

SCOREBOARD

Basketball

NBA standings

Team	W	L	Pct.	GB
Boston	36	20	.643	
Philadelphia	32	25	.562	17 1/2
New York	32	25	.562	18 1/2
Washington	29	27	.517	21
New Jersey	25	33	.431	27 1/2
Miami	20	40	.333	36

Central Division

Team	W	L	Pct.	GB
Chicago	49	15	.766	
Indiana	39	25	.609	10
Atlanta	38	27	.583	11
Golden State	32	34	.485	18
Cleveland	21	45	.315	28
Charlotte	19	45	.297	30

Western Conference

Team	W	L	Pct.	GB
Portland	47	17	.734	
Utah	42	22	.656	5 1/2
San Antonio	40	24	.620	7 1/2
Denver	38	26	.593	9 1/2
Phoenix	36	28	.562	11 1/2
Los Angeles	36	28	.562	11 1/2
Sacramento	35	29	.548	12 1/2
Seattle	30	34	.469	17 1/2
LA Clippers	22	42	.344	25 1/2
Sacramento	18	46	.284	29 1/2

NBA results

76ers 99, Magic 91
ORLANDO (AP) — The Orlando Magic lost to the Philadelphia 76ers 91-87 in a game that was a defensive struggle. The Magic shot 47.5 percent from the field and 29.5 percent from the free-throw line. The 76ers shot 50.5 percent from the field and 78.5 percent from the free-throw line.

Mavericks 104, Kings 86

SACRAMENTO (AP) — The Sacramento Kings lost to the Dallas Mavericks 86-104 in a game that was a defensive struggle. The Kings shot 42.5 percent from the field and 78.5 percent from the free-throw line. The Mavericks shot 52.5 percent from the field and 82.5 percent from the free-throw line.

Dallas 104, Kings 86

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Bulls 121, Nuggets 103

DENVER (AP) — The Denver Nuggets lost to the Chicago Bulls 103-121 in a game that was a defensive struggle. The Nuggets shot 47.5 percent from the field and 78.5 percent from the free-throw line. The Bulls shot 52.5 percent from the field and 82.5 percent from the free-throw line.

Suns 111, Pacers 103

INDIANAPOLIS (AP) — The Indiana Pacers lost to the Phoenix Suns 103-111 in a game that was a defensive struggle. The Pacers shot 47.5 percent from the field and 78.5 percent from the free-throw line. The Suns shot 52.5 percent from the field and 82.5 percent from the free-throw line.

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NCAA Tournament glance

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Dr. Marybeth M. Forrestal, director of the National Institute for Environmental Health Sciences, is shown here in her laboratory.

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Bolton candidates shoot sitting ducks.
O'Marra orders clean up of farm.
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Baseball

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OPINION

Open Forum Protest too much

To The Editor:
Christine Walsh's reaction to my letter is an exercise in verbosity that can be characterized as "The lady doth protest too much." It appeared in your newspaper on March 6. It contains no facts that shed new light either on the subject of Charles Holland being fired by the High Sheriff of Tolland County, or the move to veto the additional appropriation to the Welfare Director at the Feb. 4 Special Town Meeting. Her letter is a run on words and most of them are hyperbolic, e.g., outrageous, ludicrous, completely illogical, ridiculous, inflammatory ... ad nauseum.

I have to question whether Mrs. Walsh can actually work with facts. In her letter she states that "a crowd of over 400 people" attended the Special Town Meeting. The meeting's minutes record a total of 235 ballots cast on the important question of teachers' salary increases. Are we to believe that over 165 taxpayers turned out that evening just to observe? Having misinformed the public on this matter, how are we to believe any information that the Citizens Alliance for School Excellence (CASE), of which she is the co-chairperson, releases?

My letter made no mention of my candidacy, but Mrs. Walsh cannot resist the temptation to sweep with her broad brush of denigration over the Common Sense Coalition. Yes, I am one of the Petitioning Candidates on the state formed into the Common Sense Coalition for the May 6 Town Election. I am proud to be part of this group of candidates that brings breadth, intelligence, and political experience to the town's voters who want a change in leadership, a balanced approach to town government, and an end to run-away taxes.

Dr. J. Cannon
2 Fernwood Dr.
Bolton

No disrespect

To The Editor:
I am writing this letter in response to the negative feelings created by our lack of participation in this year's St. Patrick's Day Parade.

As members of a police union our avenues for showing displeasure with working conditions is limited. Unions traditionally use work stoppages, sick outs and strikes to voice their dissatisfaction. Our members find this type of action unacceptable. We simply chose not to participate in a voluntary celebration.

The officers of the Manchester Police Department have been working without a contract since July of 1990. The last pay raise was received in June of 1989.

Since Richard Stier took over as town manager, our town has worked hard to assist the town in its attempts to provide adequate policing for our growing community. We have agreed to an implemented change to our work schedule. In return, the union was told that an additional district would be created and staffed. To date, these officers have not been hired due to the budget constraints placed on the town manager by the Board of Directors. Additionally, the union and Assistant Manager (Steven Werber) had signed a tentative contract agreement. In this agreement the union offered a health plan payment change that would have the town an estimated \$40,000 per year. This agreement was rejected by the Board of Directors.

It has become apparent that the Board of Directors are not committed to a stronger police force as promised during their last campaign. It is this lack of commitment on the part of the Board of Directors that results in the low morale of our police officers.

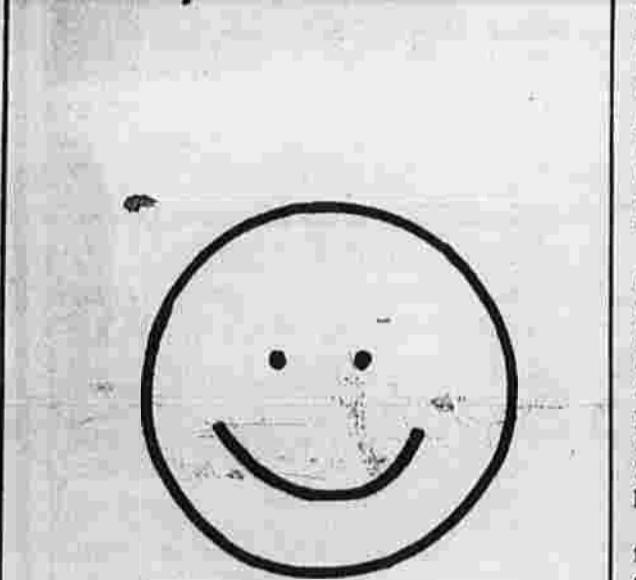
In closing, I would like to say that the members of the police union never intended to show any disrespect to the Irish Community.

John Wilson
Vice President

Letters policy

The Herald welcomes letters from its readers. Letters should be no more than two double-spaced typewritten pages. The Herald reserves the right to edit letters for any reason, including length, taste and style. The Herald tries to publish all letters, but the decision of the editor is final. Writers may be limited to one letter per month.

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Did Bush win four more?

Let me be the first to congratulate George Bush on his re-election. It hasn't actually happened yet, but if you can believe the headlines, it is his ineluctable fate to occupy the White House until 1998.

"BUSH'S LUCK IN WAR CONFERS AN AURA OF INVINCIBILITY IN '92," proclaims The New York Times. "IT MIGHT AS WELL BE JUST BUSH ON THE BALLOT," declares Business Week. "DEMOS '92 EFFORT PUT ON HOLD," announces The Washington Times.

Apparently, there are hard yards ahead for political consultants, media masters, public relations executives, pollsters, advance persons, flag and banner manufacturers, balloon makers and direct-mail specialists. They would be well advised to take some correspondence courses in real jobs, like bartending, taxi-driving and truck driving.

It is truly amazing what winning a war will do for a president. At the moment, Bush's overall approval rating in the major polls stands at 90 percent, a historic high.

Four months ago, barely half of poll respondents held the president in high esteem. On Oct. 31, the conservative Washington Times ran this headline: "BUSH IN '92 DEAD MEAT, SAY SKEPTICS." In November, the senior vice president of the Heritage Foundation, Burton Yane Pines, suggested that conservatives pull a "Teddy Roosevelt-Bull Moose move, rebel against Bush, split the GOP vote and win by losing. In December, seven leading conservatives graded Bush's performance; three gave

Texas Senator Lloyd Bentsen? (Only if you insist.) District of Columbia shadow Senator Jesse Jackson? ("Senator Jackson? Tennessee Senator Albert Gore? (Zzzzzzz.) New Jersey Senator Bill Bradley? (Zzzzzzz, zzzzzzz and zzzzzzz-zzzzzzz.)

American century, after all

The triumphant end of the Gulf war makes it possible, at last, to make sense of the 20th century: to understand the frenzied impulses that fueled its wars, and to identify the nations and tendencies that have emerged victorious at last.

When the century began, the world was still dominated by a handful of European nations preoccupied with their historic rivalries and quarrels. But this world dissolved itself in the conflagration of the First World War, and was swiftly succeeded by one driven by powerful supranational impulses generated by the Enlightenment: scientific rationalism (represented by the disciples of Karl Marx, in the Soviet Union and its satellites), the Romantic response to this (perverted) by fascism into various mythic forms that powerfully attracted such great nations as Germany, Italy and Japan), and the classical liberal tradition (which flowered into political and economic freedom in the United States, Britain and elsewhere).

The Second World War represented the first major clash of these rival systems. At its close, fascism was dead, the Soviet Union had been gravely injured, and the United States — spokesman for the most powerful nation on earth, Henry Luce, surveying the scene, declared that the 20th century would clearly be known to history as "the American century."

But almost at once (and not for the first time in history) deep differences had emerged between the victorious allies of the war just ended. By 1947, what plainly deserves to be called the Third World War had broken out between the United States and the Soviet Union and their respective supporters.

What made the Third World War unique was the unwillingness of the two major protagonists to use the nuclear weapons that both possessed. This prevented a direct and decisive collision between the two "superpowers," and their conflict (the "Cold War") dragged on for more than four decades, taking every conceivable form: economic, political and military. (The civil wars in China, Korea, Vietnam, Angola, Nicaragua and Afghanistan are only a few examples of its military form.)

At last, in the late 1980s, the Soviet Union simply buckled under the



JOE SPEAR

him a "D" and one flat-out flunked him. Now the Democrats can't find any candidates to run against everybody's favorite ex-wimp. The only one who has even shown interest is a loser of historic proportions, George McGovern.

Maryland's headstrong and imperious governor, William Donald "King Willie" Don't" Schaefer has been making noises, but he would have to overcome a fias 'n' cuss image, not to mention anonymity, and Virginia's governor, Douglas Wilder, shows great promise as a national candidate, but he hasn't been on the scene long enough to dent the public perception.

God forbid, George Bush's health could go into a tailspin. A budget crisis could bankrupt the country. Some kind of scandal-gate could wrack the Republican Party. Somebody might even get an honest debate going about energy, the environment or the health-care crisis and the emperor would be shown in all his garbless glory.

Candidates or no, I can tell the political season is hard upon us because I have already had a couple of front-page dreams about it (communists are weird people). One of them makes me feel very good and bears the headline: "PREZ DUMPS DAN, CROWNS COLIN." The other is a nightmare and is headed thus: "McGOVERN, BUCHANAN CLAIM VICTORY IN NEW HAMPSHIRE."

The second one has a subhead: "Columnist Moves to Melbourne."



WILLIAM A. RUSHER

economic strain of the conflict and the resulting inadequacies of Marxist economic theory. Once again the United States emerged as the world's only superpower.

But it was a different country, in many ways, than the one Henry Luce had hailed 40 years earlier. Its self-confidence had been eroded by domestic attacks on its inherent fairness, and by an all too visible decay in moral standards. The Vietnam War — easily the worst planned and worst conducted war in American history — was cited as evidence that the country was "a pitiful, helpless giant."

I will spare my liberal readers any extensive comments on what Ronald Reagan had to do with changing all this, and note only the tremendous developments that have occurred since then.

Saddam Hussein's occupation of Kuwait, threatening oil supplies on the Persian Gulf, was critically dependent, raised in acute form the chief question posed by the end of the Third World War: What kind of new world order will emerge?

To his great credit — a credit which, I suspect, rightly determines his place in history — George Bush recognized at once that this was "a defining hour." Under his leadership, the United States mobilized the world against Iraq's aggression, and briskly repelled it.

Let there be no doubt of the enormous significance of our victory in the Gulf war. The world has recognized its new leader, and it is neither Japan nor the European community. We can see at last, not only the shape of the past, but quite probably the shape of the future as well. This was, after all, "the American century" — or at least the first American century.

Many sounds you hear on an average day — such as those made by subways, jackhammers and jetliners — are considered to be over the physically acceptable noise limit. Potentially, they can be hazardous to human hearing.

Ethics reach crimped

By JACK ANDERSON and DALE VAN ATTA

WASHINGTON — The Senate Ethics Committee curiously found only one villain in the Senate's role in the savings and loan scandal: Alan Cranston, D-Calif. The committee decided to take disciplinary action against him alone among the "Keating Five" senators who got mixed up with S&L high-flier Charles Keating.

Keating's Lincoln Savings and Loan collapsed in April 1989 and left American taxpayers with the bill of nearly \$3 billion, the largest in the third decade. Keating also sold more than \$200 million in now-worthless junk bonds to some 20,000 unsuspecting customers.

Keating was able to run amuck for so long because he applied pressure in high places. The Ethics Committee failed to zero in on these pressure points. One of Keating's minions, attorney-lobbyist Margery Waxman, was handled by the Ethics Committee with kid gloves despite the fact that she was Keating's representative in Washington.

Waxman, once a high-level official of the Treasury Department, left public service and ended up at the Whiting office of the Chicago law firm of Sidley and Austin, part of Keating's stable. (Some of the buyers of Keating's junk bonds were convinced that Sidley and Austin shared the blame for his losses, and named the law firm as a defendant in a suit brought over the junk bonds.)

Much of Keating's lobbying money was spent trying to keep federal regulators out of his hair and stop them from imposing new regulations that would curb his speculative operations. He bought Lincoln in 1984 and converted it from a traditional home-mortgage company to what many federal regulators consider to be a federally insured casino. Within a few months, the Federal Home Loan Bank Board proposed regulations that would have rolled back many of the investment options that tempted Keating into the S&L business in the first place.

Keating would later say that he spent more than \$55 million in his war against the regulators. In 1988 when he proposed regulations that would have rolled back many of the investment options that tempted Keating into the S&L business in the first place.

We have already reported on some of Waxman's tactics. In 1988 when Waxman was trying to get the Bank Board to transfer the oversight of Lincoln away from the San Francisco regional office of the Bank Board, Waxman wrote in a memo to Keating: "You have the Board right where you want it. I have put the pressure on (Bank Board Chairman Danny) Wall to work toward meeting your demands and he has instructed his staff: 'If they mess up this time ... it's all over.'"

Now our associates Michael Binstein and Tim Warner have found another letter from Waxman to Keating laying out a battle plan. The letter, dated Jan. 22, 1988, advises Keating against using federal regulators before he gives the lobbying process time to work.

At the time, both the Justice Department and the Securities and Exchange Commission were investigating possible wrongdoing in the Lincoln operation and the junk bond sale. An examination by the Bank Board's San Francisco office had left plenty of questions unanswered about Lincoln's operations. The examiners had recommended that Lincoln be shut down, and Keating was demanding a new examination from another regional office.

Waxman told Keating she didn't want to discourage him from bringing a lawsuit, but that there were other options: "If you can't reach a settlement with Dochow (Daryl Dochow, the Bank Board's chief examiner in Washington) that resolves the exam, moves us to another district and gets their support to stop the SEC and Justice investigations, then launch your nuclear offensive."

It was a big laundry list — stopping two federal investigations being the biggest of Keating's problems. Questions concerning that and other Keating activities could have been put to Waxman when she testified to the Ethics Committee, but they were softly peddled. Uneasy Satellites

Hardliners in the Kremlin who want a return to the good old days of communism are seeing their point of view shift through the Soviet military. Soviet troops still stationed in Eastern Europe, for example, have suddenly become more assertive, arousing alarm through the Eastern Bloc of emerging democracies. Some Soviet commanders have tried to sabotage democratic reforms. Polish, Czechoslovakian and Hungarian leaders are privately worried that the Red Army might try to reimpose control over the region. But the Kremlin, with trouble in its own back home, is more likely to use economic threats rather than military might to keep the satellites in line.

BUSINESS

Duracell goes public

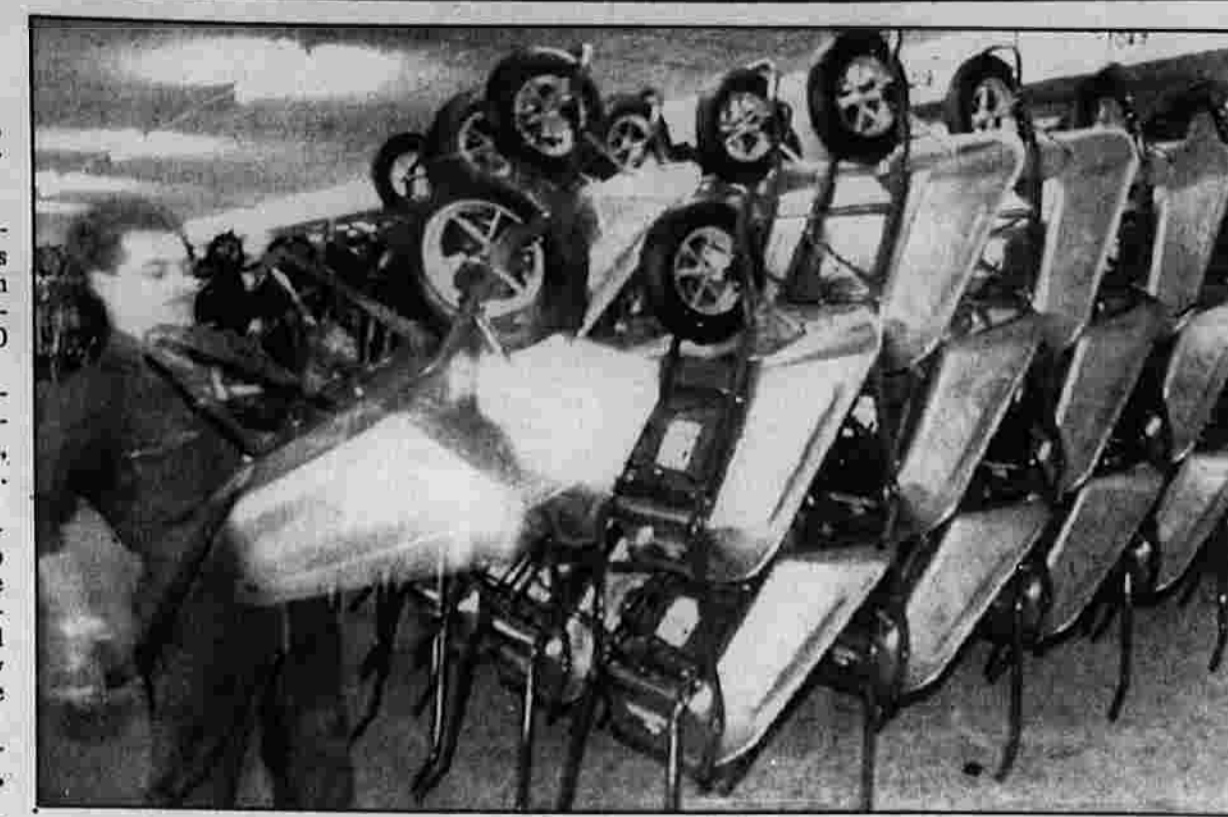
BETHLEH (AP) — Duracell International Inc. announced that it has filed a registration statement with the Securities and Exchange Commission for a public offering of 20 million shares of common stock.

The net proceeds from the offering will be used to reduce the company's debt of about \$143 million, Duracell spokesman James J. Donahue Jr. said Tuesday.

Of the 20 million shares being offered, 15.5 million are expected to be sold in the United States and the remaining 4.5 million will be offered outside the United States. All of the shares are being offered by the company, and no shares will be offered by any existing shareholder.

The public offering price is expected to be \$12 to \$14 per share, said Donahue.

Duracell International Inc., which until recently was named Duracell Holdings Corp., is the world's leading manufacturer and marketer of alkaline batteries.



INTO PLOWSHARES — An employee of Haemmerlin Co., the world's leader in the wheelbarrow market, stacks dozens of wheelbarrows in Savernge, France, in advance of shipment to Kuwait. They will be used to help reconstruct ravaged areas of the country.

Insurance Firms to fight rate rollbacks

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Nearly 100 insurance companies filed a lawsuit Tuesday to stop California Insurance Commissioner John Garamendi's attempt to roll back insurance rates, calling his plans arbitrary and costly.

Garamendi said the suit was hypocritical and self-serving.

The insurance companies object to hearings Garamendi has scheduled for April to reconsider the rollbacks. Garamendi said he has received 103, the law approved by California voters to cut insurance costs.

Current regulations were established under the previous commissioner, Roxani Gillespie. She was replaced by Garamendi, who became the state's first elected insurance commissioner last year.

Garamendi said his goal is to get rollbacks to the consumer as soon as possible.

"I refuse to accept the flawed regulations of the prior administration, which were discredited by every investor involved in the process, including the insurance companies who are suing me today," Garamendi said in a statement.

"These same insurers repeatedly challenged the Gillespie regulations in the courts during the preceding year and a half. They now seek to have them upheld. Their hypocrisy is obvious ... Garamendi said.

"I will do all that is within my power to prevail against this cynical attempt to stall their legal responsibility to pay fair and reasonable rollbacks," he said.

Maxwell ready to buy News

NEW YORK (AP) — With only one union yet to ratify its contract, British publisher Robert Maxwell was set to assume control today of the long-troubled Daily News.

The machinists union was set to vote at 9 a.m. this morning. The other nine unions have ratified their new contracts. If the machinists approve their contract, Thursday's paper will be the first edition under Maxwell's ownership since 1981.

In a twist, Maxwell said he would retain publisher James Hoge, Hoge, the publisher since 1984, was the target of bitterness among employees during 13 months of negotiations with the paper's current owners, the Chicago-based Tribune Co., and during the five-month strike.

When asked about union reaction to his decision to keep Hoge, Maxwell told The New York Times: "I didn't ask them. It's none of their business."

The Daily News' largest union — The Newspaper Guild — ratified a contract Tuesday that was renegotiated at the last minute with Maxwell. Other unions followed soon after.

"I feel relieved, delighted, really delighted," said George McDonaldi, president of the union's umbrella group. "It's a fantastic watershed for the labor movement and it's not bad to beat those guys from Chicago either."

Following charts of "Union! Union!" some 350 to 400 Guild members voted unanimously to accept a pact that will cut their ranks by 238 members, although striking Guild members will not be returned to work.

Maxwell and the Guild had differences because the Guild said it could not line up the people to accept buyouts as quickly as the publisher would have liked.

They now have until Saturday to accept the \$40,000 buyouts or severance, whichever is greater.

"I'm pleased that it's over with," Guild president Barry Lipton said following the hour-long ratification meeting at a midtown hotel. "The suffering has ended."

Discount retailer to offer stock

NORWALK (AP) — Discount retailer The Caldor Corporation announced it has filed a registration statement with the Securities and Exchange Commission for a public offering of more than 4.1 million shares of common stock.

Net proceeds from the offering will be used to reduce the company's \$391 million debt, Caldor spokeswoman Maureen Burgess said.

Of the 4.1 million shares being offered, 2.7 million will be sold by other stockholders, including some members of management, Burgess said.

The public offering price is expected to take place at \$17 to \$19 per share, and could raise up to \$78.85 million in cash.

Caldor, which has its headquarters in Norwalk, is a discount retail chain with 122 stores in eight New England and mid-Atlantic states.

The chain was taken private in October 1989, when a group of investors that included management and the investment bank Donaldson, Lufkin & Jenrette Securities Corp. bought the discount chain from May Department Stores Co. in a \$552 million debt-financed deal known as a leveraged buyout.

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In Brief . . .

International Business Machines Corp., whose health is considered a guidepost for the economy, said its first-quarter earnings will be about half of what industry analysts expected.

The price of IBM's stock — one of the most widely watched issues — fell sharply Tuesday on the surprise announcement, closing at \$115.12 1/2, down \$12.75 from Monday's close.

IBM said the company expects to earn in the range of 90 cents a share this quarter, or about half of the mean of estimates made by analysts, Thonis said.

General Dynamics Corp. will lay off another 2,000 employees at its Fort Worth Division, reducing its work force to 19,000 — its lowest level since 1985.

Workers built the F-16 jet fighter and components for the F-111 jet at the plant. About 3,500 were laid off two months ago after the Pentagon canceled development of the A-12 stealth attack plane. \$1 billion over budget and a year behind schedule.

The new round of 2,000 notices will be sent to salaried and hourly workers next Monday. More cuts are possible later, the company said.

A commodities broker pleaded guilty to one count of wire fraud and agreed to an eight-month sentence, avoiding a retrial on a racketeering conspiracy charge.

Under the plea agreement Tuesday, Chicago Mercantile Exchange trader Robert Mosky waived the right to appeal his conviction last summer on seven counts of violating federal trading rules.

The oil futures market has reached preliminary agreement to set up an electronic system for after-hours trading.

The New York Mercantile Exchange said Tuesday in a statement that it hopes to reach a final agreement with American Telephone and Telegraph Co. and Task Management Inc. within three months.

Arcomexico, based in Mexico City, ordered three dozen Pratt & Whitney turbofan engines to power 18 passenger jets in an order worth \$295 million for the jet engine manufacturer.

The deal was Pratt's biggest civilian order so far this year. It was announced late Tuesday, one day after Pratt won a \$210 million order from Singapore Airlines.

Together, the back-to-back deals boost Pratt's slow-starting 1991 commercial engine orders by more than \$500 million.

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Technology

American industries behind in technology developments or likely to fall behind in the next five years.

In this category were included such critical fields as advanced metals development, precision bearings and lasers.

George Fisher, chairman of the council and the chief executive officer of Motorola Inc., said the council recognized that its report was coming at a time when Americans were feeling more confident based on the technological progress exhibited by U.S.-made weapons in the Persian Gulf War.

But he said much of that success was generated with technology developed in the 1960s and 1970s, when the United States still had a commanding lead in most fields.

"While impressive, America's performance in the Gulf should not be interpreted as a sign of unsurpassable U.S. technological strength," Fisher said. "In the future, both our national security and economic performance will depend increasingly on commercial technologies that have been targeted by our foreign trading partners."

The report found that of 17 critical technologies identified in the field of electronics components, U.S. companies were either weak or losing in 12 and considered strong in only two: microprocessors and magnetic information storage.

Of 19 technologies identified in the field of engineering and production technologies the United States was ranked as weak or losing in 11.

The report did find some areas of success, most notably in information technology fields. There the United States position was listed as either strong or competitive in all 25 critical technologies, ranging from artificial intelligence to data retrieval.

But overall, the report painted a picture of an American industrial sector fast losing ground to foreign competitors.

It noted that the U.S.-owned consumer electronics and factory automation industries have been practically eliminated by foreign competition. America's share of the machine tool industry has slipped from 50 percent of the world market to 10 percent and the U.S. semiconductor industry has shifted from a position of dominance to a distant second in world markets.

"Even such American success stories as chemicals, computers and

aerospace have foreign competitors close on their heels," the council said.

In order to reverse the trends, the council said American industry would need to improve its ability to convert laboratory breakthroughs into marketable products and services.

"Many of the competitiveness problems facing U.S. industry stem from industry's failure to commercialize technology effectively," the report said.

Among the report's recommendations:

- President Bush should act immediately to make technological leadership a national priority by directing the Office of Science and Technology to work with American industry in setting research goals and then supporting the research with increased federal spending.
- America's universities should bolster engineering and management programs while ensuring that important technological advances in university labs are transferred speedily to potential U.S. users.
- American manufacturers should set a goal of surpassing the best commercial practices of foreign competitors. U.S. industry should seek changes in antitrust laws if necessary to enable companies to share information on key emerging technologies.

Gook

Complaining of small type, one woman wrote: "I've just received a manual for Ford Taurus automobiles. That job was commissioned after a senior Ford executive couldn't understand the old manual's instructions for setting the digital clock in his new car."

His frustration is shared by many other Americans, especially the elderly, according to a survey Ms. Bagin conducted last year for Modern Maturity, the bimonthly magazine of the American Association of Retired Persons.

"The forms we now use would make the Marquis de Sade wild with envy," a Florida woman wrote about her insurance carrier's paperwork.

"I've reached an age when Chinese puzzles are no longer any fun," another respondent wrote.

Rankings

Electronic information storage, microprocessors.

Information — Animation and full motion (computer) video, applications software, artificial intelligence, computer modeling and simulation, data representation, data retrieval and update, expert systems, graphics hardware and software, handwriting and speech recognition, high-level software languages, natural language, neural networks, operating systems, optical character recognition, processor architecture, semantic modeling and interpretation, software engineering, transmitters and receivers.

Powertrain and propulsion — Airbreathing propulsion, low emission engines, rocket propulsion.

COMPETITIVE

Materials and processing — Catalysts, chemical synthesis, magnetic materials, metal shape forming, optical materials, photo resists, polymers, polymer matrix composites, process controls, superconductors.

Engineering and production — Advanced welding, computer integrated manufacturing, human factors engineering, joining and fastening technologies, measurement techniques, structural dynamics.

Electronic components — Logic chips, sensors, submicron technology.

Information — Broadband switching, digital infrastructure, digital signal processing, fiber optic systems, hardware integration, multiplexing, spectrum technologies.

Powertrain and propulsion — Alternative fuel engines, electrical storage technologies, electric motors and drives.

WEAK

Materials and processing — Advanced metals, membranes, precision coating.

Engineering and production — Design for manufacturing, design of manufacturing processes, flexible manufacturing, high-speed machining, integration of research and design and manufacturing, leading-

Court

"Congress in the (Pregnancy Discrimination Act of 1978) prohibited discrimination on the basis of a woman's ability to become pregnant. We do no more than hold that the Pregnancy Discrimination Act means what it says," Blackman said.

He added: "It is no more appropriate for the courts than it is for industrial employers to decide whether a woman's reproductive role is more important to herself and her family than her economic role. Congress has left this choice to the

Rankings

edge scientific instruments, precision bearings, precision machining and forming, total quality management.

Electronic components — Actuators, electro photography, electrostatics, laser devices, photonics.

Powertrain and propulsion — High fuel economy-power density engines.

LOST OR LOSING BADLY

Materials and associated processing — Display materials, electronic ceramics, electronic packaging materials, gallium arsenide, silicon, structural ceramics.

Engineering and production — Integrated circuit fabrication and test equipment, robotics and automated equipment.

Electronic components — Electroluminescent displays, liquid crystal displays, memory chips, optical information storage, plasma and vacuum fluorescent displays, printed circuit board technology.

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East Catholic reaches to sister in Hartford

By SCOTT B. BREDE
Manchester Herald

MANCHESTER — In response to a recent announcement that South Catholic High School in Hartford will not reopen in the fall, the school's Manchester counterpart is stepping in to help out those students wishing to continue a Catholic education.

The Rev. William Charbonneau, president of East Catholic High School, said today that the school will open its doors to South Catholic students when classes begin again in the fall.

Although the offer could lend toward enlarging class sizes, Charbonneau said he is confident that East Catholic has the capacity to absorb all the South Catholic students who opt to continue their education in Manchester.

Not all 287 South Catholic students are going to want to enroll at East Catholic, Charbonneau said, noting that for some of them it may be closer to accept capacity to South Catholic's student population has dwindled from 719 in the 1986-87 school year to 287 this

year.

Charbonneau said Gov. Lowell P. Weicker's proposed state budget which threatens to slice funds to towns that provide busing to private schools will not have an effect on South Catholic students traveling to Manchester. Except for those living in Hartford, Charbonneau said that he believes it is already the responsibility of South Catholic parents to provide transportation for their children to get to school. And, right now, only East Catholic students living in Manchester are transported to school on buses provided by the Manchester Board of Education, he said.

Charbonneau said that a fund set up by the Archdiocese will help with the differences in tuition costs between the two schools. The current annual tuition for an East Catholic student is \$3,995, he said. South Catholic's tuition is \$3,525 this year.

Although East Catholic's graduation requirements differ slightly from those at South Catholic, Charbonneau said that considerations will be given to those students who switch schools.



GRADUATES FORWARD — Frances Plummer, an Iling Junior High School parent, gets ready to accept her diploma from Day Graves, the school's acting vice principal. Plummer was one of 25 parents to receive a diploma for participating in Vice Versa Day at Iling.

Reversal of roles jumble staid Iling classrooms

By SCOTT B. BREDE
Manchester Herald

MANCHESTER — It wasn't the average teacher at Sharon Sheehan, a teacher at Iling Junior High School.

Instead of teaching "Romeo and Juliet" in her ninth-grade language arts class, Sheehan found herself doing sit-ups in the gym and eating lunch with noisy students. Her 13-year-old son, Gavin, taught her classes.

Sheehan was one of 25 Iling parents who reversed roles with their children for the school's first-ever Vice Versa Day.

While parents followed their child's schedule to the tee, their children were filling in for them at their work place.

Sheehan said she had some trouble with the role change.

"I found myself wanting to yell at some of the kids next to me who were talking in class," she said.

Other parents had equal problems at becoming students again; they couldn't smoke, drink coffee, and some had to ride the bus to school. One parent even got in trouble for chewing gum.

"They have to abide by the same rules as their kids do," said Acting Vice Principal Day Graves, who thought up the idea of switching parents with their children.

Dressed in overalls with a back pack on his shoulder, Thomas F. Provencal really got into the role of a student. But, some school rules took him by surprise. Provencal was caught cheating on a typing test for covering up his mistakes by hitting the correctional key.

While he struggled through typing class, his eight-grade daughter, Amy, sat behind his desk at the Main Street office of Jewell-England Insurance.

Bill Tyler found the day exhausting. Finding no time to go to her son's locker in between classes, Tyler lugged a pile of books around all day.

"My son takes all his books with him in the morning and keeps them all day. Now, I know why," she said, adding that she did not know how other students can get to their lockers and back to their classes in the space of four minutes.

"I think there's more pressure on the students than when I went to school," Tyler said.

Frances Plummer, who usually substitute teaches at the school, had trouble early on. She lost her son's schedule after second period.

"I had to make some friends to get me where I needed to go," Plummer said, noting other students' cooperation.

Plummer had to bone up on her own geography. That day, the class was having a quiz.

"Thank God, I had a study hall before the class," she said.

Town seeks municipal bids

By RICK SANTOS
Manchester Herald

MANCHESTER — The town is accepting bids for the design and construction of a temporary, modular building to be added on to the Municipal Building and bids for different methods of construction.

The bids will be opened at 11 a.m. April 9, according to the contract proposal signed by General Manager Richard J. Sartor.

Sartor's plan to construct a modular building is intended to decrease crowding in town hall in lieu of asking the townspeople to approve a permanent addition to the complex.

The plan is for the modular building to be no smaller than 50 feet by 70 feet and two stories high. The handicapped-accessible building would provide approximately 4,200 square feet of office space.

The building should be built at the rear entrance to town hall, according to the specifications. The modular unit is to be sided with vinyl, aluminum, simulated brick-

face, stucco, or pre-finished hardwood siding.

The building would be connected to town hall at first and second floors with enclosed connectors.

One of the alternatives for contractors is the option of submitting proposals to use a different method of construction. Another option is to install a steel modular building.

The bid document includes several other alternatives, including the installation of a 2,000-pound capacity elevator, which would be handicapped-accessible.

The elevator would be about 6 feet wide and 5 feet deep and provide the handicapped with access to the second floor of the Municipal Building. Currently, there is no wheelchair access to the second floor.

A separate alternate is for the installation of a 500-pound capacity wheelchair lift.

A handicapped-accessible bathroom with a sewer line is also another bid alternative.

The modular building would house the assessor and the collector of revenue on the first floor and the finance department on the second floor. Other departments in town hall would expand into the space vacated by the departments.

Sartor's plan for temporary space also includes the purchase of the main post office building.

With the modular building and feet of new space would be made available, but that would still be 2,000 square feet less than the town has said it needs right now.

The temporary accommodations were made necessary last November when voters overwhelmingly rejected a proposed \$1.1 million, 55,000 square foot addition to town hall. A year earlier, voters rejected a more costly proposal.

The town has been in discussions with the United States Postal Service about the purchase of the main Post Office, which is soon to be abandoned. If the Post Office is bought, the town would make the minimum improvements necessary to create office space in the building.

Coalition lambasts sitting officials as unresponsive

By DAVID LAMMEY
Manchester Herald

BOLTON — In a town hall packed with about 40 people Tuesday night, including at least 20 school board supporters, the Common Sense Coalition candidates running for the three major town boards presented their platforms.

The candidates pulled no punches as they attempted to discredit current office holders.

"I think that [Board of Education members] are close-minded and arrogant," said coalition candidate for the school board Jacqui Miller. "They believe that they are not accountable to the town."

"Town board members" are spending like drunken sailors on a weekend spree," said coalition chairman and First Selectman candidate Aloysius Ahearn.

Nearly all the coalition's petitioning candidates spoke of what they perceive as a distressing rise in taxes over the past few years. 14-year resident Lewis Stein, candidate for selectman, said that the "first ten years were great. I paid my taxes and didn't think anything of it. Then, over the last few years, I've seen my taxes go up and up."

"My main concern (if elected) will be keeping taxes down," he said.

Grand Davis, also a candidate for selectman, said that "the problem seems to be the cost of education. The people in charge of it seem to think they have no responsibility to the town other than [education at any cost]."

And all the candidates decried the apparent "lack of debate" among current town boards.

"We have more debate on the conservation commission than all three boards," said Davis, who is chairman of that commission.

School board candidates Ivi Cannon, Jacqui Miller and Art Mensing said they would support "rearrangement of the K-12 system," and called the current school board "irresponsible" and "arrogant."

Mensing condemned the proposed school building project, which would vacate the Center School. "[School board members] are dumping a perfectly good building on the town. I think that is irresponsible. They say it is cheaper to do this — cheaper for who? Not for taxpayers."

The room was divided down the center, with CASE and school board supporters seated on one side, and an equal number of coalition supporters seated on the other. Throughout the candidates' presentations, CASE and school board members were silent except for mild gasps or incredulous laughs as the candidates spared few adjectives in condemning current town leaders.

"Then the floor was opened for a half hour of discussion. One man, Mike Cavanaugh, spoke in favor of the coalition, and told of a discussion he once had with a school board member.

"He said to me, 'What do you think education is, a business?'" Cavanaugh winked and nodded his head. "You better believe I do."

School board supporter Susan Schardt wondered if any of the candidates had children enrolled in the school system. None did, but Ahearn asked Schardt, "are you saying that only people with children should run [for office]?"

Celia Robbins, chairman of the newly-formed Concerned Citizens for a Better Bolton, which Ahearn had earlier derided as "Bolton Citizens for a more Bloated Bolton," and current selectman Doug Cheney, both condemned the coalition candidates for not attending town meetings and school functions.

"I wish that people talking about the lack of debate would come to the meetings," Cheney said. "Except for Mike Plocharczyk [finance board candidate] I haven't seen any of you at our meetings."

And Robbins said after the meeting, "I don't sense any real interest in education and what is going on in our schools. Their tax [reducing policy] will be at the expense of education."

Army thanks Iling

MANCHESTER — Iling Junior High School area students received thanks from a U.S. Army official for the homemade Valentine Day cards received by an army reserve medical unit stationed in Saudi Arabia last month.

In his letter of thanks, Col. Peter F. Johnson, the commanding officer of the 14th Medical Detachment from Springfield, Mo., said the cards helped those members of his unit away from the families get through the holiday.

Last month, the nearly 50 Iling students sent out 200 cards to all branches of the armed services. This is the first response they have received.



YOUNG MOTHER — Jennifer Cool, an eighth-grader at Iling Junior High School, carries her baby doll's basket. Students in the "World of Children" class have been taking care of baby dolls this week to simulate the responsibilities of being a parent.

O'Marra orders clean up of farm

By RICK SANTOS
Manchester Herald

MANCHESTER — The town's zoning enforcement officer has ordered a farmer on Hillstown Road to clean his yard by March 29.

"A working farm can sometimes be displeasing to people who don't know how farms work. This is not in that category," said Zoning Enforcement Officer Thomas O'Marra. "It looks like years of accumulated junk."

The farm, which is operated by the Schaub family at 180 Hillstown Road, is next to town property that is going to be used for a cemetery. Preliminary work to clean the cemetery area is slated for this spring.

"The view from the access to the town property could only be described as an aesthetic disaster," O'Marra wrote a memo to the town's General Manager Richard J. Sartor.

On Feb. 21, O'Marra had sent Joseph Schaub a letter to notify him that the junk violated a section of the zoning regulations prohibiting the outside storage of certain types of materials.

Schaub had 10 days to respond and set up a plan to remove the junk, but failed, O'Marra said.

On or about March 4, O'Marra issued the order that Schaub had until the 29th to remove the junk.

Bush

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lovakia.

But the Slovaks complain the majority Czechs treat them as second-class citizens. Their complaints also center on efforts at radical free-market reforms and the belt-tightening, and other economic issues.

Romania is still trying to establish a credible government amid charges from some domestic quarters that the governing National Salvation Front harbors former communists and extremists who were purged from power in 1989.

Romania also is under pressure from the International Monetary Fund to quickly put a free-market system in place in exchange for about \$1 billion in aid.

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STATE

Parts of teachers' applications should remain beyond public eye

HARTFORD (AP) — The public should not be allowed to see all parts of a Connecticut public-school teacher's job-application file, according to a court ruling.

Hartford Superior Court Judge Raymond R. Norke, in a ruling last week, said teachers have the right to expect such information as personal essays and letters of reference to remain confidential.

Norke's decision overturned a prior ruling by the state's Freedom of Information Commission, which had ordered the school boards in Easton and Redding to release the personnel files of five teachers they hired in 1988.

The boards agreed to release names, addresses and education information and teaching certificates, but said other information was confidential.

Norke said the boards were justified in withholding the information.

"The court could sense the reasonable expectation of confidentiality and see the real potential for abuse and personal embarrassment to each applicant," Norke wrote in the ruling Friday.

"It's really a pro-education decision," said William J. Dolan, a lawyer for the Connecticut Education Association, a statewide teachers' union that filed an appeal last year after the commission's ruling.

But Anthony J. Delano, co-chairman of Citizens for Responsible Government, which had asked for the files, said the ruling "is going to lead to government being conducted in secrecy, which to a great degree is done in Easton already."

The citizens' group had sought the files because the public has a right to know about the quality of new teachers, said Delano.

"The education budget has increased to a great percentage of the (town's) total budget," he said.

Easton school officials refused to turn over portions of the files because applicants believed the information they provided "is valued for its candor and would be secure and used only in the privacy of the administrative process," said Delano.

Union says income tax scale, no layoffs

By JUDY EVERHART
The Associated Press

HARTFORD — The Connecticut AFL-CIO called Tuesday for a graduated income tax — in contrast to the governor's proposed flat-rate plan — increased business taxes, a lower sales tax and no state employee concessions or layoffs.

The plan, described as progressive by union leaders, was criticized by two key lawmakers and denounced by a spokesman for the state's largest business lobby.

Gov. Lowell P. Weicker Jr. had no comment, his press secretary said, other than that all ideas are welcome. Weicker planned to meet with House Democrats Wednesday as he continues trying to sell his tax reform and budget plan.

The union plan would raise \$887 million more than proposed by Weicker, eliminating the need for big budget cuts and state employee union giveaways as Weicker wants.

In contrast to Weicker's proposed 6 percent tax on income over \$12,500 for single filers and \$25,000 for joint filers, the AFL-CIO plan calls for a graduated tax, starting at 4 percent for single income over \$12,500 and joint income over \$25,000, and going to 10 percent for single income over \$50,000 and joint income and that earned by single heads of households over \$100,000.

AFL-CIO President John W. Olsen also proposed reducing the 8 percent sales tax to 5.75 percent and cutting by 75 percent the rates of the state's tax on capital gains, interest and dividends. Weicker would cut the sales tax to 4.25 percent and repeal the capital gains, interest and

Lawmakers seek to limit endorsements

HARTFORD (AP) — Democratic and Republican state lawmakers are pushing a bill designed to keep a Connecticut Party, the political vehicle created by Gov. Lowell P. Weicker Jr. from endorsing candidates of other parties.

If such endorsements across party lines are banned, Weicker loses one inducement he might offer lawmakers in building support for his 1991-92 budget proposal.

The bill, now before the Legislature's government administration and elections committee, would ban Democrats and Republicans from also running as candidates of a Connecticut party, which Weicker created for his gubernatorial run.

Under existing law, political parties are allowed to cross-endorse candidates, though it is seldom done. In 1990, for example, no state Senate candidates and only three House candidates were endorsed by both parties.

Administration officials strongly oppose the bill, and Weicker's legislative aides say the bill is "undemocratic" and possibly illegal.

Citing the constitutional right of free association, Lawrence J. Halloran, Weicker's legal counsel, said he sees grounds for a challenge if legislators restrict the rights of political parties to endorse whomever they want.

State Attorney General Richard Blumenthal, who learned of the proposal Tuesday, said further study may be needed.

"There could be some constitutional problems, but we haven't seen the bill or addressed the issue. If asked to give an opinion, we will," said Blumenthal, a Democrat.

Despite the opposition in the Legislature, no one tested Weicker administration, no one

Arrest made in pipe case

WEST HARTFORD (AP) — Police arrested an 18-year-old West Hartford man in connection with the discovery of nine pipe bombs found scattered on lawns and sidewalks in the southwest corner of town.

Patrick Prough turned himself in to authorities at the West Hartford police station Tuesday afternoon

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EB yard sinking in defense decline

By JOHN DIAMOND
The Associated Press

WASHINGTON (AP) — A Virginia shipyard would cut its work force in half and a Connecticut yard would close down under the Navy's post-Cold War plan to slow down submarine construction, officials say.

Navy Secretary H. Lawrence Garrett III and top officials at the Electric Boat Division of General Dynamics Corp. and the Newport News (Va.) Shipbuilding and Dry Dock Co. gave the assessment Tuesday to a Senate panel.

Electric Boat is certain to cut its work force of 22,000 in half by 1995 and could close entirely, the yard's chief told the defense appropriations subcommittee. And Newport News said it would drop its submarine division of 12,500 workers if it failed to win a key contract.

"One submarine a year cannot, in the long run, sustain both submarine yards," Garrett said.

The hearing focused on the largest private employers in Virginia and Rhode Island, but also raised questions about the survival of the nation's nuclear submarine-building capacity.

If one of the sub-building yards closes, "it will have terrible implications on our national security," said the panel's chairman, Sen. Daniel Inouye, D-Hawaii.

The two shipyards are competing for the Seawolf attack sub-

marine. The earliest versions will cost \$2 billion making it the most expensive submarine ever purchased by the Navy, Inouye said.

The high cost of the Seawolf, combined with overall cutbacks in defense spending, forced the Navy to reduce its construction plan from 28 submarines to nine. Instead of building three per year for the next several years, the Navy will build one annually.

Electric Boat chief James E. Turner Jr. said that if the two shipyards split that relatively small amount of work, his company will close its doors — just shy of its 100th birthday. Based in Groton, Conn., and Quonset Point, R.I., Electric Boat is the second largest private employer in Connecticut and the largest in Rhode Island.

Newport News President Edward J. Campbell said the key contract at the Virginia yard is winning the contract for the second Seawolf in the new line of attack subs.

Electric Boat has already won the first contract. Without that second award, Campbell said, the yard would be in jeopardy to bid to compete for future Seawolf contracts and would close its sub-building facility.

But Campbell said that if Electric Boat and Newport News alternate Seawolf contract awards, both yards should be able to stay open.

"I don't understand why it's going to put them (Electric Boat) out of business," Campbell said after the hearing.

Spring starts tonight

By The Associated Press

An extremely warm winter may have already encouraged early signs of spring, but the flowering season does not officially start until tonight.

"When you look back at this winter, it might go down as the year of no winter," said Mel Goldstein, director of the Weather Center at Western Connecticut State University in Danbury.

The vernal equinox, the official moment spring begins, will occur at 10:02 p.m. after a blustery day with sunny skies and a high temperature of 50 degrees.

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than average snowfall. Temperatures were 47 degrees above normal, no record low were set and snowfall was 39 percent below normal.

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About Town

Easter egg hunt

The Manchester Jaycees and Lynch Toyota-Pontiac, Inc. are sponsoring an Easter Egg Hunt on Saturday beginning at 10 a.m. at Center Springs Park, Manchester. Admission is free, with no registration and all children are welcome.

Senior luncheon

The Bolton Women's Club will sponsor their annual Senior Citizens Luncheon at Herrick Park on Wednesday, March 27, at 12:30 p.m. All Bolton seniors are welcome. For more details call 649-6119.

Arts and crafts

Assumption School in Manchester is hosting the Artists' Market Arts and Crafts Show at the school and church hall, 27 S. Adams St. on Friday from 5 to 9 p.m. and Saturday from 10-3 p.m. Admission is \$2, children 10 and under are free.

Bid for bachelors

The 7th annual March of Dimes Bid for Bachelors Charity Auction will be held Thursday at the Sheraton Hartford Hotel. Doors open at 6 p.m. with a cocktail hour. Bidding begins at 7:15 p.m. General admission is \$20 and preferred seating is \$25, including a complimentary drink. For ticket information, call 953-8300.

Daffodil delivery

On Thursday, the American Cancer Society's Manchester North Unit will celebrate its 10th annual Daffodil Festival. Order your flowers of hope now by calling 643-2168. A bunch of 10 flowers costs \$4. Delivery is guaranteed on orders of 10 or more bunches going to the same address.

Friendly society

The Girls' Friendly Society sponsors of St. Mary's Episcopal Church will meet Friday at 7:30 p.m. in the Parish House on Park St. The speaker will be Steven Ling.

Kindergarten registration

Coverity's George Hersey Robertson School kindergarten registration for the 1991-92 school year is underway. Please call the school office at 742-7341 for an appointment.

Spring auction

The Children's Cooperative Nursery School announces its Second Annual Spring Fever Craft Auction to be held Friday, April 5, at 7 p.m. at the St. Maurice Church Parish Center, 52 Hebron Rd., Bolton. The preview will begin at 6:30 p.m.

UConn jazz ensemble

The University of Connecticut Jazz Ensemble will give a free performance at 8 p.m. on Thursday at Von der Meiden Hall on the Storrs Campus. Music by Rogers and Hart, Billy Strayhorn, Duke Ellington, Sammy Newell and many more will be featured. Guest artist is Joel Frahm on tenor.

Endangered species

A lecture entitled, "Connecticut's New Endangered Species Law: What It Means for Some Disappearing Animals," will be held Tuesday at 7:30 p.m. at Dinosaur State Park, West Street, Rocky Hill. Admission is \$2.50, free for Friends of Dinosaur Park Association Members. For more information, call 529-8423.

New chamber member

MANCHESTER — Family Day Care Providers Association of Manchester, 68 Lyme St., has joined the Greater Manchester Chamber of Commerce.

FDPCA is made up of family day care providers, and its goal is to promote quality, home-based care for working families in the community. It also promotes education and professionalism for members and provides a referral system for the community.

The association has been in business for six years, and currently has 70 members. Co-presidents are Robin J. Leal and Katy Marois.

Lottery

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

CONNECTICUT
Daily Lottery: 2-7-6. Play 4: 4-2-4-5. Lotto: 8-16-19-20-21-43.

MASSACHUSETTS
Daily Lottery: 5-0-0-2.

NORTHERN NEW ENGLAND
Pick 3: 0-9-9. Pick 4: 1-4-3-3.

RHODE ISLAND
Daily Lottery: 7-1-0-7. Lot-O-Backs: 10-18-26-28-33.

Weather



Deaths

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Public Records

Warranty deeds
Mary J. Crandall to Barbara A. Crandall, Oak Grove Heights, \$85,000.
Susan Y. Preece to Koughnet and Bounthou A. Chanthavone, 36 Aliso Drive, \$157,000.
Mary Catherine Development Co. to Derekesh Corp., Birch Mountain Road, no conveyance tax.
Derekesh Corp. to Ronald R. and Marilyn O. Mack, Birch Mountain Road, \$227,890.
Derekesh Corp. to William J. Goldrick Jr. and Elizabeth J. Wood, 148 Walker St., \$127,500.
Mohammed R. and Hajeer A. Bruce A. and Cathy S. Kreller, 84 Devon Drive, \$120,000.
Katherine M. Giblin to Thomas W. Morrow III and Kathleen M. Morrow, 45 Cottage St., conveyance tax, \$82.50.
Michael W. and Ellen M. Kurdo to Christopher A. Bown and Juliana I. Brown, 55 Elio St., \$110,000.
Lawnwood Properties Inc. to Ham C. Le and Tham-Van T. Bang, 145 Peila Drive, \$174,000.

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Police Roundup

Knife wielder escapes

MANCHESTER — A Hartford man used a four-inch hunting knife to threaten a J.C. Penney Outlet store detective and escape Tuesday after the detective observed the man and an accomplice allegedly try to steal a pair of shoes.

Edgar Sagara, 40, who said he lived in Hartford but gave no address, was arrested and charged with conspiracy to commit second degree robbery, possession of cocaine and tampering with evidence. He was held on a \$2,500 bond pending an appearance in Manchester Superior Court this morning.

The second suspect, who is believed to have brandished the knife, remains at large. His name was not released.

Store detectives said they saw both men conceal a pair of shoes in the store and leave without paying.

Sagara was apprehended without incident, but the second suspect pulled a knife on a store detective, who allowed him to run away. Police say the man drove away in a silver and gray Chevrolet Monte Carlo with a cardboard license plate, 241 FXT.

When police arrived, they took Sagara into custody. On the way to the police station, the arresting officer saw Sagara take something of his back pocket. The officer stopped the car and found a small plastic bag with cocaine in it on the seat of the cruiser.

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Baseball tougher sport Sox's Greenwell insists

By DAVE O'HARA
The Associated Press

WINTER HAVEN, Fla. — Mike Greenwell of the Boston Red Sox acknowledges the high risk injury factor in football, but he insists that playing baseball is much tougher.

"Oh, oh, I'll probably have every pro football player in the country coming at me, so I had better explain what I mean," Greenwell said Tuesday when asked which sport is tougher in the wake of Bo Jackson's injury.

"I've played both sports, and I think I could have been successful in football as well as in baseball," Greenwell said. "Football is tougher physically because of its very nature, blocking, tackling and all. But I think baseball is much more difficult to play mentally.

"Look, in football you play one game, have a day off and then practice for five days before your next game. If you have a bad game, you have time to adjust mentally before the next one.

"In baseball, you play just about every day, 162 games or more from April until October, after spring training. You have to be ready mentally to play every day. No excuses. You may be a hero one day and a bum the next. It doesn't matter. You have to be ready every single day."

Greenwell called Jackson "one of a kind, with the talent to play both football and baseball and to be able to live away from home nearly the entire year."

"I wouldn't want to ever try playing both baseball and football," he said. "For me being away from home seven months a year is tough enough without making it longer. I look forward to spending the fall and winter with my family in Florida."

In high school in Fort Myers, Greenwell was a two-sport star, as an outfielder in baseball and as a quarterback in football. Along the way he earned the nickname "Gator" for his hobby capturing alligators.

Greenwell recalled how he rejected college football scholarship offers to sign a modest bonus contract with the Red Sox. It turned out to be the right choice. He recently signed a four-year contract worth more than \$12 million.

"I wasn't playing football, and I think I could have been good at it, but I chose baseball," he said. "In my mind, it had to be one sport or the other."

Although he and Jackson exchanged a few angry words in Boston a couple of years ago, Greenwell said he felt sorry for Bo.

"He could have been one of the great players of all time in one sport or the other," Orfenwell said. "Now he may not have the opportunity to put up big numbers in either sport because he was injured so early in his career in both baseball and football."

Greenwell and Jackson exchanged words after Bo hit a home run off a light tower in left field in Fenway Park. The ball bounced back onto the field and Greenwell, trying to fool the umpires, fielded it as if it had hit the 37-foot wall. Not sure, Jackson slid into second base and later called Greenwell's actions "bush."

Greenwell's reply: "You be Bo Jackson and I'll be Mike Greenwell." The incident was forgotten quickly when the two sluggers got away from game press.

Asked if he thought the Red Sox might claim Jackson, Greenwell said, "That's not my decision to make."

"I haven't even thought about it, but probably not," Red Sox general manager Lou Gorman said. "Kansas City's medical reports must be real bad to release a talent like that."



SAVING GOODBYE — Bo Jackson, right, shakes hands with former Kansas City Royals' teammate Steve Crawford as catcher Mike Macfarlane looks on Tuesday morning at the team's clubhouse at Baseball City Stadium in Haines City, Fla.

Yanks, Dodgers show interest in obtaining Jackson's services

By BEN WALKER
The Associated Press

At this point, it costs more to get Bo Jackson's baseball card than it does to get him.

For only \$1, any team can claim him off the waiver wire. But where he winds up and whether he ever plays again are million-dollar questions.

The Kansas City Royals thought he was a bust because of a hip injury sustained in the NFL playoffs, and they released him. The Los Angeles Dodgers and the New York Yankees, among others, might see him as a bargain, no matter the price.

The Yankees, anxious to get Jackson for nearly a decade, got the first shot Tuesday when he went on waivers. Because Jackson was waived by an American League team and because the Yankees finished last in that league, their claim would take precedence over all others.

"We're looking into it, trying to get the facts on it," Yankees executive vice president Leonard Kintman said. "When we get them, we'll look into it."

Jackson, however, can reject the team that claims him. In that case, he would become a free agent and could make any deal he wants.

If that happened, look for the Dodgers to be right there waiting to sign him.

Jackson said the Dodgers and Yankees would be among the teams he'd like to play for. But, for a lot of reasons, Los Angeles likely would be his No. 1 choice, with everyone else a distant second.

"I'm extremely talented," Dodgers general manager Fred Claire said. "We would have interest, like we would in any player that was available."

The Dodgers spent millions in the off-season for free-agent outfielders Darryl Strawberry and Brett Butler. They also have Kal Daniels in the outfield, but the prospect of adding the two-sport star would be a natural

for the team, the player and his family.

Jackson's agent, Richard Woods, said some teams called Tuesday to ask about Jackson, whose hip injury two months ago threw his future into doubt. Woods did not identify which teams called, but said the Yankees were not among them.

"I expect he will be claimed by someone, but I wouldn't be surprised if he isn't," Woods said. "A team will have to make a \$2.75 million gamble that they're right."

Jackson, meanwhile, will wait and see.

"Whoever decides to pick me up, if I am picked up, I will play for Jackson said. "If not, I'll try to get somebody and I'll make the team."

If Jackson is claimed and decides to play for that team, it would owe him his 1991 salary of \$2,375,000. If no one claims him by the time waivers expire at 2 p.m. EST Friday, the Royals owe him \$391,000, about one-sixth his salary.

In Brief . . .

Greg Norman withdraws
NEW ORLEANS (AP) — Greg Norman, who lost last year's US&G Classic on a 72nd hole battle from a bunker by David Frost last year, withdrew from this year's event on Tuesday.

Tournament officials said Norman's agent called to inform that the Australian star was ill and would be unable to compete in the event, which begins Thursday.

Phoenix loses '93 Super Bowl
KOHALA, Hawaii (AP) — NFL owners awarded the 1996 game to Arizona, which will hold a referendum on the game in November 1992.

The 1993 game, awarded to Phoenix a year ago, will be in Pasadena, Calif., which presented its argument to the owners after the vote on Phoenix.

"This is the result of a referendum in Arizona in which a King holiday was turned down by 17,000 votes out of more than a million cast last November."

Instant replay gets reprieve
KOHALA, Hawaii (AP) — For the sixth straight year, NFL owners voted to retain instant replay and again set themselves up for yet another debate next week.

The vote was 21-7, the minimum needed under NFL by-laws that require a three-quarters vote on all major measures. Putting it in permanently, however, was not considered.

The owners approved the measure despite a 4-3 vote against replay in the rule-making competition committee, which includes president Paul Brown of Cincinnati, general manager of the New York Giants, Bill Polian of Buffalo, and coach Marty Schottenheimer of Kansas City, all teams that have voted consistently against replay.

Shell NFL coach of the year
KOHALA, Hawaii (AP) — Art Shell of the Los Angeles Raiders was named the NFL's coach of the year by the Pro Football Writers of America.

Shell, the league's only black head coach, led the Raiders to a 12-4 regular-season record and an AFL West title. The Raiders lost the conference title game, 51-3 to Buffalo.

George Young, general manager of the New York Giants, received the NFL's executive of the year award from the Sporting News at the same breakfast at which Shell was honored.

Bubka over 20-foot mark again
MOSCOW (AP) — Sergei Bubka broke his own world record and surpassed the 20-foot barrier in the pole vault for the second time in four days at a meet in his hometown of Donetsk. Soviet television reported that Bubka cleared 20 feet, 1/2 inch.

The feat came during a Festival of Pole Vaulting organized by Bubka to bring the world's best vaulters to his home town of Donetsk. Bubka, 27, became the first man in history to vault 20 feet Saturday in a meet at San Sebastian, Spain.

Ex-Viking Kramer arrested
ORONO, Minn. (AP) — Former Minnesota Vikings quarterback Tommy Kramer has been arrested and is expected to be charged with driving while intoxicated for the third time in the last 11 years.

Orono city attorney Bryan Crawford said that he was reviewing police reports and expects to issue a formal complaint by the end of this week or early next week.

Kramer, 36, was stopped at 1:45 a.m. after police clocked him driving 16 mph above the 40 mph speed limit, according to police Lt. Mark Moran. Kramer failed a field sobriety test and refused to take a breath test, Moran said.

Kramer's wife Carrie said the two had separated Monday and that Kramer has no longer living in their Bloomington, Minn., home.

Courier on Davis Cup team
KEY BISCAYNE, Fla. (AP) — A few hours after winning an assignment against Mexico, Jim Courier went out and beat a Frenchman.

Courier was named to the United States Davis Cup team for the first time Tuesday. He also defeated Guy Forget of France 7-6 (7-3), 6-3 to advance to the quarterfinals of the International Players Championships.

"Davis Cup is in the back of my mind, but this tournament is very much in the front," said the 20-year-old Courier. "This is an important tournament for me."

The team chosen by U.S. captain Tom Gorman to play at Mexico City late this month will also include Brad Gilbert in singles, and Rick Leach and Jim Pugh in doubles.

The selection of Leach and Pugh was not surprising; they were 4-0 in Davis Cup play last year as the United States won its first title since 1982. But because a number of their players were unavailable, the choices for singles were in doubt.

"Brad has lots of experience and Jim is playing very well," Gorman said from Palm Springs, Calif., in a telephone interview. "He's the guys that are ready to go."

Gorman said he asked Andre Agassi and Michael Chang to play against Mexico, but they turned him down because of other commitments. John McEnroe also had a conflicting commitment, while Pete Sampras, Aaron Krickstein and Jay Berger were ruled out because of injuries.

The match March 29-31 will be played on hardcourts at the Club Aleman in Mexico City. It was originally scheduled for early February — the type that eggs on the night's hot Friar shooter. Chris Watts, who had the hot hand against James Madison in a double overtime victory last Thursday, thinks so.

"We found out who our fans were tonight," he said.

UMass has real McCoy to lead them

NEW YORK (AP) — John Calipari needed all the talent he could find when he took over as coach at Massachusetts in 1988.

The Minuteman had the fifth-worst overall record among the 296 NCAA Division I teams in the 1980s, so the rookie coach, who had been an assistant at Pitt, faced a formidable task.

Enter Jim McCoy, a high school All-American from Pittsburgh. The 6-foot-7 forward was Calipari's very first recruit, selecting UMass over such schools as Louisville, Xavier and Pitt.

McCoy, whose father Jim Sr. and uncle, the legendary Connie Hawkins, both played in the American Basketball Association, proved to be just what the Atlantic 10 Conference program needed.

"That was never more evident than Tuesday night when McCoy had 18 points, 14 in the second half, as the Minutemen held off Fordham 78-64 to snap the Rams' 16-game home winning streak and advance to the quarterfinals of the National Invitation Tournament."

UMass (9-11), led by Harper Williams' 23 points, travels to Siena Thursday night. The Saints advanced by defeating South Carolina 63-58.

The first of the quarterfinal games will be played tonight when Oklahoma (18-14) visits Providence (19-12). On Thursday, Stanford (17-13) is at Southern Illinois (18-13) and Arkansas State (23-8) visits Colorado (17-13). The winners play Monday in the semifinals at Madison Square Garden in New York.

McCoy's performance against Fordham, which finished 25-5, was typical of what he has been doing ever since he arrived at UMass. He owns the school's all-time scoring record with 1,676 points and a two-time All-Atlantic 10 choice — something no Massachusetts player had accomplished even once.

"I know Coach Calipari ever since I was a freshman in high school," explained McCoy, who had nine points in a 19-7 second-half run that gave the Minutemen a 58-46 lead with 7:30 remaining. "He had been recruiting me for Pitt, and then all of a sudden he was at UMass."

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going to become a head coach. Naturally, he wanted me.

"Basketball wasn't the clincher for me. When the coach came to my house, he talked more about education with my parents and myself. That meant a great deal to the three of us."

McCoy hit three of his six field-goal tries in the second half and went 8-for-9 from the foul line. Harper Williams led the Minutemen with 23 points, 14 in the second half.

"The Rams' top inside threat, Patriot League Player of the Year Damon Lopez, was limited to nine points on 2-for-5 shooting. Fordham also hit only 5-for-20 from 3-point range."

"The key to winning the game was defense," Calipari said. "Offensively, we played well enough to win, but defense was the big thing."

Siena 63, South Carolina 58: At Albany, N.Y., Steve Downey had two key baskets and Doremus Bennett hit four free throws in the final 2:31 as Siena downed South Carolina.

Downey, a 6-foot-11 senior who's had his ups and downs, put Siena (25-9) ahead 31-49 with 7:03 to go with a three-point shot. He also scored 18 points on 10-for-20 foul on South Carolina center Jeff Rouillon.



LEADING THEM ON — UMass coach John Calipari shouts to his team near the end of their 78-74 win over Fordham in a second round NIT game Tuesday night in New York.

Ending of Tyson fight still leaves sour taste

By TIM DAHLBERG
The Associated Press

LAS VEGAS — Donovan "Razor" Ruddock still feels the sting of the loss.

Mike Tyson simply chooses to ignore the whole thing.

A day after Steele decided to stop their heavyweight fight in the seventh round, Tyson was in the middle of the ring. Ruddock said, "Mike wasn't moving fast and coming on like a steamroller."

Ruddock, a associate Baptist minister and casino blackjack pit boss when not working fights, refused to second-guess his decision.

"That makes me happy," he said while pointing at Ruddock. "I wish the young man over there is OK."

Steele's controversial decision came exactly a year and a day after he signaled the end to the junior welterweight fight between Julio Cesar Chavez and Meldrick Taylor with only two seconds remaining in the bout.

The uproar over that decision, which came with Taylor leading on the judges' scorecards, quickly died down, however, after Taylor was hospitalized for his injuries suffered in the ring.

"My job is to fight a fighter when he is in need," Steele said. "When I stopped the fight, Razor was hurt and helpless against the ropes. I stopped the fight to save him from the punishment."

The decision touched off a wild melee in the ring and Steele ended up being kicked on the ring floor. He had to be escorted from the outdoor arena at the Mirage Hotel by a half-dozen security guards.

The controversy overshadowed what was supposed to be a telling fight for Tyson, who had scored two first-round knockouts since his upset loss to James "Buster" Douglas in February 1990.

The decision touched off a wild melee in the ring and Steele ended up being kicked on the ring floor. He had to be escorted from the outdoor arena at the Mirage Hotel by a half-dozen security guards.

But Tyson also took some punishment in the battle between the top two heavyweight contenders, finding himself on the losing end of several smashing left hooks by Ruddock.

Blues 'Chase' down victory over the Caps

By JOHN KREISER
The Associated Press

Brett Hull earned another line in the NHL record books. Kelly Chase gave the St. Louis Blues what they really wanted — a win.

Hull became the third player in NHL history to score 80 goals in a season with a first-period power-play goal against Washington Tuesday night. Jim Courier went out and beat a Frenchman.

Courier was named to the United States Davis Cup team for the first time Tuesday. He also defeated Guy Forget of France 7-6 (7-3), 6-3 to advance to the quarterfinals of the International Players Championships.

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The team chosen by U.S. captain Tom Gorman to play at Mexico City late this month will also include Brad Gilbert in singles, and Rick Leach and Jim Pugh in doubles.

The selection of Leach and Pugh was not surprising; they were 4-0 in Davis Cup play last year as the United States won its first title since 1982. But because a number of their players were unavailable, the choices for singles were in doubt.

"Brad has lots of experience and Jim is playing very well," Gorman said from Palm Springs, Calif., in a telephone interview. "He's the guys that are ready to go."

Gorman said he asked Andre Agassi and Michael Chang to play against Mexico, but they turned him down because of other commitments. John McEnroe also had a conflicting commitment, while Pete Sampras, Aaron Krickstein and Jay Berger were ruled out because of injuries.

The match March 29-31 will be played on hardcourts at the Club Aleman in Mexico City. It was originally scheduled for early February — the type that eggs on the night's hot Friar shooter. Chris Watts, who had the hot hand against James Madison in a double overtime victory last Thursday, thinks so.

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overall against the Blues since February 1989. The loss dropped the Capitals into fifth place in the Patrick Division, one point out of a playoff spot.

Devils 5, Penguins 4: New Jersey made the most of the Capitals' loss by rallying for three third-period goals to beat the Penguins at the Meadowlands Arena.

The Devils needed just four minutes to wipe out a 4-2 deficit on goals by Zdeno Ciger and Brendan Shanahan. Patrick Sundstrom got his second of the night with 4:34 remaining to lift the Devils past Philadelphia and Washington into third place in the Patrick Division.

Mario Lemieux had a goal and an assist for the Penguins, who had their seven-game unbeaten streak snapped.

Oilers 7, Nordiques 6: Mark Messier's goal, scored with 26 seconds remaining in overtime, enabled winning Edmonton to win despite a five-point deficit by Quebec's Joe Sakic.

Messier burst down the right side and put a wrist shot between Ron Taggart's legs from the faceoff dot.

Manuela Maleva-Fraginier of Switzerland for the 16th consecutive time, 6-1, 6-3. Sabatini eliminated No. 5 Zina Garrison 6-3, 6-2.

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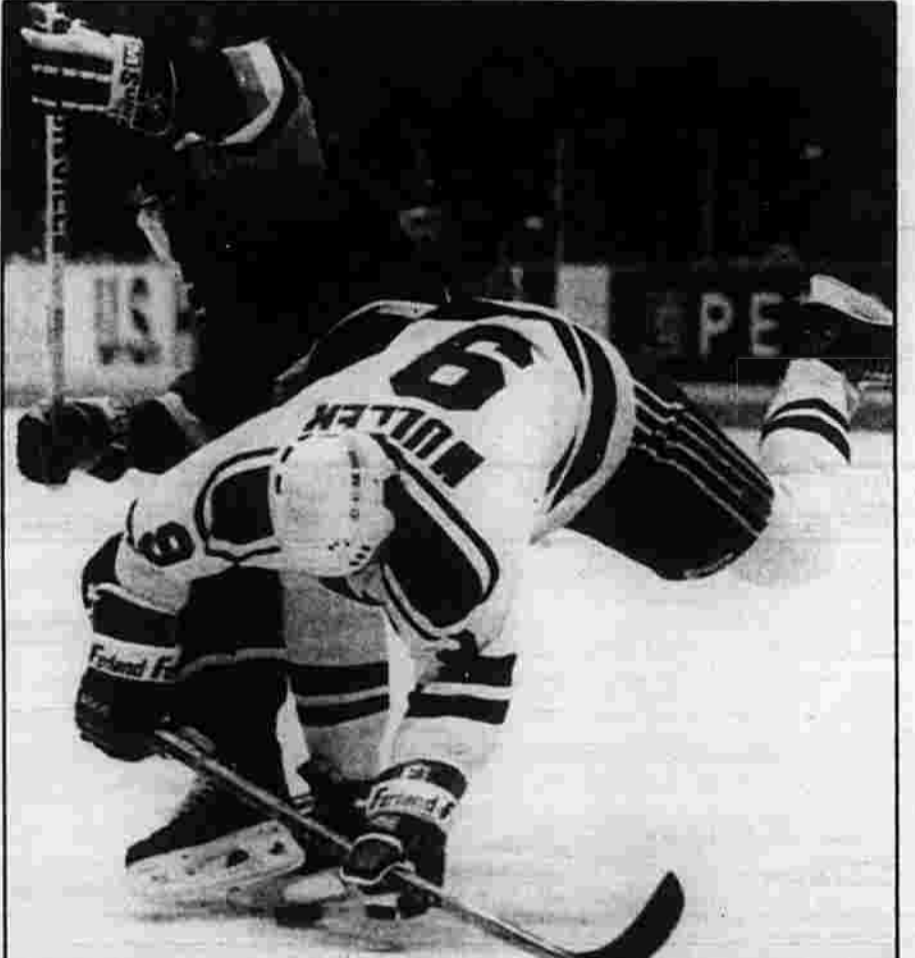
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CLOSE LOOK — New Jersey's Kirk Mueller, right, gets a close look at the puck as he checks Pittsburgh's Ron Francis in their NHL game Tuesday night at the Meadowlands Arena. The Devils beat the Penguins, 5-4.

Sabatini and Graf to go at it for the 28th time

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Isiah Thomas has cast removed

DETROIT (AP) — Isiah Thomas could rejoin the Pistons during the final week of the NBA regular season, according to the physician treating the All-Star guard's injured right wrist.

Dr. Kirk Watson on Tuesday removed the cast and two stabilizing pins he inserted into Thomas' wrist Jan. 29. During that operation, Watson surgically fused three bones to repair ligament damage.

Thomas must wear a splint for at least three weeks.

But Watson said from his office in Hartford, Conn., that Thomas could resume playing four to five weeks after the surgery, which he would examine Thomas again April 5 in Hartford. He said he spoke late Tuesday with Thomas after the Pistons captain returned to his suburban Detroit home and urged that he tend carefully to his injury.

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Blazers down, but Kings are down and out

By The Associated Press

While the Los Angeles Lakers head up the Portland Trail Blazers head down.

The Blazers ended Portland's season-long reign atop the NBA's Pacific Division on Tuesday night with a 119-105 victory over the Los Angeles Lakers. The Trail Blazers lost the 136-126 at Golden State, their eighth loss in 11 games.

But Sacramento really knows how to lose. The Kings set an NBA single-season record with their 29th consecutive road loss, falling at San Antonio 104-101.

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Sacramento, which clinched a playoff spot, pulled to 100-99 on Rory Sparrow's 3-pointer with 20.8 seconds left. The Spurs then converted four free throws in the final 17.3 seconds, with Robinson, who finished with 30 points and 15 rebounds, making the last two with 1.6 seconds remaining.

The Kings' mark of futility topped the record they shared with the New Orleans Jazz of 1974-75 and the New Jersey Nets of last season. The all-time record for consecutive road losses is 34 set by New Jersey, which lost its final 28 outings of last season and its first six this one.

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Lakers 119, Clippers 105: At Inglewood, Calif., James Worthy scored 26 points as the Lakers swept the four-game season series from the Clippers and extended their home-court winning streak against their crosstown rivals to 27 games.

Magic Johnson added 18 points and 11 assists — and didn't even play the fourth quarter — as the Lakers won for the fifth consecutive time and the 29th in their last 36 games. The Lakers trailed Portland 101-92 at halftime.

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Warriors 136, Trail Blazers 126: At Oakland, Calif., Mitch Richmond made his first 3 shots and finished with 40 points for Golden State, which won for the fifth time in seven games.

The Warriors shot 71 percent in the first half (32-for-45), taking a 29-point lead.

Tim Hardaway scored 29 points and added 12 assists for Golden State, which went 2-3 against Portland this year. Chris Mullin scored 26 points.

Rockets 98, Timberwolves 85: At Minneapolis, Houston got 25 points and eight blocked shots from Hakeem Olajuwon and tied a franchise record with 14 rebounds. Kenny Smith added 20 points for Houston.

Knicks 97, Hornets 79: At Charlotte, N.C., Patrick Ewing overcame early foul trouble and scored 25 of his 41 points in the second half as New York won for the 10th time in 12 games.

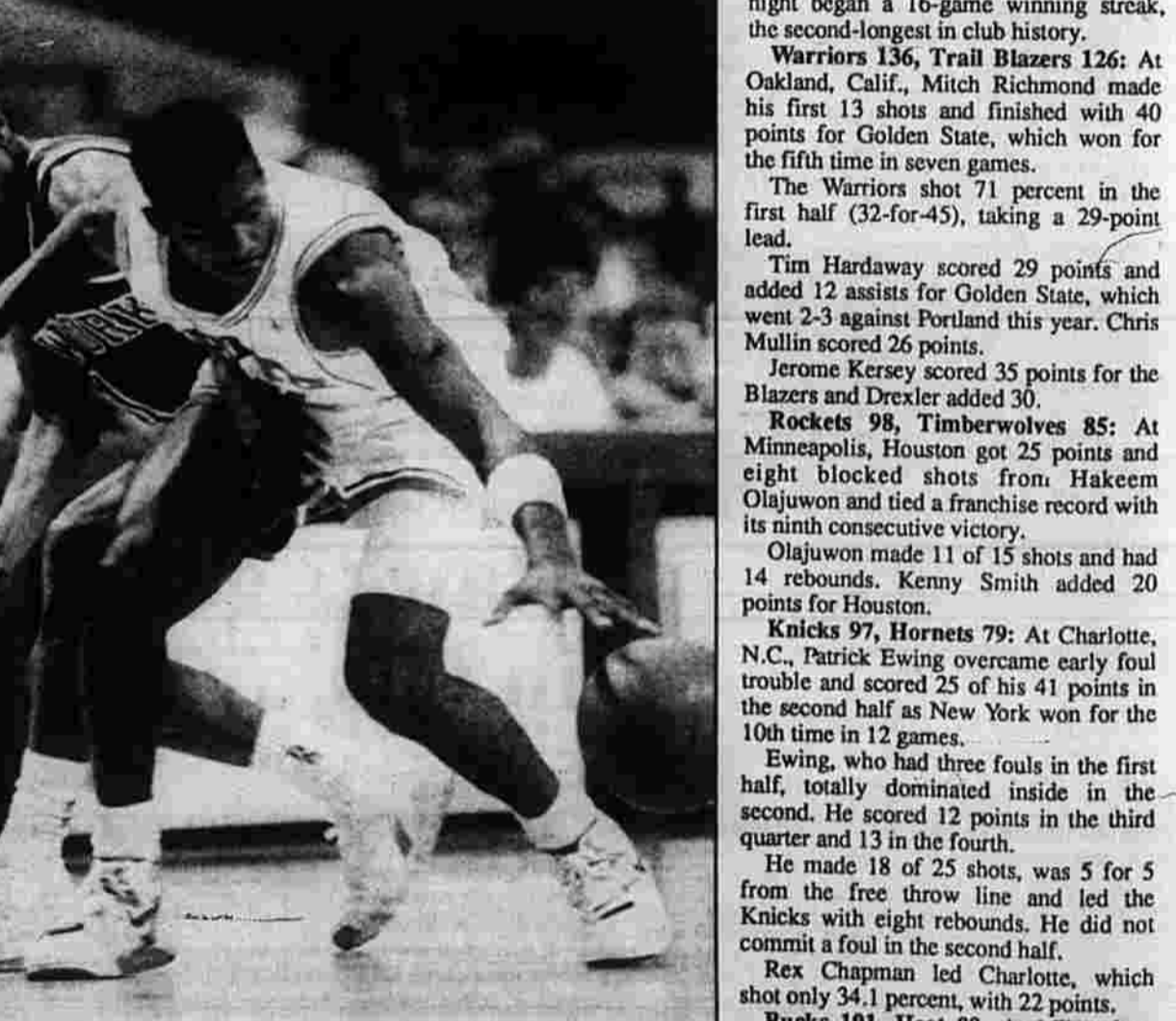
Ewing, who had three fouls in the first half, totally dominated inside in the second. He scored 13 points in the third quarter and 13 in the fourth.

He made 18 of 25 shots, was 5 for 5 from the free throw line and led the Knicks with eight rebounds. He did not commit a foul in the second half.

Rex Chapman led Charlotte, which shot only 24.1 percent, with 22 points.

Bucks 101, Heat 88: At Milwaukee, Dale Ellis scored 17 of his 29 points in the first half as Milwaukee swept the four-game season series and sent the Heat to their fifth consecutive loss.

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STRETCH — Charlotte's Kendall Gill, right, reaches for the ball knocked away by New York's Maurice Cheeks in their NBA game Tuesday night in Charlotte. The Knicks beat the Hornets, 97-79.

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Commission wants further controls on colleges

WASHINGTON (AP) — Colleges should adopt a no-pass, no-play policy and universities should have independent control of all athletic revenue, a private commission says.

The Knight Foundation Commission on Intercollegiate Athletics also said that income from income from sports contracts for coaches should go to the schools, and players should be ineligible if they aren't on course to graduate in five years.

College athletes "are brought in, used and then discarded like so much rubbish on the scrap heap of humanity," said the Rev. Theodore Heberich, president emeritus of the University of Notre Dame and co-chairman of the commission.

The NCAA currently has a satisfactory progress rate based on a "banking of hours" concept where an athlete must average 12 hours per term or 24 hours per semester to be eligible.

"The banking" concept differs from the commission's proposal in that it allows an athlete to store up hours through summer school or during the regular term. This allows athletes to take easy or fewer courses to concentrate on sports and make up the credits later.

The commission said compliance with its recommendations should be verified by outside auditors.

Fourteen of the commission's 22 members are current or former college presidents. The panel said the academic administrators need to take direct control of their athletic programs, require that student athletes get an education and make sure that the finances of the athletic programs are controlled by the university, not the coaches or athletic directors.

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