

SCOREBOARD

Basketball

NBA standings

Team	W	L	Pct.	GB
Eastern Conference				
Philadelphia	24	28	.464	1 1/2
New York	23	32	.420	12 1/2
Washington	23	33	.411	13 1/2
Atlanta	22	35	.387	15 1/2
Charlotte	21	38	.354	18 1/2
Orlando	18	44	.295	24 1/2
Washington	17	44	.285	25 1/2
New Jersey	17	45	.277	26 1/2
Chicago	16	45	.267	27 1/2
Indiana	15	46	.244	28 1/2
Cleveland	14	48	.229	30 1/2
Charlotte	14	49	.224	31 1/2
Washington	13	49	.204	32 1/2
San Antonio	12	49	.196	33 1/2
Phoenix	12	50	.192	34 1/2
San Antonio	11	51	.186	35 1/2
Portland	11	52	.179	36 1/2
Utah	10	53	.158	37 1/2
San Antonio	10	54	.154	38 1/2
Phoenix	10	55	.150	39 1/2
San Antonio	9	56	.138	40 1/2
Portland	9	57	.133	41 1/2
San Antonio	8	58	.119	42 1/2
Portland	8	59	.117	43 1/2
San Antonio	7	60	.107	44 1/2
Portland	7	61	.103	45 1/2
San Antonio	6	62	.094	46 1/2
Portland	6	63	.090	47 1/2
San Antonio	5	64	.078	48 1/2
Portland	5	65	.077	49 1/2
San Antonio	4	66	.061	50 1/2
Portland	4	67	.060	51 1/2
San Antonio	3	68	.044	52 1/2
Portland	3	69	.043	53 1/2
San Antonio	2	70	.029	54 1/2
Portland	2	71	.028	55 1/2
San Antonio	1	72	.014	56 1/2
Portland	1	73	.014	57 1/2

Western Conference

Team	W	L	Pct.	GB
Portland	30	20	.600	0
Utah	28	22	.560	2 1/2
Phoenix	27	23	.540	3 1/2
San Antonio	26	24	.520	4 1/2
Portland	25	25	.500	5 1/2
San Antonio	24	26	.480	6 1/2
Portland	23	27	.460	7 1/2
San Antonio	22	28	.440	8 1/2
Portland	21	29	.420	9 1/2
San Antonio	20	30	.400	10 1/2
Portland	19	31	.380	11 1/2
San Antonio	18	32	.360	12 1/2
Portland	17	33	.340	13 1/2
San Antonio	16	34	.320	14 1/2
Portland	15	35	.300	15 1/2
San Antonio	14	36	.280	16 1/2
Portland	13	37	.260	17 1/2
San Antonio	12	38	.240	18 1/2
Portland	11	39	.220	19 1/2
San Antonio	10	40	.200	20 1/2
Portland	9	41	.180	21 1/2
San Antonio	8	42	.160	22 1/2
Portland	7	43	.140	23 1/2
San Antonio	6	44	.120	24 1/2
Portland	5	45	.100	25 1/2
San Antonio	4	46	.080	26 1/2
Portland	3	47	.060	27 1/2
San Antonio	2	48	.040	28 1/2
Portland	1	49	.020	29 1/2

Clippers 97, Spurs 93

LA CLIPPERS (47-28) defeated the SAN ANTONIO SPURS (46-29) 97-93 in a closely contested game at the Alamodome. The Clippers, led by Reggie Miller (21 points), secured the victory with a strong fourth quarter performance. The Spurs, led by David Robinson (24 points), fought valiantly but fell short in the end.

NY Nets 101, Bulls 94

THE NEW YORK NETS (45-35) defeated the CHICAGO BULLS (44-36) 101-94. The Nets, led by Shawn Kemp (24 points), dominated the game from the start. The Bulls, led by Scottie Pippen (22 points), were unable to keep pace with the Nets' offensive onslaught.

Knicks 102, 76ers 94

THE NEW YORK KNICKS (43-37) defeated the PHILADELPHIA 76ERS (42-38) 102-94. The Knicks, led by Charles Oakley (20 points), controlled the game throughout. The 76ers, led by Charles Smith (18 points), were out of sync in their offense.

Mavs 99, Sonics 96

THE DALLAS MAVERICKS (41-39) defeated the SEATTLE SONICS (40-40) 99-96. The Mavericks, led by Mark Olmstead (22 points), secured the win with a clutch performance in the final minutes. The Sonics, led by Gary Payton (20 points), were unable to overcome the Mavericks' lead.

Trail Blazers 111, Pistons 98

THE PORTLAND TRAIL BLAZERS (40-41) defeated the DETROIT PISTONS (39-42) 111-98. The Blazers, led by Clyde Drexler (28 points), dominated the game. The Pistons, led by Grant Hill (22 points), were unable to match the Blazers' offensive output.

Utah 110, Bulls 98

THE UTAH JAZZ (38-44) defeated the CHICAGO BULLS (44-36) 110-98. The Jazz, led by John Stockton (22 points), controlled the game. The Bulls, led by Scottie Pippen (20 points), were unable to keep up with the Jazz's pace.

Jazz 112, Celtics 109 OT

THE UTAH JAZZ (38-44) defeated the BOSTON CELTICS (37-45) 112-109 in overtime. The Jazz, led by John Stockton (22 points), secured the win in a dramatic overtime finish. The Celtics, led by Paul Pierce (20 points), were unable to overcome the Jazz's lead.

FRIDAY

LOCAL NEWS INSIDE

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Israel Attacks Base

CHTOURA, Lebanon (AP) — Two Israeli warplanes today blasted a Palestinian guerrilla base in Syrian-controlled east Lebanon, wounding seven of the fighters, police said.

The jets targeted a base named by Libyan-backed guerrillas of Samir Ghosheh's Palestine Popular Struggle Front, said a police spokesman, who cannot be identified in line with regulations.

The planes fired four rockets that scored direct hits on the base, the police spokesman said. He said the Baka's Valley base is a one-story house in fields south of the main highway.

In a communication in Jerusalem, the army command said the air raid destroyed the base near the Damascus-Birot highway. It said all the jets returned safely.

It said the base was a launching point for attacks on Israel.

The raid was Israel's fifth air attack in Lebanon this year. It came two days after a visit to Israel by Secretary of State James A. Baker III, who was trying to determine the prospects for peace now that the Persian Gulf War is over.

Twelve people were killed and 41 wounded in the previous Israeli air attacks this year, Israel carried out 21 air raids into Lebanon in 1990, officials said.

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Bush warns of peace delay in Gulf region

HAMILTON, Bermuda (AP) — President Bush says Iraq's use of helicopters against rebel forces could delay a formal cease-fire in the Persian Gulf War. But he promises that U.S. forces in southern Iraq will not be dragged into a long-term, Korea-type peacekeeping role.

Bush was speaking today while on his first round of postwar consultations with key allies on the Middle East.

Mitterand said it was dangerous to deny a people "any form of identity," and reiterated his support for some form of statehood for the Palestinians.

But he and Bush both took pains to emphasize their points of agreement, not their differences, on the Middle East.

Mitterand said the job of the 12,000 French troops in the Persian Gulf is done now that Iraq has been ordered to re-establish law and order within Iraq, he said.

Bush said Iraq's use of combat helicopters to quash rebels violates the understanding and Iraqi generals reached in sending a temporary cease-fire.

"That makes even harder the task of getting a permanent cease-fire, he said, and the U.S. troops won't pull out of southern Iraq until that can be arranged.

"Do not want to play into the hands of Iran and other countries that had suggested what we want is a permanent stationing of U.S. troops in the area. I want to bring them home," the president said. But he added, "security arrangements" must first be in place.

Bush said he saw no chance of a permanent stationing of U.S. troops in the area.

Sergeant returns to hero's welcome

STORMING HOME — Janice Gagnon gives a welcome home to her son, Sgt. Matthew P. Gagnon, in their living room Thursday afternoon. Gagnon, who came home earlier that day, is the first soldier from Manchester known to have returned home from the war in the Persian Gulf.

By RICK SANTOS
Manchester Herald

MANCHESTER — For Air Force Sgt. Matthew P. Gagnon, of 38 Patriot Lane, one of the most difficult aspects of being in the Persian Gulf War is the wait.

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Renewed call for regulating cable industry

WASHINGTON — Renewing his call for re-regulation of the cable television industry, Sen. Joseph Lieberman, D-Conn., told a panel of senators Thursday that cable companies have evolved into unrestricted monopolies that gouge their customers.

"Some brake has to be placed on cable's ability to dream up new ways to drain consumers' pocketbooks," said Lieberman, testifying before the Senate communications subcommittee on legislation pending in Congress to re-regulate the industry.

But representatives of the cable industry, including Ted Turner, president of Turner Broadcasting System Inc., which owns Cable News Network, countered that re-regulation would damage services.

"Our future in the basic cable programming business is very much at stake here," said Turner. "However friendly the intent, it is unrealistic to expect that re-regulation would not hurt the quality of basic cable and hurt the cable networks."

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Do you really want 'Mothers of...?'

BY LARRY MSHANE
The Associated Press

NEW YORK — Only 60 know when a catch phrase has become cliché so quickly.

The mother of all your worst-heros is popping out of the mouths of talk show hosts, parade floats, headline writers and hoop jacks.

It's been just two months since Saddam Hussein promised "the mother of all battles," the folks at Bartlett's Familiar Quotations already say the memorable line could mean "leave Oedipus' head spinning."

Consider these:

—Johnny Carson opened a recent show by proclaiming "the mother of all monologues." His fill-in, Jay Leno, later reported that even Saddam Hussein's mother is mad as him: "You called it the WHAT of all battles?"

—A recent flash of bright light in the Pennsylvania sky brought no pilot quickly cited it as "the mother of all meteors."

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Board approves expansion

BY SCOTT B. BREDE
Manchester Herald

BOLTON — The Board of Education Thursday night approved a \$10.5 million school building expansion plan — a scaled-down version of the \$10.75 million project that was rejected by a margin of 39 votes in January.

But, for the members of the Neglected Taxpayers, the plan represented just another expansion project that will be voted down in a future referendum.

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CIAC boys' hoop tournament

Waverford — The Connecticut Interscholastic Athletic Conference (CIAC) boys' basketball tournament will be held at the Waverford High School gymnasium in Waverford, Conn. on Friday, March 15, at 7:30 p.m.

The tournament will feature 16 teams from throughout the state. The winner will receive a trophy and a cash prize.

For more information, contact the Waverford High School Athletic Department.

3, Maple Leafs 2

NEW JERSEY — The New Jersey Devils defeated the Toronto Maple Leafs 3-2 in a game that was a defensive struggle. The Devils, led by Mark Messier (2 goals), secured the win with a strong second period performance. The Maple Leafs, led by Mats Wilander (2 goals), were unable to overcome the Devils' lead.

Rec Hoop

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Home Engineers

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Radio, TV

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NATION/WORLD

Talks stall on implementing weapons cuts

By BARRY SCHWEID
The Associated Press

MOSCOW — U.S. and Soviet negotiators are making little progress on implementing an already-signed treaty to reduce tanks and other non-nuclear weapons in Europe, Secretary of State James A. Baker III said today.

The wrangling is delaying action on another treaty to curb long-range nuclear missiles and could impact on setting a date for the next superpower summit between President Bush and Soviet Premier Mikhail S. Gorbachev.

Baker and Soviet Foreign Minister Alexander Bessmertnykh instructed their aides Thursday to work on differences between the two countries in implementing the Conventional Forces in Europe, or CFE, agreement.

"I don't think there was very much progress," Baker told reporters this morning while posing for pictures with the Soviet foreign ministers. "We've got to push through that and straighten it out."

He said negotiators will continue working on resolving the disputes through his three-day stay here. The treaty was signed by 22 North Atlantic Treaty Organization and Warsaw Pact nations last November.

Baker told Congress last month it would not be submitted to the Senate for ratification until the disputes over its implementation are settled.

Meanwhile, Baker gave Bessmertnykh a report on his five-nation trip to the Middle East. The Bush administration is determined to have the Soviets play a role in efforts to reconcile Israel and the Arabs.

On that front, Baker's visit already is productive. He was scheduled to meet later today with Gorbachev after the morning session with Bessmertnykh, their second since Baker's arrival Thursday from Syria.

Bessmertnykh said that during talks Thursday night, the two sides found "a lot of common ground," he said.

USSR deciding nation's future

MOSCOW (AP) — Russian Federation President Boris N. Yeltsin said in a radio speech today that despite warnings by Kremlin officials, a "no" vote in a weekend referendum on preserving the union will not destroy the country.

"However the referendum ends, the union will not fall apart. Don't frighten the people! Don't sow panic!" he said, countering what he called an intense "propaganda" campaign mounted by state-controlled media.

The referendum is to be held on Sunday in most of the Soviet Union. Six of the 15 republics are boycotting the vote. However, balking began Thursday on heavily guarded military bases in three of the boycotting republics.

Soviet President Mikhail S. Gorbachev, who initiated the referendum, said to Kremlin leaders must change their policies no matter what the outcome.



CHIEF UNDER ATTACK — Los Angeles Police Chief Daryl F. Gates gestures as he answers reporters' questions Thursday at headquarters in Los Angeles. Gates is under fire to resign in wake of the videotaped beating of Rodney King by several police officers.

Cruel officers must surrender

By LINDA DEUTSCH
The Associated Press

LOS ANGELES — Four police officers were ordered to surrender today after their indictments in the beating of a motorist, a case that has prompted federal authorities to investigate police brutality nationwide.

At the same time Thursday, Police Chief Daryl Gates withstood continuing pressure to resign, and Attorney General Dick Thornburgh broadened a federal investigation of the beating to include a review of all brutality complaints received by the Justice Department over the last six years.

In the meantime, Rodney King, the 25-year-old motorist whose beating was recorded by a bystander trying out a new video camera, was recovering from facial injuries. King, whose skull was broken in nine places, was in good condition, said Steve Lerman, a spokesman for King's attorney.

A Los Angeles County grand jury on Thursday indicted a sergeant and three officers on charges stemming from the March 3 beating, and they were told to surrender in court today, the Los Angeles Times reported.

King was clubbed, kicked, shocked with a stun gun and stomped during a traffic stop. National television programs showed the tape of the assault.

Another 11 officers at the scene of the beating may face department discipline or prosecution, the paper said, citing attorneys for the officers and an unnamed law enforcement source.

Officers named in the sealed indictment, according to the Times, are Sgt. Stacey Koon, 40; Officers Ted Briseno, 38, and Laurence Powell, 28, and Timothy Wind, 30, a rookie still on probation. The charges were not disclosed.

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THATCHER VISIT — Former British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher, who resigned earlier this year, mingles with Marines at the school of infantry during her visit Thursday to Camp Pendleton, Calif.

U.S. ambassador to Iraq now focus of questioning

WASHINGTON (AP) — She was the first woman to rise through the ranks to become an ambassador to an Arab nation. She enjoyed the esteem of her colleagues and could point to a long list of achievements. Her entire world changed last Aug. 2 when, during a stopover in London, she turned on the television in her hotel room. The news was grim: Iraq had invaded Kuwait.

April Glaspie, the U.S. ambassador to Iraq, was crestfallen. At a time of momentous change in the Persian Gulf, she was away from her post, having left a day earlier for a visit to Washington via London, unaware what Saddam Hussein had in mind for Kuwait. She has not been back to Iraq since.

Germany demands return of its ex-ruler on the run

BERLIN, Germany (AP) — The justice minister today demanded that Moscow return Erich Honecker, the ailing former East German ruler who slipped out of the country two days earlier. A lawyer for Honecker reportedly said he plans to stay in exile.

The Cologne-Bonn Express newspaper also quoted the attorney, Friedrich Wolff, as saying he believes the German investigation of the 78-year-old Honecker will be dropped.

Honecker, who supervised the building of the Berlin Wall, is charged for his role in the deaths of East Germans trying to flee to the West during his Soviet-backed, hard-line Communist rule.

He will soon be discontinued — for a lack of substance, if you will," the lawyer reportedly said. Asked if the former Communist leader would ever return from the Soviet Union, Wolff reportedly replied: "No, I don't count on that. He will probably spend the autumn of his life in the Soviet Union."

Soviet officials said Honecker, who had been staying at a Soviet military hospital in Germany, was moved Wednesday to the Soviet Union due to a medical emergency.

German Justice Minister Klaus Kinkel said today that Moscow's decision to fly Honecker to the Soviet Union was a "legally unacceptable act." He demanded Honecker's immediate return.

On Thursday, Bonn officials said the Soviet decision to fly Honecker to Moscow violated international law and "represents an unacceptable meddling" in German affairs.

Rebels claim Iraq attacks

By JOHN RICE
The Associated Press

NICOSIA, Cyprus — Kurdish rebels said today that Saddam Hussein's loyalists used warplanes and helicopter gunships to attack civilians in an effort to crush a spreading rebellion.

President Bush warned Saddam that using the combat helicopters could delay a formal cease-fire in the Persian Gulf War. A U.S. newspaper reported that American troops were retaking positions they abandoned deep within Iraq, seeking to pressure Saddam.

Shiite Muslim leaders accused the Iraqi president's elite Republican Guard of damaging some of Islam's holiest shrines during clashes in southern Iraq on Thursday.

Since the allied offensive two weeks ago that crushed Saddam's army in Kuwait and seized a large portion of southern Iraq, Baghdad has been struggling to maintain control over numerous insurgencies.

The dispatch from the Saudi capital of Riyadh quoted Marine Brig. Gen. Richard Neal, deputy director of operations for the U.S.

Soviet strikers hurt economy

MOSCOW (AP) — The 2-week-old strike by coal miners is forcing factories to shut down and costing the Soviet Union millions of dollars in lost production, newspapers and television said today.

The strike, which began March 1, has spread to about 140 mines across the Soviet Union. Miners' demands, both economic and political, call for steep increases in wages and the resignation of President Mikhail S. Gorbachev.

The sharp drop in coal production is taking its toll on steel, iron and chemical plants in the Kuznetsk region in western Siberia, the labor union newspaper Trud reported.

It said shortages of coke have caused a 9 percent drop in steel production, a 7.1 percent cut in pig iron. Trud estimated losses of production in the region at \$89 million.

The official news agency said coal shortages forced the shutdown of blast furnaces at five steel plants in the Ukraine, and Soviet TV reported today that dozens of other factories relying on coal had only a day's reserves left.

"For the first time since 1941, orders have been issued for metallurgical plants to prepare for complete stoppage of black and open-hearth furnaces," the news program TSN said.

The Communist Party newspaper Pravda warned Thursday that miners will be held responsible for the financial losses of their industrial organizations.

Witness denies collaboration

JOHANNESBURG, South Africa (AP) — A witness in Winnie Mandela's kidnap and assault trial on Thursday reiterated that he was beaten by Mrs. Mandela and denied collaborating with another witness on her testimony.

Taliso Mono spoke in reaction to accusations by Mrs. Mandela's attorney, George Bizos, on Thursday that Mono and Kenneth Kgase together concocted a story implicating Mrs. Mandela.

Mrs. Mandela, who is married to African National Congress leader Nelson Mandela, and three co-defendants are charged in connection with a December 1988 attack on Mono, Kgase and Gabriel Mekgwe.

A fourth victim, Stempie Seipei, was later killed and Mrs. Mandela's chief bodyguard, Jerry Richardson, was convicted in the death.

Another witness, Gabriel Mekgwe, disappeared the night before he was scheduled to appear in court, and has not been found.

Mono and Kgase announced after Mekgwe's disappearance they would not testify in the case, but they later relented. In court, the two have given similar accounts of how Mrs. Mandela and her supporters beat them and two others with fists and whips at her Soweto home in December 1988.

Mono said he did not consult with anyone else when he refused to testify, and he agreed to take the stand.

"Nobody did assist me in reaching the conclusion not to give evidence," he said, adding that he agreed to testify after the judge warned him Feb. 14 of a possible jail term. Kgase said he also changed his mind at that point.

In a blizzard, Swenson wins

NOME, Alaska (AP) — While other mushers turned back in a blizzard, Rick Swenson plowed ahead through high-crisp snowdrifts to win a record fifth Iditarod Trail Sled Dog Race today.

Swenson and his dog team crossed the finish line on Front Street in Nome at 1:35 a.m. AST (5:35 a.m. EST), about an hour ahead of his nearest competitor. The 1,163-mile race, which usually lasts 11 to 14 days, began in Anchorage on March 2. A record 75 mushers and more than 1,400 dogs competed.

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Alzheimer's drug studied

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Food and Drug Administration is considering approving the first drug proposed for the treatment of Alzheimer's disease, even though the agency questioned research on the drug last January.

The drug, called tacrine or THA, has left a trail of controversy through more than five years of research and an FDA hearing was scheduled today to evaluate the results of new studies at 16 different university hospitals.

Sources familiar with the studies say THA has shown it can improve the thinking processes in some Alzheimer's patients, but, at the same time, the drug can pose a serious risk of liver damage if misused.

"It's going to be a close call," said a researcher who spoke on condition of anonymity. "It's really a question of tradeoffs."

Although THA may help the thinking processes of Alzheimer's patients, the researcher said, there is no evidence that it stops the disease process itself. In effect, he said, the drug treats only the symptoms of Alzheimer's.

Further, the FDA questioned whether THA actually relieved Alzheimer's symptoms and said any possible benefit from THA could be offset by the drug's tendency to cause liver damage.

Vatican voices priest shortage

VATICAN CITY (AP) — Having ruled out allowing priests to marry, the Vatican on Thursday proposed sending more European and North American priests to fill a clerical void in Latin America and elsewhere.

The report said that while 43 percent of the world's Roman Catholic live in Latin America, they are served by 13 percent of the world's priests.

The Catholics of Europe and North America constitute 39 percent of the world total but are served by 73 percent of the world's priests.

The Vatican said the shortage was particularly dramatic in Brazil, the country with the most Catholics. Priests from Portugal should be considered for Brazil because of the common language, the report added.

It also listed Mali, Ireland, Poland, Italy and Spain as the countries with the most priests available and said some dioceses of the United States could also offer assistance.

It said the statistics were "sufficiently convincing" for action to be taken to reduce the imbalance between North and South in the church.

The report, presented by Archbishop Pio Laghi, head of the Congregation for Catholic Education, noted that bishops at a synod last October rejected any change in the celibacy requirement. The rule has been blamed in part for the decline in the number of priests around the world.

Cardinal Aloisio Lorscheider of Brazil discussed during the synod that two married men in his country became priests with papal approval on condition they lived apart from their wives and refrained from sex.

But Pope John Paul II told the synod that waiving the celibacy requirement wasn't a solution to resolving the shortage of priests.

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OPINION

Open Forum Common sense

To the Editor:
"Nothing astonishes men so much as common sense and plain dealing." — Ralph Waldo Emerson

This quote tops the page of a recent flyer that has been distributed around Bolton. A great quote from a great man that says so much in so few words. Does the group that has taken its name from this quote, the Common Sense Coalition, really deserve this label? I think not. For example, they have put together a state of candidates made up of 5 Democrats, 4 Republicans and 1 Independent. As Grant Davis, a selection candidate of this slate, has been quoted in the editorial attached to the flyer, "I am amazed to see the Democrats and the Republicans all agreeing. You're supposed to have an argument between the Democrats and Republicans on various issues, but that's not happening. Our common sense would tell us that this group of candidates, made up of Democrats and Republicans, would then be arguing amongst themselves after they may become elected officials. Our common sense would ask us how could this state hold together if they as Democrats and Republicans are supposed to be arguing on various issues when apparently as a coalition they are all agreeing!

Common Sense candidates, as the flyer continues, are "intelligent, educated and dedicated to making a change in Bolton." ... Carrying through with our common sense, we must presume that our current elected officials as well as the new slates of candidates from both parties are not intelligent, educated or dedicated to making a change in Bolton. Common Sense? I think not.

From the 11 editorial of Feb. 9, 1991 on the reverse of the flyer "A coalition candidate for selection Lewis Stein, even raises an important issue most town officials long have ignored — Bolton's need to provide for industrial development to relieve residential property owners of some of the town's rapidly increasing tax burden. Stein says the town should consider building an industrial park." Brilliant idea! Marvellous thought! Our common sense tells us nobody else must have thought of that until Mr. Stein just mentioned it. Our common sense must tell us that (1) the recently built Bruden Corp. 10,000 sq. ft. building on Rt. 85, (2) the two new approved office/retail complexes of 20,000 sq. ft. plus ea., (3) the new approved addition to the Synder Corp. building that will double the size of the main building and (4) the approval of one and the pending public hearing of another gas/convenience outlet have occurred through the ignorance of most town officials. Apparently, ignorance on this issue belongs to the writer of the J's Editorial and the Common Sense slate.

There are many other points too numerous to mention in both the editorial and the flyer that will be addressed at a later time. I would ask you to read the editorial, read the literature that will come from Common Sense and read between the lines of the literature that comes from a coalition whose candidates for the 1st Selection has been defeated twice in state elections for state representative and while running as an incumbent selectman, was defeated with the lowest vote of all candidates.

I believe that when all is said and done there is no common sense to Common Sense and the plain dealing in the Town of Bolton will get it from the choice between the Republican and Democratic slates of candidates in the May election.

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Reform care

The myth that everyone who is sick or injured in this country is entitled to equal medical treatment is a myth that dies hard. Something about health care is special, and we hate to think that just because a man has a million dollars, he is going to get better treatment than the next guy.

But he does, especially if the next guy is poor and uninsured. The health-care business is essentially just that, a business, not a charitable enterprise. That needs to be recognized if we are to think realistically about solutions to the health-care problem.

Some aspects of the problem are the steeply rising costs, the number of people (50 million nationally) who have no health insurance, and the limited amount of public funds available to buy health care for those people and for others whose health insurance is inadequate or has run out.

What needs to be faced, and faced squarely, is that health care and the money to pay for it are limited. Accept the limits, then develop priorities and give care in those cases and in that manner that will do the most good for the greatest number.

That is what Oregon is doing. The leaders of the Beaver State are laying down a table of priorities for health care for the poor, taking into consideration costs and benefits. The result is a table ranking 808 medical conditions according to the cost-effectiveness of medical treatment for them. The available money (now \$350 million a year for 1990,000 on Medicaid) will be spent on all of the state's medically indigent people for those procedures most likely to provide the most benefit for the buck.

For instance, huge sums will not be spent on babies of extremely low birth weight, whose chance of surviving to a normal weight is disproportionately slim compared to the cost of their treatment, if spending such money would deny treatment to poor patients with pneumonia, tuberculosis, peritonitis or other disorders that can be treated at relatively low cost with high expectations of full recovery.

Yes, Rep. Henry Waxman, D-Calif., who is chairman of the House Health Committee, plausibly objects that the Oregon plan would set up a two-tier medical system, one tier for the insured, one for the uninsured — as if that is not what we have already.

Put aside the pious platitudes. Think anew. Follow the lead of those good citizens and medical men whose pioneer ancestors developed common sense trading west on the Old Oregon Trail.

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Rarely has it been easier to describe, and harder to find, what the Democrats need for a presidential candidate. The oversimplified litmus labels are these: "non-liberal" and "pro-force."

Potential candidates who can't clearly claim those words in 1992 will be swimming upstream against powerful currents of American opinion. They will, deservedly, be forced to spend a general election campaign explaining what they really meant.

Until Jan. 12, four prominent and tough-minded Democratic senators would have fit the bill. On that day Congress voted, 89-7, on the president's position regarding use of force in the Gulf. One of the four, Sen. Sam Nunn, led the Nay fight. Two others, Sens. Lloyd Bentsen and David Boren, followed suit.

It is now said that, "Then There Were Nuns." Not so. A fourth prominent non-liberal/pro-force horse remains unutilized: Sen. Charles Robb voted Yes. For years, Robb had an all-purpose deflector when asked to run for president. "Let's support Sam," he said. But Nunn says he won't run this time.

There are those who believe that Robb now has not only an opportunity, but a duty, to make the race and make a fight. For salvation, the Democratic Party needs a public intramural struggle.

Robb says he's ready to fight, but will not run. Absolutely not. He says he would discuss and disavow a draft. Who else passes the litmus test? Sen. Al Gore wisely voted Yes on the Gulf, but he has a liberal voting record on all but foreign policy issues. Rep. Steve Solarz is in the same boat.

On the other hand, John Kennedy in 1960 had perfect political pitch for an opposition candidate in a successful campaign. "Let's get America moving again," he said, and we can do better. Could the Democrats do anything else wrong? Don't ask. They could push

ing an earlier attempt by the Bush administration.

Nonetheless, Bush's expression of idealism will strike a responsive chord in a nation that is accustomed to thinking of itself — deservedly or not — as setting a high standard of international decency.

Furthermore, if Bush somehow is able to realize his goals for a postwar Middle East, if he is able to stem the flow of arms and to finance an Arab-Israeli accord, he will end up with a new trophy for his efforts. The president would become a certain winner of the Nobel Peace Prize — an honor that is far more desirable than any spool of war.

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Bush did pay lip service to domestic issues in predicting a quick end to the recession and reiterating his support for such Republican-sponsored bills dealing with education, crime fighting and civil rights. But these are measures that face contentious debate and strong partisan opposition. It is clear that the president does not want to waste much of his large store of positive political capital on such disputatious matters.

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Iran a U.S. friend?

By JACK ANDERSON and DALE VAN ATTA

WASHINGTON — Through backdoor diplomacy, the long estrangement between the United States and Iran is beginning to break down. Necessity was the mother of this attempt at reconciliation.

Iran is worried about the ease and speed with which the United States filled the desert with troops. And the United States is anxious to keep Iran from becoming the once and future Iraq — a threat to the Persian Gulf's vast oil reserves.

This has led to a friendly exchange of messages through the Swiss Embassy in Tehran.

A few hours before the ground offensive was launched against Iraq, for example, the United States notified Iran. The message asked the Iranians to remain neutral and promise that U.S. forces would not linger in the Persian Gulf region once the job was done.

The Iranians responded with a reminder that Iran had kept the world in condemning the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait and resuscitated the United States' role in the Persian Gulf region once the job was done.

There are several reasons why the Iranian radicals still gill at the notion of any relationship with the "Great Satan" of the United States. But the pragmatists know that the rules could change and that the alliance shift at any moment.

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BUSINESS

Less-than-whole route approval could collapse TWA deal, airline

By LAWRENCE L. KNUTSON
The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — The federal government's tentative approval of only part of Trans World Airlines' plan to sell key London routes jeopardizes the entire deal and further endangers the carrier's future, TWA Chairman Carl Icahn says.

TWA, already struggling financially, has been counting on proceeds from the sale of six U.S.-London routes to American Airlines. However, the Transportation Department on Thursday said it wanted to approve only three of the routes, and it called for new proceedings to select other airlines to fly two of the remaining routes.

"I believe that this order could well become a disaster for TWA," Icahn said in a prepared statement. "It is unclear whether the sale to American will be able to be completed and, if the sale is not completed, our financial condition, which is already precarious, will worsen substantially."

American issued a statement saying it was pleased to get access into the London routes and is willing to sell the routes to TWA. Negotiations between the United States and Britain earlier this week opened up landing rights at Heathrow. The action cleared the way for American to replace TWA and United Airlines to replace Pan Am on the London routes.

The Transportation Department earlier had approved United's purchase of Pan Am's London routes. The department said the proposed transfer to American of routes from Philadelphia and Baltimore to London could harm competition. And it said TWA should retain its route from St. Louis to London.

It is time, says Wright, that we eliminate the intellectually elitist, pontificating "We of the Federal Reserve" attitude that claims to know what is best for Americans, as if it "is the supreme court of the U.S. economy."

First, a brief report on the poor status of people's capitalism, as viewed by Wright, an international investment adviser who handles a multimillion dollar portfolio from headquarters in Bridgeport, Conn. — Ownership of American industry by the American people has declined drastically during the last 15 years. It has been replaced by debt.

In recent years, individual ownership of corporate equity has declined at annual rates of more than \$100 billion. Simultaneously, consumer and mortgage debt has risen by nearly a half-trillion dollars a year.

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BUSINESS

In Brief . . .

■ Retail sales posted their first gain in four months in February, the government said. Analysts interpreted the 0.8 percent increase as more evidence the recession may have bottomed out.

■ The gain Wednesday was the first since a barely perceptible 0.1 percent advance last October.

■ Early March sales of North American-made vehicles fell 16.4 percent, figures indicated, giving the DOT a reprieve from the industry's earlier slump.

■ Nine of the 10 major U.S. automakers said Wednesday they sold cars and trucks at an average daily rate of 21,485 during the March 1-10 period this year, compared with a rate of 25,369 during the same time last year.

■ Chrysler Corp. does not issue 10-day sales reports. An Associated Press estimate of Chrysler's sales indicates its combined domestic car and truck sales fell 22.1 percent for the period.

■ The British publisher and Charles Brumback, president of the tabloid's owner, the Tribune Co., said the deal's closing will be Wednesday, if the labor contracts are approved. Maxwell urged the unions to do so "speedily."

■ Brumback said Thursday the Tribune Co. would continue to publish the News through Wednesday. Maxwell's organization would take over the Thursday edition.

■ Social activist groups are accusing government regulators of failing to adequately survey poor and minority communities before raising a bank's lending practices in poor neighborhoods.

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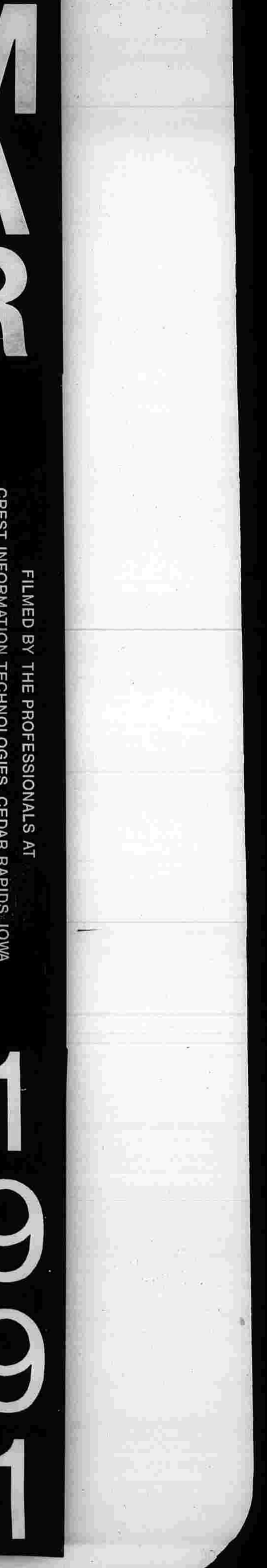
Mini-Editorial

The "memories list" of Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev grows longer every day. His friend and trusted Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze hailed out in protest of the Soviet Union's return to totalitarianism.

Then Boris Yeltsin, the President of the Russian Republic, denounced the consolidation of power in Gorbachev's hands. Now Yelena Bonner, the wife of the late Andre Sakharov, has asked the Nobel Committee to take her husband's name off the list of Nobel Peace Prize winners as a protest to Gorbachev's treatment of the Baltic states and his moves to centralize power again.

There is no word as to whether the committee will honor Bonner's request, but that doesn't matter. By adding the revered Sakharov to the list of dissenters, Bonner has already struck a blow against Gorbachev.

The average price for a 3-mile taxi trip in Tokyo is almost double that for the same kind of trip in New York. Hong Kong is a relative bargain.



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Home

And anxiety turned to aggravation when she learned that her son's plane back to the states was going to land in Columbus, Ohio.

"I wouldn't believe it until I saw him myself," she said.

While the family kept seeing stories on television of soldiers being greeted by their families at airports near here, they agreed to drive to Columbus and pick up their family hero.

Although the soldier was based in Panama during the U.S. invasion to depose then dictator Manuel Noriega, he said no other experience compares with the war with Iraq.

"It's the first time I've seen planes take off, loaded to the gills, and come back empty," said the lifelong resident of Manchester.

Bush

U.S. troops being drawn into a permanent peacekeeping role, as they have been for almost four decades in South Korea. "We are not going to permit this to drag on... a la Korea," he said.

Mitterrand, asked if he still viewed Arafat as the leader of the Palestinians, replied "It's for the Palestinians to answer that. Mr.

Mother

lorias."

Duff likely would be challenged by Gen. H. Norman Schwarzkopf, although not by Pirate coach P.J. Carlesimo.

Pro sports are receiving the same treatment: The New York Post headlined a story about a New York Knicks-Philadelphia 76ers contest, "Streaking Knicks eye mother of all games."

Syndicated political cartoonist Patrick Olyphant proposed these postwar positions for Saddam: proprietor of "The Mother of All Junkyards," owner of "Mom's," a diner serving "the mother of all Iraqi cuisine"; a salesman for "Mother Bunker" used bunkers.

Saddam himself was named the "father of the mother of all cliches" in a U.S. News & World Report story, leaving in the dust football-baseball star Bo Jackson's "Bo knows" commercials, which instantly invaded public consciousness.

What? Need more proof that it's joined "mother of pearl," "mother's little helper," or "your mother wears army boots"?

"The mother of all parties is about to begin," announced Sp. 4 Brandon Lamar of Columbia, S.C., as he prepared to return home from Saudi Arabia.

"The mother of all parades" was scheduled for New York to greet troops coming home. Scott Lively, spokesman for the Oregon Citizens Alliance, used the same line to announce the planned May 18 parade in Portland.

As for the coming glut of instant books on the Persian Gulf War, expect — you guessed it — the "mother of all rush jobs," as one headline put it.

And finally, one step over the line, comes this on the Queen of

Ethics law supported

WASHINGTON (AP) — A federal appeals court today refused to halt enforcement of a new federal ethics law barring government workers from accepting payment from outside sources for articles or speeches.

The U.S. Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia Circuit rejected arguments that leaving the law in effect while it is challenged in a lower court would restrict federal employees' First Amendment right to freedom of speech.

"We are confident that these appellants will continue to speak, at least over the short term," the three-member court said in affirming a federal judge's denial of a preliminary injunction to bar enforcement of the law.

Federal employees can place their fees in escrow until their lawsuit is decided, the judges said.

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"... If we rely solely on a regulatory solution by the FCC and do not reform the '84 act, we will leave cable monopolists a giant loophole that will allow them to continue to abuse consumers with repeated rate increases that far outstrip inflation," he said.

Among the alleged cable abuses voiced by Lieberman and others were new "service charge" fees. The senator said one Hartford firm, Cox Cable, charges consumers \$20 for switching from one tier of service to another. Some companies charge as much as \$100 for tier changes, he said.

School

library and gymnasium. School Superintendent Richard Packman said.

The plan does not meet all officials' approval, however. It goes against the Board of Directors recommendation to keep Bolton Center School open, said First Selectman Robert Morra.

The plan still has to meet the

Public Building Committee's approval before it goes to referendum, Morra said.

Board of Education members said they would recommend a May 20 referendum date to the Board of Selectman which will then set the date. The date would allow college students returning to town for the summer to vote in the referendum.

Budgets would decrease

MANCHESTER — General Manager Richard Sartor is proposing reduced budgets for the town's water and sanitation departments but an increase in the amount allocated for the sewer department.

Although the departments are supported by user fees, and no taxes, Sartor said he prepared the budgets under the same strict guidelines that are being applied to other municipal departments. However, no positions have been cut from any of the departments.

The water department budget totals \$6.4 million, a decrease of \$185,004 or 2.9 percent, and includes no rate increases for water customers.

Significant cuts include a reduction of \$234,875 in the amount put in the capital reserve fund. Debt service has also been reduced by \$12,250 due to lower interest payments on outstanding bonds. But offsetting some of the cuts are an \$84,045 increase in salaries and a \$93,212 jump in the cost of employee benefits.

Sartor is proposing to increase the sewer department budget by \$247,301, or 6.4 percent more than the 1990-91 appropriation. But no increase in fees is planned.

Major changes in the \$4.08 million budget include a decrease of almost \$400,000 in the amount of money allocated to the capital reserve. The money will be used to offset a \$363,000 increase in the amount of debt service due to payments on a short-term loan from the state that was converted to long-term debt last year.

The sewer budget also includes a \$90,000 transfer from the fund balance account to bolster decreased revenue due to lower inspection fees.

The recommended sanitation budget for 1991-92 totals \$3.39 million, a 9.9 percent decrease from last year's approved budget. The budget recommends no increase in fees, but does anticipate a \$991,660 decrease in revenue from permits, solid waste tipping and contaminated soils disposal.

Sartor attributes the decrease in revenue to the slower economy and a significant increase in participation in the town recycling program.

Building Committee. "We hope we get some surprises."

Bids on the garage are due by 4 p.m. on March 25, with the opening scheduled for later that night.

Robert Dawson, a principal of Russell and Dawson Architecture and Engineering in East Hartford, said that under normal circumstances having that many contractors interested in a job as small as the garage would be unusual. But with a slumping economy, companies are bidding on all the jobs that are available.

"You've got the same number of people chasing fewer jobs," Dawson said. Municipal work, which any company can bid on, is especially rare during this recessionary period in Connecticut, he said.

"Every town is tightening their budget, and many of the proposed school projects are being turned down in referendums, so there's less work," Dawson said.

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Town residents voice concern for high taxes

MANCHESTER — Residents held an impromptu hearing on the town budget Thursday, Unfortunately, it was at a public hearing on the proposed phase-in of the recent property tax revaluation.

Several of the 15 residents who attended the meeting lashed out at members of the Board of Directors over such subjects as teachers' salaries and next year's budget, rather than staying on the topic at hand. They urged the directors to cut both and keep their taxes down.

Residents decry gravel proposal

By SCOTT B. BREDE
Manchester Herald

BOLTON — The beginning of Thursday night's public hearing on a proposed sand and gravel operation for the North end of town resembled a trial more than a public meeting.

The hearing, which brought nearly 30 residents together to speak out against an application for a Quarry Road couple to remove sand and gravel from 18 acres of their 228-acre tree farm, had one lawyer objecting to testimonial reports being submitted when the persons who made the reports were not on hand to testify.

Zoning Commission Chairman Mark Johnson agreed to accept the reports, which were presented by Richard Conti, the lawyer representing Quarry Road residents hoping to block the operation. Johnson said that in earlier public hearings Janenda himself had presented reports from people not at the hearing to testify.

Conti's reports included statements from a real estate appraiser who said property rates in the area would decline if the commission granted the Hathaway's request.

Caution urged on block grants

By RICK SANTOS
Manchester Herald

MANCHESTER — The Republican Town Committee's Executive Committee has recommended that the Board of Directors not grant a controversial federal grant program until they thoroughly examine the program and listen to the concerns of citizens.

The recommendation, which came in the form of a 14-0 vote, should not be interpreted as a message that the executive committee opposes the Community Development Block Grant program, said Kevin W. MacKenzie, the newly elected Republican chairman.

"We just want to make sure that whatever options are looked at, (are) reviewed thoroughly and the public has the opportunity to comment," MacKenzie said.

The town is eligible to receive \$435,000 through the program this year, and Democratic Director Stephen F. Casano said because Manchester's population is greater than 50,000, the town's application would be granted automatically.

MacKenzie stressed that the block grant has been an explosive issue locally, with townspeople voting against application for the programs at three referendums since 1979.

The reason that many voters opposed the programs is they believed acceptance of funds would force the town to provide low-income and affordable housing. That belief is erroneous, according to Republican Deputy Mayor Ronald Orelia, who says he has reviewed the regulations and determined they have no mandates on housing creation.

Some money from the grants is used to renovate housing that is deemed inadequate by the state.

Regardless of the terms of the grants, the directors have voted against applying for the grants each year since the last referendum in 1984. Each year, the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development informs the town of the money available through the program and requests a response as to the town's interest.

Although the directors do not have to decide on the issue until the HUD deadline of Sept. 1, the town's General Manager Richard J. Sartor has asked the directors to review their longstanding policy of annually rejecting the federal grants, citing the town's financial woes.

Sartor has asked Town Attorney Maureen A. Chmielecki to review the HUD regulations to determine if the grants require the establishment of any types of housing. Also, Chmielecki is to determine if the referendums have locked the town into not accepting the grants.

The forum will focus on race relations

Manchester Community College.

The discussion, which is sponsored also by the Manchester Area Conference of Churches and the Manchester Herald, will include eight panelists who will talk on the subjects of school desegregation and the conditions and consequences of racial intolerance.

The panelists for the discussion on desegregation include three area school superintendents, one being Manchester's James P. Kennedy.

The fourth panelist in that group is Elizabeth Sheriff, the mother of Mito Sheriff, who was the plaintiff in a historic Hartford desegregation suit.

Eleanor Colman, a former member of the town's Board of Education and Board of Directors, will moderate the discussion.

The public will also have an opportunity to ask questions and make comments, according to Caspi, who is co-chairwoman of the Interracial Council.

"We still feel a need in having the

community help us focus on our goals," she said.

When the group was originally formed, it was an ad-hoc, offshoot of a large community meeting, she explained.

Some of the group's major achievements, according to one of the Council's founding members Joan O'Loughlin, include sponsoring a three-part seminar on institutional racism and giving speeches on affirmative action.

The forum will follow an optional buffet dinner that is to begin at 5:30 p.m. in the cafeteria. Reservations must be made for the \$6 buffet by calling Dvora Caspi at 647-0163 before Tuesday.

Forum to focus on race relations

MANCHESTER — A decade ago, underlying racial tension in town was brought into the open when the home of a black family was firebombed by whites.

Although the bombing was a despicable act, members of the Manchester Interracial Council say that something good came out of it — the formation of their group.

To commemorate the anniversary of the first meeting when citizens united to discuss the incident and the larger problem of widespread racism, the council is sponsoring a forum discussion on March 25 at 6:15 p.m. in the Lowe Building at

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STATE Workers oppose change in compensation plan

By JUDD EVERHART
The Associated Press

HARTFORD — Connecticut business leaders say the compensation system for workers injured on the job has become too costly and a disincentive to business expansion. But the workers who have benefited from the program want it left alone. They turned out in force Thursday during a joint hearing before the General Assembly's Labor and Program Review committee.

Ed Fowler, a correction officer at the state prison at Somers whose legs were slashed last fall by an inmate, said the answer to saving money is not in cutting benefits but in improving work conditions. "If they want to cut down on compensation cases, they should make the environment safer," Fowler said. He was joined by another correction officer, Craig Jacobsen, who bears a long scar on his neck from an inmate attack, testified before the Labor and Program Review committee, which are studying reforms in the workers' compensation program.

In Connecticut

Balducci: Weicker, unions should meet

HARTFORD (AP) — House Speaker Richard J. Balducci said that Gov. Lowell P. Weicker Jr. himself should be sitting at the table with state employee union leaders as he looks for concessions to avoid layoffs that could run as high as 8,000.

The governor has asked the unions for their ideas in finding \$400 million in concessions in order to avoid layoffs. He had expected some concrete proposals from them this week, but got proposed guidelines for additional talks instead.

After that, the governor sent agencies guidelines for preparing layoff plans. The most severe proposal would reduce the workforce by 8,079.

Currently, Weicker has attorney Saranne Murray and Administrative Services Commissioner Reginald J. Smith handling talks with the unions, although Weicker has said he is always on call. The next meeting is set for Monday.

"I believe it is absolutely critical that the governor get directly involved," said Balducci, who expressed his feelings in a letter to the governor on Thursday. "The governor has the responsibility as the employer, and I would imagine the employees would like to talk with the person who ultimately has the final say."

The governor said this week that layoff notices could begin going out as early as April 1, now less than three weeks away.

Committee OKs gambling moratorium

HARTFORD (AP) — The state's moratorium on new forms of gambling would be extended for another two years under a bill approved 15-6 Thursday by the General Assembly's Public Safety Committee.

The measure now goes to the Senate. The committee also agreed to draft bills legalizing casino gambling and video slot machines, and a bill simply authorizing a study of casino gambling.

Rep. Lawrence Anastasia, D-Norwalk, said that drafting the bills should not be taken as an indication that any of the bills ultimately will be approved by the committee.

He said additional revenues from legalized gambling should be an important part of the General Assembly's plan for ways to balance the 1991-92 budget.

Association weighs probation move

BRIDGEPORT (AP) — In a rare move, the New England Association of Schools and Colleges said it will reconsider its recommendation that the University of Bridgeport be placed on probation.

The decision Thursday was based on new evidence provided by the university in an appeal, said Charles Cook, director of the accrediting team that had voted to recommend probation.

A team from the accrediting agency recommended probation in December after investigating finances and other conditions at UB last fall. Another team will likely visit UB again this fall, Cook said.

The new evidence included the school's new five-year plan, an outline of the 1991-92 budget and a judge's ruling last week that the striking faculty union could not attach school property, said UB President Janet Greenwood.

Yale Divinity School lowers its tuition

NEW-HAVEN (AP) — The Yale Divinity School, one of the nation's oldest theological institutions, says it will lower tuition by 2.4 percent in an effort to increase enrollment.

Enrollment, once up over 400, had declined recently to about 360 as the school's tuition rose to the second highest in the nation, said James Garrett, admissions director.

The decrease is designed to bring tuition in line with costs at the other divinity schools, Garrett said Thursday.

Tuition for the 1991-92 academic year will be \$9,980, down from the current rate of \$10,230, Dean Thomas W. Ogletree announced. Room costs — \$2,000 for a dormitory room, \$5,300 for an apartment unit — will remain unchanged.

While the number of students being admitted to the Yale Divinity School has remained steady, the number of matriculants has been declining.

Two charged with bank robbery

ROCKY HILL (AP) — Two men were arrested on bank robbery charges after allegedly robbing a Rocky Hill branch of the Glassboro Bank and Trust Co., police said.

Michael S. Kelly, 33, of Hartford and a John Riccietti, 40, of East Haven, each was charged with first-degree robbery, first-degree larceny, conspiracy to commit first-degree robbery and conspiracy to commit first-degree larceny, Rocky Hill police said.

Police alleged Kelly walked into the bank around noon Thursday, brandished a black toy pistol and announced a holdup. He fled with an undetermined amount of cash in a car allegedly driven by Riccietti, police said.

Under the program, an injured worker receives 100 percent of his pay, with no taxes taken out. Critics of the program say its generous features provide a disincentive to return to work. Fowler said reducing the benefits — one bill would cut them to 64 percent, roughly the equivalent of standard take-home pay — would exacerbate already low morale. In addition, he said, "How could I expect another officer to help break up a fight if he's thinking, 'If I get hurt, I'm going to be hurting financially.'"

John Kucan, a state trooper shot while trying to make an arrest in 1988 agreed, saying reducing the benefits would make law enforcement officials "think twice before intervening in potentially life-threatening situations to protect Connecticut residents." Bonnie D. Stewart, a lawyer with the Connecticut Business and Industry Association, urged reforms of the system, saying Connecticut's program is out of line with those in other states. "Workers' compensation insurance costs for Connecticut employers increased by an average of 22 percent of in 1990 alone, consuming an ever-growing portion of employers' payrolls," Stewart said. "For those firms with operations in other states, it's an incentive to expand their out-of-state operations instead of in Connecticut," she added.

Jack Braddock, spokesman for United Technologies Corp., said high workers' compensation benefits inhibit his company's ability to compete. State officials say that the program could face a \$12 million deficit this year.

The General Assembly budgeted \$46.6 million for the current fiscal year in the hope costs could be reduced. But as of Dec. 31, half-way through the current fiscal year — taxpayers had paid out more than \$29 million for workers' compensation. The payments made in the second quarter continued the pace in the first quarter.

If that pace were to continue, the cost of on-the-job injuries could soar to a budget-breaking \$58 million — a 20 percent increase over the preceding year, state figures indicate.

Thurman to be released

TORRINGTON (AP) — A woman who won a \$1.9 million lawsuit against the local police for failing to protect her from a near fatal knife attack by her estranged husband says she will not be able to relax after he is released from prison.

Charles E. "Buck" Thurman's brutal attack on his former wife, Tracey, left her partially paralyzed. Her highly publicized case made her a national spokeswoman on domestic violence and helped prompt changes in the way police across the country handle such cases.

Thurman, 29, will have served seven years and 10 months of his 14-year sentence when he is released on April 12. He was convicted twice of trying to kill his ex-wife.

His ex-wife — who has since remarried and still lives in the Torrington area with their child, Charles Jr., now about 10 — said she is shocked he's being released already.

"It doesn't seem fair," she said Thursday. "He almost killed me and he only gets seven years and 10 months. That doesn't seem to be justice."

"I'm going to always be looking over my shoulder," she added. "... he's probably going to come out more angry."

Tracey Thurman — she married Michael Muzicki of Harwinton in November 1989 — sued Torrington police and won the \$1.9 million award in June 1985 when a U.S. District Court decided that police had failed to protect her against her estranged husband despite her complaints and his public statements that he planned to kill her.

In the attack in a friend's back yard, Tracey Thurman sustained nearly fatal injuries from knife wounds and kicks.

Weicker boomed

HARTFORD (AP) — Gov. Lowell P. Weicker Jr. learned the hard way that politics and hockey don't mix.

Weicker was boomed loudly before the Hartford Whalers game Thursday night as he tried to present the team and St. Francis Hospital with scrolls citing them for their anti-drug abuse work.

Weicker, who has come under fire for proposing a state personal income tax to help eliminate a \$2.4 billion budget deficit, was boomed by the crowd of 10,798 for about 20 seconds when introduced before the game with the Detroit Red Wings and again when he tried to speak.

"I asked for this job, and I sure as hell got it," Weicker, elected just four months, said as the booping began.

As the booping continued, he said, "I don't like it any better than you do. I didn't create the \$2.4 billion (deficit) but we're going to fight to get out of it."

A smattering of applause also could be heard for Weicker.

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WEATHER

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

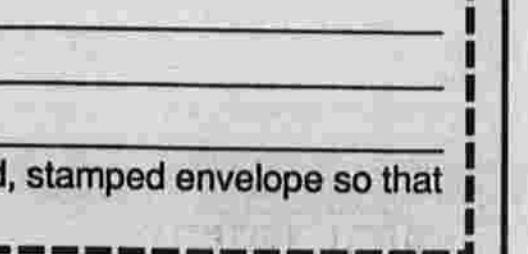
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Daily Lottery: 1-9-4. Play 4: 4-8-3-5.

MASSACHUSETTS
Daily Lottery: 2-5-1-7.

NORTHERN NEW ENGLAND
Pick 3: 9-1-6. Pick 4: 1-6-6-6.

RHODE ISLAND
Daily Lottery: 3-4-5-3. Lot-O-Bucks: 11-26-29-33-34.

REGIONAL Weather
Saturday, March 16
A large and strong low pressure system will east of Cape Cod will move slowly away from the region during the next couple of days. High pressure over the western Great Lakes should move into New England Sunday.



*Don't forget to enclose a self-addressed, stamped envelope so that we can return your photo safely!

RECORD

About Town

Historical society

The Manchester Historical Society will hold its Annual Benefit Dinner on Friday, April 12, at the Army & Navy Club, Manchester. A full course prime rib dinner will be served at 7 p.m., with all proceeds benefiting the Historical Society general fund. Tickets are \$15, and can be purchased in Manchester at First Federal Savings, 344 West Middle Tpk.; Connecticut National Bank, 220 North Main St.; Anne Miller Real Estate, 985 Main St., or by calling 647-9983 or 645-6980.

Eye health

The Connecticut Society to Prevent Blindness and the Manchester Health Department's Senior Citizens Health Clinic will sponsor a free Senior Eye Health Screening at the Manchester Senior Center, 549 E. Middle Tpk. on Wednesday, March 20. Appointments are required and limited. Please call 647-3174 between 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. to register.

Chamber singers

Second Congregational Church, Manchester, presents The Defiance Chorus Chamber Singers on Monday at 7:30 p.m. Proceeds from a free-will offering will be donated to the Chamber Singers. For more information, call 649-2863 between 9 a.m. and 2 p.m.

Train display

In conjunction with the Gala Maple Festival of Hebron, the Amton Gilead Line Railroad Club is pleased to announce that a train display located at Taylor's Nursery in Hebron will be opened to the public on Saturday and Sunday from noon to 4 p.m.

Exercise program

Registration is underway for a special class in the Self Improvement Health and Fitness program at Manchester Community College. The program will be offered for three week sessions at the college from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. on Saturdays, March 16 & 23; April 6 & 13; and April 20 & 27. Those who wish to participate should wear loose fitting and comfortable clothes. For more information, call 647-6147.

Aircraft show

Plane enthusiasts who intend to tour the Antonov 225, the world's largest aircraft which is parked at Bradley International Airport in Windsor Locks, are urged to arrive as early as possible on the date they plan to view the plane. The exhibit is open for tours Friday, Saturday and Sunday. Tickets cost \$15 for people ages 12 and up, \$10 for children. For more information call 623-3300.

Kindergarten

Parents of children who will be five years of age on or before January 1, 1992, are reminded that their children are eligible to enter kindergarten in September. Parents are asked to call the elementary school which serves their area between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 3:30 p.m. to obtain registration forms.

Pinochle results

The Manchester Senior Pinochle players met at 9:30 a.m. on Mar. 7 at the Army and Navy Club. Play is open to all senior members. The results were: Gladys Seelert, 620; Mary Dowd, 617; Gert McKay, 599; Arnold Jensen, 584; Don Jorgensen, 573; Harry Popplitt, 565; Ann Fisher, 564; Hans Benische, 563; Ada Rojas, 563; Betty Turner, 562; Hazel McGary, 558.

AM bridge results

The Manchester AM Bridge Club met on 3-4 and 3-7. Results were: N-S: 1) Hal and Carol Lucal, 2) Jim Baker and Iv Carlson, 3) Peter Griffiths and Dean McCarthy; E-W: 1) Marge Warner and Ann Staak, 2) Bev Taylor and Dale Hamed, 3) Bev Cochran and Mike Franklin. N-S: 1-2) Peg Arsenaux and Pat Grigoriou, 1-2) Linda Simmes and Mollie Timrock, 3) Flo Barre and Arne DeMartin; E-W: 1) Mike Franklin and Faye Lawrence, 2) Frankie Brown and Peg Dunfield, 3) Bev Cochran and Carol Lucal.

Exchange students need families

20 French exchange students will be arriving in Manchester on July 8 and staying until July 30. Host families may participate in any activities they wish. If interested or curious, please call Patty Tomkunas at 643-6884.

Lottery

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Weather

Tonight's weather in the greater Manchester area: becoming clear. Low near 25. North wind 10 to 20 mph diminishing late. Outlook for Saturday, mostly sunny, breezy and milder. High near 50. Outlook Sunday, sunny. High near 55.

A large and strong low pressure system will east of Cape Cod will move slowly away from the region during the next couple of days. High pressure over the western Great Lakes should move into New England Sunday.



Today's weather picture was drawn by Jessica Parker, a second-grader at the Nathan Hale School in Manchester.



SNOWY FLAG — An American flag waves high during a snowstorm this morning. The flag is posted along Main Street, Manchester, near Mary Cheney Library.

Deaths

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

Manchester

Paul Datayte
Address
Minerva Chappell
40-F Pascal Lane
Coventry
Joseph W. Gust
Squirrel Trail

Deaths elsewhere

Christopher M. Moquin
Stafford

Death Notices

Minerva Chappell

Minerva Chappell, 71, of 40-F Pascal Lane, Spencer Village, Manchester, died Monday, March 11, 1991, at Manchester Memorial Hospital. Minerva was born in Westmore, Vermont on March 30, 1919 and had lived at Spencer Village since August 1978. She is survived by many close friends. Memorial services will be today, 11:00 A.M., at the Community Room of Spencer Village, Pascal Lane, Manchester. The Holmes Funeral Home, 400 Main Street, Manchester is in charge of the arrangements.

Cinema

HARTFORD
Cinema City — Cyrano de Bergerac (PG) Fri 8:30, 8:50; Sat and Sun 11:30, 3:00, 6:30, 8:45; and, like Bridge (PG-13) Fri 7:40; Sat and Sun 1:30, 7:40, 8:45. — The Fink (PG-13) Fri 7:10, 8:45; Sat and Sun 1:30, 4:20, 8:50.

EAST HARTFORD
Business Cinema — Kindergarten Cop (PG-13) Fri-Sun 7:30, 8:50.

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Cine 1 & 2 — Kindergarten Cop (PG-13) Fri 7:10, 8:30; Sat and Sun 2, 4:15, 7:10, 8:30. — Great (PG-13) Fri 7, 9:40; Sat and Sun 2, 4:15, 7, 9:15. — The Rocky Horror Picture Show (PG) Fri and Sat midnight.

WILLMANTIC
U.S. Theatres — The Silence of the Lambs (R) Fri 7:40; Sat and Sun 2, 4:30, 7:40. — Quincy — Quincy by Suspicion (PG-13) Fri 7:10, 8:30; Sat and Sun 2:15, 4:30, 7:10, 8:30. — Home Alone (PG) Fri 7:10, 8:40; Sat and Sun 2:15, 4:30, 7:10, 8:45. — The Heat (PG) Fri 7:20, 8:45; Sat and Sun 2:15, 4:30, 7:10, 8:45. — Sleeping With the Enemy (R) Fri 7:30, 8:45; Sat and Sun 2:30, 4:45, 7:30, 8:45. — The Doors (R) Fri 7, 10; Sat and Sun 2:15, 7, 10.

MANCHESTER
UA Theatres East — Money (R) Fri 7:20, 8:35, 11:40; Sat 2:00, 4:35, 7:20, 9:25, 11:40; Sun 2:00, 4:35, 7:20, 9:25. — Kindergarten Cop (PG-13) Fri 7:10, 8:30, 11:40; Sat 2:15, 4:30, 7:15, 8:35, 11:40; Sun 2:15, 4:30, 7:15, 8:35, 11:40. — Edward Scissorhands (PG-13) Fri 7, 8:15; Sat and Sun 2, 4:15, 7, 8:15. — The Rocky Horror Picture Show (PG) Fri and Sat midnight.

WEST HARTFORD
Business Cinema 1-10 — Class Action (R) Fri and Sat 12:50, 3:05, 8:05, 10:25, 12:30; Sun 12:50, 3:05, 8:05, 10:25. — Quincy by Suspicion (PG-13) Fri and Sat 12:15, 2:25, 4:40, 7:55, 9:55. — The Doors (R) Fri and Sat 1:30, 4:10, 7:05, 9:55, 12:25, 12:10, 4:15, 7:05, 9:55. — Sleeping With the Enemy (R) Fri and Sat 1:10, 3:15, 5:25, 7:35, 10:10, 12:15; Sun 1:10, 3:15, 5:25, 7:35, 10:10. — The Silence of the Lambs (R) Fri and Sat 12:05, 2:15, 6:50, 7:50, 10:15, 12:30; Sun 12:05, 2:15, 6:50, 7:50, 10:15. — New York City (R) Fri and Sat 12:00, 2:00, 5:00, 7:00, 10:10, 12:10; Sun 2:00, 5:00, 7:45, 10:10. — The Heat (PG) Fri and Sat 1:15, 3:15, 5:30, 11:40; Sun 1:15, 3:15, 5:30, 11:40. — Home Alone (PG) Fri and Sat 12:00, 2:00, 4:50, 7:00, 9:15; Sun 12:00, 2:00, 4:50, 7:00, 9:15, 11:30. — Sun 12:00, 2:00, 4:50, 7:00, 9:15, 11:30. — Sun 12:00, 2:00, 4:50, 7:00, 9:15, 11:30. — The Perfect Weapon (PG) Fri and Sat 1:45, 3:20, 5:00, 7:00, 9:40.

Today In History

Today is Friday, March 15, the 74th day of 1991. There are 291 days left in the year. This is "Buzzard Day" in Hinckley, Ohio.

Today's Highlight in History:
On the Ides of March, 44 B.C., Roman Emperor Julius Caesar was assassinated by a group of nobles that included Brutus and Cassius.

On this date:
In 1493, Christopher Columbus returned to Spain following his first voyage to the New World.

In 1875, the Roman Catholic Archbishop of New York, John McCloskey, was named the first American cardinal, by Pope Pius IX.

In 1913, President Wilson held the first open presidential news conference.

In 1919, the American Legion was founded, in Paris.

In 1944, during World War II, the Italian town of Cassino was devastated by Allied bombs.

In 1956, the musical play "My Fair Lady," starring Rex Harrison and Julie Andrews, opened on Broadway.

In 1964, Elizabeth Taylor married Richard Burton in Montreal — it was her fifth marriage; his second.

In 1965, before a joint session of Congress, President Lyndon B. Johnson called for new legislation to guarantee every person a right to vote.

In 1975, Greek shipping magnate Aristotele Onassis died near Paris at the age of 69.

Ten years ago: About 2,500 people marched in Atlanta in a memorial to 20 young blacks found slain in the Atlanta area over a nearly two-year period.

Current Quotes

"Crude oil is dangerous, carcinogenic. Prolonged exposure could lead to lung disease." — Sen. Max Baucus, D-Mont., chairman of the Senate subcommittee on environmental protection, expressing concern about the effect of oil fires in Kuwait will have on U.S. forces still stationed there.

"They told me what questions they were going to ask and then they told me what my answers were going to be." — Ghazi prisoner of war Lt. Jeffrey N. Zean, 26, of Cherry Hill, N.J., telling how his Iraqi captors treated him.

"Thank God that our country and our land now belong to the Kuwaitis." — Sheikh Jaber al-Ahmed al-Sabah, Kuwait's ruler, after arriving home from seven months in exile.

"Many of his successes were created with his partner, Mort Shuman. Their first major pop hit was 'A Teenager in Love,' written for Dion and the Belmonts in 1959. That was followed by a succession of hits for the Drifters that included 'This Magic Moment' and 'Save the Last Dance For Me.'"

In the '70s, Pomus teamed with Mac Rebennack, also known as Dr. John, and wrote most of the material for B.B. King's album "There Must Be a Better World Somewhere." The album won a 1981 Grammy Award for best ethnic or traditional recording.

Howard Ashman
NEW YORK (AP) — Howard Ashman, the award-winning lyricist who wrote songs for "The Little Mermaid" and "Little Shop of Horrors," died Thursday of AIDS complications at age 40.

Ashman became artistic director for the off Broadway musical "The Little Shop of Horrors," and later wrote the musical for "Little Shop of Horrors."

He won two Grammy Awards for "The Little Mermaid" for best movie or television song with "Under the Sea" and best children's recording for the movie soundtrack.

Ashman was nominated for the best song Academy Award in 1986 for "Mean Green from Outer Space" from the film version of "Little Shop of Horrors."

Reverend Kevin E. Schwamb
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Dear Abby

Abigail Van Buren

A special kind of gift

DEAR ABBY: May I tell you about my wonderful birthday gift? Several years ago, I told my children that their father and I no longer wanted them to give us birthday, anniversary or Christmas gifts. Instead, they should do something in our honor for charity, the community, their church, etc. We explained that we already have everything we need or want.

Our daughter, who is a single working parent, and her daughters — Kelly, age 10, and Jenny, age 7 — decided to give me a concert at their home in honor of my 72nd birthday.

They made tickets that were collected at the door. They even made programs for the evening's entertainment.

First, Kelly opened with "Happy Birthday" on the trumpet. Then she played the theme from "Top Gun" on the piano. Next, Jenny sang "Memories" from "Cats," and for the big finish, our daughter played "Rhapsody in Blue" on the piano, and believe me, it sounded as good as Oscar Levant with the Paul Whiteman Orchestra.

In these times when you hear only negative things about children, I thought you might enjoy something happy and uplifting.

EDNA M. PAULSON, WICHITA
DEAR EDNA: Thanks for the upper. You taught your daughter proper values — and she in turn passed that valuable gift along to her daughters. Congratulations on your birthday, Edna, and may you celebrate many more.

DEAR ABBY: In 1982, my brother borrowed \$1,000 from our mother to buy his fiancée an engagement ring. He has never paid back the loan, or even mentioned it since.

My brother is a wonderful person and would never intentionally forget a loan. Maybe he misunderstood and thought it was a gift.

He now has a job that pays very well and has since bought a home, furniture, new cars, jewelry, etc. Mother won't mention the \$1,000 for fear of hurting his feelings, and I don't think it's my place to mention it.

Our mother is divorced, retired and living on a fixed income, and could really use the money now. What should be done here? I really hope my brother reads your column.

HELPLESS
DEAR HELPLESS: So do I. But just in case he misses it, I think you should jog his memory.

FRIDAY, MARCH 15, 1991—PRIME TIME

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TONIGHT

ASK DICK KLEINER

DICK KLEINER

Q. Could you help me find the name of a movie? I can only remember a touching ending, where the woman sold her cherished long hair in order to buy her husband a chain for his pocket watch and at the same time he sold the watch to buy her a clip for her hair. —S.J.G., Mesa, Ariz.

A. That was, of course, the premise of the classic O. Henry short story, "The Gift of the Magi." A TV movie called "The Gift of Love" was made from the story with Marie Osmond and Timothy Bottoms. It was pretty bad.

Q. Where can I write to complain about "Cop Rock" being discontinued? We thought it was one of the greatest shows on TV. L.H.H., Salisbury, N.C.

A. So you were the one who liked it. It had poor ratings, so it was dropped. Write to ABC, but it won't do you any good.

Q. I was reading about the story called "Last Angels," and it starred a guy named Donald Sutherland. I had just watched a movie starring Kiefer Sutherland so I wondered to myself if they were kin to each other. Are they? —R.A.C., Little Rock, Ark.

A. Yes, Donald is Kiefer's father.

Q. Would you please tell me who played Fran in "Kukla, Fran and Ollie"? Is she still living? —B.D., Melton, Ind.

A. Fran Allison, who has passed on, was Fran on that show.

Send your questions to: Ask Dick Kleiner, c/o Newspaper Enterprise Association, 200 Park Ave., New York, N.Y. 10166. Due to the volume of mail, personal replies cannot be provided.

PEOPLE

Spike Lee, director of "Do the Right Thing," says he looks forward to teaching at Harvard University.

Lee, who also directed such films as "Mo' Better Blues," "She's Gotta Have It" and "School Daze," accepted a one-semester appointment as a lecturer in the school's Afro-American Studies Department, he said Thursday.

"I'm looking forward to it," Lee said from his studio in New York. "Harvard's a very prestigious institution. It should be fun."

Lee is an outspoken critic of Hollywood stereotyping of blacks. He recently took over a much-delayed film on the life of Malcolm X, the militant black activist who was assassinated in 1965. Lee had complained that a white director should not head the project.

Shirley MacLaine says she expects to finish her seventh book today, but doesn't have a name for it yet.

"My publisher tells me I'm a memoirist because I can only write about myself. It's about coming to terms with aging and dancing and my mother and father, and my daughter," she said.

The Academy Award-winning actress also talks about her brother, actor Warren Beatty, and their mutual drive for success.

"I think what we're both doing is fulfilling the dreams that were unrealized in our parents' lives. That's a much more powerful motivation than a parent encouraging you," she said.

Among MacLaine's best sellers is the metaphysical book "Out on a Limb."

Rodney Grant, who played Wind in His Hair in "Dances With Wolves," was named Indian of the Year by the American Indian Exposition.

"On behalf of the Omaha tribe of Nebraska and for the betterment of the future for the need of our American youth throughout the United States, I gladly accept," Grant, an Omaha Indian from Nebraska, said in a telegram to the exposition's president.

"Dances With Wolves" is up for 12 Academy Awards, including best picture.

"Different Strokes" actress Dana Plato asked for a job picking up trash minutes before she allegedly robbed a video store, the manager of her apartment complex says.

"The job was already filled," said Linda Schlar, manager of the Anchor Village II apartments.

Plato, 26, lives there with her boyfriend, Schlar said.

Plato asked for work at the complex about 15 minutes before the robbery occurred Feb. 28.



The Associated Press

NEW BOOK — Shirley MacLaine says she soon expects to finish her seventh book, as yet untitled. "My publisher tells me I'm a memoirist because I can only write about myself. It's about coming to terms with aging, with dancing, and my mother and father, and my daughter," she said.

Plato, who is free on bail, is charged with threatening a video store clerk with a pellet gun and stealing \$160.

D'Maggio, 76, who lives in Miami Beach, Fla., testified Thursday as a character witness in the extortion trial of New Jersey businessman Anthony Torsolas, his friend of 35 years.

"Outside the court, D'Maggio said, 'I'm fine. I don't mind them getting all that money. If the owners want to pay them that and the fans are there, why not?'"

D'Maggio, known as the Yankee Clipper during his 13 years with the New York Yankees, said he made \$100,000 a year, "the highest price at the time."

Dr. Gott

Peter Gott, M.D.

See a doctor when mono hits

DEAR DR. GOTT: My daughter has been diagnosed with mononucleosis. An allergy doctor wants to put one drop of Fluogen (one flu virus) under her tongue four times a day for treatment. Is this an approved method for control?

DEAR READER: Mononucleosis is an acute illness caused by the Epstein-Barr virus, an infectious agent estimated to infect at least 95 percent of the world's population. In most instances, patients are not even aware of Epstein-Barr infection; however, their immune systems are activated to produce antibodies to the virus. These antibody markers, which can be identified in a blood test, persist for a lifetime.

In some cases, patients become quite ill: overwhelming exhaustion, swollen glands, sore throat and fever, which may progress to rash, jaundice and liver inflammation. In most instances, the spleen swells, too. Occasionally, patients exhibit neurological signs, such as Bell's palsy (facial weakness), blurred vision, confusion and paralysis. These signs are more common in older adults and rarely appear in youngsters and adolescents.

Being a virus infection, mononucleosis is untreatable with current means. Although some practitioners advocate various therapies, such as Fluogen, these methods have not been proven effective.

Most patients with mononucleosis recover uneventfully, after several days of acute symptoms, followed by a few weeks of fatigue and malaise. If sore throat and tonsillitis are severe enough to inhibit swallowing, about 100 milligrams of prednisone (purified cortisone) will relieve symptoms.

I suggest you disregard the allergist's advice and take your daughter to your family doctor for further guidance.

DEAR DR. GOTT: I have endometriosis and suffer from chronic pain on my left side. I've been taking hormone pills for relief. Can certain foods be sensitive to aggravate my condition?

DEAR READER: Endometriosis is a common condition marked by abdominal pain and cramping due to the presence of endometrial tissue (the lining of the uterus) in abnormal locations, such as abdominal organs. During menstruation, when the endometrium usually sheds and bleeds, these aberrant "islands" also bleed, leading to inflammation and a buildup of pressure.

Treatment consists of suppression of menstruation, using drugs such as danazol or continuous oral contraceptive pills (Omnovion). This may lead to unacceptable weight gain, breast tenderness, fatigue and depression.

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