

## Three days before Christmas in Sam Jones' doll house



Doors are opened on the Victorian-style doll house built by Sam Jones and purchased by Alice McKay.

not a creature was stirring, not even a

By BETTY RYDER

When Sam Jones of Vernon found himself out of work after 40 years in the transportation business, he just couldn't remain idle. So, he turned his hand to making doll houses and miniature furniture.

That was two years ago, and now, Sam, an inspector at the Purdy Corp. in Manchester, continues to bring joy to young and old with his reproduction of houses in various sizes and shapes.

"I always enjoyed woodworking," Sam said. "When I found myself with time on my hands, I started making miniature furniture and then houses. My wife, who is 82 and lives in Frammingham, Mass., is still busy building doll houses."

"I made 25 houses last year, 16 of which were for Christmas," he said, plugging in his radial saw in his workshop at his home at 92 Brent Rd. One of his most recently completed houses is Victorian-style which was purchased by Alice McKay of 47 White St. and she has all six rooms completely furnished.

"It takes me about two weeks in my spare time to complete a house," Sam said. "Of course, a lot depends on the type of house I'm building."

"For a while, the chalets were quite popular, but interest is running toward the Cape Cods and the old Victorian-style houses," he added. Sam is very particular about details inside, as well as outside the house.

He makes actual window sills inside so that plants may be placed on them, and his stairs are sized all to

scale and come complete with

treads. His furnishings include ladder-back chairs with woven seats, four-poster beds, dressers with drawers that open, kitchen cabinets, bathroom fixtures, and even fireplaces.

"The quilts, sheets and pillows are made by my wife, Irene, and when an item needs decorative painting, she does that also," he said. Irene works part time for Crum-Cook Associates, Inc. in Ellington and shares her husband's interest in woodworking.

"The only trouble I can't get him

to make a doll house for me. Just as soon as he makes one, it's sold," she said.

Sam's houses average about \$75 but he has made several that cost many dollars more.

"It all depends on the type of house a person wants. Sometimes I have to draw the plans myself; sometimes I work from a photograph."

"The one I made for Mrs. McKay is electrified and that involves more work," he said.

Not much is left to the imagination when Sam completes a house. Even the inside walls are papered or wood paneled.

"The furniture is made of cherry wood which I get from California, and although I have done some upholstered pieces, I try to stick mainly to wood furniture," he said.

"Some of the houses have been

purchased by area residents and then sent to their daughters or grandchildren in St. Louis, Mo. and Ohio. Locally, we are using the Hidden Barn in Bolton as an outlet, and did display some of Sam's work at the Hebron Fair," Irene said.

Interest in miniature homes is growing, Sam says.

"The National Association of Miniature Enthusiasts had only 15 members in 1953; now it has 7,500."

Someday, when he's armed with a Polaroid camera, there's a house in Glastonbury that Sam hopes to get on film.

"I'd like to build one like it someday, but just haven't got around to snapping it yet," he said.

Ambitions, as well as talent, Sam is going to make his own design for a salt box house.

"And someday I want to build a real Victorian house of the late 1800-1900 vintage with all the trimmings."

Having talked with Sam and toured his comfortable workshop, I'm certain his authentic Victorian house will soon become a reality.



Merry Christmas  
Betty Ryder  
Family/Travel Editor

## People



In his workshop at his home in Vernon, Sam works on one of his doll houses.

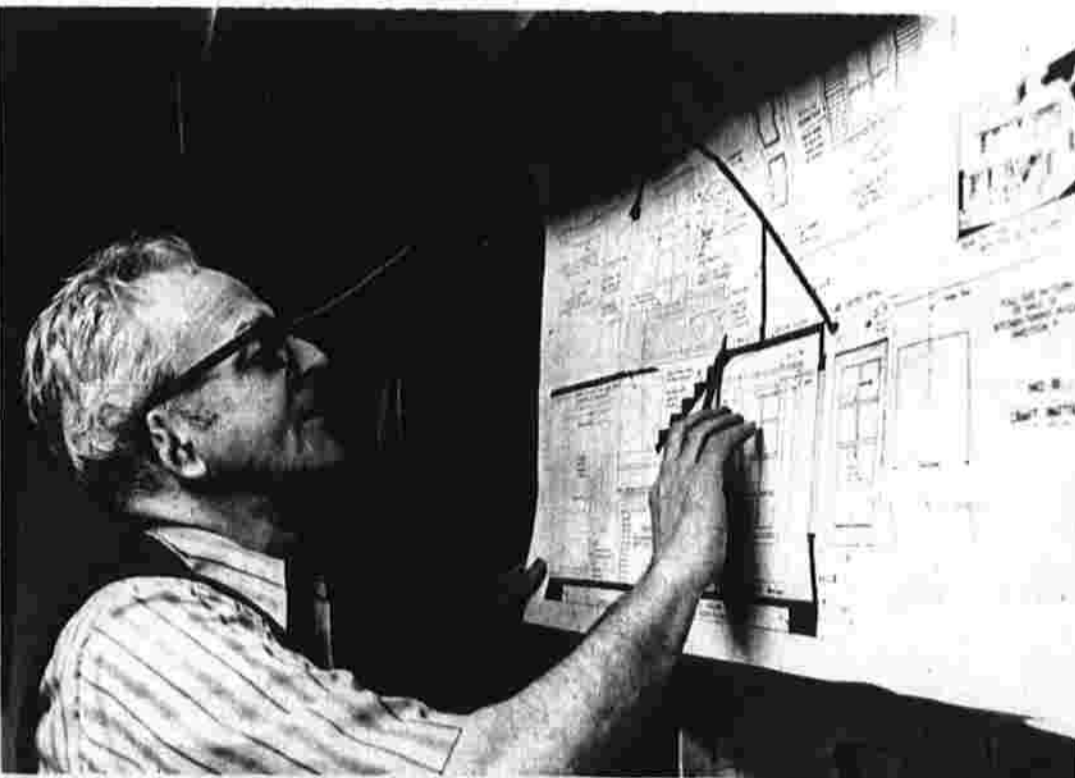
Photos by Steve Dunn



It's Christmas morning in a Sam Jones' doll house.



Bedroom suite built by Sam has movable drawers and doors. Sheets, pillowcase and bedspread were made by his wife, Irene.



Sam checks out doll house plans on the wall in his workshop.

## The weather

Mostly cloudy, chance of snow flurries, high in mid 30s. Partial clearing tonight, lows 15-20. Partly sunny, windy, cold Friday, high around 30. National weather forecast map on Page 16.

## Huge oil slick moving toward Georges Banks

NANTUCKET, Mass. (UPI) — Raw winter winds today nudged a 100-mile-long oil slick from the crushed tanker Argo Merchant closer toward the rich fishing grounds of the Georges Banks.

Southeasterly winds whipping over the oil-blackened Nantucket Shoals kept the slick, which resembles masses of 30-foot black pancakes, bobbing "in a roller coaster fashion" toward the Georges Banks and the Massachusetts resort coastline.

"We hear all sorts of things when an accident like this happens but they are far from truth," Capt. Stelios Madias said.

"We were not there to know all the details, but we know that when the Coast Guard was alerted, the captain was asleep in his cabin and the ship was being skippered by a second mate. It was during the 4 a.m. to 8 a.m. watch," Madias said.

A man who said he was a crewman on the Argo Merchant tipped the Coast Guard Wednesday that the tanker may have been run aground deliberately, with the owners' knowledge.

The Coast Guard turned the information over to the nation of Liberia, where the ship was registered, for investigation.

William Schell, operations manager for A.C. Lombard's and Sons, Inc., the Boston agent for the ship, Wednesday refused to comment about how the ship ran aground. "If the owners have indicated that they don't want these matters public, then I won't tell," he said.

Rear Adm. William Benkert, chief of the Office of Merchant Marine Safety, said Wednesday the Coast Guard received a telephone call from a man who identified himself as either "M. Labir" or "M. Sabir," a Pakistani national, and said he was a crewman on the tanker.

"He stated that the vessel was old and leaking, and may have been deliberately beached, with the owners' knowledge," the Coast Guard said.

The Coast Guard confirmed that an M. Sabir of Pakistan was a member of the crew and was taken to Nantucket from the stricken ship.

The 23-year-old ship, with a record of numerous maritime mishaps, was 10 miles off course when it went aground on Nantucket Shoals, about 27 miles from Nantucket Island, last Wednesday.

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## Carter completes cabinet selections

PLAINS, GA. (UPI) — Jimmy Carter today picked Washington lawyer Joseph Califano to become HEW secretary, James Schlesinger to help guide national energy policy and Theodore Sorenson to head the Central Intelligence Agency.

At his sixth news conference in nine days, the President-elect completed his 11-member Cabinet with the selection of Califano to head the Department of Health, Education and Welfare. Califano, 45, was a Great Society program adviser to Lyndon Johnson.

Former Defense Secretary James Schlesinger, 47, will serve as "assistant to the President" in the White House to deal with a national energy problems, Carter said.

Schlesinger will help develop a "viable national energy policy," said the President-elect.

Sorenson, 45, a close adviser and speechwriter for John F. Kennedy, would replace George Bush in the controversial CIA post and will also head the nation's intelligence community as director of Central Intelligence. Like the others, he must

be approved by the Senate before taking office.

Califano's appointment left Carter with two women — one of them black — in his Cabinet. There are no other blacks among the 11, although U.N. Ambassador-designate Andrew Young, a black, will hold Cabinet-level rank.

Carter promised during his campaign to appoint members of minority groups to high government posts. He said recently there were many assistant secretaries and undersecretary posts in government agencies which could be filled by minorities.

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## Post offices closing early on Friday

If you have anything to mail, do it before 3 p.m. Friday.

All branches and substations will close at that hour, said John Bengston, postmaster, today.

"We are right on top of the mail," he said. "In fact, we are cleaned up enough 'left over' to provide gifts for the annual leaves early this year, and others have been sent home because their work was caught up."

Regular postal hours will resume Monday.

## Today's news summary

Compiled from United Press International

### State

HARTFORD — State troopers were ordered to stay in touch with their barracks today while the union representing prison guards decides whether or not to call a strike.

The state's emergency plans call for troopers to take charge of the 3,000 prisoners in case of a strike by the guards. State law prohibits strikes by guards, but they authorized one Monday in an effort to push salary demands.

HARTFORD — State Tax Department officials reported a "marked decrease" in the number of Connecticut residents buying liquor in surrounding states as a result of several arrests. Agents sit outside out-of-state stores and note Connecticut cars in the parking lots. The agents then notify state troopers who arrest the drivers of the cars when they cross back into Connecticut.

WASHINGTON — Sen. Edmund Muskie, D-Maine, has asked the Federal Energy Administration to look into recent heating oil price increases and aid he hoped other New England senators would join him in the request. He noted prices have gone up as much as three cents a gallon since controls were removed earlier this year.

CONCORD, N.H. — Tolls on New Hampshire's Everett Turnpike will be 60 per cent higher

next April. The increase from 25 to 40 cents was approved Wednesday to pay off \$28.5 million in highway construction bonds over a 30-year period.

CHELSEA, Mass. — The president of the Northeast Petroleum Co. says the cargo of oil spilled from the Liberian tanker Argo Merchant was worth about \$2.7 million. The oil was destined for the firm at Salem, Mass. The loss will be paid for by the shippers and the firm has been able to borrow enough fuel oil for Northeast Electric Co. to supply customers.

HARRISBURG, Pa. — A group representing legislative leaders from 10 Northeastern states is quietly circulating a \$147 billion plan to make Pennsylvania the region's power plant with 247 coal mine-mouth power plants tied into a 37,200-mile-high voltage transmission line system by the year 2000.

WASHINGTON — Dr. Theodore Copper, assistant secretary for health in the Department of Health, Education and Welfare, is urging the national Center for Disease Control in Atlanta to consider a partial resumption of swine flu and other flu shots for the elderly and chronically ill persons.

CHICAGO — Chicago mayor James I. Bevel Wednesday laid out 21 years. Richard J. Daley, 74, the last of the big city bosses, who

died Monday. Rites were conducted in Nativity of Our Lord Roman Catholic Church in his Bridgeport neighborhood.

President-elect Jimmy Carter and Vice President Nelson Rockefeller were among the dignitaries attending the rites.

DETROIT — With just a few exceptions, U.S. auto plants have been ordered closed after today's lifts for a 10-day holiday after turning out more far more cars in any year since the pre-energy crisis year of 1973. Nearly 750,000 workers will start the holiday Friday with their biggest paychecks ever and won't return to work until Jan. 3.

National

International

BEIRUT — The Lebanese parliament met under heavy security today for the first time in three months for a vote of confidence in Prime Minister Selim al-Hoss, who is calling for a state of emergency which includes military press censorship and suspension of the right of assembly.

MEXICO CITY — The Mexican government is investigating the alleged sale of Mexican babies to American families by the Casa del Sur, a branch of Easter House Adoption Agency in Chicago. Easter House president Seymour Kurtz, an attorney, told UPI in a recent interview he would take Mexican-born babies across the border and place them with American families for a fee of \$8,000.

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An early Christmas present (Herald photo by Pinto)

It's a real happy Christmas this year for Mr. and Mrs. Hollis E. Read Jr. of 10 Newman St. as they leave Manchester Memorial Hospital with their brand new baby daughter neatly tucked in a big red Christmas sock. Little Karen Michele was born Dec. 15 at 10:14 a.m. and weighed 6 pounds 15 ounces. She has a brother, John, three years old. During the Christmas season, Manchester hospital sends its babies home wrapped in Christmas socks.

## Seasonal Sharing Appeal nears \$2,500 objective

By ALICE EVANS  
Herald Reporter

The annual Seasonal Sharing Appeal, which was more than \$1,500 short of its goal of \$2,500 last Monday, is now expected to go over the top.

A last-minute appeal for funds for the annual project to provide shoes and warm jackets for children of Manchester residents in need resulted in an influx of checks, Mrs. Nancy Carr, executive director of the Manchester Area Conference of Churches, sponsor of the project, said today.

Since Monday, Manchester residents have contributed about \$1,200 for the annual appeal, and with one more day to go before Christmas, Mrs. Carr expects that the \$300

needed to meet the goal will be coming in.

The conference last Monday stood to lose about \$1,500, because Mrs. Carr in an effort to obtain the needed children's clothing, went ahead and obtained \$2,500 in vouchers, and the funds were not coming in.

Other Christmas projects of the conference are also succeeding. Gifts have been coming in for convalescent home residents, and there should be enough "left over" to provide gifts for local shut-ins," Mrs. Carr said today.

Manchester residents have also volunteered to provide needed Christmas dinners for shut-ins, which was another conference project that was lagging just a few days ago.

The mountain of used toys at the Salvation Army Citadel dwindled Wednesday when parents feeling this year's economic pinch were able to pick up toys for their children.

McDonald's of Manchester has provided the conference with guest cards for 52 Manchester youngsters. The guest cards will provide each recipient with a hamburger, french fries and a drink. The drive-in restaurant is also helping the Manchester Salvation Army Corps with its Christmas project. On Friday from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., McDonald's will donate 10 cents of each order of french fries to the Salvation Army Christmas project.

Miracles have happened this Christmas season, and many Manchester youngsters will receive warm clothing and toys because of the generosity of a great many local residents.

expressed disappointment in Manchester's absence from a preliminary list of state projects accepted for the Public Works Employment Act.

The list, to be published today in the Federal Register, includes \$48.5 million in funding for 33 projects in 24 state cities and towns.

But, Manchester was not one of them.

"I'm disappointed, to say the least," Jay J. Giles, director of public works, said today. Town Manager Robert B. Weiss expressed similar sentiments.

The Public Works Department submitted six projects for funding, and the Police Department submitted one, construction of a police detention center.

Giles had already received word

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DAYS TO CHRISTMAS

### Gardening

By FRANK ATWOOD

House plants are welcome Christmas gifts for some of her friends, Isabel Compaso has found, and since she has more plants than she quite knows what to do with, she is glad of the opportunity to thin out the population slightly by giving plants to people who would like to have them.

Mrs. Compaso, like many hobby growers of house plants, enjoys taking cuttings from her largest and best specimens and rooting them to produce daughter plants. When to put them became a problem when all the window space in the home was filled with plants and pots.

The wide living room window, facing south, holds her best and largest plants, with the place of honor in the center given to a 10-year-old jade plant that has extremely heavy stems and dense mass of shiny green leaves. It flowered last year for the first time and again this year, in September.

The jade has been the parent of many offspring and several of these daughters, of varying size, are growing now in the Compaso home.



Living room window at the Gerald A. Compaso home on Richmond Dr. is literally filled with plants, on the floor, on the plant stands and in hanging baskets. Pineapple plant at left is seven years old. (Herald photo by Dunn)

#### Pineapple plant

One of the largest plants in the collection is a pineapple, seven years old, started by cutting a slice from the top of a pineapple bought for the family table, and setting it on top of the soil in a pot. Roots grew from the bottom side of the slice. Leaves continued to grow and new leaves developed, but as yet no blossom.

Swedish ivy is an easy plant to root from cuttings and, in a hanging basket, its stems drop so low that they require cutting to keep them from becoming a nuisance. When the stems with the beginnings of new roots. Mrs. Compaso has grown many small spider plants. There are philodendrons and geraniums.

**Son grows cactus**  
Gary Compaso, 18, grows cactus plants, lined up along the window sill in his room and cared for by his mother while he is away from home as a freshman at Providence College.

Mrs. Compaso is a student, too, going twice a week to classes at the University of Hartford and working for a master's degree in either fine arts or art education. She is now a substitute teacher in art classes at any level for schools in the area.

While she studies art, Mrs. Compaso also paints at home, has exhibited in many art shows and is a member of the Connecticut Women Artists. She paints flowers, but prefers to work with human figures. Her paintings are for sale.

On a few occasions, to reduce her over-supply of plants, Mrs. Compaso has offered plants for sale. She sets a definite period of a few days for sale and she displays them. Then, she points out, she has to stay home all day and every day as long as the sale lasts.

When spring comes most of the plants go outside, the hanging baskets under the overhang at the front of the

house and garage and under a porch roof at the back of the house. It is when the plants come back inside that the question of where to put them becomes acute.

The space problem is always worked out somehow, and Mrs. Compaso would not want a home without plants. She feels that plants make a room more beautiful and enjoyable for those who live in it.

**Flowers and bells**  
Mrs. Richard Ranney of East Hartford is a bell collector. She thinks the total is around 1300, from around the world. She has a bell collector friend in Atlanta, Ga., whose husband is a grower and photographer of flowers. He has put together a collection of color slides of flowers in the shape of bells.

There is a surprising number and any gardener can think of many. There are Canterbury bells, foxglove, lily of the valley, snowdrops, Virginia bluebells, coral bells and bells of Ireland, to name a few.

Mrs. Ranney showed her friend's pictures and her bells at the recent meeting of the Manchester Garden Club. A tulip blossom, turned upside down, has a bell shape, she pointed out.

On a set of hand bells Mrs. Ranney played Christmas music, "Joy to the World," and "The First Noel," two old carols, and "The Bells of St. Mary's," a song that has become associated with Christmas.

Flora Ranney is a daughter of Mrs. John Pickles, for many years a member of the club.

### Wins \$5,000 in lottery

Mrs. Elizabeth E. Cowles of 97 Branford St. has won \$5,000 in the Connecticut Lottery's weekly "Double Play" game.

Mrs. Cowles' winning ticket, which not only matched both the two and three-digit numbers, but also had a color match, doubling her \$2,500 prize, was purchased at Brown's Package Store on W. Middle Tpk.

She is now eligible for the jackpot, final drawing. If her name is drawn, she would compete for a \$200,000 jackpot on the televised drawing, "Double Play."

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**THE SEVEN PERCENT SOLUTION** (PG)  
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**KING KONG** (PG)  
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### Public records

**Warranty deed**  
William R. Borbery and Kathleen E. Borbery to Anthony J. Blanchard and Marie S. Blanchard, property at 116 Carriage Dr., \$54,000.

**Quitclaim deed**  
Sun Oil Co. of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, Pa., to Robert O. Marchand, property at corner of Strant and Main Sts., \$44,000.

**Executor's deed**  
Hartford National Bank and Trust Co., executor of estate of John F. Moriarty to Clifford E. Joyce, property at 41 Otis St., \$39,000.

**Herbert C. Thompson and Helen N. Thompson to Alexander J. Matthew and Joseph S. Lombardo, property at 38 Sterling Pl., \$55,000.**

**Quitclaim deed**  
Anna E. White to Arnold S. Gillis, property at 149-151 Pine St., no conveyance tax.

**Certificate of attachment**  
W.H. Stairs and Cabinets, Inc. against Robert Agnew, \$5,000, two parcels of property on School St., two parcels on Ferguson Rd., and one on Grissom Rd.

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## Town employe gift policy explained

Town of Manchester employes are not allowed to accept Christmas gifts of substantial value, according to town policy.

"Basically, we don't permit Christmas gifts," Charles McCarthy Jr., assistant town manager, said. He did say, however, that department heads are asked to take a "reasonable attitude" on the matter.

If a gift is worth very little, it does not have to be returned, McCarthy said. Town Manager Robert B. Weiss repeated McCarthy's words.

"Gifts of value are prohibited. I'm not allowing an issue if someone brings in a box of candy," Weiss said.

He sent a memo to all department heads last December and cited Section 2-6 of the Town Charter, which reads: "No elected or appointed officer, superintendent, head of bureau, subordinate or employee of the Town shall have or receive to his own use any perquisite, compensation or fees pertaining directly or indirectly to the duties of his office in addition to his salary."

Weiss wrote in the memo, "In the event that any gifts of value are received, a suitable letter of appreciation can be sent to the giver along with the return of the gift. Weiss said that the policy has not caused any recent problems.

McCarthy said that the policy is set up because town departments are involved in regulating Manchester residents and property owners.

"You don't want town employes to feel that they owe someone something," he said.

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## Everhart ruling on food stamps may have broad implications

By SUSAN VAUGHN

Herald Reporter

A preliminary decision in favor of William and Nancy Everhart of 12 Trotter St. to allow them to use food stamps for meals-on-wheels may have larger implications for all disabled persons under age 60 who qualify for the food stamps.

A ruling on a motion for a preliminary injunction handed down Monday by U.S. District Court Judge Joseph Blumenthal applies only to the Everharts. However, their suit was filed as a class action suit against the U.S. Secretary of Agriculture Earl Butz, state Social Services Commissioner Edward Maher and a state food stamp administrator.

The immediate decision may be small, but it could be "large in terms of long-term impact," according to Atty. Shirley Bergert, of the Tolland-Windham Legal Assistance Office in Rockville.

The Everharts, both disabled cerebral palsy victims, fall into one of the categories as far as qualification for using their food stamps for the meals-on-wheels. Both are under 60. The Food Stamp Act allows only persons over 60 to receive meals-on-wheels with food stamps.

The court action is only temporary and the next step "probably will be class action certification," said

Bergert, which would state that other persons are in similar situations as the Everharts.

"The case could open in a trial in the federal court and 'hopefully resolve in a permanent injunction,' however, it may never go to trial," said Bergert.

At this point, the U.S. Government has the option of appealing the case, which Bergert said is doubtful.

James C. Sturtevant of the Tolland-Windham Legal Assistance Office, who handled the case for the Everharts, said after the Dec. 10 hearing that he hopes the case will be decided by February.

Using rather strong language at times, Judge Blumenthal said, "There is a serious question whether the legislative purposes of the Food Stamp Act in general, and the section limiting the food stamps for meals-on-wheels, in particular, are rationally advanced by the classification at issue" (the age).

The judge cited a "possible conflict of purposes" of the Food Stamp Act, one of which is "to raise levels of nutrition among low income households and safeguard the health and well-being of the nation."

The judge said, at this point, that he does not see "anything in the policies of the act which support a classification that would prevent persons under 60, but otherwise meeting

the requirements of meals-on-wheels." The judge said he does not see anything in the legislative history for "distinguishing between ill and disabled persons over and under 60."

Citing the "undisputed testimony" of Dr. William H. Baird who examined the Everharts in their home, Blumenthal said the Everharts have "suffered and will continue to suffer irreparable injury."

Edward Preneta, program director for United Cerebral Palsy of Greater Hartford, said that the organization already knows of almost 200 persons who would be eligible for the meals-on-wheels with food stamps, but he said he is not sure whether all of them would take advantage of the program.

He said that it is very difficult for many of the severely and multiply handicapped persons to actually pick up food stamps.

The organization still plans to make a concerted effort after the first of the year, Preneta said, to contact all those persons who might be eligible for the program in a 23-town Greater Hartford area.

The Everharts expect to start obtaining the meals-on-wheels again on Jan. 3. The ten meals they receive each week with \$1.50 in food stamps will not cost the government anything extra.

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**Opinion**

**Sending food deters production efforts**

We seem to be in a period of remission from what could yet be mankind's terminal illness — uncontrolled population growth — with accompanying widespread and chronic starvation.

While world population is far from stabilized, growth rates have been declining in the underdeveloped countries and experts are revising their former projections that the number of people on the globe will double by the year 2000.

As for food, the United States is "awash in an ocean of excess wheat," says Department of Agriculture economists, and they see little prospect of the Soviet Union or any other country buying enough in 1977 to bolster the currently depressed price for farmers.

They predict that U.S. wheat storage, already the largest since the 1960s, could grow to almost a billion bushels by next June.

Nevertheless, the United States, Canada and, to a lesser extent, Australia remain the world's only producers of surplus grain (a fact which continues to be staunchly ignored by the proponents of Socialist economies).

Thus one or two disastrous growing seasons in the developing world could revive the temporarily abated controversy over the extent of the moral obligation of Americans to feed the world's starving and, if necessary, to lower their own standards of living to do so.

Noted British economist Barbara Ward recently pointed out that at least one-third of the increased world demand for food in the past 10 years has come from North Americans, Europeans and Russians eating steadily more high-protein food. Grain is fed to animals and poultry and eaten as steaks and eggs.

In real energy terms, she says, this is about five times more wasteful than eating grain itself. The result is an average American diet of nearly 2,000 pounds of grain a year, compared to only 400 pounds for the average person in India.

The implication of this and similar statements is that if

the people of the richer countries used less grain — largely by reducing the consumption of livestock products — the poorer people of the world would be better fed.

Such a conclusion is "clearly incorrect," contends D. Gale Johnson, provost of the University of Chicago and professor of economics.

Those who advocate reducing grain consumption in high-income countries fail to understand the close connections between demand and supply affecting food production, he says. "It is simply not possible to reduce demand and assume that supply will remain the same."

From 1968 through 1971, in fact, producers in the major exporting countries were restricting grain production because there was not enough demand for grain at acceptable prices. If domestic use of grain had been reduced, much less would have been invested in agricultural research and the production capacity of the major exporting countries would be much lower today than it actually is.

Not only this, says Johnson, but past experience indicates that large-scale food aid contributes relatively little to the food supply of developing countries. Such aid has served as a powerful deterrent by permitting recipient governments to lower the priority that they gave to agricultural research and investment, and farmers were adversely affected by lower prices than would have existed.

Improvement in per capita food consumption in the developing countries will depend primarily upon increasing food production in those countries, says Johnson, and on this score he is "cautiously optimistic" that the people of the developing world will be better fed a decade hence than they are now.

"Agriculture is one of the world's most dynamic activities," he says. "Farmers, even those who are illiterate or who have little education, have demonstrated that when there is a profitable opportunity, they will seize it."

WASHINGTON — Air Force Magazine is to armaments what Playboy is to sex. Its centerfold features frontal shots of the B-1 bomber. Its readers get it on by viewing graphs of the balance of power. And each year around Christmas it dedicates itself to a pornographic review in the truest sense: an exhaustive listing of the military strengths of most of the world's nations.

It is a melancholy package for its readers. At best it serves to remind that "Joy to the World" has for the larger part been replaced by "In Arms We Trust." At a time when millions pause to reflect on peace on earth and human harmony, the military tabulation suggests such sentiments are of small practical moment.

The people of Saudi Arabia, for example, are currently spending nearly one-third of their gross national product on weaponry. In the U.S., as in the Soviet Union, the national military expenditure approaches \$60 per capita. Even in neutral Sweden, one of every six males serves in a reserve force capable of 48-hour mobilization.

**The price we pay for military might**

**Tom Tiede**

But the most numbing statistics are the world totals. The magazine does not compile these figures, leaving this to readers with calculators. Thus at present, according to mathematics for nearly 100 nations, mankind is spending almost \$50 billion annually to support some 25 million active and about 50 million standby soldiers.

It can be argued that these totals are somewhat exaggerated. Adding up militarism is not the same as counting apples. Because of state secrecy and other vagaries, some figuring is necessarily weak. Therefore, the expenditure totals may be several billion high, and maybe half of those listed as standby troops should not fairly be counted.

Then again, even an exaggerated list is in fact a conservative one where modern security is concerned. However much money is being spent, it purchases defenses of unprecedented sophistication. A plane today is equivalent to an entire air force of World War II; a single ship is

more powerful than any fleet in history; and we have about 1,200,000 times the nuclear power that was dropped on Hiroshima.

And so it's clear this Christmas that civilization is separated into armed camps that have no historic comparison. In 1959, as the world was still working free from the Cold War, total military expenditure was about \$97 billion. Since then, defense outlays have increased to \$150 billion. International defense financing has almost doubled — and we now pay almost \$1 billion a day in suspicion of one another.

There are other costs as well. Particularly those of a social nature. Each dollar spent in support of the world's 121,000 tanks means one less that could go to individual needs. In India, where people starve, the generals command 1.5 million soldiers. In Oman, where illiteracy is commensurate per capita, military spending is about \$600. And in the slum infested Egypt, almost half of the GNP is spent for guns.

Economist Ruth Leger Sivars says that nations now budget more for armaments than for education. She says

world health care receives only half the financing of world munitions. Her figures show the Middle East nations spending twice as much for defense as on education and health combined. Even the U.S. is guilty; it ranks first or second in war appropriations, but fourth in per capita cash for education.

Happy holidays? The compilations in Air Force Magazine this season go on for 46 pages. Russia has 41,500 tanks; Italy has as many rearmists as does the U.S.; Zaire, which is landlocked, has 12 combat ships; Singapore, all 226 square miles of it, has 205 jet fighters; and East Germany, with a population of 17 million, budgets more for its arms than does India with 35 times the people.

Economist Sivars believes even a small portion of this gun money could wipe out illiteracy on the globe. Others are begging that nations put some of the 25 million troops to work building hospitals or helping with the harvest. Dreams, of course, like hope. Air Force Magazine is filled with references to bombs and bullets with this Christmas, but there is no mention at all of good will toward men.

**What's needed on the Hill is reform**

**Ray Cromley**

WASHINGTON — He's a young idealist of proven ability. He first ran for Congress two years ago because of his concern that the Senate and House had fallen into disrepute. And because he believed that, in his small way, he ought to do what he could. In November he won again — by a landslide.

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And don't forget the conflicts of interest typified by the case of a congressman with major banking investments who votes on banking legislation which benefits him personally.

Put all the above in a basket and the top priority of this incoming

Congress should be clear. It's not new laws we need. But reform on the Hill.

There's a widespread view among those who believe the sprawling executive bureaucracy needs an overhaul that this is impossible, or if achieved, would be unworkable unless there's a comparable reform of the maze that passes for organization in the Congress. The average representative has five to six committees and subcommittee roles, the average Senator 18 to 20. Major government agencies must report and be accountable to up to 90 or so committees, subcommittees and special investigative groups.

As a result, he doesn't know where to turn. He wanders about asking acquaintances, congressmen and friends at home how one can attack this problem.

Now my friend is not alone. There are only equally conscientious senators and representatives of my knowledge who want a cleanup. But the cards are stacked against them. The majority of legislators, it appears, do not want to give up their privileges and prerogatives. They'll make certain that if the pressure is great, and reform bills must be voted, the new laws be so filled with loopholes as to be meaningless.

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**Almanac**

By United Press International  
Today is Thursday, Dec. 23, the 326th day of 1976 with eight to follow. The moon is between its new phase and first quarter. The morning stars are Mars and Saturn. The evening stars are Mercury, Venus and Jupiter. Those born on this date are under the sign of Capricorn. Mormon religious founder Joseph Smith was born Dec. 23, 1805.

On this day in history:  
In 1783, Gen. George Washington resigned his commission with the U.S. Army and retired to Mount Vernon, Va.  
In 1928, the National Broadcasting Company established a permanent coast-to-coast hookup.  
In 1948, ex-Premier Tojo of Japan and six other Japanese war leaders were hanged in Tokyo by the Allied War Crimes Commission.  
In 1975, Richard Welch, CIA chief in Athens, Greece, was shot to death by hooded assassins.

A thought for the day: American novelist Thomas Wolfe said, "Most of the time we think we're sick, it's all in the mind."



**Don't leave mistletoe up too long**

**Andrew Tully**

WASHINGTON — Aristotle Knox, resident scholar of the sauna, has set us right on the subject of mistletoe. It was not made famous by the second assistant vice president of Atlas Deodorant Inc., lusting for the lips of his secretary, but by the ancient Druids.

Back when the Druids had a monopoly on the religion dodge in the British Isles, they made mistletoe their No. 1 sacred gimmick. They proclaimed that the staff be reaped with the utmost reverence, and never burned a heretic at the stake without first adorning him with a few sprigs of the weed to protect them from the victim's ghost.

Dressed in white ceremonial robes, the Druids went out into the woods periodically to cut mistletoe with golden sickles. Some of this was piled on an altar and burned as a sacrifice to the god-of-the-month, and the rest

turned all mistletoe over to the goddess of love and told her to make some changes. The goddess forthwith issued a proclamation that thereafter anybody caught under a sprig of the stuff must be kissed. Even enemies had to drop their weapons and embrace when they met under mistletoe; otherwise their heads would drop off or some other annoying accident would befall them.

Christian Bishops for centuries banned the use of mistletoe because it was a symbol of paganism and encouraged smooching by couples who hadn't paid a marriage license fee. Naturally, people took to bootlegging the weed, and after a series of gang wars were launched by racketeers trying to muscle in on the business, the ban was lifted.

Mistletoe used to be hung only in the kitchen, but nowadays it's put in a room where there's a better chance of catching a girl. Although it is now strictly a romantic item, in olden times it was peddled by doctors to cure assorted ailments.

People wore the stuff to protect themselves from the vapors, ward

off the toothache, soothe their appendix, ease the pains of gout, make childbirth painless, cure hangovers and the common cold. Mistletoe also was recommended to put the whimsy on witches, but only if the patient paid a fee to his district soothsayer.

In German villages, it's still called "Gut by," which means "all heal," and in Brittany some doctors still treat fevers with oil from mistletoe berries. An itinerant apothecary was arrested in Boston in 1801 for selling mistletoe to students of Harvard College as a love potion without a permit. It is Oklahoma's state flower.

The stuff is a pain in the checkbook to the lumber industry because it's a deadly parasite. Mistletoe likes to attach itself to valuable trees and then dine so heartily on the sap that the trees die. Some lumber outfits use flame throwers and radioactive gadgets to kill it off.

Mistletoe is dangerous if you leave it up too long. Be sure to take it down before Candlemas Eve, Feb. 1, or each leaf will produce a goblin that'll heckle you the rest of the year.

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**'Twas the night before Christmas — an updated view**

By JOY STERLING  
SPOKANE, Wash. (UPI) — The following manuscript, left at the UPI bureau in Spokane by a transient elf, is reprinted with permission of the author:

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Has no proper lights.  
The law is simple  
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Long ago it was worse...  
But he's not done his duty  
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His sleigh is not marked  
With its maximum weight.  
And the EPA people  
Will join the patrols.  
They know that the team  
Lacks emission controls.  
But these agents and watchers  
And old Smokey Bears  
Are not listed among  
This night rider's cares.  
His soul is untroubled...  
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### ECHS students spread cheer at Crestfield

Students from East Catholic High School serenaded residents of Crestfield Convalescent Home with Christmas carols Wednesday at the home. Offering musical holiday greetings are from left, Lisa Holmes, Rich Hopkins and Laurie Slack, ECHS students, while Ella Caffery and Cecile Dion join in. (Herald photo by Pinto)



### Dr. Lamb

### Diet questions after hepatitis

By Lawrence E. Lamb, M.D.

Dear Dr. Lamb—My 21-year-old son recovered from a mild bout of hepatitis six months ago. Can you give me some information as to the correct diet he should have? He will be home soon, and I would not want to cook anything that might hurt him. Also, he said he seems to catch colds and sore throats rather easily. Can daily vitamins help him? Like most young (and some not so young) people he does not eat properly anyway. What can I do to help him? Should he get a physical check up more often than once a year? He loves gourmet foods and enjoys wines. Take Christmas dinner: can he eat turkey, dressing, cranberry sauce, nuts, gravy, potatoes, yams, pie and roast beef? Can he eat spaghetti sauce — real Italian style? Dear Reader—From the sounds of your letter I am afraid your son's real problem will be to avoid overstuffing with all that delicious food. Easy on the calories mom! Most people who have

had hepatitis recover completely and can eat the same things everyone else eats. If there is residual damage the doctor should advise him on any restrictions he might have. Most people with mild liver damage can eat all carbohydrates, should eat a normal amount of protein and are well advised to avoid excess fat intake. Extra proteins won't help. A person only needs so many vitamins and a well balanced diet should provide them. For the individual who is not careful about his eating habits a daily all purpose vitamin pill may be useful. Liver damage and alcohol, in any form, do not mix. If your son has recovered completely and has no residual damage he could have a moderate amount of alcohol, but remember it is toxic to the liver. And I meant what I said about calories — too many calories is the problem most people have. To give you additional information I am sending you The Health Letter number 74, Living With

Your Liver. Others who want this information can send 50 cents with a long, stamped, self-addressed envelope for it. Just send your request to me in care of The Manchester Evening Herald, P.O. Box 326, San Antonio, TX 78292. Dear Dr. Lamb — You had in your column not long ago an article about drinking colas. You commented that it was not a very bad habit because colas are low in caffeine content. I have also heard that it is a bad drink because it is hard on the kidneys and stomach. I have stomach aches frequently and if I drink colas it seems to make my stomach problem worse. I was wondering if it was really because of the drink, and if colas are bad for the kidneys and stomach. Dear Reader — For normal, healthy people a cola or two a day is not harmful. The group contains only a little caffeine, about a fourth as much as you get in a cup of coffee. In sensitive people with acid stomach problems colas may be irritating. Also all soda drinks release

gas, usually in the stomach, which increase the gas problem. They have no effect on normal kidneys at all. The chemical balance mechanism of the body is such that it can adjust to a wide variety of acid or alkaline foods. The colas and other foods and drinks are broken down into simple substances before they can be absorbed into the blood stream. Only the simple compounds ever reach the kidneys. Colas and other soft drinks between meals may be bad for your teeth, and so are all sweets, food and drink particularly if you don't brush your teeth at once. (Newspaper Enterprise Assn.)

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### Wedding

#### Leddy-Fothergill

JoAnn Fothergill of Manchester and Paul Steven Leddy of Windsor Locks were married Nov. 6 at the home of the bridegroom's mother. The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Fothergill of 44 Fairview St. The bridegroom is the son of Mrs. Elizabeth Leddy of Windsor Locks and Paul E. Leddy of West Hartford.

Justice of the Peace Martin McGuire performed the double-ring ceremony. Miss Sharon Leddy of Windsor Locks, the bridegroom's sister, was maid of honor. Carl Barone of Broad Brook served as best man. The couple is residing in Ellington.



Roback Photo Virginia Petersen

### Engaged

#### Reichenbach-May

The engagement of Miss Gail Reichenbach to Richard B. May, both of Vernon, has been announced by her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Reichenbach of 406 Woodland St. Mr. May is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Stuart May of Woodstock. The bride-elect was graduated from Manchester High School in 1964 and from Marion College, Marion, Va., in 1966. She is employed as a sur-

gical technician at Manchester Memorial Hospital. Her fiancé was graduated from Woodstock Academy and the University of Connecticut. He served in the U. S. Air Force and is employed as a dispatcher at the Cuno Division of AMF in Stafford Springs. No date has been set for the wedding.

### Carol sing highlights OTH Christmas party

Members of the Organization of The Handicapped (OTH) joined together recently for a Christmas party at the Regional Occupational Training Center in Manchester.

The use of the center was made available through the courtesy of its director, Norman Fendell. Frank Vaccaro, OTH president, said more people would have liked to attend but were unable to due to lack of transportation. The evening was concluded with a carol sing.

### Shelter grant

HARTFORD (UPI) — The Hartford Foundation for Public Giving Wednesday made a \$25,000 award toward purchase of a house for use as a counseling center and temporary shelter for runaway youth. The award to The Bridge of Educational Resources Inc., matches a \$25,000 challenge grant by the Junior League of Hartford Inc., toward purchase of a Hartford home. About \$35,000 more is needed to buy and renovate the 12-room home.

## President working on State of Union; Betty goes shopping

VALE, Colo. (UPI) — While President Ford deals with the State of the Union and the ski slopes, his wife Betty is taking care of Christmas. Ford, as befits the No. 1 resident of this ski resort, announces to all within earshot there is no shortage of snow. Then he skis down the few trails open because of the snow-drought in the Rockies. At the end of his run Wednesday, Ford paused to tell reporters he was 90 per cent finished writing the State of the Union message. At the same time, his wife was down in the valley at the Meadow Mountain Elementary School with her good friend, Santa Claus.

"I hurt my neck," she told the 6-, 7-, 8- and 9-year-old children, explaining why she was there while the President and their children, Mike, Jack, Susan and Steven, were up on the artificial-snow slopes. "Everybody ski but me," said the First Lady, whose painful neck ailment halted her dancing and athletics but did not diminish her energy. "So when everybody else is up on the mountain, I do something else."

Something else is what took her to the school, where she joined the fourth graders in making Christmas tree decorations. Vanessa White looked up at Mrs. Ford as her hands and laid them out on yellow-and-red paper. The first lady's fingers were outlined with a felt-tip pen, scissored from the paper and hung on the school tree. Mrs. Ford quickly overcame the children's awe of their visitor. Even the little boys edged up from the back of the first-, second- and third-grade classes and talked with her about their children, their Christmas and what

Santa Claus should bring. "I hope all children get everything they want from Santa," she said. "But if something is missing, you should not feel too badly, for Santa has a very long list and a long way to go to visit all children. The nicest thing about Christmas, you know, is not getting the presents," she said. "The nicest thing about Christmas is sharing. The meaning of Christmas is love and the birth of Jesus." A blond boy named David, at first too shy to answer Mrs. Ford's greeting, circled around behind her, touched the jacket of her red, white and blue ski suit and whispered, "I love you."

The children sang "Joy to the World" and "Silent Night" in Spanish and English, accompanied by a guitar. Mrs. Ford then brought in "my friend, Santa Claus." She promised David and the other children they would love the peppermint sticks in Santa's bag. She was right.

### Yesterdays

25 years ago  
Hose Co. 3 plans the Firemen's Annual Christmas Carol Festival. 10 years ago  
Town merchants report that Christmas business has been good but not comparable to 1965.

## State youth killed in high-speed crash

VERO BEACH, Fla. (UPI) — One of two Connecticut youths in a stolen car was killed at the climax of a 25-mile auto chase at speeds up to 120 miles an hour when the fleeing car crashed into a flatbed trailer placed across U.S. 1 as an "immovable road block." The dead youth was identified Wednesday as John Brumble, 15, Ledyard, Conn., driver of the auto. His companion, William Francis Perry, 17, also of Ledyard, escaped with minor injuries. The car containing the two youths was demolished. Police said it had been stolen sometime after 7 p.m. Tuesday from Miami Beach. About 30 minutes after it was reported stolen at 10 p.m. Tuesday, the auto pulled into a service station at Fort Pierce, more than 100 miles north of the municipal parking lot from which it was stolen. The occupants got the tank filled with gasoline and then driven to Deerfield Beach by truck driver Donald Longnecker, 38, Ocoee, Fla.

## MHS students participating in Free Enterprise Week

Two Manchester High School students last week witnessed Gov. Grasso as he signed a proclamation declaring this week Free Enterprise Week. Witnessing the signing were Ellen Uzanas and Linda Mercer, members of Distributive Education Clubs of America (DECA) at Manchester High School. Linda is one of 14 state officers in DECA. Ellen is president of the MHS Chapter of DECA. DECA is a youth organization dedicated to promoting the Free enterprise system. Students enrolled in the distributive education phase of the Cooperative Occupational Education Program (COEP) at the high school are eligible to join DECA. In naming this week Free Enterprise Week, Gov. Grasso praised the students for their concern for free enterprise.



### Green School presents Christmas play

Manchester Green School children get a closeup view of a play, "The Animals' Christmas Tree" being presented Wednesday morning at the school by Unit A. The woodland, played by Ricky Smith, at right on stage, comes to the woods prepared to cut a Christmas tree with his axe, only to find that the people of the forest have decorated it with food items for the wild animals. (Herald photo by Pinto)

## Rabin faces challenge from Eban

JERUSALEM, Israel (UPI) — Former Foreign Minister Abba Eban has challenged Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin for leadership of the ruling Labor party, saying only he can provide the unifying spirit the nation needs. Eban, 61, said in a television interview Wednesday he had no advantage over other candidates except "a personal disposition that does not put people off but rather brings them closer together." Eban warned that unless the Labor party revamped its leadership it was bound to lose the next national elections, expected in mid-May. The party is expected to nominate its candidate for the premiership during a convention in February. Unlike Eban, Rabin's other major rivals and possible contenders for the premiership, Defense Minister Shimon Peres and former Defense Minister Moshe Dayan have not yet announced their stand. But both denied reports they were involved in an attempt by the Likud opposition bloc to win a mandate to head a caretaker government until the new elections. Labor is trying to push legislation dissolving parliament and setting a date for new elections. Passage of such legislation would make the party in the caretaker status still the elections, undercutting a chance — however slim — that President Ebrahim Katirji may name someone other than Rabin to head an interim government.

Cotter aide  
WASHINGTON (UPI) — David J. McQuade was named Wednesday as a state aide to Rep. William R. Cotter, D-Conn. Cotter said McQuade, a former member of the Office of Legislative Research, will work in the Hartford district office to aid citizens and towns in the congressman's 1st District.

Death rate  
HARTFORD (UPI) — Motor Vehicle Commissioner Stanley J. Pac said Wednesday traffic deaths in Connecticut this year have exceeded the 388 fatalities recorded in 1975. Pac said 401 deaths were recorded as of Tuesday. The 246 vehicle occupants killed in the first 11 months of 1976 was less than the 251 killed for the same period last year, but motorcycle deaths stood at 54, compared to only 40 for last year. The 74 pedestrians killed this year are up nine from last year and six bicyclists have died this year, compared to seven last year.

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## Orphan gifts

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Tuesday: Pot roasted veal slices, tomato vegetable au jus, whipped potatoes, frozen spinach chopped and buttered, warm apple crisp pudding, whole wheat bread, margarine, coffee, tea or milk.  
Wednesday: Old-fashioned beef stew with whole vegetables, creamy coleslaw, vanilla pudding with peach garnish, baking powder biscuit, margarine, coffee, tea or milk.  
Thursday: Chicken Flanchard with sauce, parried buttered potatoes, beets in orange sauce, canned purple plums, bread, margarine, coffee, tea or milk.  
Friday: No lunch served. The menu is subject to change.

**In the service**  
Airman Thomas J. Howells, son of Mr. and Mrs. John T. Howells of 97 Candlewood Dr., South Windsor, has graduated at Sheppard AFB, Tex. for duty with a unit of the Strategic Air Command. Completion of the course enables the airman to receive academic credits through the Community College of the Air Force.  
He was graduated from South Windsor High School in 1975.

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# Schoolboy slate lists Indians home

By LEN AUSTER  
Herald Sports Editor  
Two of the three local cage squads are in action tonight in what is otherwise a light schedule just before the Christmas holiday.

Manchester High, 3-1 in the CCIL to hold down a share of third place with Penney High behind leading Hartford Simsbury (both 4-0), is at home at Clarke Arena at 8 against 2-1 Wethersfield High in a league encounter.

East Catholic, 3-1 after a last-second 60-58 loss to Holy Cross, travels to New Britain for its first

Hartford County Conference tilt against 4-0 St. Thomas Aquinas. The Saints are 1-0 in conference play.

In other contests, 3-1 Penney High is at 4-0 Simsbury in a key CCIL battle, 0-4 East Hartford entertains 0-4 Enfield in another CCIL clash, 0-3 Rockville High is at Plainville High in a non-conference engagement, and 0-3 Ellington High visits Plainville High in a non-conference game.

Manchester went with 6-2 Junior Billy Kelly instead of 5-8 Junior Bill Finnegan in the backcourt against

Conard and the move paid off against the Chieftains' zone. "Kelly is a better passer," Indian coach Doug Pearson cited. "And yes, his height does help."

The Silk Towners also received a strong effort from Rick Marshall with Pearson noting he's pleased with the progress made by the 6-3 Junior. "He's playing better with every game and we will use him a lot in future games."

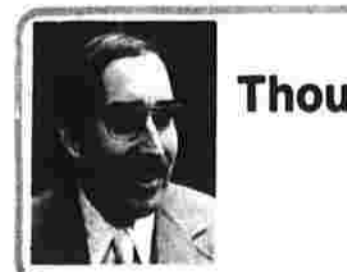
East over-all did have a good outing against Holy Cross. "We didn't execute well (offensively) and we showed no poise, the poise we showed in our first three games," underlined Eagle coach Stan Ogrodnik. Aquinas, year ago, held the ball twice on East because of a huge size disadvantage but Ogrodnik does not anticipate a repeat.

"We haven't done anything to warrant them but heard they are a very good team. I feel they'll stay with what they do best which is press and run," the ninth-year East mentor remarked.

Eric Hall, a 6-2 Junior transfer, had 11 markers against the Crusaders in Cleveland. He, along with 6-5 senior Jeff Heim, gives East some depth in the frontline.



Six hands in pursuit of loose ball in Cheney game  
Portland's Bob Clark (l) and Mike Fitzgerald (r) battle Tech's George Prasser



### Thoughts ApLENTy

By Len Auster

### Some disclosures

It's understood, Monday's Manchester Board of Education meeting was an interesting one with some enlightening aspects.

The topic this corner's been on recently is the Manchester High athletic budget and how it compares to other schools in the CCIL. One pleasing note out of Monday's meeting is that this is not a one- or two-man crusade.

The one statement which should be examined is Steve Dawson's, the Manchester High senior, a football player and sprinter on the track team, said, "What bothers the players is that we don't have the proper equipment to do the best."

Think about it a moment, please. Some dollars and cents figures were mentioned including \$97,896.64 which was spent on athletics at the three secondary schools (Manchester High, Illing Junior High, Bennett Junior High) for the 1975-76 school year. It should be remembered these figures do include salaries for coaches at the two junior highs.

When you look at the high school alone, the fact remains expenditures, not including salaries, are around the \$24,000 mark for transportation, officials, equipment and supplies. And the fact remains Wethersfield High, for example, has a budget for comparative expenses of around \$50,000. East Hartford High and Penney High each operate with figures approaching \$41,000.

Some of the discrepancy can be explained in that the latter trio operates more sports teams therefore, meaning more former who feel their aren't being treated well don't perform well.

Kennedy reports a Universal Gym, an all-purpose weight machine, is on order. (The questions remain 1) why so long before its purchase and 2) why must some of the tab be paid by the students who sold light bulbs?

It's agreed with Kennedy that interscholastic athletics must be kept in context and "funding decisions concerning athletics must be made in priority relationship."

But with all due respect, Dr. Kennedy, this has not been true in the past. The athletic department which cannot be met by the level of funding presently available in either the Student Activity Account budget or the present Board of Education budget...there is a need to purchase some equipment, uniforms and other material which will necessitate an allotment to the athletic budget which will exceed normal incremental allotment to account for inflation," he reported.

### Interested

WASHINGTON (UPI) — Football's annual College All-Star game, abandoned by Chicago, may be adopted by Washington, D.C.

Joe Albritton, publisher of the Washington Star, will talk with Commissioner Pete Rozelle about bringing the game matching the NFL's Super Bowl championship game and a squad of collegiate stars to the nation's capital with proceeds going to charity.

"The Star is very interested in bringing the All-Star game to Washington if possible," Albritton said in a statement. "We think it would be a good attraction for the Washington community."

Chicago Tribune Charities announced Thursday that it would no longer sponsor the annual contest between the NFL Super Bowl championship team against a squad of the previous year's college stars mainly because of rising costs and the uncertain legal status of the annual pro draft in signing all-stars need for the game.

### Baltimore's Bert Jones AFC Player of Year

NEW YORK (UPI) — Bert Jones, who teamed with Roger Carr this season to form one of the most feared passing combinations in the National Football League, Wednesday was named United Press International's Player of the Year in the American Football Conference.

The talented young quarterback became Baltimore's team leader when he stood up for his fired coach last summer and solidified the Colts into a title contender. He went on to lead Baltimore to an 11-3 record and the Eastern Division title.

Jones, a 6-foot-3, 215-pounder from Louisiana State, assumed the role of team leader when Coach Ted Marchbroda was fired after an exhibition game loss. He interceded with management for Marchbroda's rehiring

### Medical reports good on Steelers

NEW YORK (UPI) — The Pittsburgh Steelers' "Blue Cross Backfield" is starting to show some improvement.

Rocky Bleier hobbled into Pittsburgh Steelers' offices Wednesday with a cane, because of a sprained right big toe, and limped out without it. Franco Harris said his bruised ribs only hurt "when I laugh real hard."

The Los Angeles Rams will have their last day of practice at home today before departing for chilly Minnesota and, unlike the Steelers, the Rams are at full strength for Sunday's NFC championship game against the Vikings.

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### Pro hockey

WHA  
In the WHA, Birmingham jumped off to a three-goal lead in the opening period and skated to a 6-2 victory over Cincinnati; a rebound goal by Charles Constantine with less than two minutes remaining gave Quebec a 4-3 triumph over the Minnesota Fighting Saints; and Norm Ferguson scored after 21 seconds of overtime to give San Diego a 5-4 victory over Phoenix.

### Winnipeg Jets lead WHA West all-stars

TORONTO (UPI) — World Hockey Association scoring leader Anders Hedberg led a troop of three Winnipeg Jets selected to the Western Division's first team for the League's annual All-Star game Jan. 18 in Hartford.

Hedberg, who set a WHA scoring record with 50 points through the season's first 27 games, was the only unanimous pick to the team at right wing Tuesday and was joined on the No. 1 squad by Winnipeg center Uli Nilsson and defenseman Lars-Erik Sjobertz.

Roundup of the first team were goalie Wayne Rutledge, left wing Mark Howe of Houston and defenseman Pat Sherry of San Diego. Sherry, who has been named the most valuable player in each of the last two All-Star games, was selected to play in the midseason classic for a WHA record fifth time.

Chosen to the West's second team were Winnipeg goalie Joe Daley and right wing Willie Lindstrom. Phoenix center Robbie Fiolek and left wing Del Hall, Houston defenseman Paul Popoli and San Diego defenseman Kevin Morrison.

### Names in the news

**Bobby Orr**  
Bobby Orr's gimpy knees still don't allow him to play, but the Chicago Black Hawks — to realize some return for their \$3 million investment — Wednesday named Orr as assistant coach.

Orr, now the highest-paid assistant coach in history, was given the new assignment when Billy Reay, who had coached the Black Hawks for 13 years, was summarily dismissed. Ailing defenseman Bill White was given the head coaching job on an interim basis until the end of the season and alling center Stan Mikita also was installed as an assistant coach.

**John Mazur**  
PHILADELPHIA (UPI) — Two Philadelphia Eagles' assistant coaches, John Idzik and John Mazur, have resigned to "pursue other NFL coaching offers," according to an Eagles spokesman.

**Franco Harris**  
CANTON, Ohio (UPI) — Pittsburgh Steelers fullback Franco Harris has been named the 1976 Man of the Year, an award ceremony coordinated by the Pro Football Hall of Fame.

**Chuck Shelton**  
DES MOINES, Iowa (UPI) — Chuck Shelton, newly named head football coach at Drake University, says his most pressing needs are a "Bear Bryant" and good recruits. Shelton was just joking about the checker that long-time Alabama coach wears, but he was serious about the recruiting.

**Lou Astorino**  
HAMDEN, Conn. (UPI) — Lou Astorino, hockey coach at Hamden High School, is the 1976 choice of the Connecticut Sports Writers Alliance as high school coach of the year.

**Tom Heinsohn**  
BOSTON (UPI) — The Boston Celtics are going through a nursery rhyme season as they try to defend their National Basketball Association title.

**John McVicar**  
MIDDLETOWN (UPI) — John McVicar, defensive end for Weylan University, has been named to the first team of the Division I Coaches' All-America football squad for 1976. The 6-4, 210-pound junior, recently named to the UPI All-England College Division for the second straight year, helped the Cardinals to a 5-3 record last season. During the season he made 61 tackles, 12 assists, sacked opposing quarterbacks seven times.

**Charlie Finley**  
CHICAGO (UPI) — Oakland A's owner Charles O. Finley has testified he sold three baseball players for \$3.5 million earlier this year because he could not make a trade for them in time and other clubs "knew they had me in a corner."

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## Skaters cop first shutout

Recording its first shutout in two years of play, Manchester High's hockey team applied the whitewash brush to Maloney High of Meriden, 7-0, last night at the Bolton Ice Palace.

The victory was Manchester's second compared to four setbacks. Senior center Kevin Heirs paced the Silk Town triumph with four goals which gives him a team-leading total of six. Sophomore Kelly McSweeney tallied one goal and added four assists to take over the team lead in points with nine on two goals and seven assists. He aided on all of Heirs' tallies.

The Indians opened the scoring in the first period on a goal by Heirs assisted by McSweeney. Three goals were added in the second stanza with Mike Mumford, Bryan Woodhouse and Heirs tallying with the latter adding two scores and McSweeney one in the final session. Clark Brown, senior captain, had two revamped first line with McSweeney and Heirs, also had two assists.

Bernie Hebert in goal kicked out 27 shots to notch his first varsity whitewash. The setback drops Maloney to a 1-7 record.

## Highmatmen lose opener

Encouraging was the opening performance of the young and zealous Manchester high wrestling team but nevertheless the Indian matmen dropped a 29-25 verdict to Killingly High yesterday at Clarke Arena.

Earning victories were juniors Bill Tedford, Chris Luz, Doug Marshall and Tim Wrobel. Marshall in the 145-pound class and Wrobel in the unlimited division each registered pins. Senior co-captain Tom Jones added six points in the 185-pound division as his opponent forfeited due to a shoulder injury.

Manchester's next start is Wednesday at Rockville High. Results: 98—Taylor (K) dec. Colbath 13-0, 105—Paine (K) won by forfeit, 112—Willett (K) dec. Wilson 7-0, 119—Gendreau (K) dec. Chandler 7-2, 126—Woodward (K) dec. Cunningham 7-0, 132—Tedford (M) dec. Fortin 7-1, 138—Luz (M) dec. Fish 14-4, 145—Marshall (M) pinned Hanrahan 3-19, 155—Beauselle (K) pinned Scholzky 5-29, 167—Wilcox (K) dec. Gagnon 2-0, 185—Jones (M) won by forfeit, Unlimited—Wrobel 4-15 pinned Semelchok 1-40.

### Bowling

BLOSSOMS — Ruth Clark 140-341, Irene Mahr 127.  
COMMERCIAL — George Kelley 151-151-405, George Burgess 174-494, Tony Vaccaro 189-408, Carl Prior 162-393, Ed Miller 148-384, Dave Dynes 149-281, Ron Spohnheimer 364, Ted Lawrence 861, George Barber 141-372, Nick Nicola 145-385, John Kennel 139-359, Tim Hickey 147-366, John Butler 143-384, Wayne Mitchell 139-382, Bill MacMillen 140-369, Rick Johnson 139-389, Carl Bujaucius 153-395, Bud Bujaucius 370, Art Schmidt 150-386, Rick Nicola 389, John Harris 141-138-397, Henry Laneski 357, Tony Pellegatto 363, Jim Colagelo Jr. 137, Fred Oakes 135.

FRIENDSHIP — Steve Pelletier 142-613, Bill Shelsky 501, Tom Kershaw 506, Pat Thibodeau 176, Carol Anderson 179-484, Margy Delisle 180-511, Peggy Shelsky 175-481, Lou Toulant 482, Lee Beam 461, Carole Wetzel 474, Denise Delisle 463.  
HOME ENGINEERS — Gerry Tucker 185-466, Linda Corbit 188-514, Edie Palmer 188-488, Cathy Bohjanian 481, Hildur Zastowski 473, Marys Dvorak 465.

### Sports slate

**Thursday BASKETBALL**  
Wethersfield at Manchester, 8  
East Catholic at St. Thomas Aquinas, 8  
Penney at Simsbury  
Enfield at East Hartford  
Rockville at Plainville  
Ellington at Plainville  
Manchester at Wethersfield (girls), 2

**Mat triumph**  
East Hartford High's wrestling team began its 1976-77 season with an impressive 56-12 victory over Hartford Public yesterday.

**Scoreboard**  
NBA  
Wednesday's Results  
Nets 127, New Orleans 93  
Houston 111, Wash 90  
Detroit 107, Atlanta 94  
NHL  
Phila 3, NY Rangers 3  
Atlanta 2, Detroit 1  
Pittsburgh 5, Toronto 2  
Buffalo 4, Chicago 2  
Cleveland 4, Minnesota 3  
St. Louis 2, Colorado 1  
Vancouver 3, Los Ang 2

## Eagle girls stage rally to top South Catholic

Down by as many as 16 points in the second quarter, East Catholic's girls' basketball team staged a second half rally to cop a 46-40 decision over arch-rival South Catholic last night at the Eagles' Nest.

South, now 4-2, grabbed a 15-5 first-period advantage and increased the margin to 25-13 at the intermission. But the Eaglettes, who now show a 3-1 record, out-pointed the Rebels, 14-4, in the third stanza to narrow the deficit to 28-27 going into the final eight-minute session. East tallied 22 points in the final canto against 11 for South to secure the win.

Gail Iamono led the effort with 12 points and 11 steals with Kathy Doocy and Rita Lupacchino each adding eight points and Sue Freilich and Debbie Beaulieu seven apiece. Nancy Zazzaro took scoring honors for South with 18 markers.

### Swimmers bow

Down by one point yesterday was the Benet/Junior High swimming team, 22-21, by East Hartford High's freshmen.

Individual winners for the locals were Geoff Michael in the 50-yard freestyle and the 100-yard freestyle and Beth MacDonald in the 100-yard individual medley.

Other contributors were Bob McNally, Marcy MacDonald, Steve Telgenor, Jane Jordan, Larry Krupp, Barbi Thrasher, Arthur Libby, Ann Morrison, Joe Clifford, Mike Thrasher, Russ Smith, Jon Hawthorne, Steve Mitchell, Sue Greenberg, Pete Listro, Jennifer Wheeler and Sue Keller.

### Basketball

PEEWEE  
Paced by Tom Finnegan's 10 points, Nassiff Arms downed WINF, 22-10, last night at the West Side Rec. Brian Fessler added six points for the winners while John Kelsey had four and Kiff Silver two for the Radiomen.

Paul Tetreault had 12 points and Bill Kiernan six as Willis Garage bested the Elks, 22-16, last night at the Community Y. Brian Fulton netted six points and John Tracy four for the Elks.

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East Catholic (48)  
Beaulieu 2 2-57, Iamono 6 0-0 12, Willett 3 0-1 6, Doocy 4 0-8, Lupacchino 3 2-8, Freilich 2 2-67, Hall 0 0-0 0, Silodean 0 0-0 0, O'Connell 0 0-0 0, Totals 20 8-18 48

South Catholic (40)  
Bocier 1 0-2, Peterson 0 0-1 0, Leonard 3 0-0 6, Zazzaro 7 4-7 18, Sanzaro 2 1-4 5, Nelson 4 1-6 9, Totals 17 6-18 40

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Eileen Sullivan, right, directs 20 members of the Rockville High School Chorus in a carol sing in the "Vernon House" at Mansfield Training School. One house resident helped with the directing while in the front row on the left another joined in the singing. (Herald photo by Richmond)

### Training school residents delighted by Vernon party

By BARBARA RICHMOND  
Herald Reporter  
Vernon officials and townspeople were given a warm welcome by residents of the "Vernon House" at Mansfield Training School Wednesday when they arrived with Santa Claus, presents and food. Everyone who went on the trip received a big hug from the young people at the school. They loved the food and the presents, but most of all they loved the 20 members of the Rockville High School Chorus who sang Christmas carols for them. The young people from the training school whose ages range from 18 to 24, joined in the singing and one enthusiastic young man took over the directing job for Eileen Sullivan. This was a "first" for the residents of the several houses named for towns served by the training school. Santa Claus, community relations officer of the Vernon Police Department, and to Mayor Thomas Benoit. Santa Claus, alias Willard Oulette, made a big hit and received a kiss and hug each time Benoit called out a name for a present. Yezt said he and his wife, Andrea, wrapped gifts until 2 a.m. Wednesday. Mrs. Yezt also made Christmas cupcakes. The training school residents are not actually living in the Vernon House, as it is not quite ready. The Manchester House was used for the party Wednesday. Some 1,100 residents of the school will be moved into homelike atmospheres

### South Windsor sewer job goes to Glastonbury firm

The South Windsor Sewer Commission voted unanimously this week to award the contract for 3.1 miles of new sewers to the Addison Construction Corp. of Glastonbury. Addison Construction bid \$774,899 for the sewer project, a quarter-million dollars under the town's estimate of \$1,040,000. The board's Tuesday action came after Phyllis Sattar, local representative of the catchment area, asked for the allocation. Each town in the state has been asked to donate three cents per capita to its catchment area, she said. Their check of the firm showed no mistakes in the low bid, and an investigation into the firm's job record showed the company has never failed to complete a project.

### Selectmen earmark funds for mental health plans

Bolton Selectmen have unanimously approved a request to earmark \$120 in the 1977-1978 town budget for the Mental Health Catchment area. The board's Tuesday action came after Phyllis Sattar, local representative of the catchment area, asked for the allocation. Each town in the state has been asked to donate three cents per capita to its catchment area, she said. Their check of the firm showed no mistakes in the low bid, and an investigation into the firm's job record showed the company has never failed to complete a project.

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### Pope sets date for World Synod

VATICAN CITY (UPI) — Pope Paul VI has set Sept. 30, 1977, as the starting date for the next World Synod of Bishops. Vatican sources said today. They said the Synod's permanent secretariat notified Vatican departments of the date, which has not been officially announced. The synod—a gathering of more than 200 Roman Catholic bishops elected by their peers around the world or appointed by the Pope—will be the advisory body's fifth meeting since Pope Paul established it in 1967.

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Mrs. Sydney Schultheis coaches her kindergarten class at the Manchester Green School as they hold up letter cards spelling Merry Christmas while singing a Christmas song. The presentation was part of the school's holiday program held Wednesday morning. (Herald photo by Pinto)

### Bloodmobile gets 118 pints in pre-holiday drawing

The Red Cross Bloodmobile collected 118 pints Wednesday during its visit to Concordia Lutheran Church in Manchester. The next Bloodmobile visit in Manchester will be Tuesday, Jan. 26, at the Knights of Columbus Hall, 132 Main St. from 12:30 to 5:30 p.m. Those wishing to make appointments may do so by calling 643-5111. Walk-in donors are welcome. Put a blood donation on your New Year's resolution list. Others who donated blood Wednesday as follows:  
St. became a 13-gallon donor. Other gallon donors: S. Kahn, Peter Marzallo, Omer Giguere, Howard A. Peters.  
8 gallons—Robert S. Mortenson; 7 gallons—Mrs. Grace Agnew, Donald Ellis; 6 gallons—Rocco Desimone, Edward Goss; 5 gallons—Mrs. Margaret Wasilief; 4 gallons—John Mayrock, Allan Cone, Edward H. Timbrell Jr.; 3 gallons—Mrs. Mary Laver, Victor Squadrato, Harold Burnett.  
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Ernest E. Ley, John Martin, Michael Perretto, Mrs. Nancy Joseph Rockwood, Mrs. Ann Rock, Mrs. Shirley Turk.  
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Irene Rockwell, Jane Zenke, Ruth Ketcham, James Remk, Wilbert Hademan, Ray Harvey, Mrs. Joan Breen, Mark Osterman, Edward Gravline.

Joseph L. Grant, 39, of 19K Henry St. was charged Wednesday with threatening in connection with an incident in front of his home No. 28 in which Grant allegedly pointed a handgun at a man who was repossessing his car. A representative from a recovery service had come to Grant's home to tow the car, when he was reportedly threatened. Grant was arrested Wednesday at his home on a warrant. He was processed and released under a \$500 nonresury bond for court appearance Jan. 10.  
Rose Marie Kenny, 16, of 301 Adams St. was charged with third-degree larceny in connection with a break in at a Green Manor Rd. home in which she stole a television set worth \$200. Kenneth C. Dillon, 31, of East Granby, was charged Wednesday with nonsupport on a warrant. He was released on a written promise to appear in court Jan. 10.  
Lawrence M. Diminico, 23, of 61 Hawthorne St. was charged with disorderly conduct in connection with an incident of alleged harassment on Hawthorne St. He was released on a \$100 cash bond for court appearance Jan. 10.  
Elinore S. Lindquist, 49, of West Suffield, was charged with operating a motor vehicle while under the influence of alcohol or drugs early today. She was released on a \$100 nonresury bond for court appearance Jan. 10.  
Police were investigating today a report of a theft of about \$135 from the office of the Regional Occupational Training Center on Wetherall St. The break was reported Wednesday morning when an office door was found to have been forced open, but entry to the building was not determined, police said.  
About \$750 in stereo equipment was reported stolen from a Downey Dr. apartment Tuesday night.  
Two apartments on Tudor Lane were reported ransacked sometime during the day Tuesday. A watch and some coins were taken from one apartment and nothing was missing from the other, police said.

Msgr. Reardon to lead Mass at St. James  
The Rt. Rev. Msgr. Edward J. Reardon, pastor emeritus of St. James Parish, will be the principal concelebrant at a midnight Mass on Christmas Eve at St. James Church. The other concelebrants will be the Rev. James Archambeau and the Rev. Frank Krukowicz, co-pastors of St. James.  
The adult choir of the church, under the direction of Ralph Maccarone, will present a program of sacred music starting at 11:35. The program will include "O Come Emanuel," "Eten So Lord Jesus, Quickly Come," "A Sound of Angels," "Sing Noel," "Alleluia Venite Gentes," "The First Noel," "It Came Upon The Midnight Clear," and "O Holy Night."  
As the priests enter the sanctuary, the congregation will join the choir in singing "O Come All Ye Faithful." The congregation will also join the choir in singing "Silent Night" at a Communion service.  
Also during Communion, there will be a flute and a oboe duet, "Christ Child," and "The Coventry Carol," played by Teresa and Marian Maccarone.  
The "Lord Have Mercy," "Gloria," and "Holy, Holy, Holy," and the Propers are from "The First Mass of Christmas," composed by Edward Diemante.

### Bennet to offer program for younger musicians

Manchester public school elementary students who are interested in participating in a school music program will have the opportunity next year to study within the program. The instrumental music program offers an opportunity to those who are proficient enough to participate in one of the school's performing groups. Students who choose an instrument are given private or small group instruction.  
Since the beginning of the school year, about 40 fourth graders and a few older students have been exploring the world of music by playing a simple wind instrument called the tonette.  
Many of these students were invited recently to continue developing their musical skills by progressing to an instrument from the brass, woodwind, string or percussion family. A letter of information concerning an instrumental rental plan has been sent home to about 300 parents.  
Parents of children in the third grade, or higher who are interested in offering such an experience to their children may contact Michael A. Ortilletti at Bennet Junior High School, Main St., or call 646-5854 for further information.

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Dated at Hartford, Connecticut this 10th day of December 1976.  
ROBERT L. KRUCHEVSKY ATTORNEY AT LAW FOR MANCHESTER, INC. By \_\_\_\_\_ Robert L. Kruchevsky its attorney

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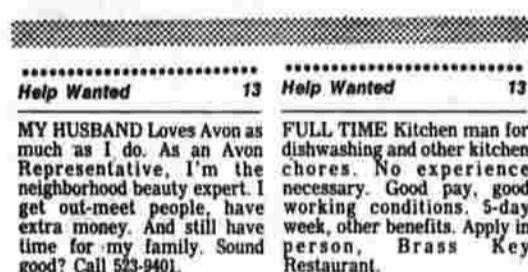


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