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What's News
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Iraqi, rebel forces continue battles

Kurds flee to mountains

OUTSKIRTS OF DOHIK, Iraq (AP) — Hundreds of thousands of Kurdish rebels and civilians fled into snow-capped mountains today after government forces using heavy artillery won control of the northern cities of Dohuk and Erbil.

Having retaken the two cities, pro-Saddam forces reversed the greatest gain of the decades-long Kurdish rebellion against Iraqi control — the capture of three major cities in the traditional Kurdish

homeland in northern Iraq. While battles thundered around Dohuk and Erbil on Sunday, the government proved its control over the northern oil city of Kirkuk by showing the battle-ravaged city to Western reporters.

Kurds fled today by any means possible into the mountains along the Iranian border, turning roadways into ribbons of moving humanity.

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Post-war a U.S. quagmire; agony of victory

By GEORGE GEDDA
 The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — There was a time last January when critics opposed to the use of force in the Persian Gulf had an apocalyptic vision. "Goodness," they whispered, "what happens if we win?"

One month after the humiliation of the Iraqi army by the allied coalition, President Bush is learning about the agonies of victory. The New World Order he has been touting doesn't seem that much more promising than the old one.

None of the alternatives the administration faces in Iraq seems palatable. If Saddam Hussein is forced from power, the northern-based Kurdish population could opt for independence from Baghdad — no small consideration because that could fuel separatist tendencies by their Kurdish brethren in Syria, Turkey and Iran.

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FIRST VOTE — Albanian President Ramiz Alia casts his vote Sunday in a polling station in Tirana, Albania, in the first multiple-party elections held since Stalinists seized power in 1944.

Success blooms each semester within Bennet

By SCOTT B. BREDE
 Manchester Herald

MANCHESTER — Each spring, at the start of planting season, Clyde Levesque left school to work on his father's farm in Maine. By fourth grade, he was so far behind his other classmates that he lost interest in school and dropped out. Now, at the age of 66, Levesque, of South Windsor, is learning to read.

Anna and Lech Sokolowski came to Manchester after escaping from Poland a few years before political change swept through Eastern Europe. Twice a week, the couple takes time to improve their English skills.

Phyllis Henry, of Manchester, quit school when she was 15 to get a job. Now, nearly 40 years later, she is pursuing her diploma.

Every Tuesday and Thursday night, each of these people converge on Bennet Junior High School to attend Adult Regional Basic Education classes.

"I think its about time I got my GED (High School Equivalency Diploma)," Henry said. "I don't think it's ever too late to get it."

Henry, one of more than 50 adults who attend the Adult Education's GED program this semester, said her decision to go back to school did not come without difficulty.

"It was just the thought of coming back and learning again," she said.

Now after nearly 12 weeks in the program, Henry and the other students are on the verge of obtaining

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Psychiatrist facing three-year suspension

HARTFORD (AP) — A state panel has recommended that a Manchester psychiatrist accused of having sex with four female patients be barred from practice for three years.

That recommendation comes nearly five years after the state Department of Health Services first opened a hearing into its case against Dr. Donald Pet. Pet has been charged with at least 10 violations of state health law in connection with his relationships with the four women.

A subcommittee of the state's Medical Examining Board has issued a preliminary order that the psychiatrist's license be suspended for three years. The decision also states that Pet must apply to the state for reinstatement of his license at the

end of that period.

If the board determines he is fit to resume practice, he should only be allowed to do so within a group practice and he must be supervised, the panel ordered.

From 1986 until 1989 the board held an ongoing hearing in the case, the longest in its history. The 30-page decision issued this month by a board subcommittee details sexual relationships Pet maintained for several years with the four patients.

One was a substance abuser with suicidal tendencies who described her feelings for Pet as "an addiction." Between 1979 and 1980 she was hospitalized twice after she consumed alcohol and prescription drugs that Pet ordered for her.

In addition, the state alleges that Pet had sex with all four of the women during individual therapy sessions, and that the relationships all began in the late 1970s and continued for several years. Three of the women also worked at Pet's clinic either as volunteers or paid employees.

All of the women told state investigators they fell in love with the psychiatrist, and some admitted that their feelings for him became obsessive.

Two of the women, both from Manchester, filed a malpractice lawsuit against Pet seeking \$1 million in damages. It was

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Still delighted by pachyderm

Vive Babar!

By MARILYN AUGUST
 The Associated Press

PARIS — In his seventh decade as king of the elephants, Babar has survived competition from ninja turtles, become a movie star and reached new heights of popularity with French children.

Signs of Babarmania are everywhere: baby bloomers and kiddie perfume, coat racks and bath towels.

Grandparents who read Babar stories in their own childhoods pay small fortunes for wagons and chairs decorated with the green-suited elephant.

About 300 Babar products are sold by 70 licensed companies around the world.

In France, Babar's native soil, the 61-year-old elephant has captured youthful imaginations like no fictional character since Asterix the Gaul embodied the national spirit in comic strips.

A poll of 5- and 6-year-olds conducted by a television station found that 88 percent knew about Babar. Only Mickey Mouse fared better.

Bookstores carry Babar editions for every budget and all ages, including plastic ones for toddlers who chew them first.

"Le Triomphe de Babar" has been a hit at movie theaters since its world premiere in February. An animated television series created in 1989 is shown twice a week in France.

Last fall saw the launching of Le Journal de Babar, a weekly magazine featuring games, pictures and new stories about life in Celesteville, where Babar is the king.

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BLOCKED ENTRY — An Israeli soldier, foreground, bars a Palestinian's entry into Israel from the occupied Gaza Strip Monday, following stricter measures ordered in the wake of recent knife attacks.

Catch of day: toxins

GLOUCESTER, Mass. (AP) — Fishermen casting their nets off the coast of New England say they are frequently hauling in an unwelcome catch: barrels filled with poisonous wastes.

One fisherman, Salvatore LoGrasso, said he has been unable to work since he hauled in a leaky barrel two years ago that emitted fumes so strong he was knocked unconscious. His son, Marco, who called the U.S. Coast Guard, said he was told the barrel contained toxic waste.

"I try hard to go fishing, and every time I go out I get so dizzy," said LoGrasso, 50, who has not fished regularly since the 1989 incident.

Last February, the crew of the Vito C reported hauling up a 55-gallon drum filled with a substance that left crewmembers teary-eyed and

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Base wage up; labor objects

WASHINGTON (AP) — Millions of Americans begin earning larger paychecks today as the federal minimum wage jumps by 45 cents an hour to \$4.25, but organized labor says the boost falls well short of lifting many workers out of poverty.

"They can't support a family on this and in many cases can't support themselves," said Rudy Oswald, chief economist of the AFL-CIO, which wants the base wage increased to \$5.75 an hour by April 1994.

The increase in the minimum wage from \$3.80 an hour is the second step of a two-part increase Congress enacted in 1989 after a long and fierce battle with the White House. President Bush had vetoed an earlier version he considered too hard on businesses.

The first step of the increase took effect a year ago, when the minimum wage went from \$3.35 an hour to \$3.80. It was the first increase in nearly a decade.

About 3 million Americans earn the minimum wage. But millions of higher-paid workers also may benefit because the boost could put pressure on employers to boost their wages by comparable amounts.

Parking workshop

MANCHESTER — The Parking Authority plans to hold a workshop to determine how many off-street spaces are needed in the downtown area to accommodate motor vehicles of employees who work at local businesses.

Downtown merchants were recently polled about their parking requirements. Preliminary tallies show there are only 659 spaces, but about 740 employees who need parking spaces.

Once the number of spaces needed is determined, the authority will determine how many spaces each business should be allocated and issue parking stickers for those cars authorized to park in authority lots.

A date for the workshop will be announced, officials said.

Firefighters win

HARTFORD (AP) — After six years, Hartford firefighters have won the right to wear leather helmets in a recent decision by an appeals court.

But Fire Chief John B. Stewart said he hopes the city will appeal the Connecticut Appellate Court's decision.

In 1984, Stewart ordered the firefighters to wear federally approved thermoplastic helmets, replacing the leather ones preferred by firefighters.

The firefighters' union filed a grievance in January 1985, contending that Stewart violated the union's contract. The firefighters complained that the replacement helmets restricted their hearing and were uncomfortably hot.

Some firefighters said they had difficulty hearing radio transmissions and would not be able to tell the intensity of a fire if they could not hear crackling embers.

Bush angles

ISLAMORADA, Fla. (AP) — President Bush today pined the balmy waters off the Florida Keys for the region's feisty bonfish, saying he had caught only barracuda on the first day of his fishing vacation.

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NATION/WORLD

'Draft Schwarzkopf' committee is formed

Direct-mail vendor raises money for Senate race

By JOHN KING
The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — A Florida Republican is raising money to support Desert Storm commander Gen. H. Norman Schwarzkopf for a 1992 Senate race, a venture that doesn't have the general's consent but could generate business for the organizer's company.

The organizer of the drive, W.J. "Jack" Latvala, is using his direct-mail company to raise money for the "Draft General Schwarzkopf '92 Committee," which under federal law can spend as much as it wants to support Schwarzkopf, provided he has no association with the group.

Such independent expenditure campaigns have be-

come increasingly popular in the past decade, often drawing criticism because of their heavy spending to influence elections. In some cases, the campaigns have been run by fund raisers who funnel most of the money into additional mail appeals, generating business for their companies.

Latvala said he planned to charge the committee only "normal production costs, nothing more than what it costs to get into the mail."

A former executive director of the Florida Republican Party, Latvala said the group's first fund-raising appeal would be mailed to targeted voters in Florida early this week. The goal is to finance an advertising campaign to greet Schwarzkopf when he returns to his base in Tampa and try to persuade him to challenge Democratic Sen. Bob Graham.

"I think we might have some success," Latvala said. "It's not just a fund-raising ploy."

Latvala is the founder and president of Direct Mail Systems, a company that raises millions of dollars for Republican candidates and is a consultant to 22 state Republican parties.

Papers filed last week with the Federal Election Commission list Latvala as record-keeper and treasurer of the committee to draft Schwarzkopf, and give Direct Mail Systems' address as a mailing address. Latvala said a chairman of the committee would be named this week.

Schwarzkopf, commanding general of the Defense Department's Florida-based Central Command, is eligible to retire in August. Florida GOP officials have said he would be an ideal candidate to challenge Graham.

Schwarzkopf, however, has said he has no plans to enter politics and hasn't expressed a preference for either the Republican or Democratic parties.

Although the movement is not sponsored by the state party, its leaders have made no secret they would welcome a Schwarzkopf candidacy. "Would we like to see him run though? You bet we would," said state GOP spokesman Stan Smith. He said Latvala was a leader of a group of Tampa-area residents hoping to draft Schwarzkopf.

Scott Moxley, an FEC spokesman, said the Draft General Schwarzkopf '92 Committee is considered a single-candidate independent expenditure committee under agency guidelines.

Such committees can spend unlimited amounts of money to support a candidate or potential candidate.

Iraq's civil war devastates city

KIRKUK, Iraq (AP) — Charred bodies litter the streets of this oil city that was the proudest conquest of Kurdish rebels. Houses, shops and government buildings have been burned, looted, battered by artillery.

The government is firmly in control.

Officials took Western reporters on a 90-minute tour of Kirkuk on Sunday, displaying damage they said was caused by the rebel occupation and the fight to retake the city of 500,000 people.

Government officials said it took two hours Thursday to recover Kirkuk, which is 150 miles north of Baghdad. Rebels had taken it on March 19.

The army was clearly in control on Sunday as reporters roamed Kirkuk's streets, sometimes without escorts.

Soldiers relaxed in the shadows of tanks eating lunch and an army helicopter flew overhead.

There was no gunfire. Provincial Gov. Hashem al-Majid said the rebels were at least 30 miles away.

But the city was devastated.

Near its entrance lay three bodies burned beyond recognition, one a child. Files swarmed around the stinking corpses.

"They were left there because we have no cars left to carry them and bury them," said Majid.

Residents said many people died inside the city. Ali Hussein, a merchant, said he had seen 500 bodies removed from a downtown sidewalk.

He also said rebels holding the city "searched" for members of Saddam Hussein's ruling Baath Party. "They searched their houses and killed them."

Majid said many in the city were killed because "many residents joined the saboteurs and foreign agents in looting and destroying, thinking they would have a share of the looting."



ALWAYS ALERT — While holding his machine gun, a Merga fighter, or Kurdish rebel, cooks food at a village in the rebel occupied area of Iraqi Kurdistan.

Labor Party victory

TIRANA, Albania (AP) — Communists claimed victory today in Albania's first free election in more than 60 years, saying they would win about two-thirds of the seats in a new parliament.

The main opposition group conceded it would fall short of forcing the Communists from power, but predicted the party would fall within months in Albania, which was Europe's last hard-line Communist stronghold.

No official results from Sunday's voting were yet released. Transportation and communications are primitive in the impoverished Balkan nation, which is struggling to emerge from nearly a half-century of Stalinist rule and international isolation.

The Communists suffered some embarrassing defeats. The Albanian president and party leader, Ramiz Alia, lost his parliamentary race in the capital to a little-known engineer, and the foreign minister lost as well.

Xhelil Ghoni, a Central Committee secretary of the Party of Labor — the Communists — predicted official results would give the party about two-thirds of the 250 seats in the new People's Assembly parliament.

Ghoni said the results were an "important victory" for the party that showed it "enjoys the full trust of the people."

He said the Communists are willing to cooperate with the opposition party, which is in the midst of a re-orientation and a new constitution.

But Sali Berisha, a co-leader of the main opposition Democratic Party, told about 3,000 supporters at a rally "there will be no coalition" with the Communists.

The Democrats had an early lead in at least 20 of the 29 voting districts in the capital of Tirana, according to preliminary unofficial results based on partial returns and opposition sources.

Ghoni said the Communists generally won 30 to 40 percent of the vote in the capital. Earlier results indicated the Communists would prevail in the countryside, and the opposition would capture the cities.

Easter funeral held

CRAIGAVON, Northern Ireland (AP) — Thousands of mourners gathered on Easter for the funeral of three Roman Catholics slain in a Protestant revenge attack only days after officials announced efforts to end sectarian violence.

Relatives and friends of Katrina Remie, 16; Eileen Duffy, 19; and Brian Frizzell, 29, walked behind the coffins through streets lined with black flags in Craigavon, a County Armagh town 20 miles southwest of Belfast.

St. Anthony's Church was filled and hundreds others stood outside to hear the Rev. Tom McGuinness call on the "ordinary people" of the province to reject "the men and women of violence."

Last week, Northern Ireland's political parties and the governments of Britain and Ireland announced they would begin talks this spring aimed at bringing peace and some degree of self-government to the battle-torn province.

But Sinn Fein, the political wing of the Irish Republican Army, was not invited to participate in the talks.

Police said two masked gunmen went into the mobile grocery store Thursday and opened fire on the two teenagers. Frizzell, who was about to enter the shop, was forced to lie on the ground and shot dead.

An anonymous telephone caller told police the killings were carried out by the Protestant Action Force, a name sometimes used by the outlawed paramilitary Ulster Volunteer Force. He said the attack was a reprisal for the wounding of the widow of a policeman killed by the IRA.

Several men arrested Friday were being questioned about the Thursday murders.

Roman Catholic Bishop Francis Brooks said Catholics and Protestants were tired of the killings, which have claimed more than 2,800 lives since 1969.

He urged Sinn Fein supporters "to call off their backing for the armed campaign, to resist the pressures to have retaliation for this deed."



READY TO SAIL — Slot machines line the ballroom floor of the refurbished 57-year-old President, one of three riverboats prepared for the official opening Monday of gambling in Iowa along the Mississippi River.

Plan cuts water use by 20 percent

EL PASO, Texas (AP) — When last year's searing summer sun helped reduce this city's water supply to a level authorities weren't sure was adequate to fight fires, officials decided it was time for drastic action.

Beginning today, the good old days of unlimited lawn watering, car washing, showering and toilet flushing are over as the city launches a conservation plan aimed at reducing water consumption by 20 percent per person by the end of the decade.

Violators of the conservation measures face fines ranging from \$50 to \$500.

"The drought in California kind of woke people up," said Ed Archuleta, general manager of the city's Water Utilities Public Service Board.

With the desert city expected to grow from a population of 580,000 to about 1.3 million over the next 30 years, Archuleta noted that now is the time to begin saving limited water supplies.

"Anyone who moves out here and grows up here has to understand that this is a desert," he said.

The city hit a water crisis last June when nearly two weeks of 100-degree heat caused residents to use more water than normal. City fire officials cautioned that the water supply had gotten so low that if cutbacks weren't made firefighters would be hard pressed to battle a major blaze.

"When it cooled off, we decided we couldn't continue to just have temporary rules restricting water use rather than a more permanent approach to water conservation," Archuleta said.

With emergency conservation last summer, El Paso utilities produced 38.1 billion gallons of water, or about 200 gallons per person per day.

Water officials hope to cut that to a per capita average of 160 gallons per day by the year 2000.

To reach that goal, El Paso is adopting the new building standards and a number of other laws. Officials are limiting lawn watering to three days a week, banning the use of water to clean streets or sidewalks, permitting noncommercial car washing only with shut-off nozzles, and limiting summer lawn watering to between 7 p.m. and 9 a.m.

People who continue to use large amounts of water also face sharply higher water bills than those who save.

Archuleta said the city is also trying to get away from depleting ground-water supplies by using more recycled wastewater and water taken from the Rio Grande.

Honecker affair triggering rumors of deal

BERLIN (AP) — Erich Honecker's mysterious flight to Moscow, putting him out of the reach of German courts, has left bitter among the eastern Germans whose lives he once controlled.

Some believe the former Communist leader's escape was arranged to avoid a trial that may have produced embarrassing revelations about Cold War relationships among the two Germanys and the Soviet Union.

"It's horrible, the fact that after all his manipulating here, he could still manipulate the system and sneak away," said Monika Reiza, a 45-year-old cafeteria worker in former East Berlin.

"It's an insult that Honecker got off," said Thomas Mueller, 42, an unemployed mechanic. "Maybe we should have finished him off like (Nicola) Ceausescu." The

Romanian dictator was overthrown and executed in December 1989.

Honecker, as leader of East Germany, was Moscow's close ally for 18 years until his ouster in the fall 1989 peaceful revolution. Before rising to Communist Party chief, he was in charge of building the Berlin Wall and enforcing a police state.

Western German authorities issued a warrant for Honecker's arrest in 1990 after investigations linked him to orders to border guards to shoot people trying to flee East Germany. Nearly 200 were killed over the years.

Honecker, 78, was in a Soviet Army hospital outside Berlin for 11 months, being treated for various ailments. On March 13, Soviet authorities spirited him away to Moscow, saying he needed specialized care.

For many eastern Germans, Honecker's flight took even more of the gloss off German reunification, which brought economic hardship along with freedom.

A day after Honecker's departure, Chancellor Helmut Kohl's spokesman acknowledged that the Soviets had given Bonn more than an hour's warning of the departure. Kohl did not intervene.

Since then, the German government has demanded his return and denied there was any deal to let Honecker leave. Kohl's government also has said nothing could be done to force his return.

Rumors persist of an arrangement or German acquiescence in the flight.

Storn, a widely read weekly, said Moscow "signaled" Bonn it opposed putting Honecker on trial and that freeing him became an "important precondition" for Soviet ratification of the six-nation treaty approving German unity.

Behind this theory is the view that the Kremlin did not want its close relationship with East Germany discussed in an open court, which could have had happened had Honecker gone to trial.

Kersten Voigt, foreign affairs specialist for the opposition Social Democrats, said German officials "did nothing to get Honecker out of the Soviet hospital and into German hands. For months they just let the whole matter sleep."

He said the Soviets assumed that Germany, for the sake of relations and increasing trade, would make only a pro forma protest if Honecker was moved to Moscow.

Tass, the Soviet news agency, called the German response a "realistic approach ... to the relations with the Soviet Union."

Mission highlight will be space walk

CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. (AP) — The countdown is to begin Tuesday for a space shuttle mission that will have U.S. astronauts walking in space for the first time in more than five years.

If the countdown goes as planned, the space shuttle Atlantis should blast off for its five-day mission at 9:18 a.m. EST Friday.

Although the five-day flight is fairly short for a shuttle mission, it promises to be long on drama. Besides the space walk, the five-astrotant crew will release the heaviest civilian spacecraft ever carried by a shuttle, an astronomical observatory weighing an astronomical 17 tons.

The monstrous \$600 million Gamma Ray Observatory, or GRO, is the second of NASA's four so-called Great Observatories, a series of spacecraft, said NASA project scientist Donald Kniffen.

The observatory will be controlled from NASA's Goddard Space Flight Center in Greenbelt, Md. Assisting in the work will be scientists from Max Planck Institute near Munich, Germany, which supplied GRO's imaging telescope.

Unlike Hubble, which focuses mostly on visible light, the Gamma Ray Observatory has no mirrors. Hubble's primary mirror was found to be flawed two months after the telescope was placed in orbit last April. Astronauts will go up to fix Hubble in 1993.

This week's Atlantis flight was supposed to be NASA's second shuttle mission this year.

Muslim sailors denying Gulf sabotage charges

OLONGAPO, Philippines (AP) — Two American sailors said today that they were being court-martialed because they were Muslims, denying allegations they plotted to sabotage their ship during the Persian Gulf War.

Airman Apprentice Abdul H. Shaheed, 22, of St. George, S.C., and Seaman Apprentice James L. Moss, 21, of Columbus, Ohio, were ordered on Friday to stand trial.

An investigation found sufficient evidence to support allegations they planned to sabotage the carrier USS Ranger while on duty in the Persian Gulf in January.

The Navy claimed the alleged conspiracy was in support of Saddam Hussein's call for Muslims worldwide to rise up in a holy war against the United States.

Shaheed and Moss were charged with "urging disloyalty, mutiny or refusal of duty" after being implicated in a plot to kidnap the carrier's skipper, Capt. Ernest Christensen, and sabotage the ship's catapult launch system and engineering equipment.

"I am here today because I have been accused unjustly of a lot of horrible things which are simply untrue," Shaheed told a news conference at the Subic Bay naval station, 50 miles west of Manila.

"I am a victim of incredible exaggeration, hysteria and paranoia. I am innocent of all of this. It is happening to me simply because I am a Muslim," he said.

Shaheed, who changed his name from Kevin E. Brothers when he converted to Islam two years ago, said another sailor, Airman Apprentice Gregory Jones "made up his whole story" about the abduction and murder of the skipper aboard the carrier.

Shaheed and Moss were flown to the Philippines the following day and investigated, the Navy said.

Soviet election results

MOSCOW (AP) — Georgians have voted overwhelmingly for independence in the strongest rebuff by a Soviet republic to efforts to hold the union together, preliminary results show today.

With 28 of the 71 districts favoring secession, said Valerian Chubashvili, a Georgian government spokesman in Moscow.

Nearly 90 percent of the 3.3 million eligible voters in the fractious southern republic cast ballots, the independent Interfax news agency quoted Vkhangh Kikaladze, chairman of Georgia's electoral commission, as saying.

Complete results were expected later today.

Because of its near-unanimity and high turnout, the vote dealt an even stronger blow to Gorbachev's campaign to unite the 15 diverse republics in a new Union. Treaty similar reforms in the three Baltic republics.

Calling all sperm? Signal to eggs might aid fertilization

NEW YORK (AP) — A woman's fertility may be helped by a "calling all sperm" signal emitted by her eggs, and learning more about it could provide new approaches to conception and infertility, a study suggests.

Scientists found evidence that some eggs emit a substance that attracts sperm, and that those eggs are far more likely to be fertilized.

The substance itself has not been identified or isolated, and researchers do not know if the apparent attractant really comes from eggs, said Gary Barbers.

A new contraceptive approach could also be developed if another substance could be found to block its effect. A blocking substance that acts directly on sperm might even lead to a male contraceptive pill, Barbers said.

He said the next research step is to identify and purify the attracting substance or substances. Given the

fluid, which is found in the sac-like follicle along with the egg. At ovulation, the follicle releases the egg and fluid.

Dr. Norbert Gleicher, president of the Center for Human Reproduction in Chicago.

The research focused on follicular

Shooting erupts outside theater

OKLAHOMA CITY (AP) — Two gunmen fired on a movie crowd leaving the drug thriller "New Jack City," injuring one person.

No arrests were made by Sunday in the shooting the night before, said police Sgt. Roger Wagon.

"I have no idea if the shootings were gang-related or if it was connected to the movie," Wagon said.

An unidentified man suffered a minor gunshot wound when shots were fired in the movie theater's parking lot, Wagon said.

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Lawmakers learn what's ethical, what's not

WASHINGTON — After investigating former Speaker Jim Wright's finances, Republican Whip Newt Gingrich's book deal and Rep. Barney Frank's relationship with a male prostitute, the House ethics committee is ready to practice some preventive medicine.

The committee will conduct clinics to give lawmakers "the advice they need to avoid ethical problems," the panel's chairman, Rep. Louis Stokes, said in a recent interview.

Stokes, D-Ohio, is beginning his second stint as chairman at a time when Congress' reputation has been scarred by the steady string of ethics investigations — including the Senate scrutiny of the Keating Five.

Since 1989, the House Committee on Standards of Official Conduct — the ethics panel's formal name — has investigated not only Wright, D-Texas; Gingrich, R-Ga.; and Frank, D-Mass., but also Rep. Gus Savage, D-Ill., and former Rep. Jim Bates, D-Calif., in separate sexual harassment cases.

Stokes said he believes Congress is "no better or worse than any other institution" in following ethics rules. The committee, he said, doesn't exist "for the purpose of looking for wrongdoing. We're not in the business of being prosecutors as such."

The panel has a responsibility to help members "comply with all the rules ... to avoid getting into difficulty," he said. "I want members to feel the committee is there to help them."

Stokes, who previously served as ethics chairman from 1981-84, will work closely on the newly formed panel (seven Democrats, seven Republicans) with ranking GOP member James Hansen of Utah, a committee member since 1981.

Hansen agrees with the preventive-medicine approach, to allay any concerns that the committee is "the Gestapo out to rack them."

Some House members, he said, have been reluctant "to go down to that dungeon (the committee's offices in the Capitol basement) because they thought, 'The next thing I know I'll be charged with something.'"

This year's committee, increased in size by two members, will operate under a new system. A subcommittee of four to six members will function in each case as a grand jury, deciding whether to issue charges of possible disciplinary action to the full House.

The remaining members will then decide whether violations of rules occurred; if so, the entire committee will convene to dispense punishment or recommend disciplinary action to the full House.

Besides Stokes and Hansen, only Rep. Fred Grandy, R-Iowa, has prior experience on a committee that forces lawmakers to judge their colleagues — and sometimes their good friends.

Serving for the first time are Democratic Reps. Gary E. Ackerman and Matthew F. McHugh of New York, George "Buddy" Darden of Georgia, Benjamin L. Cardin of Maryland, Jim McDermott of Washington and Nancy Pelosi of California.

Newly appointed Republicans are Nancy L. Johnson of Connecticut, Jim Bunning of Kentucky, Jon Kyl of

Arizona, Porter J. Goss of Florida and David L. Hoston of Ohio.

Despite the equal division, news reports have told of partisanship in some cases and Ackerman said politics can never be eliminated.

"You're dealing with 435 political animals, all of whom are very competitive," Ackerman said. "You can get people to check their guns at the door, but once you get inside you can't stop anybody from tripping somebody as he comes in over the threshold."

Panel members also warned their colleagues against becoming indifferent to accepting favors and gifts from constituents, even crates of oranges or boxes of chocolates.

"If you have a pattern of accepting presents and accepting services and so forth as you go about your business," Goss said, "pretty soon you forget that you're not here to get presents."

EDITOR'S NOTE: Larry Margasak reports on the congressional ethics committees for The Associated Press.

Algerian hijacker gives up

ALGIERS, Algeria (AP) — A hijacker armed with a grenade surrendered Monday after releasing all 44 passengers and six crew members aboard an Air Algerie jet, officials and news reports said.

The hijacker gave himself up after more than three hours of negotiations with Interior Minister Mohamed Salah Mohammed.

The 35-year-old hijacker, who was not identified, sought a postponement of Algerian elections scheduled for June, Transport Minister Fiseen Kallouche said.

Airport sources, speaking on condition of anonymity, said the hijacker had been among the passengers on the flight to Algiers' Houari Boumediene Airport from Bechar in southwest Algeria. The hijacker burst into the cockpit of the jet with a grenade after it landed Sunday, Algerian radio quoted a witness as saying.

The interior minister talked the hijacker into letting go about 24 passengers, mostly women and children, and about 20 more shortly afterward. There were 44 passengers on board, the estimated 50 reported earlier, airport sources said.

After freeing the crew and giving himself up, the man was whisked away in a three-wheeled van to an undisclosed location.

The hijacker had demanded that a television crew come to the airport so he could read a communique over the air demanding a postponement of elections for a new legislature expected in June.

Officials did not say why he sought the delay, but said he wanted to express his support for reforms being carried out to transform Algeria to a market-based economy.

"He wanted, by this action, to transmit a message to the nation in which he denounced the current political climate and the demagogic dialogue carried out by certain parties," said the transport minister without elaborating.

It was not clear what type of plane was involved in Sunday's hijacking. The aircraft was described only as a Boeing.

Officials earlier said two men had commanded the plane.

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OPINION

Open Forum

Time for change

To the Editor: In just one weekend, the citizens of Bolton were bombarded with letters and flyers attacking the motives, integrity, and the character of the members of the Common Sense Coalition of which I am chairman.

These are the same one-issue people who picture themselves as protectors of their "children's future." They fancy themselves as Horatio at the bridge beating back the "bad guys" who are hell-bent on destroying their schools, their children, their towns, and probably the United States of America.

These self-righteous people — Robbins, Pite, M. Harney, Cloutier, Geisler, and Johnson — none of whom is running for office — have used such epithets as "self-serving greedy old people," "anti-education," "victimizing our children," and "bent on doing damage to our central institutions." And that is just a few of their choice terms. One could liken it to sharks in a feeding frenzy.

Ordinarily I would ignore these personal attacks for the cheap shots they are, but it is important for the people of Bolton to know that the Common Sense Coalition candidates are not going to be intimidated or bullied. We believe we represent the majority of taxpayers in Bolton. We have petitioned to be on the May ballot to give the voters a choice: i.e. vote for the same old Republican-Democrat partnership that threatens to bankrupt our town, the State, and the country or vote for the members of the Common Sense Coalition and send the message that we need new leadership and accountability.

As everyone in Bolton probably knows by now, we in the CSC are a group of ten citizens who have petitioned as a team to be on a line separate from the Republicans and Democrats. We are running for the Boards of Selectmen, Finance, and Education. We offer a unique alternative to the big-spending Establishment that has brought this town to the brink of open taxpayer revolt.

Our state is made up of experienced, intelligent, responsible men and women who will bring a much needed breath of fresh air to Bolton. For example, we have two former Democratic Town Committee chairmen, a former Republican Town Committee chairman, and a former chairman of the Conservation Commission, the Welfare Director, and the chairman of the Public Building Commission. I myself am a former State Representative, former chairman of the Board of Finance, and former three-term selectman. I have also been a school teacher for over thirty years.

These people are not "anti-education." On the contrary, four of us have been teachers. When Art Menzing and I charge the School Board completely ignores the Town's capacity to pay, we are absolutely right — and the taxpayer knows it.

When the Coalition petitioning candidates are elected, we will demand fiscal accountability from every Board and Commission in Town.

There will be no sacred cows whose every financial wish will be satisfied. Things will change drastically. The present Board of Selectmen under Bobby Morra has consistently approved additional appropriations rather than demanding that all Boards live within their budgets. When Boards and Commissions routinely overspend their budgets, and additional appropriations are routinely approved by the Boards of Selectmen and Finance, then these supervising bodies are being too lenient and not protecting the taxpayers. Or else the budget was not well-planned. In either case, a mockery is being made of the budget process.

The days of a free lunch are over. Bolton cannot exist in a lonely atom out in space completely isolated from the real world. The fact is that Bolton's taxpayers are overtaxed. There is a real lack of fiscal restraint or fiscal responsibility on the part of both political parties in Bolton. There's not a dime's worth of difference between the Democratic leadership and the Republican leadership.

The ten candidates of the Common Sense Coalition are offering an alternative to the big spenders who just love to spend somebody else's money.

If you are an average, hard-working taxpayer in Bolton, and you are frustrated and angry at town officials who take your money but ignore you, then it's time for a change. The ten petitioning candidates will change the direction of this town for the betterment of everyone. The choice is yours on May 6.

Al Ahearn
14 Lynnwood Dr.
Bolton

Berry's World
"How come we can defeat the infernal imperials allied forces, but we can't produce electricity or running water?"

Manchester Herald
Founded Oct. 1, 1881 as a weekly. Daily publication since Oct. 1, 1914.
Managing Editor: Peter Downs
City Editor: Alex Girli
News Editor: Andrew C. Spitzer



Trial has wide implications

Few trials in recent memory were watched with as much horrified fascination as the Pamela Smart murder trial earlier this month in New Hampshire. And with good reason: There was murder, a large amount of insurance money at stake and a beautiful teacher who seduced a 15-year-old boy.

Since cameras are allowed in New Hampshire courtrooms, we were able to watch the progress of the trial each night on the news. And there was plenty to grab our attention: We saw video of William Flynn, who pleaded guilty to the murder of Greg Smart, sobbing through his chilling account of how he fell in love with his teacher and agreed to kill her husband. We also heard the teacher's 16-year-old intern testify about hearing the pair plot the murder. And we heard Smart's defense attorney accuse the boy of killing Greg Smart to get rid of his competition.

But the most disturbing part of the trial was Smart's emotionless testimony about withholding information from the police because she didn't want people to know about her liaison with Flynn. She went on to say, "I didn't set out to have an affair with him, but I did. I had mixed emotions about it. ... I liked Bill, but I also loved Greg."

She "liked" Bill? She had "mixed emotions" about sleeping with a 15-year-old student? She talked about the affair as if it were no more serious than fudging a pop-quizz score for a good student, leave them to rot — and rejoice. A Florida pub is said to have sold a special commemorative during the holidays: "The Collateral Damage." One drink and you take off for Baghdad with a .357 revolver.

What fun. It's noted that war has no fury like the noncombatant. Especially when the war is short and far, away. Albert Einstein had a particular contempt for those who march in safe lock step

"Dear Mr. President," it began. "During these days of victory, the entire nation halts you for your prudent and courageous leadership of our troops during Operation Desert Storm... of the whole nation has stood side by side with you and, thus, truly participates in your glory and that of our courageous combatants."

The letter goes on to mention "magnificent patriotic loyalty." It cites the "applause of countless Americans." It also touches on a population "overflowing with joy," the "worthy action" of field commanders, the author's own "devoted admiration," blah, blah, blah — and it winds in the word "glory" several more times.

The kindest thing to say about R. Drake is that he needs an editor. Beyond that, temperance. The ad is a celebration of adjectival and, worse, chauvinistic excess. There is scarce glory in war, less in gloating; there is something to be said about fighting for ideals, but not normally in newspaper notices.

On the other hand, the advertisement seems fitting. Millions of people are indeed genuflecting at the altar of victory over Iraq, and there is much earnest nonsense coupling the triumph with patriotism. Patriotism, as Ambrose Bierce put it, can be as fierce as a fever, as blind as a stone and as irrational as a headless hen.

Al Capone used to say he was 100 percent American. Some people believe anything wrapped in the flag, George Bush is presiding over a recession, a banking disaster and a budgetary free fall, yet he has taken the nation to the grinning face of war two times in two years and, thus, he is lionized in newspaper advertisements.

War rules the day where it rules the fashion. And, quite sadly, it now rules the republic. Bush "tem up, knock 'em

Diario stays brave

By JACK ANDERSON and DALE VAN ATTA

WASHINGTON — In the year that America celebrates the 200th anniversary of the Bill of Rights, the press finds itself under attack for the way it covered the Persian Gulf War. But in El Salvador, the price of reporting on the military and the government is higher than just a few angry letters to the editor.

The San Salvador office of the gutsy newspaper El Diario Latino was torched by an anarchist nearly two months ago. Now the undaunted employees are working in their burned-out building on borrowed typewriters while paper boys distribute copies using rickety public buses.

El Diario celebrated its 100th birthday last year with an employee buyout. The employees adopted an aggressive, independent reporting style publishing the kind of balanced stories that El Salvador's other newspapers won't touch. The circulation increased from 1,200 copies a day to 6,000.

The newspaper published in-depth articles by and about the Salvadoran military and the U.S.-backed National Republican Alliance, or ARENA, government. But it also provided extensive coverage of opposition movements. And it was the only paper in El Salvador brave enough to publish the full text of a U.S. congressional report detailing the Salvadoran military's role in the November 1989 murder of six Jesuit priests, and the subsequent cover-up.

In the polarized climate of El Salvador, even balanced news coverage can prove deadly. Employees soon began to receive death threats. They noticed suspicious vehicles with tinted windows parked near the newspaper office. Last August, the wife of El Diario's editor was shot to death by an unknown gunman. In September an journalist was killed along with another employee in a mysterious car crash. Then on Feb. 9, the office was set ablaze.

El Diario staffers immediately suspected rightist military elements in the government. An ARENA deputy accused the newspaper of staging "a self attack." Now government officials will only say they are investigating the arson. The newspaper employees say they are yet to see much progress made in that investigation.

In a Feb. 23 interview with a Mexico City wire service, the publisher of El Diario, Francisco Valencia, complained that unidentified men whom he suspected of being involved in the arson had been tailing him. Valencia is scheduled to be in New York on April 15 to receive the Freedom to Write award from PEN, the writers' and editors' society.

On the day of the fire, the ARENA government had placed its first paid advertisement in El Diario. But for the most part, the conservative sectors in El Salvador have refused to buy ads and they view the paper as a leftist rag. The paper relies on ads from social movements, international contributions and street sales for 95 percent of its income. That doesn't amount to much and the average El Diario reporter makes only \$127 a month.

But money is not the least of their problems. "Of course, there is the possibility that we could be killed. There are people still interested in not having us around," one newspaper staffer told our associate Dean Boyd.

That hasn't stopped the staff from publishing. They resumed publication just two days after the fire. Since then, the 90 employees make do with two telephones, one fax machine, a few borrowed typewriters and a single printing press. The employees hand-fold thousands of newspapers. And since they have few delivery trucks, the 34 paper boys carry the papers around on buses to the distribution points. The small, dilapidated office was already damaged by an earthquake in 1986. Now it has holes in the walls and charred spots, and needs about \$375,000 in repairs.

"We'll continue forging ahead," one employee told us, "but it's a question of survival. We just try to get out objective news, and that's difficult enough."

Mini-Editorial
The most powerful enemy of freedom is apathy — the governed democracy turning the control over to those who govern. Every American can, in small and simple ways, reverse the self-serving politics of our time by getting involved. It begins with something as easy as talking about your concerns with friends and encouraging them to do the same. The next step is to write a letter to the editor or to contact elected officials at all levels of government. The impact is increased when you form an interest group, or join an existing group that is already pursuing your objectives. Democracy must be participatory if we hope to keep it.

Pal settles over sub facility as cuts loom

By JOHN DIAMOND
The Associated Press

GROTON — The 3-30 whistle echoes through the massive steel sections of a submarine hull, perched on the construction platform where they will be welded together. Swarms of workers head for the plant gate.

Armed with hard hats, lunch boxes and security clearance tags, the welders, pipe fitters and machinists Area signs warn passersby not to take photographs. Posters urge employees to look out for suspicious strangers. Buttons and bumper stickers proclaim "Trident under attack for the way it covered the Persian Gulf War. But in El Salvador, the price of reporting on the military and the government is higher than just a few angry letters to the editor."

The scene at the Electric Boat Division of General Dynamics Corp. recalls the days of Liberty shipyards during World War II. And as in the '40s, the slackening demand for war machines once again threatens to turn prosperity into pink slips.

"E.B. is it for this town and if E.B. folds this will be a ghost town. That's where everybody works," said Nancy Pearson, who runs the cash register at the Fast Attack Deli across the street from the plant. Her father has worked in Electric Boat for 38 years.

E.B. is the largest division of General Dynamics, the nation's second largest defense contractor. It is Connecticut's second largest private employer and the largest in neighboring Rhode Island. Some 15,500 workers swarm through the cavernous yard every day, more than during the busiest years of World War II.

And now its workers and labor leaders, plant managers and executives say that defense budget cuts may stop the flow of wealth from the Pentagon to southeastern Connecticut and Rhode Island.

"I must tell you in all candor that this scenario of Electric Boat's closure has now become a serious possibility," Electric Boat chief James E. Turner Jr. told a Senate panel recently.

Powerful forces in Congress say they won't let Electric Boat close after nearly a century of submarine building. The plant's main competitor, the Newport News Shipbuilding and Dry Dock Co. in Virginia, says Electric Boat is exaggerating its plight.

But in Groton, a community of 45,000 that has known this is no false alarm. They see signs of trouble throughout the region's already depressed economy.

Last year the UNC Naval Products Division in nearby southeastern Connecticut depends on defense spending, reported Friday by the Commerce Department, came with a big jump in stock prices and a rise in consumer confidence.

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Seeing good in bad

By JOHN DIAMOND
The Associated Press

NEW YORK (AP) — Ever since the recession began, presumably early in the fourth quarter of 1990, Americans have been looking for an economic "dividend," or reward.

It is an odd characteristic for a recession. In recessions past, people tended to look at the worst that might happen, and analysts concerned themselves with how high the unemployment rate might go and how low the gross national product could fall.

Now the focus is on the upside. From the very beginning, this slump was destined to be short and shallow, at least in the minds of those who claim to understand, to be followed by renewed economic growth, not just ordinary growth but growth with a bonus.

The bonus would be created, among other things, by lower interest rates, a federal budget agreement and an end to the Gulf War. Accompanying the latter, of course, would be a surge of confidence that would lift off a buying spree.

That events have not turned out exactly as expected hasn't dampened the belief that out of economic misery will emerge a bonus. It seemed hardly to matter, for instance, that the budget agreement included a tax increase.

Even in some of the most devastated areas of the economy, in housing, for example, despair has faded to annihilate hope, as it had done so often in earlier recessions.

As the recession began, a spokesman for Trammell Crow Residential, the nation's largest residential real estate company, said that half of 1990 would be the most difficult period for multifamily financing in almost 20 years.

In effect, he said conditions were awful, since the industry suffered from "bureaucratic malaise, the suspension of savings institutions, overbuilding and the most serious credit crunch anyone can remember."

But, he concluded, the "extreme slowdown in new construction is ultimately beneficial to the industry," since it will help correct overbuilding, and eventually lead to lower vacancy rates. Hope shone amidst the gloom.

In the beginning, the White House declined even to recognize the recession, and when it finally did concede that one existed it did so with an emphasis on the quick recovery it already saw on the horizon.

Ordinary Americans picked up the cue. There would be a dividend from lower interest rates, a dividend from the promise of peace, a dividend from the falling dollar (higher exports).

Consumers could hardly shield themselves from this optimistic view of the economy and stocks. These analysts, they thought, are experts, or people who should be listened to. Many consumers, it seems now to say, listened.

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In Brief . . .

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Stock market: a soap opera

By JOHN DIAMOND
The Associated Press

NEW YORK (AP) — In the economic and investment world it is very easy to dispense with reality, especially when the real news is depressing. Bearish news is bad for prices, so good news may be created as an antidote.

Some conservative investors are now wondering if they're seeing such a scenario acted out in the marketplace. It began in late January and is now unfolding like a soap opera, each episode setting the stage for still another.

The economy was doing poorly at the time, but the war was going rather well. This latter event, said the stock analysts, was very good for consumer confidence, and everyone knows a confident consumer is a powerful force.

There is almost no need to document this power. The consumer sector makes up two-thirds of U.S. gross national product, more than the combined power of government and military, an enormous force that can do great things.

Stock analysts try to look ahead, and with the war going so well it was a pleasure to do so. The end of the war, they concluded, would give a whopping boost to consumer confidence and that, of course, was good for stocks.

Some analysts, a lot of them, went further. Noting that the onset of recession coincided with the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait, they concluded that an end to the war should be accompanied by an ascent out of recession.

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Agony

To avoid such chaos, the administration has come out firmly in opposition to the dismemberment of Iraq. The notion of a Shiite Muslim-dominated Iraq would cause grave apprehension in Saudi Arabia, which is dominated by Sunni Muslims. Some in the Saudi hierarchy even believe that their best bet is a continuation in power by an enfeebled Saddam — against whom the allied coalition was arrayed in Saudi Arabia in the first place.

The region is rife with possibilities for instability even though the coalition has achieved its objectives of liberating Kuwait from Iraqi occupation and eliminating Saddam's ability to threaten his neighbors.

To those who argue that administration policy seems muddled, officials point out that U.S. diplomats are working feverishly at the United Nations to pressure a cease-fire that will enable American troops to come home soon.

The administration also seems committed to avoid involvement in Iraq's internal strife.

"We're not going to take a position," White House press secretary Martin Fitzwater said last week. "You can find scenarios that say inaction helps the Kurds, helps the Shiites, helps Iraq, helps Saddam, helps everybody. We simply aren't going to take a position."

It also constitutes a shift from Bush's stance in January when he invited the Iraqi people and the Iraqi military to force Saddam "to step aside."

Kurds

Many women and children were forced to walk. Some, too tired to go on, lie on the roadsides without food or water. Refugees could be seen camping in the mountains, in the open without protection from rainstorms.

Pro-Saddam forces began their offensive against the Kurds last week after a string of victories against Shiite Muslim insurgents in the south and the United States' declaration of neutrality in Iraq's civil war.

The string of government victories was spurred by the U.S. decision not to heed rebel requests and down the helicopter gunships that have been so effective against insurgents.

The United States has shot down two Iraq warplanes that took to the air in violation of the temporary cease-fire that ended the Persian Gulf War — but declined to move against helicopters.

Kurdish rebel fighters said pockets of resistance remained today in Erbil, 75 miles to the southeast of Dohuk.

Residents took flight from Dohuk, which is 30 miles south of the Turkish border, in the middle of the night as the government unleashed a devastating artillery barrage on the city of 350,000.

Kurdish fighters also were in flight, though many insisted the fight was not over.

"Do not think we are finished. We

are used to mounting warfare," said one. "This is not the first time we have been forced to retreat. We always fight to fight another day."

Some Kurds, however, said the mass flight was having a disastrous effect on morale, especially after the U.S. military announced that it would not intervene in the Persian Gulf region.

Refugees asked why President Bush and his U.N. allies have allowed Saddam to use artillery and helicopters to break the Kurdish rebellion.

"Why have they abandoned us to Saddam?" was a question addressed repeatedly to Western reporters.

U.S. military commanders in Saudi Arabia said Sunday that they were proceeding with their scheduled withdrawal from the Persian Gulf region of about 3,000 troops a day.

They said they plan to begin pulling out the 100,000 U.S. troops in occupied Iraq, the commanders said. The Army's entire VII Corps, within days after a permanent cease-fire is ratified by the United Nations.

The umbrella Iraqi Kurdish Front on Sunday accused Saddam's forces of using napalm, phosphorus bombs and other weapons in Erbil, killing "a great number of civilians, whose bodies are laying all over Erbil's entrance and the burned hulks of cars and trucks, one with a corpse still inside, littered its streets."

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More than one-quarter of the American troops sent to the region were already departed, leaving fewer than 400,000 U.S. troops in the region, the commanders said.

The Kurds have pleaded for military and food aid from the U.S. and allies or the United Nations, but appear to have received little material support.

The official Iraqi News Agency claimed Sunday that loyalist troops had driven Kurdish guerrillas out of Dohuk. On Saturday, nearly all civilians had fled the city, leaving it to guerrillas.

A rebel spokesman abroad, Hashayr Zohari of the Kurdistan Democratic Party, said Dohuk and Erbil were attacked "with air and artillery shelling. Helicopter gunships, fixed-wing aircraft and multiple rocket launchers were used indiscriminately."

In the wake of Saddam's Gulf war defeat, Kurds had captured nearly all of their traditional homeland and talked of setting up a provisional government in the region.

Now, the rebellion appears headed for collapse, with no food supplies getting through to the Kurdish population and people fleeing.

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gasp for breath. They said it burned the scales off fish.

These two reports are the only ones in the last four years of toxic waste being hauled in by fishermen off the New England coast, said Lt. Bob Corbin, an environmental response officer with the Coast Guard.

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their GED. Thursday night, the students were given a sample GED test to prepare them for the real thing. Although not sure how she had done, Henry said that any success would be mostly on the account of her teacher, Margaret Carlson.

"She's more like a friend than a teacher," Henry said. She admitted that teachers today are much more creative than they were 40 years ago.

"In my day, you either learned one way or you didn't learn at all."

For those people who need more than 12 weeks of review to prepare for the GED, a Pre-High School Review class is offered, said Bruce McCubrey, the director of Adult Education programs in Manchester. Teachers of this course give students more specialized attention, McCubrey said.

Special education classes, which teach mentally retarded adults basic skills, are also held at the school on Tuesdays and Thursdays. This past Thursday, the class graduated its 22 students.

English for the Foreign Born (ESL) is another course offered. The

Sokolowski are among the 15 students who take lessons for their grasp of a previously unfamiliar language. McCubrey said, "To prevent newcomers from falling behind the program's veterans, ESL instructions are given at three different levels, he said.

Anna Sokolowski said, for learning to read English came too easier than learning to speak it. Despite their struggles with certain aspects of English, the couple said they got along in this country.

For Lech Sokolowski, learning to speak the new language is just a part of becoming an American citizen.

"I live in the U.S.A. I must learn English," he said.

Learning was something that never came easy to Levesque. The aggravation of not being able to keep up with his classmates helped lead to his decision to drop out of school in the fourth grade, he said.

After moving from Maine to Connecticut, Levesque became a carpenter, staying in the trade until his retirement a few years ago. When he was 45, he enrolled, for a short time, in a literacy program in Hartford. But his job required too much of his

Babar

wise, virtuous ruler. Babar was born into an upper-class French family one summer night in 1300. To calm her two young sons, Laurent and Mathieu, at bedtime, Copie de Brunhoff invented the tale of a small, orphaned elephant who flees the jungle, learns the ways of man and returns triumphantly to be crowned king.

De Brunhoff, the painter Jean de Brunhoff, illustrated the story, which enjoyed instant success when published in 1931. De Brunhoff wrote and illustrated six more volumes before he died in 1937 at age 38.

Laurent, who was 13, finished the drawings for the last volume. Nine years later, he made Babar his own.

"I took Babar up because I wanted to bring back to life a childhood friend," de Brunhoff said. "He's really an extraordinary character in a telephone interview. 'Babar was like a brother.'"

Since his father's death, he has written 24 Babar books, which have been translated into 17 languages and sold millions of copies.

His mother was "a real storyteller," de Brunhoff said, and "I think Babar was kind of a fluke." He said he doesn't remember her expressing a desire to create more Babar adventures after the first one became a hit.

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Sartor opposes water proposal

By RICK SANTOS
Manchester Herald

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The shopping center would be built on a 29.3 acre lot on the east side of Buckland Street, just south of R-4. The land is now owned by Red Roof Inns Inc. and Brentwood Manchester Associates.

In the first phase, expected to begin this spring, a 108,000 square-foot Pace Membership Warehouse store and the main portion of the 1,365 space parking lot will be constructed.

The second phase will include a 90,000 square-foot Builder's Square home store that will include a lumber yard and garden shop.

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Charter recommendation targets attorney's aides

By RICK SANTOS
Manchester Herald

MANCHESTER — Full-time assistants to the town attorney would be moved into classified service, ending their status as political appointees, under a proposal by a committee of the Charter Revision Commission.

The commission has also received a recommendation not to change the administrative operations of the Library Board of Directors.

If implemented, the recommendation regarding assistants to the attorney would prevent the assistants from being hired and fired upon the whim of the town attorney, who is a political appointee.

The proposal, which has been recommended by Town Attorney Maureen A. Chmielecki, is intended to provide more continuity in the attorney's office because assistants would be more likely to take a position with the town, they knew the job was more secure.

To research the issue, Clendaniel developed a list with the Connecticut Conference of Municipalities, looking at towns that operate at the same size as Manchester.

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Preble against income tax

HARTFORD — Republican Reginald K. Preble has asked state legislators to reject Gov. Lowell P. Weicker's plan to levy an income tax as part of his overall plan for eliminating the state's deficit.

Preble, an unsuccessful candidate for state representative last fall, has recently been named to Manchester's Republican Town Committee.

At a recent hearing of the General Assembly's Finance, Revenue, and Bonding Committee, Preble told legislators to reject the income tax and force the policy-makers to control state spending.

Preble offered several recommendations for cutting government spending, including broadening the sales tax to include services provided by lawyers and accountants, implementing the recommendations of the Thomas Commission, examining other states, implementing the plan to levy an income tax on state employees, instituting copayments for state employee health benefits, establishing a hiring freeze for state workers, abandoning the system of binning arbitration, and asking for the guidance of former Republican gubernatorial candidate John G. Rowland.

Honor Roll

Manchester High School has completed the second quarter of the 1990-91 school year. The following is a list of names of the students who have achieved honors or high honors this quarter.

Grade 10
High Honors: Kelly Bowler, Rebecca Braman, Lauren Buckno, Zahid Chandhary, Peter Choi, Kristin Covell, Matthew DeMarco, Amy Dugato, Sarah Fliban, Kelly Griffiths, Amy Johannes, Robert Kelly, Shinjo Kim, Shawn Lanza, Heather Lisk, Ryan McGee, Melissa Myers, Melissa Ratt, Michael Salvatore and Christopher Spadachnik.

Honors: Charlotte Anderson, Anissa Baratta, Eric Bernstein, Jason Berry, Faith Blouin, Andrea Bolino, Karen Bonfant, Jessie Bradley, Sandra Brindamour, Danielle Brown, Jeremy Burr, Richard Busch, Matthew Carlson, Laurie Carter, Eric Chaneroy, Kris Costa, Michele Cole, Aaron Custer, Lisa Davis, Kathleen Delisio, David Dellorocco, Derrick Dambowski.

Stephanie Denis, Max Devillers, Tami Devine, Vilmaris Diaz, Susan Dominico, Paul Duperval, Amy Dwyer, Nicole Ecker, Joyce Fautoux, Jessica Feider, Sharon Fish, Jacqueline Florida, Scott Fuller, Anthony Gadoia, Beth Gerhardt, David Gianante, Jennifer Goldberg and Luigi Grossi.

Also, Todd Grundreiter, Debra Guiliano, Michael Hachey, Steven Hanson, Dawn Harris, Amber Hodgdon, Matthew Holm, Christine Hughes, Anne Hunter, Joel Impelluso, Randall Jackson, Robin Jendrzeyczek, Karen Johnson, Alyson Kalafu, Jennifer Karpe, Jonathan Keeler, Hilary Keever, Champbeng Kowliay, Jill Knas, Greg Kozbinski, Mary Krupen, Sally Kulbaski.

Michele Langston, Emily Lappen, Cynthia Lavioie, Andrew Lawrence, Jessica Lawrence, Jean Lee, April Little, Rebecca Loguidice, Margaret Long, Grant Lowrey, Natasha Malcolm-Smith, Elizabeth McCubrey, Emily Mean, Christopher A. Miller, Christopher H. Miller, Aaron Miner, Anthony Mira, Joseph Moriarty, Troylyn Murphy, Tamara Nelson, Kristina Newton, James Ni, Jennifer Nurni, Jina O, Cheryl Odell, Joseph Osborne, William Pappas.

Leah Parent, April Pastula, Brian Puga, Heather Pennell, Andrew Pessagno, April Plavin, Keith Podrebarz, Donna Rio, Daryl Richard, Kimberly Rick, Sheila Ringblom, Kelsey Rowdell, Jason Romeo, Brian Ruganis, Peter Russell, Anne Marie Russo, Jason Ryan, Rosa Santiago, Peter Sauer, Joseph Schuster, Timothy Seckelky, Jennifer Smith, Kerridan Smith.

Allison Soucy, Phitsamay Sourinoh, Daniel Stoppelman, Apama Swamy, Temple Symonds, Cheryl Thomas, Scott Thompson, Suzanne Thornton, Lorraine Vogel, David Wade, Kimberly Wailes, George Wales, Amara Wilson, Matthew Wolinski, David Wengertman, Robert Wojciechko, Houa Yang, William Young and Alireza Zangeneh.

Grade 11
High Honors: Christina Beaudry, Thomas Berte, Brian Blount, Anna Breen, Naama Caspi, Katherine Chadburn, Zahida Chaudhary, Jennifer Cion, Phyllis Cori, Emma Delaney, Leslie Dupont, Gerald Fortier, Darlene Johns,

Manchester Herald

Down on the farm



POST-HOOP CHAT — Heidi McHugh, left, and Jark Tilden shoot the breeze after shooting some baskets at Manchester's Charter Oak Park recently.

Susan Piese

cooperation and self-sufficiency most of us only dream of.

"It's rewarding, knowing you can do it yourself," says Shari Hurst, 27. "You don't have to rely on anybody. You have your family."

The family includes Pat and Jim Hurst, owners of the farm on East Street in Andover. Jim, 65, retired from The Travelers Cos. 10 years ago, and the couple began farming the land on which they raised their children.

"I brought up five children but I never realized what work was," says Pat, 58, a trim, dark-haired woman who has trouble sitting still for too long at a time. Now that she and her husband are "retired," their day begins at 6 a.m. seven days a week, and ends when the sun goes down.

The farm includes the house; a couple of greenhouses; outbuildings for two cows, four sheep, some goats, an assortment of chickens, roosters, guinea hens and rabbits, and a blue frame herb barn, where Hurst farm products are sold.

On the land are grazing fields, vegetable and flower gardens, raspberry patches, blueberry and strawberry bushes, and a stand of 13 dwarf peach trees.

"The Hursts' son, Tom, daughter-in-law Shari, and the younger couple's two little girls live with Pat and Jim in the eight-room home on the crest of a hill overlooking Glastonbury.

Shari came to Connecticut from southern California eight years ago. She's been on the farm for five years. She, too, has had a stint with the corporate life. "I wouldn't go back to an office for the world," she says, grinning.

On an early spring afternoon, the view from the farm is expansive; a gravel road lined with whitewashed wooden fence meanders down to the narrow, paved street at its base. Two still ponds on either side of the road reflect gray-black sullen sky; a young white birch, lean and bent, stands alone.

A tractor slowly chews through earth somewhere in the distance. A door slams, and a crow slices silence with its raucous call. The two farm women draw their jackets across themselves against the chill.

The family wears its self-sufficiency like a badge. "Tom's our jack-of-all-trades," says Shari. Both men, she says, are "electricians, woodworkers, plumbers, builders and mechanics."

They built their greenhouses and outbuildings and the whitewashed fence. They repair their cars and fix up the house. They have just purchased a pump that will provide household water from a spring on the property, should they lose electricity. Agriculture is self-taught.

Everyone secretes. Jim cans the preserves and preserves sold on the farm. Shari makes candles from beeswax produced by their bees, as well as the vinegars flavored with their fruits and herbs. Both men bake. Pat makes wreaths. Jim makes baskets. Both women quilt in their spare time. "We all have a hand. Everybody pitches in," says Shari.

"We don't have any waste here," she continues. "We put everything to use."

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State workers prepare for Weicker layoffs

By JUDG EVERHART
The Associated Press

HARTFORD — When state government returns to work after a long weekend, Gov. Lowell P. Weicker Jr. will be ready to announce his plans for state employee layoffs.

It was weeks ago that Weicker set today, April 1, as the deadline before layoff notices would start going out if his request for state employee concessions totaling \$400 million wasn't met.

By week's end, the talks were stalled. There was some chance that there would be some final movement before Weicker's announcement, scheduled late in the day today.

The governor's proposed \$7.48 billion budget for 1991-92 calls for 1,100-1,800 layoffs. But he's also had state agencies prepare plans for up to 8,000 additional layoffs in case the quest for \$400 million in concessions wasn't successful.

It is regarded as extremely unlikely by Capitol and other political observers that layoffs anywhere near



Diana M. Talbot/Manchester Herald

AT THE CAPITOL — State Rep. Paul Murms, R-Manchester, right, and his aide, Kevin Ratch, left, sit through surveys of local residents views concerning mass transit in the Hartford area. Murms and other legislators are working on solutions to commuting and traffic congestion problems in the area.

Tom Scott leads the anti-tax charge

By PETER VILES
The Associated Press

HARTFORD — Mention Tom Scott's name at the state Capitol, and you are sure to get a quick response, probably unkind.

Tom Scott, his many critics say, was demagogic in the state Senate who wasn't interested in solving problems, cared only about the hot-button issues that made headlines and didn't understand how the Legislature works.

Tom Scott, now the self-proclaimed leader of Connecticut's tax revolt, couldn't care less about what they say in Hartford.

"There's something unreal about this place," Scott said recently, sipping coffee in the marble-tiled Legislative Office Building. "And this \$58 million Taj Mahal, this monument to political arrogance, perpetuates that unreality."

The reality out on the streets, Scott says, is that Connecticut taxpayers don't want to send another dime to Hartford and will rise up to crush Gov. Lowell P. Weicker's proposed income tax.

"The politicians who run the show at the state Capitol can't be trusted with the paychecks of middle income taxpayers," Scott said. "Our message is, 'Don't let them get their hands on your paycheck.'"

Despite all his anti-Hartford rhetoric, Tom Scott is by all accounts a political junkie. He first knocked on doors for a campaign at age 6, was a Reagan volunteer as a high school senior in 1976 — the year Reagan lost — and was elected to the state Senate in 1980 when he was 22 and still in college.

In his 10 years as a Republican state senator from Milford, Scott never found time to finish college and made more enemies than friends in Hartford. His annual crusades for a tougher death penalty and a law making English Connecticut's official language made him the conservative liberals' love to hate.

So when he ran for Congress last year, he was written off as a right-winger out of touch with the traditionally Democratic 3rd District. But despite being ousted 3-1, he came within an eyelash of beating Rosa DeLauro and becoming Connecticut's youngest congressman at 32 years old.

"Tom is totally consumed by politics," said Rep. Peter Smith, D-Milford, a contemporary of Scott's who has known him for years. "Politics is his life. After he lost, everybody wondered what he would do next."

"To the surprise of no one, Scott stayed in politics, signing on as chairman of the newly formed Connecticut Taxpayers' Committee. His full-time job is to fan the fires of revolt, and he rarely misses a chance to appear before the television cameras or on radio call-in shows.

But at the state Capitol, where Scott's critics are legion and where the ultimate decisions on taxes will be made, his early reviews are mixed at best.

"I don't think he's the right guy to be leading the crusade," said Sen. George Jepsen, D-Stamford. "In 10 years in the Senate, he demonstrated a propensity for pushing hot-button issues and playing on people's emotions and little else."

Last week, Capitol police braced for a huge crush of tax opponents when a legislative committee scheduled an all-day hearing on the income tax. But Scott made no effort to turn out a crowd of tax opponents, and their absence was the story of the day.

"That hearing was his opportunity to show his stuff," Jepsen said. "It was his moment in the sun. And there was nothing."

State Rep. Miles Rapoport, D-West Hartford, who has long supported an income tax, said Scott's timing is off — by at least a decade.

Nevada casinos move to stop Indian gambling

HARTFORD (AP) — The state has attracted unexpected and powerful ally in its bid to stop a small Indian tribe from opening a casino on its reservation in southeastern Connecticut: the Las Vegas gaming industry.

The Nevada Resort Association has hired some Washington insiders to persuade U.S. Interior Secretary Manuel Lujan Jr. not to allow the Mashantucket Pequot to build the casino on their Ledyard reservation.

Kenneth M. Duberstein, a former chief of staff to President Reagan and now a prominent Washington lobbyist, has met at least once with Lujan on behalf of the Nevada group. Robert Walker, an Interior Department spokesman, confirmed last week.

Meanwhile, the law firm of former Democratic Party Chairman Robert S. Strauss prepared a 29-page memorandum for Lujan arguing that the secretary doesn't have the authority to sign the project go forward.

Michael Sloan, general counsel for Circus Circus Enterprises Inc., which owns seven casinos in Nevada, said the Nevada casinos are not afraid of competition. They simply want to make sure that the 1988 Indian Gaming Regulatory Act is not misinterpreted to give Indians an unfair advantage over the established gambling industry, he said.

"We would like to see the law work as it was intended ... that there would be a level playing field where Indians were given the same rights to gamble as non-Indians," Sloan said during an interview from Las Vegas last week.

About 200 members of the Mashantucket Pequot live on a 2,000-acre reservation in Ledyard. The Pequot, who already operate their own U.S. Sen. Daniel K. Inouye, D-Hawaii, chairman of the Senate Select Committee on Indian Affairs and principal author of the 1988 Indian Gaming Act.

The law allows any Indian tribe to open a casino in any state where casino-type gambling is legal. The law requires the state to negotiate a compact with the tribe regulating the casino's operation.

Connecticut officials in 1989 refused to negotiate with the Pequot, claiming that "Las Vegas night" charitable events allowed under state law were not the same as full-scale casino gambling the tribe has proposed.

The Pequot forced the state to the negotiating table after a federal judge in Hartford and the 2nd U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals sided with the tribe.

The two sides then worked out an operating agreement, required under the 1988 gaming act, but Connecticut has refused to sign the pact while it appeals to the U.S. Supreme Court. The high court won't decide until next month whether to hear the case.

In the meantime, the tribe is pressuring Lujan to sign the agreement, arguing that under the law, the interior secretary is responsible for implementing the compact when a state refuses.

But the Nevada casinos are telling Lujan he does not have the authority to sign the pact because it violates Connecticut's prohibition of full-fledged casino gambling.

The Pequot's casino, though not as grand or glitzy as those on the Las Vegas strip, would be one of the largest Indian-run gaming operations in the nation. It will offer poker, blackjack, craps, roulette and baccarat, and is expected to generate about \$80 million a year in gross revenues.

Plans call for a 40,000-square-foot game room, restaurants, lounge and a central, glassed-in atrium with an indoor waterfall.

The Pequot, who already operate a successful high-stakes bingo parlor, have secured \$55.5 million in financing from a Malaysian company and have started clearing land.

They've stepped into the fray two weeks ago by sending a strongly worded letter to Lujan in which he urges Lujan to sign the compact between Connecticut and the Pequot.

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About Town

Britannia chapter
Britannia Chapter, Daughters of the British Empire in the USA, will meet at the home of Mrs. Edwin Foster, 358 Woodbridge St., Manchester, on Thursday at 11 a.m. Hostess will be Mrs. Lester Wolcott.

WATES meets
Board members of Women's Association To Enjoy Slimming will meet on Tuesday at 72 East Center St. for an awards work night at 6 p.m. The awards banquet will be at Willie's Restaurant on Friday at 6:30 p.m.

Pinochle results
The Manchester Senior Pinochle players met at the Army and Navy Club on March 28 at 9:30 a.m. Play is open to all seniors. Results were: Eleanor Fisch, 628; Ed Scott, 593; Arline Pagan, 589; Rita Alkas, 584; John Pader, 581; Anthony DeMaio, 569; Lillian Carlson, 568. The next game will be played on April 4.

Preschool program
Newington Children's Hospital will sponsor a conference entitled "Early Development Fluctuation" on Wednesday from 6 to 8:15 p.m. This presentation is for a three-evening series for day care and preschool providers called "The Early Years: Problems and Prevention." Cost is \$15. For more information, call 667-5595.

Hispanic children
Newington Children's Hospital will sponsor a conference entitled "The Educational Experience of the Hispanic Child: A Psychological Perspective," at the children's hospital on Wednesday, May 1, from 1 to 4:15 p.m. Cost of the program is \$50 before April 17, \$60 after April 17. For more information, call 667-5595.

Demonstration
A demonstration and discussion of a unique form of martial arts — uchi-ryu — will be held Tuesday at 8 p.m. in the Masonic Temple, lower level. Use the East Center Street entrance. The session is intended to be educational and is open to the public.

La Leche League
"Nutrition and Weaning" will be the topic for the next meeting of the Manchester La Leche League to be held Wednesday at 7:30 p.m. at 51 Starkweather St. in Manchester. The meeting is open to women of all ages especially new mothers or mothers-to-be. Children are always welcome. For more information, call Kathy at 646-7277.

Art auction
An Art Auction will be held Friday at St. Bridget Auditorium, 80 Main St., Manchester. A preview will be at 7 p.m., with the auction at 8 p.m. Admission is \$5. In-clude wine/cheese, hors d'oeuvres, door prizes. For more information or tickets, call 643-9820 or 647-8699.

Public Meetings

- Manchester**
Tuesday
Board of Directors, Lincoln Center hearing room, 7:30 p.m.
- Andover**
Tuesday
Republican Town Committee, Town Office Building, 8 p.m.
- Bolton**
Tuesday
Republican Town Committee, Community Hall, 7:30 p.m.
- Coventry**
Tuesday
Building Committee, Coventry High School, 7:30 p.m.
Historical District Commission, Coventry High School, 7 p.m.
Republican Town Committee, Town Office Building, 7:30 p.m.
- K-9 Site Committee, Town Office Building, 7:30 p.m.**
- Hebron**
Tuesday
WPCA, Town Hall, 7:30 p.m.

Lottery

Here are the weekend's lottery results from around New England:

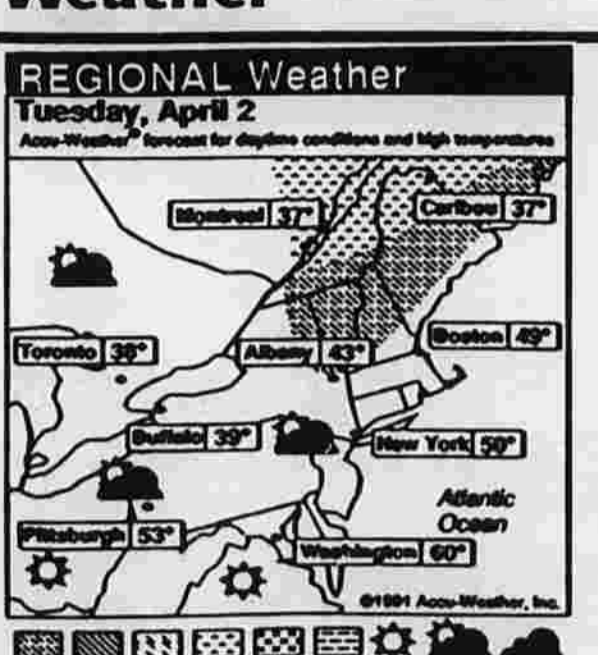
Connecticut
Daily: 7-5-4. Play 4: 8-3-3-4. Lotto: 1-9-10-18-20-43

Massachusetts
Daily: 2-8-7-8. Mass Megabucks: 9, 18, 19, 22, 34, 36

Northern New England
Tri-State Megabucks: 11, 17, 21, 23, 31, 32

Rhode Island
Daily: 9-6-0-5.

Weather



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SPRING CLEANING — Brad Palmer, an employee of the Manchester Water Department, conducts an annual cleaning of the water lines for the town's water system.

Deaths

This 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
Marie B. Ferry
Kevin P. Goff
Karl A. Nielsen
97 Weaver Road

Death Notices

Kevin P. Goff
Kevin P. Goff, 32 of Manchester, died Sunday, March 31, 1991 at his home. He was born February 1, 1959 in Manchester. He was a 1978 graduate of Manchester High School and had a Degree in Small Business Administration from the College of Marin in Northern California. He traveled extensively throughout the world and was a wine sommelier for the Royal Viking Cruise Lines of San Francisco, Ca. He also worked for the Fairmont Hotel in San Francisco and later became a sales representative for Tiger Airlines. Prior to his death, he was the manager at the Museum Case at the Mahatack Museum in Waterbury. He was on the Archbishops Task Force and a member of Dignity of Hartford. He is survived by his mother and stepfather, Celia and David Krinjak of Manchester; his father, Ray Goff of California; a brother, Ray Goff of Santa Barbara, CA; three sisters, Colette

Police Roundup

Man charged in accident
MANCHESTER — Police have charged a local man in connection with an accident last week in which a 3-year-old boy was struck by a car.

Police say that Arcadio Martinez, 27, of 38 Lockwood St., was traveling westbound on Wells Street Thursday when a small boy ran in front of his car from the bushes in the middle of the street as a car approaches and waiting until the last moment to jump out of the way.

The boy was identified as Luis Pagan, 3, of 58-A Wells St. He was taken by ambulance to Hartford Hospital where he was treated for a skull fracture. He has since been released.

Police said speed was not a factor in the accident. However, Martinez was charged with several motor vehicle violations, including operating a motor vehicle without insurance, misuse of a vehicle registration and operating an unregistered vehicle.

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Current Quotes

"It's Easter. It's a day to ... count your blessings." — President Bush to reporters aboard Air Force One on Sunday. The president is on a vacation in Florida.

"They can't support a family on this and in many cases can't support themselves." — Rudy Oswald, chief economist of the AFL-CIO, with the federal minimum wage jumping Monday by 45 cents an hour to \$4.25.

"When (the cost of) your labor component goes up, it ultimately gets passed on to the consumer." — John Merit, a senior vice president of Hardee's restaurants, urging that another minimum wage hike not be enacted soon.

Thoughts

Our church services usually provide space for the awareness and support of our members, but seldom for the awareness of our wounds. Yet the unhealed suffering of individuals and communities, the untended hurts, are probably responsible for most of the perplexities and agony of this world.

It is not enough to say to individuals and nations, "You have sinned. You need repentance and forgiveness." We must also learn to say, "You are wounded. Face your pain. Let the Healer come to you." Are we afraid to encounter the depths of life and faith. It is a whole spectrum of experience. We cannot understand why sometimes the worst suffering seems to heal so quickly while other forms of apparently trivial pain can last a lifetime. We are frightened that unhealed suffering can affect the infant generations in the life of a family or nation.

Perhaps most of all we are frightened by what the existence of our suffering seems to be saying about the nature of God and God's universe! Has God intended, planned, or consented to our pain? If so, how can we trust God for any healing?

The temptation is to rationalize, to "comfort" ourselves and others with such platitudes as: "These things are sent to us," or "This is a punishment because I have deserved it," or "God is teaching me detachment." But this kind of theology, unfortunately taught for centuries, neither comforts nor heals us, nor is true.

Before we can grow in trust and accept God's healing, we need to look with more clarity and honesty at the major roots and meaning of our pain, which we will do this week.

Dr. Frederick L. Yarger, Senior Pastor
South United Methodist Church

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Weicker fees decried

HARTFORD (AP) — The Weicker administration spent up to \$60,000 on an outside consultant to write a bill on ailing cities, an expense that has angered some Republican lawmakers.

They are questioning why Gov. Lowell P. Weicker Jr. spent the money instead of using legislative staff attorneys, particularly at a time when the state is trying to close a projected \$2.4 billion budget gap.

"I think \$60,000 is a lot of money," said state Senate Minority Leader M. Adela Eads, R-Kent. "At this point, \$6,000 is a lot of money. I could have used that \$60,000 to put it toward some of the things he cut out of the budget."

Weicker spokeswoman Avicé Meehan said the administration decided to use an outside consultant to research and write the so-called "distressed cities" bill because the financial condition of several cities was rapidly worsening. She said Weicker wanted legislation in place quickly to deal with the crisis.

"It was the governor's choice ... This had to be done as rapidly as possible," Meehan said. "This was put on an emergency fast-track basis."

Weicker hired the Hartford law firm of Shigman & Goodwin in late February to research and draft the 62-page bill. The state's contract with the firm sets an upper limit of \$60,000 for the work, a source said.

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FOCUS

Dear Abby

Abigail Van Buren

Problems with phone machine

DEAR ABBY: I have a minor problem, but it is very irritating. It's my telephone answering machine. I made a recording saying, "You've reached my telephone number." Then I say, "Please leave your name, the time you called and your telephone number, and I will get back to you as soon as possible."

Abby, often callers will hang up before the instructions are finished. That's fine. Their loss.

But the other evening, I returned to find the following message on my machine: "It's 6:35, please call me as soon as possible" — nothing else. It was a woman's voice that I did not recognize. Is one expected to be clairvoyant?

And while I'm airing my complaints, how about those world travelers who send postcards signed simply, "Tom, Mary, Peggy or Bob," and expect you to know who they are? Usually, these are people we don't see very often, and the handwriting may be compared with signatures we received on Christmas cards.

I hope you print this. Meanwhile, thanks for letting me get this out of my system.

— ME

DEAR ME: You're welcome. That's what I'm here for.

DEAR ABBY: I recently attended a wedding, a company dinner and a commemorative dinner. At all three events, professional and amateur video camera users were present.

At the company dinner, those who were called up to receive their bonus checks were hidden by camera holders.

At the commemorative dinner, a tripod was set up directly in front of our table; when I asked the cameraman to kindly move, he refused and suggested that I move my chair. Where? We all had assigned seats, and there were no empty seats.

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PEOPLE

Anjelica Huston, critically acclaimed for her dramatic performances, says she is relishing the chance to show another side of her acting skills as Morticia, campy matriarch of the ghouliah "Addams Family."

The Academy Award-winning actress is currently filming the movie version of the hit 1966 TV show "The Addams Family." Raul Julia plays her husband, Gomez.

"There's something really great about doing comedy," she said during a break in filming. "It's not as ragged as playing dramatic parts. It doesn't carry all that emotional baggage."

Miss Huston received Oscar nominations for playing a concentration camp survivor in "Eisenstein: A Love Story" and for portraying a mob courier in "The Grifters."

She won her best-supporting actress Oscar when she played a mobster's scheming daughter.

"The last few years it seems now that the world is getting better, and the atmosphere for peace now is getting stronger," he said during an Easter Sunday address at the university. "The Gulf crisis is an exception."

But he also warned that the deadliness of today's sophisticated weapons require that people do all they can to safeguard peace.

"This destructive power is immense today," he said. "If we happen and we use all those awful weapons, there would be no victory. Both sides would suffer."

The Dalai Lama is the high priest of Lamaism, a form of Buddhism practiced in Tibet and Mongolia. He won the 1989 Nobel Prize for peace for his dedication to non-violence.

Charles Colson, the former Nixon White House aide who served a seven-month prison sentence for his role in the Watergate scandal, says he is going to be subjected to mockery. You are going to be laughed at. You are going to be ridiculed," Colson said during a Saturday service at the Chilloche Correctional Institute.

Colson founded the Prison Fellowship ministry after he was released from prison 15 years ago.

"Julie Harris has been called one of the last great stage actresses. So who does she admire?" "Cher is someone who I just adore," Miss Harris, 65, said in a recent interview. "I think she's the absolute end... Now if I could have looked like Cher



Dr. Gott

Peter Gott, M.D.

Will public buy low-fat?

As much as it may disappoint us lovers of rib roast, Hollandaise sauce and egg custard, today there is no longer any doubt about the relation between cholesterol and arteriosclerotic heart disease. Few experts claim that high cholesterol is the exclusive cause of arteriosclerosis, but it certainly is central to the problem. For this reason, many people are modifying their diet: reducing fats, avoiding tropical oils and eliminating high-cholesterol foods, such as egg yolks and organ meats.

About 84 million U.S. adults are estimated to have elevated cholesterol levels, exceeding 200 milligrams per deciliter (5.15 millimoles per liter). A large percentage of these people could lower their cholesterol levels by prudent dieting.

Because physicians usually have neither the time nor the training to provide nutritional counseling, they — and their patients — are increasingly turning to dietitians for help. There are approximately 50,000 registered dietitians in the United States; four-fifths practice in hospitals. These professionals have become a valuable part of the medical team; doctors frequently collaborate with them to treat patients who to consume harmful diets.

The attention to dietary cholesterol is also spilling into the public arena where Phil Sokolof, the millionaire investor who directs the National Heart Service Association, has confronted giant food processors, such as McDonald's and Kellogg. Through an effective advertising campaign, headlined "The Poisoning of America," Sokolof charged that the food industry sold products unhealthily high in saturated fats, thus contributing to high cholesterol. The huge firms were initially enraged but recently made major changes in their food formulas to reduce fat and eliminate cholesterol from their products. To date, Nabisco is the only national food processor that has refused to stop using lard, a cholesterol-rich fat, in their baked goods, such as Oreos and Ritz crackers.

Sokolof and his NHSAA are now taking aim to eliminate surplus butter, cheese and dairy products that are supplied to school children; such school lunch programs subsidize farmers but may be unhealthy for youngsters.

The new orientation may become important. In a recent paper presented at the American Heart Association Meeting in Dallas, researchers from the University of California School of Medicine reported an "amazing correlation" between television watching and high blood cholesterol levels in young people aged 2 to 20.

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In Brief

Verbeek the Whalers' MVP

HARTFORD (AP) — Hartford left wing Pat Verbeek received the Mark Kravitz Award on Saturday as the Whalers most valuable player this season.

Verbeek, the only Whaler named to the NHL All Star game in February, had 43 goals and 37 assists through 78 games.

Verbeek also received the Hartford Insurance Group Top Gun Award as the Whalers top goal scorer. A \$1,000 check was presented in his name to the Connecticut Special Olympics as part of the award.

UCConn nine slams Pittsburgh

STORRS (AP) — Todd Rosenthal had three doubles as the University of Connecticut beat Pittsburgh 14-6 in Big East baseball.

The Huskies belted out 19 hits in Sunday afternoon game, with at least one for every starter in the game.

The Huskies improved to 8-9-1 on the season and 4-2 in the Big East, while Pittsburgh fell to 11-15 and 1-5.

Rosenthal, Gianni Ragani and Paul Frank led Connecticut with three hits each.

Kevin Pitchark, 2-1, picked up the win in relief. Rob Hanawalt, 0-2, took the loss for Pittsburgh.

Leonard says he 'was wrong'

WASHINGTON (AP) — Sugar Ray Leonard says his use of cocaine when his boxing career appeared over in the 1980s "was wrong, it was childish, it was stupid."

"I stand here ashamed, hurt," Leonard told a press conference Saturday. "I think about my parents, my ex-wife, my kids, people that care for me, my fans that made me who I am."

The confessions came from one of the sports world's most appealing figures, a former boxing champion who became an American hero as an Olympic gold medalist in 1976.

Leonard, 34, who has appeared in nationally broadcast anti-drug public service announcements, said he indulged in cocaine for three years, quitting in 1986.

Leonard's confession came after a published report that Juanita Leonard, his wife of 10 years, had accused him during divorce proceedings last summer of physically abusing her while under the influence of alcohol.

Plants tie to Elkington

POYNT VEDRA, Fla. (AP) — Steve Elkington made his bid for the 1981 hole-in-one and Fuzzy Zoeller did it. That was the difference Sunday as the Australian longest-horner won the Players Championship for the biggest victory of his career.

Elkington, who shot a 4-under 68 Sunday, three-putted for bogey at 17, tying Zoeller. But on No. 18, the Australian hit a 4-iron approach 15 feet from the hole to set up the winning putt. He finished with a 12-under 276 total.

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Hershiser to open year on the DL

By The Associated Press

This would've been had to imagine a few years ago, but now it's true — neither Orel Hershiser nor Fernando Valenzuela will be with the Los Angeles Dodgers on opening day.

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By Ken Peters, The Associated Press

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CHAMPS — Kelli Casteel, right, and Regina Clark, center, celebrate after their 70-67 overtime win over Virginia in the NCAA Women's Basketball Tournament championship game Sunday at Lakeside Arena in New Orleans.

Lady Vols achieve title one year later

By AUSTIN WILSON
The Associated Press

NEW ORLEANS — The seeds of Tennessee's women's college championship were sown in a bitter loss to Virginia last year.

Tennessee beat Virginia 70-67 in overtime Sunday in the championship game of the women's Final Four.

Dena Head, a 72 percent shooter from the line, hit two free throws to tie it at 60 in regulation, then hit five more in overtime to give Tennessee the title.

Last year, Virginia beat Tennessee 79-75 in overtime in the regional final to keep the Lady Volunteers from playing in the 1990 Final Four at Knoxville.

"Last year, losing to Virginia in the tournament really hurt us," said Tennessee coach Pat Summitt. "We were upset losing to them in overtime and not having the opportunity to be in the Final Four on our home court and in front of our home fans."

It was Tennessee's third national title in five years. They also won in 1987 and 1989.

"Today's win feels like the greatest of all the national championships," Summitt said. "But in 1987 we were the underdogs, and that was Tennessee's first national title, so that was extra special."

The 1989 championship was rewarding because we were underdogs. No. 1 and we were supposed to do that year.

"This win is a lot like 1987's because again we were the underdogs. We overachieved, and it worked for us again."

Virginia (31-3) was ranked No. 1 through most of the season until Tennessee clinched the victory for the United States, Leonardo Lavalle of Mexico beat Jim Courier 4-6, 7-6 (7-2), 7-5.

The United States, the defending champion, plays Spain in the quarterfinals. The American first-round match had been postponed because of the Persian Gulf War.

Elsewhere in World Group play, France finished a 5-0 rout of Israel at Rennes, France, in another postponed first-round match. Guy Forget beat Amos Mandorff 6-4, 6-2 and Henri Leconte beat Gild Bloom 6-3, 7-5.

The victory moved France into the quarterfinals at Nimes on May 3-5 against Australia.

Germany advanced to the semifinals by winning the doubles Sunday in Berlin, taking an insurmountable 3-0 lead over Argentina in the quarterfinal battle. Michael Stich and Eric Jelen beat Javier Frana and Christian Minussi 7-5, 6-7, 7-6, 6-7, 6-4. On Saturday, Boris Becker and Stich won straight-set singles victories.

"I've usually played with Becker. Stich and I haven't played doubles together for a long time," Jelen said. "But we understood each other well on the court after a few losses."

At Prague, Yugoslavia beat Czechoslovakia 4-1 to advance to the semifinals. Goran Ivanisevic beat Czechoslovakia's No. 1 player, Karel Novacek, 6-3, 3-6, 7-6 (7-5), 3-6, 6-4 to clinch it in Sunday's first match.

Gilbert to rescue for U.S. Davis Cup

MEXICO CITY (AP) — Brad Gilbert got adjusted to Mexico's high altitude just in time.

Eventually, he conquered both the altitude and his opponent to clinch a first-round Davis Cup victory for the United States over Mexico on Sunday.

"I was beginning to feel relaxed in the fifth set," Gilbert said after defeating Luis Herrera 4-6, 6-3, 7-5, 3-6, 6-3. "I played steady and I didn't feel the crowd was pressuring me. So I went on ahead, I was the better player of the two and I won."

Herrera, 19, agreed that the fifth set was decisive.

"We were going even, the two of us. I had two very good returns but he had two very good services," Herrera said. "Maybe I should have tried to relax a bit more. (Gilbert) played better than I and he won. They were five very tough sets."

Gilbert, 29, said adjusting to Mexico City's smog and the 7,250-foot altitude has always been the toughest part for the U.S. team. The players had four days to get acclimated, but Gilbert said it would have been better.

"I felt satisfied to get the U.S. team to victory," Gilbert said. "He played above his ranking and the crowd pumped him up, and that helped him a lot."

Gilbert broke Herrera in the seventh out of love. Their grueling match lasted 3 hours, 45 minutes.

In the final match, after Gilbert

Smith's exit just some nit-picking

By STEVE HERMAN
The Associated Press

INDIANAPOLIS — Dean Smith has all the time he wants now.

The North Carolina coach got the boot with 35 seconds left in Saturday night's NCAA semifinal loss to Kansas.

The referee says it was because Smith left the coaching box. The NCAA says the ref had no choice, it was a clear violation.

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The Tar Heels already were beaten and were trying to get the subs into the game.

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Senior guard King Rice didn't like either technical on Smith.

The first, he said, "was not a classy call at all. On the first one, coach Smith said, 'They're pushing us, too.' That was really ridiculous. I was on the floor for the second technical. I don't know what happened there. I just know coach Smith has done so much for me and all of us. I don't think what happened to coach Smith was fair."

The Tar Heels (29-6) weren't beaten by the technicals, however. They lost because of their own poor shooting, a dismal 38.4 percent on 26 of 73 attempts. Their trio of senior starters, Rick Fox, Pete Chilcutt and Rice, were chiefly responsible, hitting a combined 8 of 36.

"I was relaxed, maybe too relaxed, maybe not nervous enough," said the 6-foot-7 Fox, the team's leading scorer for the season. "I thought I could just play like it was in practice and maybe get too relaxed."

Fox, who fouled out in the closing seconds, had 13 points, nine rebounds and a game-high seven assists, but made four turnovers and played only 29 minutes because of foul trouble.

He hit 5 of 22 shots, 2 of 13 in the second half.

"When you miss 2-3 shots and you know they're good shots, keep shooting 'em," Fox said. "I was not about to stop. It was frustrating to end that way. A lot of set plays broke down, and they forced us to free-lance. I was praying for the percentages to come around. I had some easy shots, I thought."

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1. Each photo submitted must have baby's name and address printed neatly on the back of the photo (wallet size preferred).
2. Each photo must be accompanied by a self-addressed, stamped envelope. Pictures will be returned after contest.
3. Include with photo a \$7.00 (if submitted by April 15) or \$10 publication fee (if submitted after April 15) for each child submitted.
4. All photos must be mailed or dropped off at the Manchester Herald on or before April 22.

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(Or Sponsor's Name - Optional) _____
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MANCHESTER-675 Duplex, Vinyl siding, \$124,000. Call Linda Brown, RE/MAX East of the River, 647-8400.

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LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

STATE OF CONNECTICUT
CRAWFORD

The Hon. David C. Flappe, Judge of the Court of Probate, District of Coventry, at a hearing held on March 28, 1991, ordered that all claims must be filed with the clerk of the court at the address below. Failure to promptly present any such claim may result in the loss of the right to recover on such claim.

Geraldine E. McCaw, Clerk

The Public Administrator
105 Crawford
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Coventry, CT, 06238
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21 HOMES FOR SALE

AREA-Paradise, Enclive, 1200 sq. ft. with price appeal. Country kitchen 3 bedrooms, 2.5 baths, 2 fireplaces, paddle fans, decorator formal living room and dining room. \$152,927. Tony Camp, Phillips Real Estate, 742-1450.

BRAND-NEW listing!!! CHEA is the way, so don't miss this expandable 5+ plus room Cape Cod on Brewer St. in East Hartford 3 bedrooms plus extra unfinished room on 2nd floor, hardwood floors, economical gas heat and 1-car garage. \$116,500. Jackson & Jackson Real Estate, 647-8400.

CHARMING-Cape, 3 bedrooms, 2 fireplaces, great layout. Absolutely wonderful! RE/MAX East of the River, 647-1419.

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MANCHESTER-For the discriminating buyer. Low 6 room ranch style living. Main floor cathedral ceiling family room, deluxe kitchen, formal living room and dining room. 2 bedrooms, 2 baths, and much more. \$259,000. UAR Realty, 643-2692.

MANCHESTER-3240's. Motivated sellers. Stately 9 room brick Ranch on Porter Street. New Kitchen, new roof, furnace. A beautiful in-ground pool and much more. Call and ask for Sharon, residence, 648-5588. RE/MAX East of the River, 647-1419.

MINIATURE-Castle with free miniature yacht on Coventry Lake. Unique home with impressive stone and marble work. \$129,900. Betty Moran, Phillips Real Estate, 742-1450.

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21 HOMES FOR SALE

NEW-Listing-Have a private in-ground pool, immaculate 4 bedroom, 2 bath home with 2 complete, furnished Colonial kitchen perfect for entertaining or in-law living space including 1st floor family room, huge deck overlooking woods, 2-car rear yard. Lots of extras in this 5 year old home. D.W. Fish Real Estate, 643-1591 or 871-1400.

SPACIOUSNESS-And value. Bolton, \$231,900. Great family oriented Colonial on quiet cul-de-sac with entertaining or in-law living space including 1st floor family room, huge deck overlooking woods, 2-car rear yard. Lots of extras in this 5 year old home. D.W. Fish Real Estate, 643-1591 or 871-1400.

SPARKLING-Interior. Light, bright and spacious, 3 bedrooms. Built in 1987. Asking \$192,000. RE/MAX East of the River, 647-1419.

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21 HOMES FOR SALE

MONY-Money couldn't buy it! 4 bedroom attached Cape on Lockwood St. Large back yard, new roof and oil burner. Buyer warranty. A lot of extras at an amazing price, \$110,000. "We're Selling Houses" Blanchard & Rossetto, 646-2482.

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Deadline for ads - 12:00 noon 2 days prior to the day you would like your ad to appear.
Call Classified Today 643-2711 and ask for Paula or Iize

21 HOMES FOR SALE

NEW-3 Bedroom Ranches and Capes, FHA or VA-NO Money Down. Vinyl siding, no-wax floors, all basements. Coventry and area towns. \$109,875-up. Phil Blazawski, Phillips Real Estate, 742-1450.

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NEW-Listing, Manchester Cape, 4 Bedrooms, dining room, family room, spacious yard. Asking \$139,000. Call Ron, 648-3087. RE/MAX East of the River, 647-1419.

NEW-Listing! Over-sized Cape of 3/4 acre, 3 Bedrooms, 2-1/2 baths, family room, country kitchen \$189,900. Call Linda Brown, RE/MAX East of the River, 647-1419.

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MANCHESTER-2 Family, Newly updated, 2 Bedrooms in quiet neighborhood. Close to I-93. Call for details. \$595/Month plus utilities. Date: 529-8276.

MANFIELD/WILKINGTON LINE-Route 44, 2 Bedroom apartment. A/C, tile, preferred. Country privacy. No dogs. \$460/Month. 1-1/2 months security. 742-0569.

32 APARTMENTS FOR RENT

MANCHESTER-2 Bedroom, clean, \$650 month plus utilities. Second floor. 643-7998.

MANCHESTER-2 Bedrooms, carpeted, appl. A/C, tile, preferred. Country privacy. No dogs. \$460/Month. 1-1/2 months security. 742-0569.

MANCHESTER-Duplex, 3 bedrooms, carpeted, appl. A/C, tile, preferred. Country privacy. No dogs. \$460/Month. 1-1/2 months security. 742-0569.

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MANCHESTER HERALD

Bridge

James Jacoby, superstar

By Phillip Alder

It is difficult to write about a good friend who has died. Jim Jacoby, one of the world's greatest bridge players, was the fifth-ranked masterpoint winner in North America, and the number one in the World Bridge Federation Grand Master. He had a great will to win, but he was always courteous to his partner and opponents.

Today's hand was played by Jim in partnership with his partner, Oswald. The bidding features the Jacoby transfer bid, which they developed and popularized. Three hearts was a game-try, and South bid four with his maximum.

Jim Jacoby was a wonderful ambassador for bridge. He will be sorely missed.

91 CARS FOR SALE

1979 OLDSMOBILE-Delta 88 Royale, Mint condition. \$2000/best offer. Must see! 742-6168.

CHEVROLET-1986 Celebrity, 4 Door, Loaded, Rust Great. Asking \$3350. 643-8744.

CHEVROLET-1975 Monte Carlo, 350 engine. Will take \$300 or trade in for motorcycle. 647-9696.

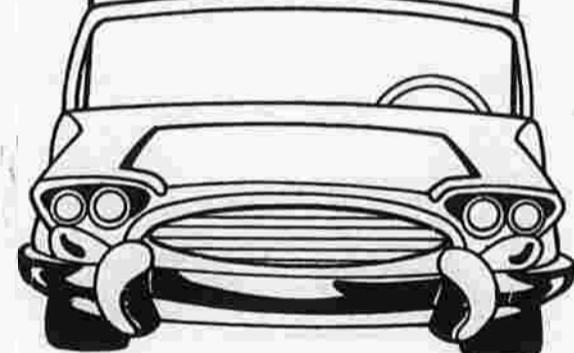
CORVETTE-1978, \$5500! Best offer. Loaded. Clean. Aluminum wheels. 646-7809.

FORD-1987 Taurus GL V6, 4 door. Excellent condition. \$4800. 647-1638.

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WADERS-Hip size 10. Waist with suspenders. \$12.95. No dog. \$75. Please call 649-4318.

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JUNK CARS-Will pay \$5 to tow your car. Call Joey. 528-1990. Need title.

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Astrograph

April 2, 1991

In your reserves, CANCER (June 21-July 23) You're the catalyst in group involvements today. The one who can get things moving. Clearly if you have the ability to stir things up constructively.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 23) Things you've accomplished today, but your margin for error will be small. Do what needs doing, and do it right the first time.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) The extremely careful expressing yourself today, especially if you have to deal with a sensitive associate. You might unintentionally make comments that are difficult to retract.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) You're still in a good trend where financial involvement is concerned, so try to focus your efforts here again today.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) Your bearing and tone of voice will leave little doubt as to what you expect from subordinates today. Those you're dealing with will recognize your authority and respect your directions.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 31) Someone indebted to you is not likely to

reply you without an appropriate reminder. Today is a good day to call the matter to this individual's attention.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) In an old buddy's reputation is unjustly misrepresented in your presence today, set ignored in front of your friend, you could express the same defense.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) You'll enjoy playing the role of the supporter today, prompting actors to perform in the drama of life. You'll also be extremely effective as the force behind the scenes.

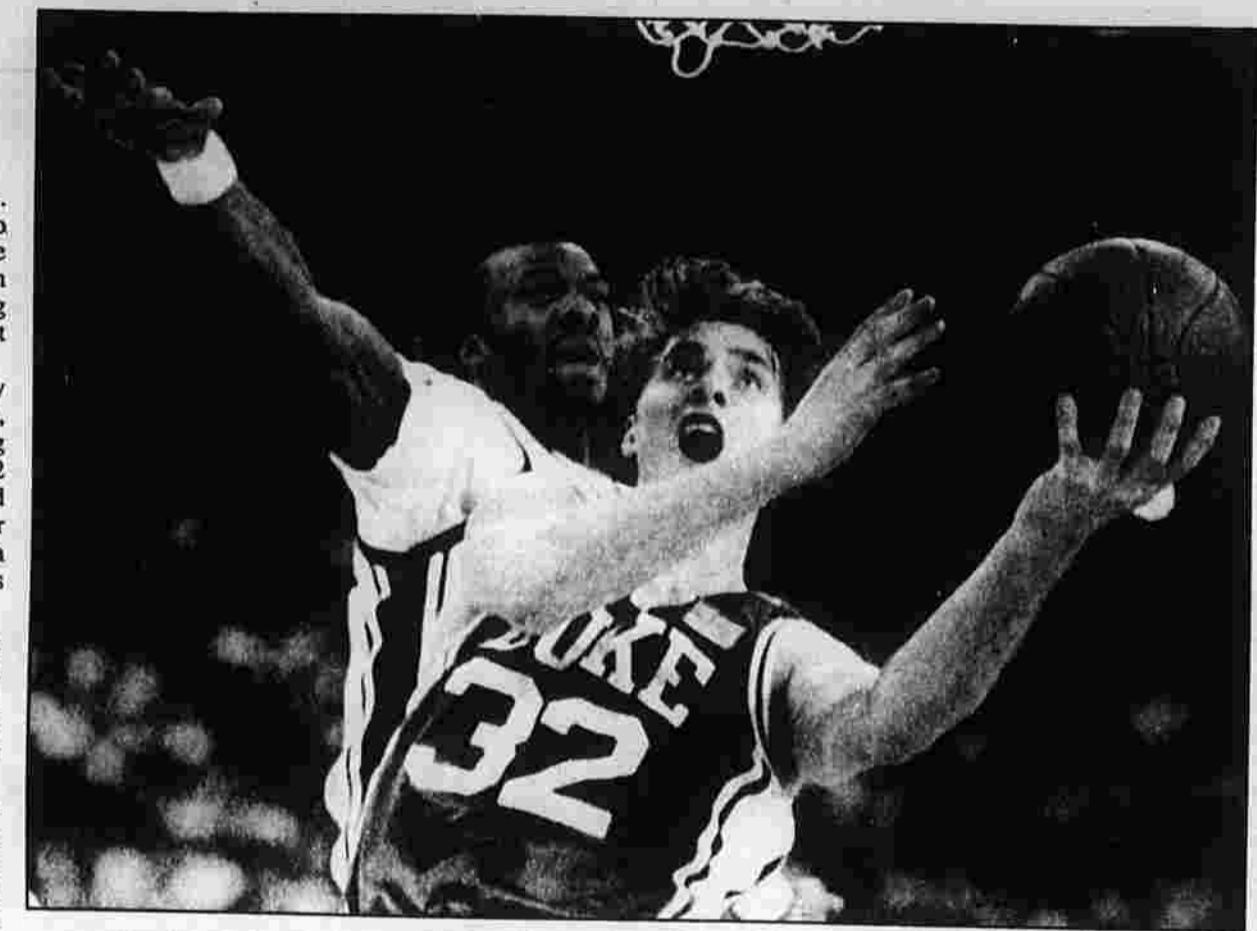
PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) Remarkable faith in yourself and your talents. Don't let negative associates limit your abilities.

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SPORTS Underdogs are set for NCAA title game

Laetner's competitive fire shows way for Blue Devils

By Tom Maloney
Copley News Service



TO THE HOOP — Duke's Christian Laetner (32) flies to the hoop past Stacey Augmon of UNLV in the second half of their game Saturday night at the Hoosierdome in Indianapolis. Duke won, 79-77, and will meet Kansas tonight for the NCAA title.

Kansas classic longshot

By Wayne Lockwood
Copley News Service

INDIANAPOLIS — Remember that mongrel puppy you used to have, and how much you loved it, even though it seemed to exhibit no redeeming social qualities except heart?

Meet the University of Kansas basketball team.

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Whalers

penalties off the bat." Another message was sent by both teams back off or be prepared to take more punishment in the Adams Division semifinal. Military doesn't think either team received it.

"Intimidation is a factor in this game. Whether people want it to be or not is another matter," he said. "I don't think we'll be intimidated and I doubt that Hartford will be, so the (violence) didn't solve anything or prove anything."

The Whalers had 118 penalty minutes. Of Boston's 92, Chris Nilan had 42. There were eight fighting penalties, six misconducts and three game misconducts to Nilan, McKenzie and Hartford's Brian Chapman.

Goals by Sweeney, Ken Hammond and Randy Burridge boosted the lead to 4-0 after one period. Burridge failed on a penalty shot at 6:29 of the second period, but Ray Bourque's 21st goal made the score 5-0 at 10:00.

Then Hartford charged back on

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SHOT BLOCKER — Boston's Larry Bird, left, tries to block the shot of Chicago's Michael Jordan in their NBA game Sunday afternoon at Boston Garden. The Celtics beat the Bulls in double overtime, 135-132.

Celtics

It finally sounded after Jordan missed two 3-pointers in the final eight seconds.

The Celtics had a dramatic 135-132 win over the Bulls, who have the league's best record, Boston (52-20) moved within 1 1/2 games of Chicago (53-18) in the race for the top Eastern Conference mark.

"This one runs up high with the great games here over the years," Celtics coach Chris Ford said.

"It seemed to just go on and on," Chicago coach Phil Jackson said. "It's never going to end. ... For us, it ended a little too soon."

Bird and Jordan both had suffered through rare unproductive stretches. Bird scored just 37 points in his previous three games and made only 11 of 31 shots in the first five periods Sunday. But he had nine points in the second overtime, hitting 4 of 5 shots and leading Boston to a 129-125 lead with 1:42 remaining. He finished with 34 points, 15 rebounds and 8 assists.

"The first shot I took, I thought it was good, but it just didn't go," Jordan said. "The second shot, I didn't know how much time I had."

Jordan did make a 3-pointer that could have given Chicago a 121-118 victory at the end of the first overtime. But the officials ruled the buzzer had sounded before he released Chicago inbounded it with 4 seconds left.

"I knew that it wasn't good as soon as I let it go," Jordan said.

The 3-point shot played a major role in the outcome. With 19 seconds left in the fourth quarter, Lewis hit his first of the season on his 12th try to send the game into overtime tied at 110.

With 32 seconds left in the first overtime, Paxson, who had 28 points, hit his fourth of the game, tying the score at 118 and forcing the second overtime.

Chicago had overcome deficits of 96-82, 107-101 and 118-113.

"That game had more turns than a country road," said McHale, who had 10 points after missing the previous six games with a sprained ankle. "Every time I thought we had won, it won, it goes back the other way."

"If I see any satisfied face on the court (tonight), I'm going to jump on him, because that's my job," Laettner said. "I'm going to be very upset and tell him about it."

Just as Williams once scouted

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High School Preview



JOHN FISHER... No. 1 pitcher. DOUG DELVECCHIO... 4-1 a year ago. ROB PENDERS... leading 1990 hitter.

Pitching strong suit for EC nine

MANCHESTER — How deep does the East Catholic High pitching staff be as it prepares to embark on the 1991 season?

Consider, senior Brian Igoe, who was opening day pitcher for the Eagles a year ago, right now is seen as the No. 5 hurler on the Eagle staff.

"Pitching will be one of our strengths," East coach Jim Penders, beginning his 23rd season, said. "Last year at this time I couldn't say that but we have a lot of experience back. We won 15 games (15-8) and they're all back."

East, which finished fourth in the ACC a year ago, was 8-7 at one point. But some internal problems were resolved, and the Eagles went on to win seven of their last eight.

Senior right-hander John Fisher was 5-4 a year ago. But he won his last four decisions, including a one-hitter against Dartmouth in the Class I quarterfinals.

"He had a real good summer with the South Windjars Legion team," Penders said. "He's developed another pitch (split finger fastball) to go along with an outstanding curve and a fastball. I feel he will have an outstanding season."

Junior right-hander Rob Penders was 6-2 a year ago, mostly in relief. He will primarily fill the shortstop slot in the middle of the East defense. Junior Doug Delvecchio (4-1) returns from last summer with the Manchester Legion and Penders expects him to contribute, too.

"(Strano) has the potential to be a real good No. 2 or 3 pitcher," Penders said. "We have four pretty good high school pitchers. And don't forget about Igoe," he added.

Junior Brian Dumais inherits the catching position held for better than four years by Jim Penders, now a freshman at the University of Connecticut where he splits the catching duties.

Depending on who has the assignment on the hill, either Fisher, the senior second baseman, or Igoe will be the first baseman. Senior Jamie Fournier, who led the junior varsity team as a sophomore with a .485 batting average but opted for golf in 1990, has the starting nod at second base. Penders (team-best .360, 25 RBI) has the shortstop hole filled with

Laettner

trying to provide the kick-start as an antidote to lethargy.

"It's better to play against someone you know, especially someone you're close to, because it's more fun," Laettner said. "If I score on him, I'll put him on the back as I run by him. It's just competitiveness. ... I'll definitely talk to him, try to goose him. But if it's a close game in the last few minutes, there will be no talking."

The two big men became fast friends while playing for the U.S. national team last summer, first at the Goodwill Games and then at the World Championships in Argentina. Point guard Hurley also played on the Goodwill Games team.

In Argentina, Laettner and Randall visited the same shop each day while walking a pedestrian mall, trying to get a bargain on a full-length leather coat for Laettner.

"The guy wouldn't budge," Laettner said. "Finally, on the last day, I just paid him a lot of money for it. It was a rare act of capitalism."

Laettner has averaged 19.8 points and 8.7 rebounds while gaining a reputation as the prominent big man in the Atlantic Coast Conference. Seeing him work inside, it's wondrous that as a high school player in Buffalo, Laettner had to battle recruiters' perceptions that he lacked the competitive instinct to play Division I basketball.

Kansas coach Roy Williams, then in his role as an assistant coach at North Carolina, was one of the scouts who rejected Laettner for precisely that reason.

"Nobody knew me," said Laettner. "I'm a tough and intense player, but that hasn't just grown in the last two years."

Today, Krzyzewski invites the few remaining skeptics to look deeply into Laettner's steely blue eyes. Behind the rosy cheeks and the scuffed-clean look is a cold, hard stare.

"If I see any satisfied face on the court (tonight), I'm going to jump on him, because that's my job," Laettner said. "I'm going to be very upset and tell him about it."

Just as Williams once scouted

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In Brief . . .

MHS athletes are honored — Manchester High School athletes were named to all-Connecticut Conference East Division teams for the winter months. It was announced that Senior Darren Goddard and Junior Ross were named to the all-CCC East boys' basketball team. Seniors Shelly Dieterle and Jen Brindisi were named to the all-league straight league title.

Manchester had two performers, seniors Tim Shumaker and Jeff Grote, named to the all-league hockey team. Michelle Simpson was named to the all-league team in girls' indoor track while Jason DeLoannis was tabbed for the all-league boys' indoor track squad.

Sophomore diver Kirk Ringblom, who set a school record in his specialty, was named to the all-league swimming team while five wrestlers — Tim Schilling, Matt Theriault, Toby Sloan, Wyllis Rivera and Tom Provencal, were accorded honors in their sport.

Manchester High's Army Bresciano, who competes league gymnastics' squad.

Miller Barber cops seniors event — KURIMOTO, Japan (AP) — Miller Barber beat Lee Trevino by four strokes in the Granddams Senior Championship on Sunday.

Barber, who earned \$77,000, shot a 5-under-par 67 for a 14-under 202 total over the Oak Hills Country Club course. Trevino had a 71 for a 206 total. Billy Casper (71) finished third at 209.

Fernandez-Sukova triumph — TARPON SPRINGS, Fla. (AP) — Gigi Fernandez and Helena Sukova overcame a 5-1 third-set deficit to defeat Natalia Zvereva and Larisa Savchenko 6-5, 5-6, 7-6 (7-5) in the final of the Light n' Lively Doubles tournament Sunday.

Football outdaws soccer — LONDON (AP) — American football outdrew soccer rugby in England on the second week of the World League of American Football.

The London Monarchs edged the New York-New Jersey Knights 22-18 Sunday in front of a crowd of 46,952 at Wembley Stadium. The nation's second-biggest weekend crowd was 37,251 for Liverpool soccer.

"We had almost 50,000 people in here on a Sunday night in a town that loves soccer. That's unbelievable," said London quarterback Stan Oshagba, who passed for 326 yards.

In other weekend W.L.A.F. games, John Miller's 99-yard interception return gave the Birmingham Fire a 17-10 victory over Sacramento and Kerwin Bell threw four touchdown passes in Orlando's 58-20 defeat of Raleigh-Durham on Saturday.

In tonight's games, the Frankfurt Galaxy are at the San Antonio Riders and the Barcelona Dragons are at the Montreal Machine. San Antonio will play its first W.L.A.F. home game without injured quarterback Jason Garrett and safety Carlo Chetani on Sunday.

London and Orlando, who battle Saturday at Wembley, both improved to 2-0.

Retiring Lafleur is honored — QUEBEC (AP) — Guy Lafleur finished his career with a one-tee century and a 4-1 Quebec victory over his old team, the Montreal Canadiens.

The winger, who epitomized grace and speed at his peak in the late 1970s, played 14 seasons for Montreal and retired in 1984. He came back in 1988 to play with the New York Rangers and moved to the Nordiques during the following season.

Lafleur ended his 17-year career with 560 goals, 793 assists and 1,353 points.

N. Michigan hockey champs — ST. PAUL, Minn. (AP) — Darryl Plandowski's third goal of the game, 1:57 into the third overtime, gave Northern Michigan an 8-7 victory over Boston University in the NCAA championship game.

It began Saturday at 7:10 p.m. CST and didn't end until 11:12 p.m., after 81 minutes, 57 seconds — the second-longest title game ever. Northern Michigan finished the season at 38-5-4 and Boston University closed at 28-11-2.

Texas retains men's swim title — AUSTIN, Texas (AP) — Senior Shaun Jordan captured two more gold medals Saturday night, leading Texas to its fourth consecutive NCAA men's championship. Texas became the fourth school to win four straight NCAA titles.

Texas finished with 476 points, 56 more than second-place Stanford.

Jordan took his fourth gold medal of the meet by winning the 100-yard freestyle in 42.45 seconds. Jordan also was the 50-yard freestyle winner.

He then came right back and earned a fifth gold by anchoring the Longhorns in the 400-yard freestyle relay.

The Blackhaws edged the Kentucky Derby by winning the \$500,000 Jim Beam Stakes, while Apollo only ran himself back to the West Coast and a career as a sprinter.

Husel's impressive win in record time Saturday also didn't do much for the reputation of Richman, who's been avoiding Derby favorite Fly So Free since losing to him in the Hutchinson Stakes.

"He's been improving each race this year, and this puts him right up at the top," said Husel's owner Joe Albright.

Trainer Frank Brothers had said it was time for Husel to prove himself or settle for just a good stakes horse. He did, running the 1/8 mile in 1:46 3/5, taking more than two seconds off the Turfway Park record that Western Playboys equaled in the Beam Stakes two years ago.

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How uply have Williams' scrappy Jayhawks been? Well, they lost their first two games in conference play. They shot free throws as if attempting to do something as opposed to being the best.

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Beaure's scoreless string at 160 minutes and eight seconds.

Mogilny's third of the night and 30th of the season chased Beaure, who had consecutive shutouts in his two previous starts, from the Capitals' net at 9:53 of the third period. Mike Luta finished up in net.

Islanders 3, Devils 2: Randy Wood scored two goals to lead the Islanders over New Jersey.

There was nothing at stake for either club. The Devils came into the game locked into fourth place in the Patrick Division by virtue of their 4-0 loss to the Washington Capitals on Saturday.

Rangers 6, Penguins 3: The Rangers beat the Penguins with the help of Mike Grier's 49th goal to clinch second place in the Patrick Division.

The Position gives the Rangers home-ice advantage in the first round of the playoffs against Washington.

Oilers 6, Jets 3: The defending Stanley Cup champion Oilers capped their up-and-down year with a win over Winnipeg that allowed them to finish at or above the 500 mark for the 10th consecutive season.

The Oilers finished in third place in the Smythe Division with a 37-37 record.

Petr Klima scored three times to end the season with 40 goals, a career-best for the native of Czechoslovakia.

Nordiques 4, Canadiens 1: Hall of Famer Guy Lafleur was held without a goal or an assist in the last game of his 17-year NHL career, but the Nordiques sent him into retirement as a winner by beating the Canadiens.

Stephane Morin had two goals and an assist to lead Quebec, last overall in the 21-team NHL for a third straight season, at 16:50-14. The 46 points was 15 better than last season.

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started a new one at Miami behind Buck Johnson's career-high 32 points.

The Rockets set a club record for wins in a month with 14 and now have the best one-month record in the NBA this season. Their only loss in March was the 114-82 defeat in Orlando.

Houston put the game out of reach in the third quarter, outscoring Miami 41-19, with Johnson and Otis Thorpe each scoring 12 points and Sleepy Floyd adding eight of his 13 assists.

76ers 110, Cavaliers 101: Philadelphia beat at home against Cleveland, but may have lost All-Star Charles Barkley for the season with a knee injury.

The 76ers' Rick Mahorn fell over Barkley, ending 28.3 points, in the third period and he suffered a strained ligament in his left knee.

Hersey Hawkins scored 31 points and Armon Gilliam 21 for the 76ers, who led 99-92 midway through the fourth quarter before the Cavaliers scored five straight points to close within 2 points.

Gilliam then scored the next five points, giving Philadelphia a 104-97 lead with 3:15 left.

Pacers 127, Warriors 120, OT: Indiana outlasted Golden State at the Capital Square Arena as Vern Fleming hit 11 of 14 shots and scored nine of his 28 points in overtime.

Rod Higgins, who scored the Warriors' final four points in regulation, forced the overtime with a tip-in with 2.2 seconds left that tied it 104-104.

Reggie Miller, who joined Chuck Person with 22 points for the Pacers, began the overtime with a 3-point shot and a layup to put Indiana in control.

Mich Richmond scored 29 points, Tim Haraway 27 and Chris Mullin 22 for Golden State, which has lost five of six games.

Bullets 102, Bulls 92: Charlotte won its first game in the new Capital Center as Kendall Gill scored 20 of his 24 points in the second half against Washington.

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Kings turn to paupers on the road

The Sacramento Kings are drawing closer to becoming the kings of the road — at least the losing side of it.

The Kings, already the single-season record-holders for consecutive road defeats, fell 115-87 to the Los Angeles Lakers Sunday night for their 32nd consecutive loss away from Sacramento, two shy of the NBA record.

"It's something we talk about. We

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know we need to get this behind us," rookie Lionel Simmons said. "Once we're in a game, we don't think about it, but it does bother us."

The loss also was Sacramento's 13th straight overall to the Lakers since 1989 and the Kings' 43rd consecutive setback at the Forum since 1974 when the franchise was based in Kansas City-Omaha.

"My wife tells me I shouldn't be so concerned with each loss," Kings coach Dick Motta said. "She keeps telling me that it's not every day you can set an NBA record. I don't have much to do with the 43 games we've lost at the Forum, but I have to admit I've got some things to do with the 32 games on the road."

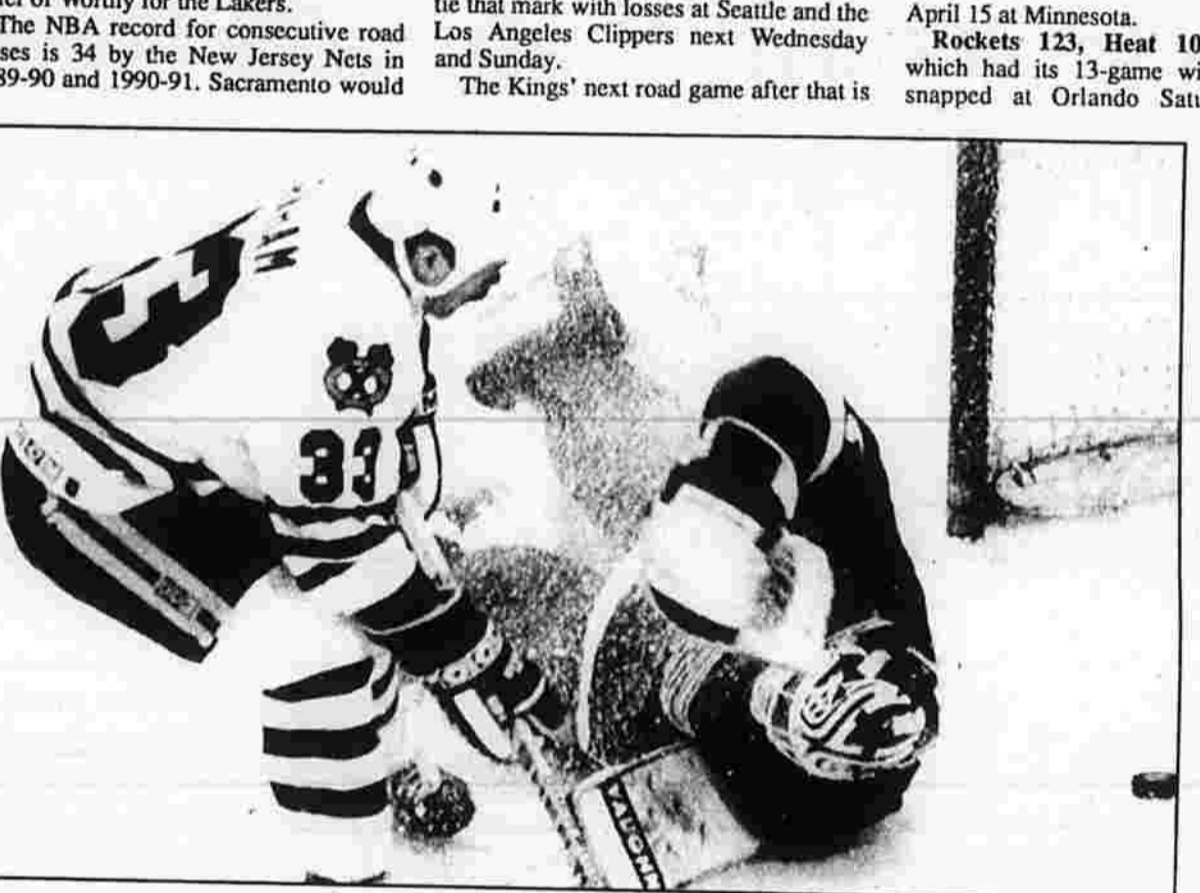
Terry Teagle scored a season-high 35 points in 26 minutes for the Lakers, who played without James Worthy because of an ankle sprain and were coming off a tough loss in overtime to Portland on Friday night.

Simmons scored 26 points for the Kings, while Antoine Carr had 18. Magic Johnson had 19 points and 10 assists and A.C. Green 15 points and 10 rebounds in relief of Worthy for the Lakers.

The NBA record for consecutive road losses is 34 by the New Jersey Nets in 1989-90 and 1990-91. Sacramento would tie that mark with losses at Seattle and the Los Angeles Clippers next Wednesday and Sunday.

SLAMMIN' — Cleveland's Chucky Brown, slams home two points in front of Philadelphia's Manute Bol during their game Sunday afternoon at the Spectrum. The 76ers won, 110-101.

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Gooden close to signing huge contract

PORT ST. LUCIE, Fla. (AP) — Dwight Gooden's agent is coming to the New York Mets spring training camp today and will try to finalize a three-year contract extension that could be worth \$16.2 million.

"Depending on how the total payout goes, he will be one or two," Jim Neander said. "I'm Neander by telephone from Tampa. That is what we will be working on tomorrow."

Roger Clemens' four-year extension for 1995 for \$21,231,000 currently is the top contract in baseball at an average of \$5,380,250 a season. Jose Canseco is second at an average of \$4.7 million per contract on a five-year, \$23.5 million deal.

A source familiar with Gooden's negotiations said the deal being contemplated would include an option year for 1995. The source said the deal would average at least \$5 million a year, depending on how the option year is structured, the average annual value of the guaranteed money in the contract could surpass Clemens' contract.

"I'm going to come down to work out the final details," Neander said. "I've been a long time coming. I'll be just glad when it gets done. We're going to meet with them tomorrow (Monday), and if we can get the final details worked out, we'll probably sign it tomorrow."

Last fall, Gooden had a Feb. 22 deadline for a new deal, then altered his stance the day after the deadline passed. The sides have been talking since.

"We're working on a couple of clauses," Neander said. "It's going to be some intricate clause work. There are a couple of unique clauses, at least one."

Gooden originally sought a four-year extension worth more than \$20 million. He also wanted his stance to three years when the Mets objected to making more than a four-year commitment.

"Yeah, I think coming down to three years helped a lot," Neander said. "Everybody's got to give and take in these types of situations, and I'm going to three years is what it takes to get a deal done, that's not a bad step to take."

Gooden is making \$2.25 million this year in the final season of a three-year contract worth \$6.7 million. When he agreed to the deal on Feb. 8, 1989, it made him the highest-paid player in baseball. But Clemens passed him one week later with a three-year \$7.5 million contract.

Gooden, 26, was 197-157 last season with a 3.83 ERA. He won the National League Cy Young Award in 1985 with a 24-4 record and a 1.53 ERA. Then went 17-8 the following season as the Mets won the World Series.

He missed the start of the 1987 season while undergoing cocaine rehabilitation. Gooden is 119-46 lifetime.

Barkley is out

PHILADELPHIA (AP) — Charles Barkley's most embarrassing week in the NBA may be his last this season.

Barkley, a source of controversy all week because of a spitting incident with a teammate in his left knee Sunday when teammate Rick Mahorn fell over him in the third period of Philadelphia's 110-101 victory over the Cleveland Cavaliers.

Team doctor Jack McPhilyeny said the injury, which he called a second-degree tear, could end Barkley's season. A more definitive prognosis was expected after tests today, he said.

The game was tied at 88 when Barkley left the floor with 18 points and 12 rebounds.

"Charles leaves a big wound in my left knee Sunday before. He means so much to the team."

The 76ers suffered their first critical injury early in the season, when a knee problem ended point guard Johnny Dawkins' season. Barkley suffered a stress fracture in his foot at the start of this year and the 76ers were 2-5 in his absence.

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