The petition condemned Israel's missile attacks on Israel but added: 'We oppose the Gulf War.'"

The army imposed the round-the-clock curfew within hours after the Persian Gulf War started on Jan. 17, fearing Palestinians would sabotage Israel in a time of crisis. Many Palestinians back Saddam Hussein as a champion of their cause.

Troops strictly enforced the curfew, allowing Palestinians only to leave their homes for two or three hours twice a week to shop for necessities. Curfew violators were given up to three months in prison and fined several hundred dollars.

In a first easing of restrictions, the army on Tuesday and today allowed people in the West Bank towns of Qalqilya, Tulkeram, Bethlehem and Jericho to leave their homes for eight to ten hours periods. About 125,000 people lived in the four towns.

"This is a first stage, and we'll see if it leads to any violence," said an army official, speaking on condition of anonymity. "This will be lifted in several stages, and each stage depends on the previous stage."

Palestinians in the occupied lands are still barred from leaving their towns or entering Israel. Before the war, about 100,000 Palestinians worked in Israel as day laborers and many fear they will be fired unless they go to work.

"Lifting the curfew will not help us if we are not allowed to go to our jobs," said Ziad Muna, a Bethlehem resident who used to work as a mechanic in Jerusalem.

"It is great to see shops open, but what is the use if we don't have money to spend there," he added.

Hot dog on roll, baked beans, tomato soup, fruit, milk, cherry cookies. Tuesday: Chicken nuggets, buttered noodles, mixed vegetables, fruit, milk, cherry jubilee. Thursday: Pasta with meat sauce, tossed salad, garlic bread, fruit, milk, cherry crisp. Friday: Pizza, tossed salad, choice of fruit, milk, black forest cake.

Cheeseburger, potato puffs, cookie and applesauce. Wednesday: Juice, lasagna, garlic bread, mixed vegetables, cake with topping. Thursday: Tomato soup, grilled cheese, pickle chips, potato chips, peaches. Friday: Pepperoni pizza, tossed salad, choice of dressing, fruited gelatin with topping.

Monday: No school. Tuesday: Hamburgers, puffs, green beans, pudding with topping. Wednesday: French bread pizza, choice of vegetable, raisins. Thursday: Doughboy, cole slaw, peas or broccoli, cake with frosting. Friday: Grinders, chips, salad, pears.

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new mandates unless they were fully funded by the state, Cassano said.

"We are telling [state legislators] that we can't stand legislation anymore that is costing the town hundreds of millions of dollars," he said.

Even though some of the mandates are well-intentioned, towns simply cannot afford to follow through on all of them, Cassano said.

"We can't afford any more noble ideas from the state of Connecticut," he said.

Among the mandates that CCM listed as "most onerous" were minimum spending requirements for local education, binding arbitration for local contracts and recycling requirements.

Banks

banking industry and the S&Ls is the difference between chalk and cheese," Brady said on "CBS This Morning," noting that banks have \$200 billion in capital backing up deposits.

Longstanding laws barring commercial and industrial companies from owning banks would crumble under the administration plan, as would the division of banking from the insurance and securities industries.

Customers, for instance, would be able to get a car loan, shares in a mutual fund and a life insurance policy at their bank, which could be owned by a department store chain.

This is a program sufficiently similar to the savings and loan deregulation that I am compelled to ask whether the good folks who brought us that success are seeking to inflict a second success on society," said Rep. John D. Dingell, chairman of the House Energy and Commerce Committee.

Rates

President Bush called for lower interest rates both in his State of the Union address and in the budget he sent Congress on Monday.

In fact, the president's budget blamed the Fed in part for causing the recession by keeping interest rates too tight over the past two years.

"We still believe there's ample room for lower interest rates in this country," Treasury Secretary Nicholas Brady said this week.

The administration's comments, however, put Federal Reserve Chairman Alan Greenspan in a ticklish position.

If Greenspan gives the appearance of bending to political pressure, that could raise fears that the Fed is abandoning its resolve to fight price pressures. That in turn would cause financial markets to push interest rates higher as a hedge against future inflation.

Mayor

The president of the police union, William K. Daley, said today the union embraces the mayor's capitulation.

"We're more than happy to accept the apology, and as far as we're concerned it's finished and closed business," Daley said, adding that Werkhofer's explanation that he was misinterpreted is acceptable.

He explained why the union endorsed such an expensive to request the apology.

"When the head elected official comes out and says there are problems with the investigation, it really ruins you're credibility."

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Main Street may be ready in Nov.

By BRIAN M. TROTTA
Manchester Herald

MANCHESTER — Organizers of this year's Manchester Road Race may be able to start the race on Main Street after all, now that the contractor for the Main Street Reconstruction Project has said that the job could be completed by November.

Paul Lewis, director of public works, told the board of directors Tuesday that Delta Construction Co. of Enfield plans to begin the work on March 1.

The contractor has said he has the resources to get the project done by November, Lewis said. "Hopefully, the subcontractors will also be willing to put forward the same resources."

Lewis said he expects final approval from the Federal Highway Administration within the next three weeks. Once the approval is received, the \$7.9 million project can begin at once.

Members of the board of directors said they were amazed at the ambitious construction schedule. Original estimates said it would take at least two years to finish the project.

"Most people would be in total disbelief if it could be done by November," said Director Stephen Cassano. "But my concern is that if it can't be done that we've put a false impression out there."

Director Ron Osella said he was pleased to hear that the construction could be completed in such a short time span because it would limit the disruption of Main Street businesses.



IN SHINING ARMOR — Sarah Helling, a fourth-grader at St. James Junior High School in Manchester, tries on an horn helmet as Paul Mayberry of the Higgins Armory Museum in Worcester, Mass., explains the history and use of the knight's armor during a demonstration. Mayberry is also dressed in a medieval outfit.

Final vote on school budget

By SCOTT B. BREDE
Manchester Herald

MANCHESTER — Students, parents and teachers are expected to turn out in large numbers at tonight's Board of Education meeting as the proposed school budget is slated to make its last appearance on home turf.

The school board is scheduled to vote on a final spending plan tonight that will then be submitted to the Board of Directors.

Kick-off time will be at 7:30 p.m., at 45 North School St.

In less than a month since School Superintendent James P. Kennedy released his \$49.5 million proposed 1991-92 school budget, school board members have stepped at Town Directors for setting a 6 percent increase cap on town spending. PTA members have grievied over potential cuts, and some school employees have become frustrated over the possibility of losing their jobs.

At last week's Board of Education meeting, Kennedy presented a list of 39 areas that he thought should be trimmed or cut if the budget was to come in near the 6 percent spending increase mark over the current \$45 million spending plan.

The \$49.5 million budget represents a 9.85 percent increase over the current budget, and more than \$1.8 million would have to be sliced to get near the Board of Director's desired mark, Kennedy said.

Among the items on Kennedy's list are: staff reductions of 10 Manchester High School teachers, five Iling Junior High teachers, four Bennett Junior High teachers, two elementary music teachers, one high school vice principal, one special education teacher and one elementary gym instructor.

Other positions that might be cut include: two building and grounds workers, three special education paraprofessionals, two speech professionals in the elementary learning center, two social work paraprofessionals, five paraprofessionals at the Regional Occupational Training Center, and three security guards.

Kennedy also suggested that the school district's contribution of \$64,618 to the Transitional Living Center (TLC), a group home in Manchester for troubled teen-agers, might have to be sliced out of the budget. The district's contribution is about half of the center's total budget, and according to Richard A. Cormier, the director of pupil personnel services, TLC would be unable to operate with such a cut to its budget.

Other suggested cuts include: all Board of Education subsidies to the environmental education program, the Lutz Museum, the high school ice hockey program, and junior high school athletics.

A program similar to "Write to Read" program at Nathan Hale Elementary School will not be implemented at Washington Elementary School should the board go along with Kennedy's cuts.

PTA members are expected to give a speech about the importance of education at the start of the meeting.

In other action tonight, the board will discuss on plans to move 11 Martin Elementary students to other schools and change the junior high schools. For school alignment, and Cormier will give a presentation on special education.

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Handicapped parking violators fined more

By RICK SANTOS
Manchester Herald

MANCHESTER — People whose vehicles are not registered for handicapped parking but use handicapped spaces set aside for the handicapped may be fined \$90 instead of the \$25 now assessed.

"It's a rather stiff fine, but I can't see any public opposition to this," Deputy Mayor Ronald Osella said.

In November, Osella asked Town Attorney Maureen A. Chmielecki to rewrite the ordinances on handicapped parking after he witnessed a violation in front of a local supermarket.

"I saw someone park in a handicapped spot, place a permit in the window, and bound out of the car," Osella said, adding that none of the car's occupants were handicapped.

As well as increasing the fines for illegal parking in designated spaces, the proposed changes would allow the town to fine the owner of any parking areas for not having enough handicapped spaces or not posting adequate markings and signs to identify the spaces.

The number of handicapped spaces is determined by the total number of spaces in any parking area; the proportion is about one per 25 for smaller lots and gradually decreases as lot sizes increase.

Handicapped spaces must be at least 15 feet wide, including a three-foot, cross-hatched border, unless the markings would not conform with other regulations. And the spaces must be identifiable with appropriate above-grade signs.

The fines for non-complying parking areas also would be \$90 and would be levied if proper signs and markings are not installed within 30 days of written request by the traffic authority.

Because those fines are not in place, Osella said the town has difficulty enforcing rules about markings and signs.

However, the existing regulations permit the town to create handicapped spaces and bill the owner if the owner fails to create the spaces. That portion of the rules is not proposed for change.

The proposed revisions appeared on the public hearing agenda for Tuesday night's meeting of the Board of Directors, but the matter will be tabled to at least March.

Officials had wanted the Commission for the Disabled to review all parking regulations as written in the ordinances.

Candidates for Bolton elections announced

By DAVID LAMMEY
Manchester Herald

Here are the Republican and Democratic slates: For First Selectman, Democrat Rich Pelletier is running against Republican incumbent Robert Morra. For Selectmen, Democrats Donald Henry and David Killian, Republicans Doug Cheney and Michael Eremia.

For the Board of Education, Democrats David Fernald and Barry Stearns; Republicans Susan Hein, Thomas Manning and Pamela Sawyer.

For the Board of Finance, Democrats Beth Harney, Don Palmer Jr., and Sandra Piergo; Republican Raymond Ursin.

For Treasurer, Republican Catherine Peterson, and for Tax Collector, Republican Elaine Petterson.

For the Board of Tax Review, Democrats Ivi Cannon and Robert Lessard. Louise Mitchell, and Republicans Renato Coconci and Loren Otter are running for full term, while Republican Nancy Soma is running for a two-year vacancy and Democrat Mary Van Buren and Republican David Nus are alternates.

For the Zoning Commission, Democrats Thomas Marion and Marjorie Fuller-Supple; Republicans David Lynn, Hans DePold, and Catherine Peterson.

Republicans Judy Buonome and Michael Wilkinson and Republican Kenneth Caya are running for alternates.

For the Zoning Board of Appeals, Democrats John Frederick Audette, Joel Hoffman, Henry Kelsey, and

Republican Morris Silverstein. For Zoning Board of Appeals Alternates, Democrats Jacqueline Abbott, Magdalena Reyna and Marjorie Fuller-Supple; Republicans David Lynn, Hans DePold, and Catherine Peterson.

TNT head announces slate

By DAVID LAMMEY
Manchester Herald

BOLTON — Charles Holland, chairman of The Neglected Taxpayers, has announced formation of the Common Sense Coalition — a slate of petitioning candidates for every major office in the May 6 elections.

According to a press release, the coalition has successfully submitted a slate of Petitioning candidates to the Secretary of State's office. The coalition will form a third line of candidates alongside the Democratic and Republican slates.

Holland said he believed that Bolton will be the first town to have a full slate of independent candidates for every major office.

The coalition was formed, Holland says, to "get the town back on the track of fiscal responsibility" and to provide the town "with a new sense of direction."

The slate of petitioning candidates is headed by Aloysius Ahearn, who is running for First Selectman. Ahearn is a former state representative, World War II and Korean War veteran, and holds a master's degree in education from Harvard. He also served six years each on the Board of Finance and the Board of Selectmen in Bolton.

The coalition's slate of petitioning candidates is: For First Selectman, Aloysius Ahearn (D); For Selectman: Bette Martin (R), Lewis Stein (D), Grant Davis (R), and Calvin Trumbull (R).

For the Board of Finance: Mike Pischarczyk (D), Mike McCune (R), and Ron Beaudoin (D).

For the Board of Education: Art Menning (R), Gimny Wickersham (R), Jacqui Miller (D), and Ivi Cannon (D).

Zoning regulations will be reviewed and revised

By BRIAN M. TROTTA
Manchester Herald

MANCHESTER — After years of dealing with zoning regulations that have been haphazardly put together over the years, town officials are undertaking a comprehensive review and revision of the zoning regulations.

"The regulations are in such poor shape that it is not to our advantage to fix them in bits and pieces," said Town Planner Mark Pellegrini.

"The last big revision was in 1960."

"Some of the suggestions are very general, while others are very specific," Pellegrini said. "But they cover virtually every section of the code."

Pellegrini said that over the next few months, he plans to meet with officials from towns across the county to discuss their approaches to zoning.

The commission members plan to attack the regulations section by categories, Pellegrini said. For example, they will examine all regulations regarding parking at one time.

"It's like eating an elephant, you do it one bite at a time," Pellegrini said.

Planning and Zoning Commission member Eugene Sierakowski said that the regulations covering industrial development are in the worst shape and should be reviewed first.

Sierakowski suggested that the commission look at the current regulations in conjunction with the town's plan of development, which was published July 16.

In Brief...

MANCHESTER — The Iling Parent Group will hold its third meeting of the school year Thursday night to discuss the formation of a PTA affiliate for Iling Junior High School.

The meeting will be held in the school's media center at 7 p.m.

The group will also listen to two speakers on the shifting of the junior high schools to middle schools.

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About Town

British Empire to meet

The Britannia Chapter of Daughters of British Empire will meet Thursday at 11 a.m. at the Community Baptist Church, Manchester. New officers will be installed. Hostesses are Mrs. Margaret Patrick and Elizabeth Peterson.

Religious awareness

The Adult Religious Awareness Committee of St. Bartholomew Church, 736 Middle Turnpike East, is sponsoring a presentation by Father John McCarthy on Thursday at 7:30 p.m. in the Father Hassy Library. The title of the presentation is "When is a Marriage Not a Marriage? Annulments in the Catholic Church Today."

Storytime sign-up at library

The Bentley Memorial Library, Bolton, is now taking registrations for the winter/spring storytime sessions for ages 3 to 7. Storytimes will be on Wednesdays beginning Feb. 6 to March 13. Sessions are as follows: ages 3-5, 11:30-noon (children should bring a lunch); ages 5-6, 2-3:30 p.m. (children may bring a snack); ages 6-7, 7-7:30 p.m. (children should wear their pajamas and bring a stuffed animal). This storytime is taped for Cable TV and aired every Thursday on channel 26 at 7:30 p.m. Pre-registration is advised. Please call the library at 646-7349 for more information.

Ice skating notice

The Hebron Parks & Recreation Commission announces that ice skating, when conditions permit, will be allowed at the Town landfill ice rink on Old Colchester Road. Residents may skate any day from 8 a.m. to 9 p.m. Lights installed by the Public Works Department may be turned on and off by the skaters. Skaters must park their cars at the new designated parking space adjacent to the landfill entrance. The landfill gates are locked at 4 p.m., and the new parking area will allow people to skate during the evening hours. For an update on ice conditions, call 228-4465.

MCC all-day trip

The Manchester Community College Alumni Association (MCCA) is sponsoring an all-day trip to the Boston Flower Show and Quincy Market on Saturday, March 16. The bus will leave MCC at 8 a.m. Tickets are \$25 for the general public, \$22 for MCCA members (includes transportation and flower Show Ticket). Deadline for reservations is Wednesday, Feb. 20. For more information, call 647-6137 or 647-6081.

Talking to children

How To Talk So Kids Will Listen And Listen So Kids Will Talk. Teach your child to understand and communicate feelings. Engage your child's willing cooperation. This course is being offered by the Coventry Recreation Department. The course will run Thursday, Feb. 21, through April 4, from 7-9 p.m. at the Patriot's Park Lodge on Lake St. in Coventry. Fee is \$21. Optional books may be purchased for \$27. Register at the Coventry Recreation Department, 1712 Main St., Town Hall, Coventry, or call 742-9074 for more information.

Cheesecake class offered

"Creative Cheesecake Concoctions" will be featured at a special Community Health presentation at Manchester Memorial Hospital on Thursday at 7 p.m. The program costs \$15. For more information and to register, call 647-6600 or 643-1223.

Births

DeCORMIER, Christina Nicole, daughter of Joseph and Teresa Enderlin DeCormier, 116 Hebron Road, Bolton, was born Jan. 3, 1991 at Manchester Memorial Hospital. Her maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Leon W. Enderlin of Manchester. Her paternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. George F. DeCormier, Manchester. She has a sister Jacqueline, 2.

CLARK, Shelby Louise, daughter of Leon and Cathy Bray Clark of 329 Brigham Tavern Road, Coventry, was born Jan. 3, 1991 at Manchester Memorial Hospital. Her maternal grandfather is Gene Bray, Idaho. Her paternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Gay Clark of Cocoa Beach, Fla. She has a sister Jessie, 2.

Lottery

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

Connecticut
Daily: 4-6-8. Play Four: 6-5-7-1. Lotto: 11-26-28-34-36-41

Massachusetts
Daily: 5-9-7-8

Northern New England
Pick Three: 8-7-6. Pick Four: 2-4-2-0
Rhode Island
Daily: 0-9-1-8. Lot-O-Bucks: 3-4-22-23-24. Jackpot: \$697,617

Weather

REGIONAL Weather
Thursday, Feb. 7
Accu-Weather forecast for daytime conditions and high temperatures.

The weather tonight in the greater Manchester area: cloudy with patchy fog and a chance of rain late. Low around 35. Wind northeast light. Chance of rain 40 percent. Thursday, cloudy with a 80 percent chance of light rain. High in the middle 40s. Outlook for Friday, clearing. High in the mid 40s. A low pressure center will develop over the southern Appalachians tonight and move to the northern mid Atlantic coast by Thursday evening.

Today's weather picture was drawn by Kimberly DeCarlo, a fourth-grader at Martin School in Manchester.

Deaths

The town listing of deaths is offered free of charge by the Manchester Herald. Paid announcements of death and in Memoriams appear under the Death Notices heading.

Manchester

Bertha S. DeForest

Romeo D. Infante

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Death Notices

Gioacchino "Jack" Gesmundo

Gioacchino "Jack" Gesmundo, 86, of Manchester, departed this life Monday, February 4, 1991, at the Manchester Memorial Hospital. Born in Terlizzi, Italy, April 9, 1906, son of the late Angelo and Nicolette Gesmundo. He had lived in Groton before moving to Manchester in 1955. Prior to his retirement he was employed at Pratt & Whitney Aircraft, East Hartford, Conn. He was a member of the Knights of Columbus, Campbell Council #573, the Elks BPOE Lodge #1893 and was a communicant of St. Bridget Church. He leaves his loving wife of 50 years, Rita (Malera) Gesmundo, two sons and daughter-in-law, Angelo and Carol Gesmundo of Bolton, Michael and Lana Gesmundo of Newburgh, N.Y., a grandson, John Gesmundo, a sister, Anna Rosignoli of Norwich, and several nieces and nephews. Funeral services will be Friday, 9:15 AM at the Holmes Funeral Home, 400 Main Street, Manchester with a Mass of Christian Burial at 10:00 AM at St. Bridget Church, 80 Main Street, Manchester. Burial will be in St. James Cemetery. Friends may call at the funeral home Thursday, 2:00 to 4:00 and 7:00 to 9:00 PM.

Dorothy Johnson

Dorothy Johnson, 74, of Corvallis, Iowa, died Sunday morning on March 29, 1947 at Middletown, Conn. She is survived by her husband, Gunnar, of Corvallis, Iowa; two daughters, Karen Bollinger of Corvallis, and Kristine Martin of Turnersville, New Jersey; five grandchildren; a brother, Ernest Halsted of Cromwell, Conn.; a sister, Virginia Merriam of Ocala, Florida. Memorial services are at 3:30 P.M. Thursday at the Zion Lutheran Church, Iowa City. The George L. Gay Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

Bertha S. DeForest

Bertha S. DeForest, 81 of 56 Pearl Street, Manchester, widow of Howard DeForest, died Tuesday, February 5, 1991, at a local convalescent home. She was born on December 25, 1901 in Grand Lake Stream, Maine and had been a resident of Manchester since 1974. Prior to retiring she was employed by the Bonter Manufacturing Co. of Wilton, Maine, and attended the Community Baptist Church of Manchester. She is survived by her daughter, Deborah A. DeForest of Manchester; three sons, David E. DeForest of Dallas, Texas, Howard E. DeForest Jr. of Columbus, Mississippi, and Lawrence A. DeForest of Manchester; two sisters, Lila S. McKevey of Grand Lake Stream, Maine and Cressida S. Browning of Oxbridge, Massachusetts; six grandchildren and four great-grandchildren. She was pre-deceased by three grandsons. Private graveside services will be in the Grand Lake Stream Cemetery, Maine in the spring. There are no calling hours. Memorial contributions may be made to the Community Baptist Church, 585 East Center Street, Manchester, CT, 06040 or the Visiting Nurse and Home Care of Manchester, Inc., 545 North Main Street, Manchester. The Holmes Funeral Home, 400 Main Street, Manchester has care of arrangements.

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Current Quotes

"I was just sucked in. I'm just a victim. If I did something wrong, it was just stupidity, not consciously." — Arizona legislator Republican Rep. Don Kenney facing state corruption charges.

"Our signal today by the air strike is very clear. Our self-restraint with regard to Yasser Arafat ends where Yasser Arafat's terror campaign begins." — Israeli army spokesman, Col. Ramon Givati on Israel attacking Palestinian guerrillas and allied pro-Iraqi Lebanese militiamen in southern Lebanon.

Police Roundup

Two arrested on drug charges
Members of the Tri-Town Narcotics Task Force, the Drug Enforcement Agency and the East Hartford Vice and Narcotics Squad have arrested two men in conjunction with drug sales in the Manchester area.
Following a week-long investigation, police said they arrested the two men at the Burr Corners Shopping Plaza Tuesday as they were about to sell an undercover officer more than four ounces of cocaine.
Arrested were Craig R. Jackson, 21, of 84 Oakwood Ave., West Hartford and Robert D. Ricks, 24, of 79 Myrtle St., C-3, Hartford.
Both men were charged with possession of over one ounce of cocaine, possession of cocaine with intent to sell, and possession of cocaine. Jackson faces an additional charge of possession of a credit card which was reported stolen from the Pavilions at Backland Hills mall two weeks ago. Ricks is facing an additional charge of operating a drug factory.
Bond was set at \$100,000 for Jackson and \$50,000 for Ricks. No court date has been set for either man.
After their arrests, police executed search warrants at the home of both men, which turned up an additional 25 grams of cocaine. Police estimate that the total value of all the cocaine seized is more than \$30,000.
Also seized in the raids were \$2,135 in cash and two cars. One is a 1983 BMW 528e belonging to Ricks and the other is a 1986 Audi 5000 owned by Jackson.

Today In History

Today is Wednesday, Feb. 6, the 37th day of 1991. There are 328 days left in the year.
Today's Birthdays:
Anthony Louis Nizer is 89. Former President Reagan is 80. Actress Zsa Zsa Gabor is 74. Actor Patrick Macnee is 69. Actor Rip Torn is 60. Actress Mamie Van Doren is 58. Actor Mike Farrell is 52. NBC news anchorman Tom Brokaw is 51. Singer Patricia LaBelle, Actress Gay Hankin is 48. Singer Natalie Cole is 42.
Today's Highlight in History:
On Feb. 6, 1788, Massachusetts became the sixth state to ratify the U.S. Constitution.

Public Meetings

The following meetings are scheduled for Thursday, Feb. 7:
COVENTRY
Board of Education, Coventry High School, 7:30 p.m.
HEBRON
Economic Development, Town Hall, 7:30 p.m.
Board of Selectmen, Town Hall, 7:30 p.m.
Board of Education, Hebron Elementary School, 7 p.m.

Thoughts

I would like to share a few thoughts that came in a ladies prayer newsletter. The writer is Thatus Tenney from Louisiana. This letter came to me on a day when I was feeling weary and weak. It seemed that people I care for had problems that even God couldn't help. Of course we all know that God can solve all problems, but as was just "one of those days."

God's Odds
What are our odds against the formidable odds we face, such as rampant evil, violence, corruption, rebellion, unbearable stress, disappointment, despair, depression, etc. What can we expect when we put a praying minority against such overwhelming needs?
The odds may seem to be against us until God is brought into the situation, then we have God's odds.
In the struggle of life, our circumstances often become our prison and the odds are against us. But when we pray, we bring God into our circumstance then the odds are for us, God's odds! If God be for us who can be against us? (Romans 8:31)
Rebecca Stefanovics
United Pentecostal Church

Obituaries

Rep. Joseph Mikescic
KANSAS CITY, Kan. (AP) — Joseph M. Mikescic, a former minority floor leader in the Kansas House of Representatives, died Saturday at age 77.
Mikescic, a Democrat, was appointed to the House in 1951 and re-elected 14 times. He served as minority leader from 1963 to 1968, resigning from the House in 1979 on his doctor's advice.
He was the animal control officer for Kansas City, Kan., for 32 years. He published the Wyandotte Legionaire newspaper from 1950 to 1964 and was editor and public relations director for the Wyandotte Echo, a legal newspaper, from 1963 to 1969.
Mikescic had been an auditor for the Federal Crop Insurance Corp.

Legislator

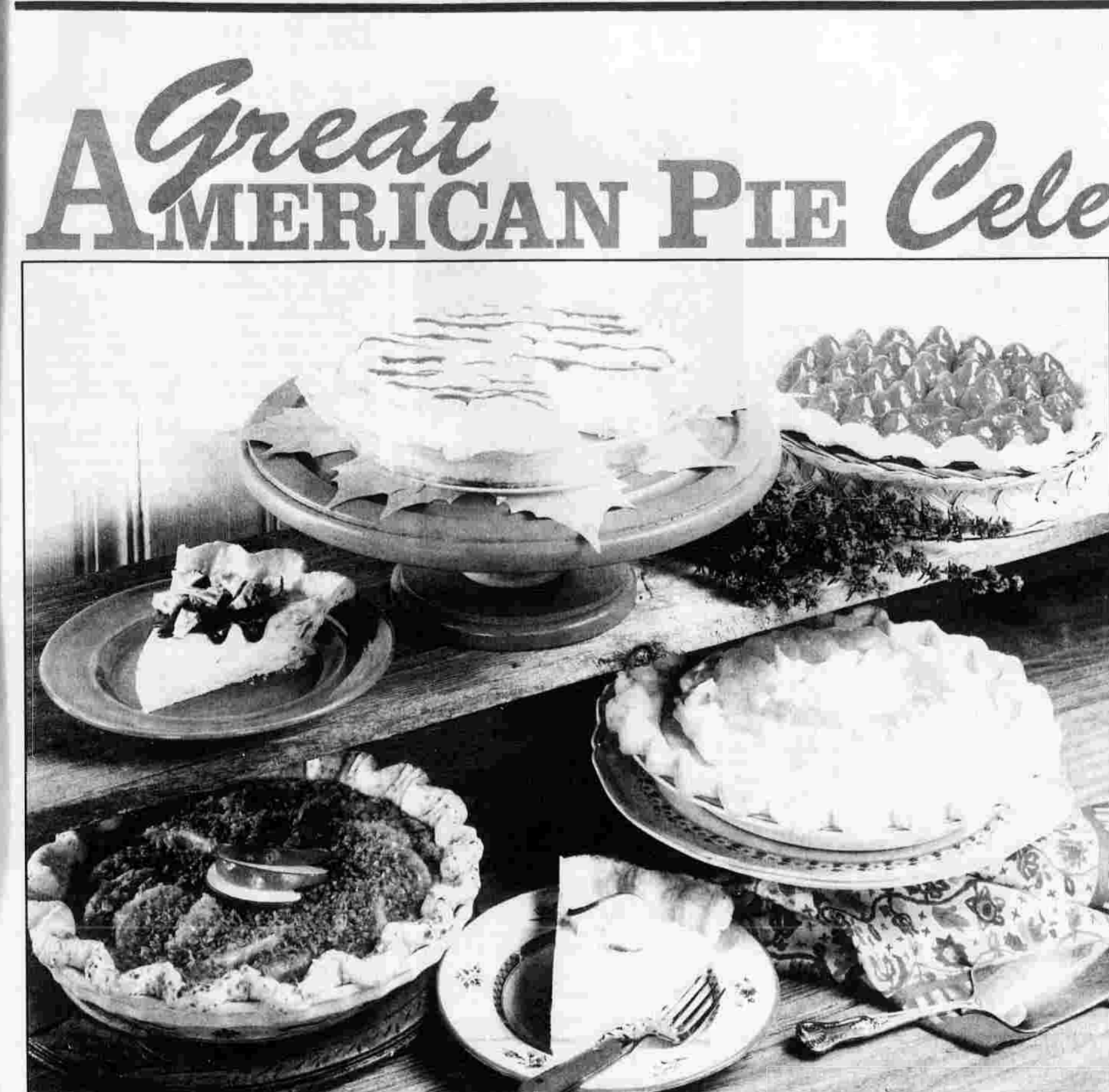
MILBRIDGE, Maine (AP) — J. Hollis Wyman, a successful blueberry grower who emerged as one of the most powerful state legislators of the 1960s and '70s, died Saturday at age 90.
In 1923, Wyman took over the blueberry business his father had founded in 1874, devoting 2,000 to 3,000 acres to commercial blueberry growing. He had blueberry cleaning and processing plants as well as a sardine cannery.
For more than two decades, the frugal, crusty Wyman was an influential Republican member of the Maine Senate, chairing the important Taxation Committee most of that time.
Elected to the Senate in 1954, Wyman assumed a seat his father had occupied almost 50 years earlier. The younger Wyman's senate service was broken only by defeats in 1964 and in his final race in 1978.
He retired from the blueberry and sardine packing business in 1985.

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FOOD



Pictured clockwise from upper right: California Dreamin' Strawberry Cheese Pie, Arizona Sunrise-Sunset Citrus Pie, Florida Cool Breeze Lime Pie, Midwest Apple Crunch Pie, Virginia Peanut Candy Pie and Boston Cream Pie. Photo courtesy of Eagle® Brand Sweetened Condensed Milk and Crisco Shortening.

Arizona Sunrise-Sunset Citrus Pie

Crust
Unbaked 9-inch single pie crust made with all-vegetable shortening

Sponge Layer and Topping

3 eggs, separated
1 can (14 ounces) sweetened condensed milk (NOT evaporated milk)
2 tablespoons all-purpose flour
2 teaspoons shredded fresh lemon or orange peel or zest
1/2 cup lemon juice plus 1/2 teaspoon lemon juice
1 container (4 ounces) frozen nondairy whipped topping, thawed (1 1/2 cups)
1 can (11 ounces) mandarin oranges, well drained
1/2 cup orange marmalade

Filling and Topping

2 1/2 to 3 cups core, pared and thinly sliced apples (about 1 pound or 3 medium apples)
1/2 cup all-vegetable butter (softening)
1/2 cup firmly packed brown sugar
1/2 cup all-purpose flour
2 eggs

Heut oven to 425°F.
For crust, prick bottom and sides thoroughly with fork (30 minutes) to prevent shrinkage. Bake at 425°F for 10 minutes. Remove from oven. Reduce oven temperature to 350°F.
For sponge layer, combine egg yolks, sweetened condensed milk, flour, lemon peel and 1/2 cup lemon juice in large bowl. Beat at low speed of electric mixer until well mixed. Beat egg whites until stiff, but not dry. Fold into lemon mixture. Pour into hot, baked pie shell.
Bake at 350°F for 25 minutes or until set. Cool to room temperature.
For topping, spread whipped topping over sponge layer. Arrange orange slices over topping in a "wheel" about one inch from edge of pie. Warm orange marmalade. Stir in remaining 1/2 teaspoon lemon juice. Spoon over oranges. Refrigerate or serve at room temperature. ONE 9-INCH PIE.

California Dreamin' Strawberry Cheese Pie

Crust
Unbaked 9-inch single pie crust made with all-vegetable shortening

Filling and Topping

1 package (8 ounces) cream cheese, softened
1 can (14 ounces) sweetened condensed milk (NOT evaporated milk)
1/2 cup lemon juice
1 teaspoon vanilla
1 quart fresh strawberries, rinsed and hulled
1 package (16 ounces) chilled strawberry glaze, prepared
1/2 cup lemon juice

For filling, beat cream cheese in large bowl at medium speed of electric mixer until fluffy. Beat in sweetened condensed milk, gradually, until smooth. Stir in lemon juice and vanilla. Pour into cooled, baked pie shell. Refrigerate 3 hours or until firm.
For topping, arrange strawberries on filling. Spoon glaze over berries.
ONE 9-INCH PIE.

Midwest Apple Crunch Pie

Crust
Unbaked 9-inch single pie crust made with all-vegetable shortening adding 2 tablespoons finely crushed granola to flour

Filling and Topping

2 1/2 to 3 cups core, pared and thinly sliced apples (about 1 pound or 3 medium apples)
1/2 cup all-vegetable butter (softening)
1/2 cup firmly packed brown sugar
1/2 cup all-purpose flour
2 eggs

Heat oven to 425°F.
For filling, arrange apples in unbaked pie shell. Melt 1/2 cup shortening. Beat eggs in medium bowl. Add sweetened condensed milk, melted shortening, maple flavor, cinnamon and nutmeg. Mix well. Pour over apples.
For topping, combine sugar and flour in medium bowl. Cut in remaining 1/2 cup shortening until crumbly. Stir in granola. Sprinkle over crust.
Bake at 425°F for 10 minutes. Reduce oven temperature to 375°F. Bake at 375°F for 35 to 40 minutes or until golden brown. (Cover top or edge of pie with foil, if necessary, to prevent overbrowning.)
Serve warm, at room temperature or chilled. ONE 9-INCH PIE.

Florida Cool Breeze Lime Pie

Crust
Baked 9-inch single pie crust made with all-vegetable shortening adding 2 tablespoons very finely ground almonds to flour

Filling

1 package (8 ounces) cream cheese, softened
1 can (14 ounces) sweetened condensed milk (NOT evaporated milk)
1 carton (8 ounces) or lemon low-fat yogurt
1 teaspoon shredded fresh lime peel or zest
1/2 cup lime juice
1 drop green food color (optional)
1 container (4 ounces) frozen nondairy whipped topping, thawed (1 1/2 cups)

For filling, beat cream cheese in large bowl at medium speed of electric mixer until fluffy. Beat in sweetened condensed milk, gradually, until well blended. Beat in yogurt, lime peel, lime juice and food color, if used, until smooth. Fold in whipped topping. Spoon into cooled, baked pie shell.
Refrigerate 3 hours or until firm.
Garnish with additional whipped topping, lime slices and toasted almonds, if desired.
ONE 9-INCH PIE.

Classic Crisco Single Crust

1 1/2 level cups all-purpose flour
1/2 level cup Crisco Shortening
3 tablespoons cold water
(some brands of flour may need more water)

Boston Cream Pie

Crust
Pastry for two 9-inch single pie crusts made with all-vegetable shortening

Filling and Glaze

1 cup (5/8 pint) whipping cream, whipped
Confectioners' sugar
1/2 cup semi-sweet chocolate chips
1 teaspoon all-vegetable shortening

Heat oven to 425°F.
For bottom crust, divide dough in half and follow directions on crust recipe for baked pie shell.
For top crust, roll remaining half of dough into 13-inch circle. Place 8-inch round cake pan on dough. Draw around pan with tip of knife. Remove pan. Cut dough circle into 8 wedges. Place on ungreased baking sheet. (Use leftover pastry for tart shells.)
Bake at 425°F for 8 to 10 minutes. Cool.
For filling, combine sweetened condensed milk and water in large bowl. Add pudding mix. Beat with medium speed of electric mixer. Chill 5 minutes. Fold in whipped cream. Spoon into cooled, baked pie shell. Top with pastry wedges. Press lightly against filling. Dust lightly with confectioners' sugar.
For glaze, melt chocolate chips and shortening in small saucepan on low heat (or use microwave). Stir to blend. Drizzle over crust wedges. Refrigerate one hour or until firm. ONE 9-INCH PIE.

Virginia Peanut Candy Pie

Crust
Baked 9-inch single pie crust made with all-vegetable shortening

Filling and Topping

1 package (8 ounces) cream cheese, softened
1 can (14 ounces) sweetened condensed milk (NOT evaporated milk)
1/2 cup creamy peanut butter
1 teaspoon vanilla
2 chocolate coated peanut candy bars (about 2 ounces each), chilled and chopped
1 cup (1/2 pint) whipping cream, whipped
1/2 cup chocolate fudge
1/2 cup chocolate chips

For filling, beat cream cheese in large bowl at medium speed of electric mixer until fluffy. Beat in sweetened condensed milk, gradually, until well blended. Beat in peanut butter and vanilla until smooth. Stir in candy. Fold in whipped cream. Spoon into cooled, baked pie shell.
For topping, warm fudge topping slightly. Spoon over top of pie to cover completely. Sprinkle with additional chopped candy, if desired. Freeze at least 4 hours or until firm. To serve, allow to stand 20 to 30 minutes at room temperature. Cut with sharp knife dipped in hot water. ONE 9-INCH PIE.

Remove other sheet and press flat.

Roll dough into circle, between sheets of waxed paper on dampened counter. Peel off top sheet. Trim one inch larger than inside-down 9-inch pie plate. Flip into pie plate. Sprinkle with water, one tablespoon at a time. Flour lightly with fork until dough will form pea-size chunks. Cut in Crisco using pastry blender (or 2 knives) until all flour is blended in to form pea-size chunks. Sprinkle with water, one tablespoon at a time. Flour lightly with fork until dough will form pea-size chunks. Roll dough into circle, between sheets of waxed paper on dampened counter. Peel off top sheet. Trim one inch larger than inside-down 9-inch pie plate. Flip into pie plate. Remove other sheet and press flat. For baked pie shell, heat oven to 425°F. Prick bottom and sides thoroughly with fork.

(50 times) to prevent shrinkage. Bake at 425°F for 10 to 15 minutes or until lightly browned. For recipe calling for unbaked pie shell, follow baking directions given in this recipe.

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FOCUS

Dear Abby

Abigail Van Buren

Piercing ears of child is cruel

DEAR ABBY: You hear and read so much about preventing child abuse, yet one of the most common and blatant forms of child abuse goes on daily without comment.

I refer to the practice of piercing the ears of infants and small children who have no say in the matter, which is a terrible thing to do to a child. I have walked past shops in malls where this is being done, and heard little girls screaming. Forcing children to have a hole punched through a tender part of their bodies is cruel and barbaric.

I've seen children not yet 3 or 4 with several earrings in each ear, with a hole for each earring! There is no doubt in my mind that a small child experiences a trauma from this abuse at the hands of the one who is supposed to love and protect them. Americans laugh at pictures of Africans with bones in their noses, but parents who inflict a similar (though lesser) discomfort on their own children are no better. Please comment.

JAMES R. NEWBY, VAN BUREN, IND.

DEAR MR. NEWBY: I agree, I, too, am opposed to putting a hole in a child's ear. And yes, I am aware that in some cultures it is a traditionally accepted practice. But in my view, children should not be subjected to this until they are old enough to make that decision for themselves. (And please, dear readers, don't anybody bring up circumcision.)

DEAR ABBY: My boyfriend surprised me with a diamond engagement ring for Christmas. It wasn't cheap by any means, but I hated it. Now the problem. I went to the jewelry store I came from and exchanged it for the kind I wanted — a solitaire.

I've been married before and I hated my first engagement ring, so this time I wanted one I really liked, so I got a solitaire. All my boyfriend had in all my heart, and I wouldn't hurt his feelings for the world, but I'm afraid I did. I could see the disappointment in his eyes when I told him I had exchanged my ring for a solitaire. He admitted he felt hurt, but he never thought the subject up again.

Was I wrong to have exchanged the ring? I've been put down by family members. What do you think?

PUT DOWN IN CANADA

DEAR PUT DOWN: To have exchanged your engagement ring without first discussing it with your fiancé showed bad manners, poor judgment and a blatant disregard for his feelings.

Q. I have a weekend in Atlantic City riding on this bet. I say Engbert Humperdick never had his own weekly half-hour show on TV, but my girl friend says she remembers watching it. Am I right to bet on this one — B and C, Leominster, Mass.

A. You lose, so you better point her in the direction of a hotel on Park Place. "The Engbert Humperdick Show" ran briefly on ABC in 1970.

Q. Where my I secure a copy of "The Steppod Wives"? My husband, divorced for three years, was the construction operator who ran the dozer and jackhammer in that film. I've tried, unsuccessfully, to obtain information on this, without luck. Can you help?

— Mrs. A.S., Sheffield, Conn.

A. I can only tell you that my list says a video of that 1975 film is available. Your local video store should be able to order it for you.

Q. I'm trying to find the name of a movie I saw on TV. It was a mystery solved by four older women — three of them were Helen Hayes, Myrna Loy and Sylvia Sydney. I think the fourth might have been Margaret Leighton. Was it called "The Snop Sisters"? Is it tape? E.A.D., Woburn, Mass.

A. No. There were only two Snopets — Helen Hayes and Mildred Natwick — in that 1972 TV movie. You're thinking of "Do Not Fold Spindles or Maitlins," a 1971 TV movie with Hayes, Loy, Sydney and Natwick — no Leighton. It's not on video.

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PEOPLE

MIAMI (AP) — The wife of Oakland Athletics star Jose Canseco wants to move the couple's divorce proceedings from Florida to California, which has a community property law.

Canseco filed for divorce Jan. 16 in Florida, claiming his marriage to his wife, Esther, was "irrevocably broken."

Her attorney, Luis Delgado, said the star hitter wants to take advantage of Florida's divorce laws, even though the couple have not lived in the state since April 1988.

Delgado filed a motion in civil court Tuesday seeking to dismiss Canseco's Florida divorce petition.

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Canseco married the former Esther Haddad of Miami on Oct. 25, 1988, in Coral Gables, thereby winning a \$10,000 bet with teammate Dave Stewart by beating a Nov. 5 deadline.

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SOUTH BEND, Ind. (AP) — Successful black athletes at major colleges may be insulated from racism that troubles other black students, says filmmaker Spike Lee.

Herald columnist says at University of Notre Dame football player Reggie "Rocket" Ismail are not identified primarily by race in the eyes of white fans, Lee said Monday during a speech at the university.

Ismail is forgoing his final year of college eligibility and enters the professional football draft in April.

"There are two different classes, Rocket — he's all right. He's Irish," Lee said, pointing to Ismail and referring to Notre Dame's nickname, the Fighting Irish.

"But if you're not on the basketball team, or the football team, and you go to school here, you might be just another nigger."

Lee, who is black, is best known for "Do the Right Thing," his 1989 film about racism.

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Three of Prince's former managers have filed a lawsuit claiming the rock star owes them \$600,000 and cost them potential commissions by making bad career moves against their advice.

Robert Cavallo, Joseph Ruffalo and Steve Fargnoli claim breach of contract, fraud and bad-faith denial of contract in the lawsuit filed Friday in Superior Court.

The three, who represented Prince between 1979 and 1988, claim that in 1985 he began ignoring their advice and subsequently released records in competition with each other, followed inconsistent marketing plans and failed to make videos in time to support record sales.

The lawsuit claims the trio lost commissions worth 15 percent of Prince's income.

CHURCH OFFENDER — Comedian Chris Rock has angered Milwaukee church officials because they say he used a profanity in his act on church property.

Rock, who is black, is best known for "Do the Right Thing," his 1989 film about racism.

Dr. Gott

Peter Gott, M.D.

Electric blankets and breast cancer

DEAR DR. GOTT: Would you comment on a recent report showing a higher incidence of breast cancer in women who used electric blankets?

DEAR READER: At a recent meeting of the Society of Epidemiologic Research, investigators reported a slightly increased risk of breast cancer in women who repeatedly used electric blankets through the night.

The reason for this surprising finding is not known but may be related to the effects that chronic exposure to electromagnetic fields have on the body's immune system.

This finding fuels an ongoing controversy among scientists who have yet to agree on whether electromagnetic radiation causes health problems. In this column, I have previously reviewed evidence that suggests a higher incidence of illness, such as leukemia, in families who live close to high-tension wires or electrical transformers.

Moreover, some authorities believe that electromagnetic fields around such common devices as television sets and personal computers can adversely affect our immune systems, leading to birth defects and cancer. As yet, there is no consensus about these effects. But they are certainly thought-provoking.

Before any general recommendations can be made, the electric blanket/breast cancer relation will have to be investigated and confirmed by other researchers. While the experts argue, it's probably prudent for most of us to turn off the bed with the electric blanket, then turn it off and use conventional covering while sleeping.

DEAR DR. GOTT: My 16-year-old son had a mole removed from his back. It proved to be benign; however, he now has another that developed in the same way. Should his one be removed and biopsied also? What causes them to appear?

DEAR READER: As a general rule, moles that bleed, change rapidly or darken should be removed or biopsied because skin cancers often resemble moles and can be mistaken for them.

However, skin malignancies are rare in young people. Therefore, I believe you should follow the doctor's advice. The fact that your son had one benign mole is very encouraging; very likely, the new mole is also benign.

No one knows the cause of moles. Certainly, there is an hereditary factor. However, most of the adult population has at least a mole or two. The lesions do not ordinarily need attention unless, as I mentioned, they change or are present in a site where they are easily traumatized, such as under belt-lines or bra-straps.

CELEBRITY CIPHER
Celebrity Cipher Cryptograms are prepared by Harold G. Moore, P.O. Box 100, New York, N.Y. 10001. Today's cipher is based on the following letter sequence: J R P R V R K H X Y. J R M V S X H J R P V X H Z Y R J O X Z M Y H J V A P G J P R A S. Answer here: J R P R V R K H X Y. J R M V S X H J R P V X H Z Y R J O X Z M Y H J V A P G J P R A S.

Crossword

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THE NEW BREED
A cartoon strip showing a woman in a shopping cart.

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PRULAB
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A word search puzzle.

CELEBRITY CIPHER
A word search puzzle.

BLONDE
A cartoon strip showing a blonde woman.

ARLO AND JANIS
A cartoon strip showing a man and a woman.

SNAFU
A cartoon strip showing a man in a suit.

PHANTOM
A cartoon strip showing a man in a suit.

MAGAR
A cartoon strip showing a man in a suit.

ALLEY TOP
A cartoon strip showing a man in a suit.

SPIDER-MAN
A cartoon strip showing Spider-Man.

EK AND MEK
A cartoon strip showing two men.

WINHROP
A cartoon strip showing a man in a suit.

THE BORN LOSER
A cartoon strip showing a man in a suit.

THE GRIZWELLS
A cartoon strip showing a man in a suit.

PHIPPS
A cartoon strip showing a man in a suit.

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Astrograph Your Birthday. Feb. 7, 1991. You may be more resourceful and adventurous in the year ahead than you've been in the past.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Fun activities will be very helpful today in refreshing your spirit and outlook and attitude. If you get involved in something social that is competitive, don't make winning too important.

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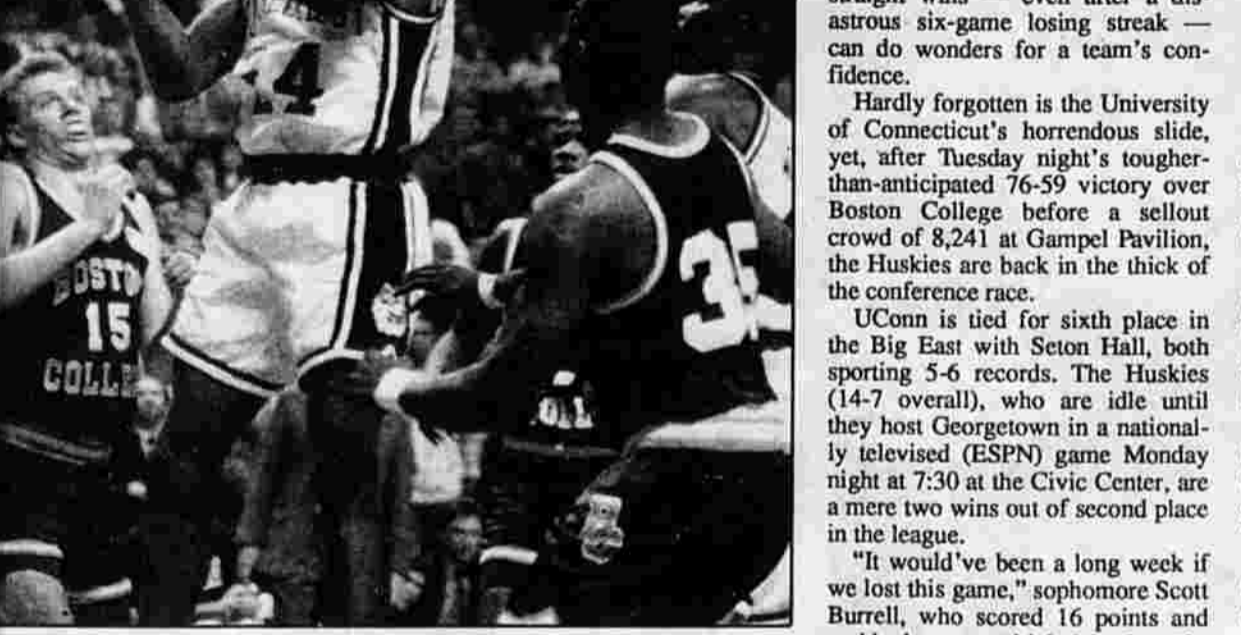
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SPORTS

UConn pulls away from BC



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THIS BALL — Bolton's Brian Neil has firm control of the basketball as Coventry's Bob Johnson offers resistance in their game Tuesday night.

High School Roundup

MHS swimmers all set for showdown with EHHS

ENFIELD — Manchester High set the stage for a showdown in the CCC East boys' swimming with its 95-40 victory over host Enfield High Tuesday afternoon at Ferni High...

contributing six of his 10 points in the opening stanza for the Indians. The Indian led went to 36-17 at the half, and 55-37 after three periods...

Each side sees action Friday with RHAM at home against Portland High and Cheney also at home against Coventry High.

RHAM topples Cheney Tech

HERON — Firmly in control throughout, RHAM High put its control in the fourth quarter and topped Cheney Tech Tuesday night in CCC boys' basketball action.

Manchester five overhelms Ferni

MANCHESTER — It was an opportunity to get a lot of bodies in the contest as Manchester High overwhelmed Phelps Ferni High, 74-48, Tuesday night in CCC East Division action at Clarke Arena.

"The victory moves the Indians to 7-2 in the league, and clinches a state tournament berth at 8-4 overall. Manchester has a big CCC East contest Friday night when it visits league-leading Rocky Hill.

"We played all right," Manchester coach Frank Kinell said. "It's just Ferni is having a lot of trouble and the game was one-sided early. It was a good game to get a lot of people playing time," he added.

Oilers and Boston Garden don't mix during season

By JOHN KREISER The Associated Press The Edmonton Oilers know how to win at the Boston Garden at playoff time. Regular-season games are another matter.

The Oilers are 4-for-4 at the Garden in the spring, when the Stanley Cup is on the line, including three straight wins last May when they won their fifth NHL title in seven years.

"But during the regular season, nothing seems to help — not even an early 4-1 lead. Boston rookie Ken Hodges completed his first NHL hat trick by scoring with eight seconds left in overtime to give the Bruins a 6-5 victory Tuesday night.

"The victory gave the Bruins a 15-2-2 record against the Oilers in regular-season games at the Boston Garden. Overall, the Bruins won for the ninth time in 11 games and tied Chicago for the lead in the overall NHL standings with 72 points.

Boston coach Mike Milbury called his players out of the locker room and into the interview area with him after the game, telling the media: "I'm tired of talking to you guys. Come talk to the No. 1 team in the NHL."

In other NHL games, it was Los Angeles 3, Philadelphia 2; New Jersey 2, Calgary 1; and Washington 3, Vancouver 3.

Hodges, whose father was a star on the Bruins' championship teams in the early 70s, didn't expect to be on the ice late in the overtime.

"I never expected to be in a situation like that," he said. "Mike showed a lot of confidence putting me out there in overtime. I just happened to get the goal."

Can Neely stole the puck in the corner, but his shot missed. The puck squirted out to Hodges in front of the goal.

"I just tried to get the shot on net," Hodges said. "If it went in the goal it went in. If not, at least there'd be some action or whatever."

Edmonton's Petr Klimkovic scored once in each period for his third consecutive effort in four games and Craig

ning streak, can be in third or fourth in the league depending on what the others do," John Gwynn said after Connecticut's win over Villanova last Saturday.

Six consecutive losses had Husky fans shaking their heads. Two consecutive wins have them thinking of the NCAA Tournament once again.

What a season. Len Ausater is sports editor of the Manchester Herald.

In Brief . . .

Whaler Wives dance is set

HARTFORD — The Whaler Wives Waltz for the Children will be held on Monday, Feb. 18, at the Sheraton-Hartford Hotel.

DeGennaro gets the call

STORRS — University of Connecticut quarterback Matt DeGennaro has been invited to attend this week's NFL combine at the Hoosier Dome in Indianapolis.

DeGennaro, who passed for 9,288 yards and 73 touchdowns in his four years at Connecticut, received a phone call late Tuesday afternoon from the NFL Scouting Bureau extending the invitation, according to Mike Enright of the UConn sports information office.

UConn women host Villanova

STORRS — The University of Connecticut women's basketball team, atop the Big East standings at 9-1 and 17-5 overall, host Villanova tonight at 7 at the Harry A. Gamp Pavilion in league action.

The Huskies, ranked No. 16 nationally in the latest poll, hope to give starter Meghan Ryan some playing time at any level. Ryan has missed the last three games after partially dislocating her right shoulder in a game Jan. 23 against Providence.

McEnroe commits to Volvo

NEW HAVEN (AP) — John McEnroe became the first major player to commit to playing in the Volvo International Tennis Tournament here in August, tournament officials said.

McEnroe, a Volvo winner in 1985, returns to the event after a three-year absence, officials said Tuesday. He is currently ranked No. 15.

McEnroe, 32, holds three Wimbledon titles. He attended to win a fifth U.S. Open title last year, but was beaten by eventual champion Pete Sampras in the semifinals.

Gordon giving B's an assist

HARTFORD (AP) — Hartford and Boston are fierce NHL rivals, but that's not stopping Whalers owner Richard H. Gordon from assisting the Bruins in their goal to build a new Boston Garden.

"We compete on the ice. Off the ice, we don't compete. That's the beauty of sports," said Gordon, the Whalers managing general partner.

Corpuscular Corp., which owns the Boston Bruins and Boston Garden, has been trying since last fall to convince Boston business to invest at least \$40 million to build a new Garden. But no white knights have surfaced.

So Gordon, who has built Connecticut River Plaza, Capitol Center, State House Square and the Aetna Realty Building in Hartford, has agreed to help James Jacobs, head of Delaware North, find investors.

Pats install grass field

POXBORO, Mass. (AP) — The artificial surface that the New England Patriots played on the past seven seasons will be replaced before next season by a grass field, team officials said Tuesday.

Installation of the new surface will begin within two weeks, is expected to be completed by May 1, and should be ready for play by June 1, the team said.

Since football was first played at the stadium in 1971, it has had three artificial surfaces and no grass surfaces. Players often complained about the latest surface, which was hard.

Big East in grid business

PROVIDENCE, R.I. (AP) — A football conference was born, with the official announcement that the Big East was going into the sport and picking up four schools from outside its usual alignment.

The league will include Rutgers, Temple, West Virginia and Virginia Tech and current Big East members Syracuse, Boston College, Miami and Pittsburgh.

Big East commissioner Mike Tringano said play will begin this fall and there will be a league champion. He said he would immediately pursue tying in a bowl game.

All American Bowl folds

BIRMINGHAM, Ala. (AP) — After 14 years, the All American Bowl went out of business because of tougher NCAA rules, but city leaders announced "a full-court press" to land the SEC's championship game.

Pete Clements, All American Bowl president, said director of the Birmingham Football Foundation opted to drop the bowl because of two NCAA rule changes.

Under the new regulations, a bowl team must have at least six victories against Division I-A opponents and the minimum payout for each team was increased from \$600,000 to \$750,000 in 1993.

Instead of the All American Bowl, Clements said the foundation and other groups will try to lure the SEC's title game, to be played for the first time in 1992, to Legion Field.

Agassi among tennis winners

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — Top seeds Andre Agassi, Andre Gornic and John McEnroe all won first-round matches at the Volvo-San Francisco tournament.

Agassi, seeded first, beat Jeff Tarango 7-6 (7-5), 6-3; No. 2 Gomez topped Brian Devening 4-6, 6-4, 6-4; and McEnroe won the last nine games to oust Andrew Sznajder 6-3, 6-0.

Other winners were Kevin Curran, David Pate, Mark Kratzmann and Guillaume Raoux.

Browns hand the reins to Belichick

By CHUCK MELVIN The Associated Press

CLEVELAND (AP) — Bill Belichick understands defenses. He understands Super Bowls. He understands the grand tradition of football in Cleveland.

Just don't ask him what went wrong with the Browns in 1990. He hasn't had time to figure that out yet.

The last 10 days for me have been a whirlwind," Belichick said Tuesday after he signed a five-year contract to coach the Browns. "I have had no chance whatsoever to evaluate what's been done here in the past year. I'm coming in here strictly on a clean slate. I have no preconceived notions about what did or did not happen in the past."

Belichick, 38, was the defensive coordinator of the NFL champion New York Giants. He also has a ring from the Giants' Super Bowl win after the 1985 season.

Owner Art Modell rewarded him Tuesday with his first head coaching job in Cleveland, making him the league's youngest current coach. Belichick, an NFL assistant since he was 23, said he has been waiting for a chance to coach.

"There'll be some questions about my age and experience relative to this job and this type of responsibility," Belichick said. "I've come into professional football, I

"They asked me to play aggressive and play hard, and that's what I did," said the 39-33 lead with 11:02 to play as both teams played the tenacious defense the Big East has become famous for.

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Chat results in another Villanova upset

By JIM O'CONNELL The Associated Press

NEW YORK — It may not have been as big as his pregame speech before Villanova won the national championship in 1985, but Rolfe Massimo used a bit of his motivational talks to get a victory over St. John's.

The Wildcats beat the No. 8 St. John's 61-51 Tuesday night behind the 21 points of sophomore forward Bryan Reynolds, seven times his scoring average for the season.

"I actually talked to James this morning and told him we want you to have a big game if you get into the ballgame," Massimo said. "We don't want him to cheat him out as soon as we get home and see you respond accordingly."

That may not be quite what Massimo came up with before Villanova pulled the upset of the decade in beating Georgetown for the national championship six years ago, but it worked.

NBA Roundup

By DICK BRINSTER The Associated Press

It will take more than a knock on the head to make Magic Johnson lose his effectiveness. And it will take more than 16 victories in a row to make the Los Angeles Lakers lose their perspective.

It was no problem, and now it's back to playing basketball," Johnson said after scoring 22 points and handing out 13 assists as the Lakers beat the Los Angeles Clippers 116-102 Tuesday night.

Johnson showed no ill effects from a mild concussion sustained Sunday when he tripped and was accidentally struck by Chicago's Horace Grant. Johnson, rendered unconscious for about a minute by that blow, took slightly less than that against the Clippers to show he was ready to play.

He sank a 3-pointer on his first shot 58 seconds into the game. "There was no problem at all," he said of his quick start.

Then, when the Clippers threatened late in the game, he made quick work of them, scoring five straight points to put the game out of reach.

Despite their run, the Lakers are 17 victories short of being their own NBA record set 19 seasons ago. And they're being realistic about it.

"We're not thinking 33 in a row because teams are too good now," Johnson said. "It will be tough for any team to do that."

James Worthy, who added 24 points, agreed. "It's a great accomplishment to win 16," he said. "We must play one game at a time or we're in trouble."

By Tuesday night's game was at the Forum, when the Lakers haven't lost to the Clippers since 1981, a span of 26 games.

The second-longest winning streak in league history is 26 games, by the 1970-71 Milwaukee Bucks. Two clubs have won 18 straight; Boston in 1981-82, and the New York Knicks in 1960-70.

Pistons 107, Bulls 98; Mark Aguirre came off the bench to score 10 of his 21 points in the fourth quarter as Detroit rallied to beat slumping Philadelphia.

Victims Johnson sports for the injured fish Thomas, also had 21 points. Joe Dumars added 19 points as the Pistons won for the sixth time in seven games since Thomas was injured.

Charles Barkley, playing despite a sprained left ankle, had 23 points to lead the 76ers, losers in seven of their last nine games.

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