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Iraq claims Iran breaks U.N. truce

ABU DHABI, United Arab Emirates (UPI) — Iraq accused Iran today of shelling its second largest city in violation of a U.N.-sponsored truce and a Reagan administration official was quoted as saying Saudi Arabia will attack intruding aircraft over the Persian Gulf outside its territorial limits.

Iran, which earlier accused Iraq of a "glaring breach" of the cease-fire, added to rising tension in the region by sending more volunteers to the front for a threatened "final offensive" in the 45-month-old Persian Gulf war.

A Baghdad military spokesman told the official Iraqi News Agency that Iranian shells hit residential areas in the southern port of Basra Wednesday night, wounding a woman and child. Basra is Iraq's second largest city after the capital, Baghdad.

The spokesman said it was the third time Iran violated the June 12 agreement not to target civilian areas. The cease-fire was mediated by U.N. Secretary-General Javier Perez de Cuellar after a week of retaliatory air and artillery attacks which killed or wounded hundreds of civilians on both sides.

Iraq Wednesday reported an earlier Iranian violation of the cease-fire on the Basra front and warned "a continuation of this will force us to retaliate." Tehran radio said Iraqi shelling killed two children and damaged some houses in the city of Abadan and villages along the Shatt al-Arab waterway.

The New York Times today quoted U.S. administration officials saying they had been advised of Saudi Arabia's decision to intercept threatening aircraft over the gulf before they reached the country's 12-mile territorial waters.

The limits of the new "air defense interception zone" were not revealed but the Times said officials told it the line was "far enough into the gulf for Saudi aircraft to protect shipping."

An official said the Saudis notified Washington of its plans as early as two weeks ago.

On the land-based battlefield, diplomats estimated Iran has mobilized about 500,000 soldiers and volunteers on the border near Basra for a "final offensive," which has been expected for weeks.

"The scale of the mobilization indicates the Iranians want a final offensive," the official said. "Despite the delay, the offensive is imminent and would probably be aimed at the southern front."

Fearing renewed fighting could drag them into the war, the six nations in the Gulf Cooperation Council ordered their military chiefs of staff to an emergency session Saturday in Saudi Arabia.

Officials of the council, a defense and political alliance that supports Iraq, said the military commanders of the member nations — Saudi Arabia, Kuwait, the United Arab Emirates, Qatar, Bahrain and Oman — would prepare for a meeting of the countries' defense ministers.



PARAMEDIC KEN CUSSON accompanied Reagan.

Town paramedic was there if the president needed him

By Kathy Gormus Herald Reporter

Paramedic Ken Cusson spent a restless night Tuesday, reading up on explosions and bullet wounds — events that are far from routine in Manchester.

But for Cusson, Wednesday afternoon was also far from routine: He was the paramedic selected to accompany President Reagan on his visit to Hartford.

"The only thing I didn't cover was the possibility of emergency childbirth," Cusson laughed this morning as he recounted the evening before that was undoubtedly the biggest day of his career thus far.

Cusson, 39, a paramedic with Manchester's Advanced Life Support service, said he went into the assignment with the attitude that anything could happen. The awesome responsibility he shouldered became more apparent when he was briefed by a Secret Service agent Wednesday morning before the Reagan's arrival at Brainard Airport in Hartford, he said.

"If anything goes down, you become the most important person here," Cusson recalled the agent telling him. The agent also told the driver of the ambulance in which Cusson rode that he was to get Cusson to Reagan any way he could if something happened.

"Go over sidewalks, flower gardens, just get him here," Cusson said the agent told the driver.

"We were told that we were there just for the president," Cusson said. "That goes against all our training."

While Brainard Airport and Reagan's motorcade route were inundated with police officers, secret service agents and firefighters, "there was only one paramedic, and that's when it started sinking in," Cusson said. "If anything happened, I was going to be the guy who was really going to be there."

He said that had anything happened to Reagan, it would have been the president's personal physician, and not Cusson, who would have been in charge. The paramedic was required to carry extra life support equipment and drugs that the president's physician normally does not carry, he said.

Town of Manchester Fire Department Chief John C. Rivosa said he thought the state Office of Emergency Medical Services had selected the Manchester paramedics to assist because of their reputation and performance in the field.

When Reagan's two-hour visit to Hartford was over, Cusson said, he felt a sense of relief. Despite the lack of action, the occasion provided quite an honor, he said, displaying a souvenir tin clasp with the presidential seal given to him by a White House nurse after the president had departed.

"It was very overwhelming," Cusson said.

Day-care operator accused of forgery

By Sarah E. Hall and Sarah Possett Herald Reporters

An outsider's routine review was what led health officials to accuse a Manchester day-care operator of forgery and deny her application to reopen in the United Pentecostal Church, state officials said today.

The Department of Health Services last week accused Claudia Claverie of submitting a forged recommendation when she applied to reopen a day-care center she had run in her 7 Joan Circle home last year. Officials said today that criminal prosecution of Mrs. Claverie remains possible.

Mrs. Claverie's husband, Ronald Claverie, declined to comment on the forgery charge today and Mrs. Claverie was unavailable for comment. But Claverie said, "We met all the regulations for the license, in terms of qualifications, in terms of facilities, in terms of programs."

Claverie said he and his wife are "incredibly saddened" by the charges. "We're not going to pursue day-care centers anymore," he said.

The center in the Claveries' home was closed after a state inspector found what he termed "fantastic" breaches in safety during an inspection last fall.

In April, church officials had approved Mrs. Claverie's plans to reopen in the church, located on Woodbridge Street. But state Health Commissioner Douglas Lloyd informed Mrs. Claverie

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June 12 that her application for a license had been denied because she had "furnished false information."

STATE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT employee Diane Warner said she sensed something was amiss when she found two of the references included in Mrs. Claverie's book-length application suspiciously alike. She called the problem to the attention of the health department's day care licensing supervisor.

Her discoveries led the department to consult the attorney general about possible criminal charges.

But Hartford State's Attorney John Bailey, who would have to file any criminal charges, said this morning that he has not been contacted by the health department.

J. Wesley Bell, the health department's day care licensing supervisor, said that the department will not consider a new application from the Claveries until the criminal question is resolved.

Bell added that he has information that the Claveries are still taking in three or four children as day-care clients, but said he has not investigated the charges.

IN A JUNE 1 MEMORANDUM, Ms. Warner informed Bell that two recommendations Mrs. Claverie submitted with the application were suspiciously similar. One was signed by a former employee, Susan Criz Sweeney. Ms. Sweeney later signed a sworn statement that she had neither written nor signed the letter the Claveries claimed was hers.

Ms. Warner also told Bell that a check of Ms. Sweeney's employment record showed that she had worked for a Bloomfield child care center during two months in 1979 when the Claveries claimed she had been working for them.

Bell said the department had received at least 20 letters and telephone calls from parents praising the Claveries' day care operation and supporting their application to reopen in the church.

"My son was never so happy," one mother wrote. "He never wanted to come home."

BUT COMPLAINTS ABOUT THE Claveries' operation, which was licensed to care for 12 children — had surfaced as long ago as 1978. State records show that Ms. Sweeney complained to Manchester Health Director Alice Turk at that time that the Claveries had gone to California without telling her she was in charge of the center while they were away.

Thomas R. O'Marra, the Manchester zoning enforcement officer, said he had investigated three separate complaints that the Claveries were taking in more than the 12 children for which their home was certified. But every time O'Marra checked the house he found no more than 11 children, he said.

The home day-care center was known as "Claudia's Pre-School Learning Center." According to the owners, it served a total of about 30 children.

But the center closed its doors last December, shortly after an inspector charged that he had found serious violations of state day-care regulations — overcrowding, lack of supervision, and housing children in a garage — on a visit there last fall.

INSPECTOR LEON KATZ said he counted at least 30 children during his November 29 inspection.

Last year, Mrs. Claverie said she was closing the center she had run for seven years because of "burnout" after her campaign to get approval from Manchester zoning authorities to build a new center on Woodside Road ended in failure.

WHILE INSPECTOR KATZ said that the violations he found were "absolutely inexcusable," Ronald Claverie maintains that at least some of Katz's charges are untrue.

In particular, Katz said he found as many as 18 children "hidden" in a van that was idling in the Claverie driveway, apparently ready to make a getaway that would have obscured the center's alleged overenrollment.



Just before graduation ceremonies for the Class of 1984 began Wednesday night, senior Vincent Gosselin got royal treatment from the only two girls in the class — Nora Ann Kosha and Kathleen Marie Peterson. The scene was the Howell Cheney Regional Vocational Technical School commencement, held at East Catholic High School.

Tech graduation is twice-told tale

By Sarah E. Hall Herald Reporter

By some strange coincidence, things seemed to come in pairs at commencement exercises for Howell Cheney Regional Vocational Technical School's Class of '84 Wednesday night.

Even the ceremony itself had a two-school set-up. While the honorees were at the Howell Cheney Industrial Club of America, told them.

Terardi, on the other hand, warned that the Japanese may soon take over America's lead in the industrial world. He borrowed that idea from author Gerard K. O'Neill, who wrote "2081: A Hopeful View of the Human Future."

But after reciting the Pledge of Allegiance once, the crowd of nearly 80 people recited it again.

"Thank you for the double dose of patriotism. We can use it," said Lawrence Terardi, Cheney Tech Director.

Patriotism, in fact, characterized the whole ceremony.

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Once a Clipper town

The calm of Newburyport keeps people coming

By Diane Derby United Press International

NEWBURYPORT, Mass. — Newburyport calls itself a city, but its friendliness is the same brand traditionally ascribed to a small town.

"I think what attracts most people to Newburyport is its low crime rate and that the people here are amiable," says Mayor Richard Sullivan, a lifelong resident.

1852, boasts of having the largest display of magazines in New England. Advertisements in local papers call the shop "the nerve center of Newburyport" and for good reason: There's a saying here that if you were lost at Fowle's art deco soda fountain for the day, you would meet everyone who lives in town.

Peopletalk

Eyes of the beholder

When British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher's portrait was unveiled at the National Portrait Gallery in London Wednesday, reports said she did not see eye to eye with the artist.



Rhinestone couple

Dolly Parton and Sylvester Stallone appear at the opening of their new movie "Rhinestone" at New York's Coronet theater Wednesday. Stallone was once an usher at the Coronet.

He's in the money

Not only Michael Jackson and his brothers stand to make a bundle on their upcoming Victory Tour, The Jacksons also will do their bit for local industry.

Their first engagement, July 6-8 at Arrowhead stadium in Kansas City, is expected to generate more than \$6 million, officials said. Of that amount, \$4.2 million will come from tickets, \$1.5 million from souvenirs such as T-shirts, \$750,000 from concessions and as much as \$270,000 from parking, said Russ Cline, a consultant at the stadium.

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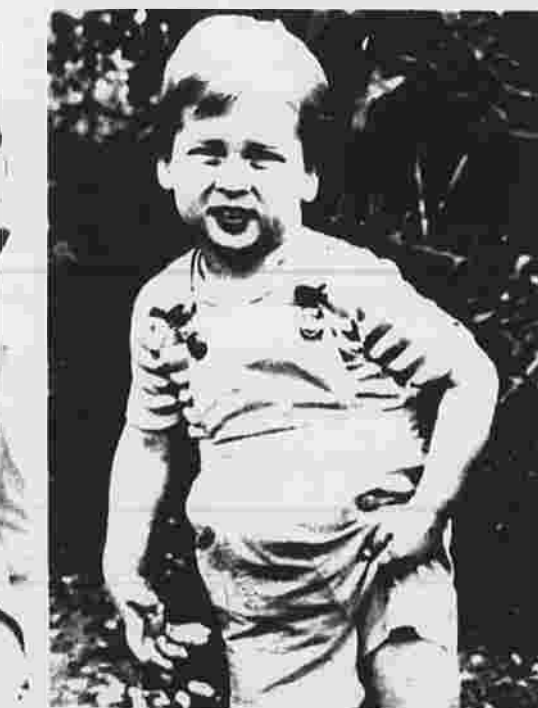
Alan Thicke, host of the syndicated talk show "Thicke of the Night," will divorce his wife, soap opera star Gloria Loring, after 13 years of marriage.

Thicke, whose late-night show was supposed to knock Johnny Carson off the air but faltered in the ratings, blamed the breakup on the pressures of a two-career marriage and the long absences their respective programs required.

Viewers of the show, however, may wonder about those absences, since Miss Loring, who appears on "Days of Our Lives," seemed to be a guest on her husband's show just about every other night. "Thicke of the Night" is currently on hiatus and its return next season is up in the air.

Now you know

At high altitudes, the human body makes more red blood cells to absorb as much oxygen as possible, when underwater, the cells are cut off from delivering unnecessary oxygen.



Today in history

On June 21, 1982, Princess Diana gave birth to her first child, Prince William, heir to the British throne. The boy is seen at age one-month and as he looks today.

Almanac

Today is Thursday, June 21st, the 173rd day of 1984 with 193 to follow. This is the first day of summer (solstice at 1:02 a.m. EDT). The moon is in its last quarter. The morning stars are Mercury and Jupiter.

Stapleton, in 1925 (age 99), and actor Stacy Keach, in 1941 (age 43). On this date in history: In 1945, Japanese defenders of Okinawa Island surrendered to American troops. In 1960, Soviet Premier Nikita Khrushchev said: "...war with capitalistic nations is not inevitable."

arms pact. In 1982, John Hinckley Jr. was found not guilty of shooting President Reagan and three others in March of 1981, by reason of insanity; the same day, British Princess Diana gave birth to her first child, Prince William, heir to the British throne. A thought for the day: Irish author James Joyce said, "A man of genius makes no mistakes. His errors are the portals of discovery."

Weather

Today's forecast

Connecticut, Massachusetts and Rhode Island: Today: sunny. Highs in upper 70s to low 80s. Mostly sunny Friday. Highs in 60s to mid 70s, coolest along the east shore.

New Hampshire: Mostly sunny today. Highs in 70s. Clear tonight. Lows in 40s. Mostly sunny Friday. Highs in 60s to mid 70s.

Vermont: Sunny and pleasant today with high around 75. Clear and cool tonight with low near 45. Sunny and continued cool Friday with high 65 to 70.

Long Island Sound The National Weather Service forecast for Long Island Sound to Watch Hill, R.I. and Montauk Point:

Winds northeast 10 to 15 knots this afternoon. Winds variable less than 10 knots tonight and 10 to 15 knots Friday. Visibility 8 miles or more. Average wave height 1 to 2 feet through Friday.

Extended outlook Extended outlook for New England Saturday through Monday:

Connecticut, Massachusetts and Rhode Island: Sunny but cool Saturday. Fair weather Sunday. Chance showers and warm Monday. Highs in upper 60s to upper 70s Saturday warming into the 80s by Monday. Overnight lows from the upper 30s to near 50 Saturday cooling into the mid 50s and 60s on Monday morning.

Vermont: Warming and dry early then a chance of rain Sunday and Monday. Lows 45 to 50 Saturday and highs in mid 70s. High Sunday and Monday about 80 with low 50s.

Maine, New Hampshire: Fair and cool over the weekend. Lows in upper 30s and 40s and highs in 60s to low 70s. Chance of showers and warmer Monday. Lows in 50s and highs in 70s to low 80s.

Across the nation

Thunderstorms will be scattered from the northern plateau region through the northern Rockies and the northern Plains, across the upper Great Lakes region and the Ohio Valley, to the southern Atlantic coast. The Northeast will be partly cloudy while sunny skies prevail across the Southwest. Mild temperatures will cover the northern states where highs in the 70s will be common. The southern two thirds of the nation will be in the 80s and 90s while most of the desert Southwest reaches 100 to 110 degrees.

Weather radio

The National Weather Service broadcasts continuous, 24-hour weather information on 162.475 MHz in Hartford, 162.55 MHz in New London and 162.40 MHz in Meriden.



The longest day is a good one

Today: sunny. Highs in upper 70s to low 80s. Light northwest winds. Tonight: partly cloudy. Lows 50 to 55. Light northwest winds. Friday: some early morning clouds then sunny and cooler. High in mid 70s. Courtney Rose, who finds June a balloon, drew today's weather picture. The 117 Wells St. native, age 10, completed her fourth grade at Nathan Hale School.



Satellite view

Commerce Department satellite photo taken at 4 a.m. EDT shows clouds with embedded showers and thunderstorms from the Carolinas to the mid-Mississippi Valley. Thunderstorms occur over the Missouri Valley and clouds also cover the Pacific Northwest.



National forecast

For period ending 7 a.m. Friday. During Thursday night, thunderstorms are expected in the Northern Plains Region, and the Ohio Valley and the South Atlantic Coast States. Elsewhere weather will remain fair in general. Minimum temperatures include: (maximum readings in parentheses) Atlanta 70 (85), Boston 57 (72), Chicago 58 (80), Cleveland 67 (77), Dallas 78 (90), Denver 54 (69), Duluth 54 (74), Houston 71 (84), Jacksonville 73 (80), Kansas City 71 (86), Little Rock 73 (82), Los Angeles 80 (79), Miami 78 (93), Minneapolis 65 (84), New Orleans 75 (85), New York 61 (77), Phoenix 72 (102), San Francisco 50 (70), Seattle 52 (79), St. Louis 70 (88), and Washington 67 (83).

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Manchester in Brief

Water service interrupted

Water supply will be shut off temporarily in the following areas on Friday for emergency repair work on a leaking water main: South Main Street from Fern Street to the town line, including Shallowbrook Road and Line Street, and in Glastonbury from the town line south to Hebron Avenue.

Gala reservations available

Because of cancellations, several reservations are open for the Cheney Hall gala on Saturday, Anne Flint, co-chairman of the event, said Wednesday.

Anyone who wants to attend the \$50-a-plate gourmet dinner should phone Mrs. Flint at the Greater Manchester Chamber of Commerce. The event at historic Cheney Hall will begin with a cocktail hour at 6 p.m. Dinner will be served at 7 p.m. with a musical cabaret performance by the Little Theater of Manchester afterwards.

Guests should check in at a reservation table when they arrive. The entertainment will be a cabaret based on the period from 1867 to 1923 when the hall closed as a social center of Manchester. Mary Bligh of the LTM said it will be the first performance in the hall in more than a half century.

Part of the cabaret performance will be based on "what Cheney Hall missed," events since 1923.

Sweeney eases stand

No subsidized housing key to grant

By Alex Girelli Herald Reporter

If Manchester can re-enter the community block grant program listing zero as the number of non-elderly rental housing units it needs to build or convert for low- and moderate-income people, the fears of most opponents of the grants will allay, Joseph Sweeney told fellow members of the grant study committee Wednesday.

Sweeney, one of the leaders of the move to withdraw from the grant program in 1979 and 1980, said, "I could be persuaded to support participation in the grant program with one major provision" — the zero figure.

Sweeney asked General Manager Robert Weiss if he thought there would be any problem in applying for the grants and maintaining a housing assistance plan with zero as the figure for new construction and conversion of buildings to subsidized rental units.

Weiss responded that he could not commit the town Board of Directors to that as a policy, but said, "I can't see the Board of Directors doing anything else."

Both East Hartford and West Hartford are also applying for grants from the Housing and Urban Development Block Grants and they share in some of the about \$500,000 a year Manchester does not get because it withdrew from the program.

Representatives of the two towns described their grant programs to the committee on June 13.

Sweeney was using a zero figure in 1979 that caused a Department of Housing and Urban Development administrator in Hartford, David Kolar, to begin bringing pressure on Manchester for a housing commitment.

A strongly worded letter Kolar wrote to the town in May 1979 set off the movement to withdraw from the program.

Sweeney said he is now convinced that the Area Housing Opportunities Plan developed by the Capitol Region Council of Governments is inoperative and that HUD has ceased to extend approval to areawide housing opportunities.

Weiss responded that he thinks that since the committee is not a statutory board — are the Board of Directors or the Planning and Zoning Commission — a mailed vote might be permissible within the terms of the Freedom of Information Law.

Mortuary and Vivian Ferguson, vice-chairman of the committee, plan to draft a report to the Board of Directors based on the vote and the consensus of committee members. It may include one or more minority reports.

Charles Pillard, a committee member, said he sees no real change in the regulations except for the disappearance of the CROCG housing plan from the picture and saw a risk in a change of federal administration.

He said that if the town does re-enter the grant program, taxpayers should know there is always the possibility that some unhappy resident could bring suit.

AFTER THE TOWN WITHDREW from the program, three citizens instituted a discrimination suit against the town in which the federal Justice Department played a role. The town won the case.

Weiss said that it is important that the town not project the image of not welcoming people to town. He said that because the town did not have that image that it won the case brought against it.

Sweeney said Manchester has lived up to its housing commitments according to general law. At the outset of the meeting, Lucinda Hill Gerson described the conclusions she drew about Manchester's population in an analysis she made for the health and human services planning in May 1983.

The report described what areas in Manchester are distressed in comparison to other areas of Manchester. Pillard asked if some of the causes of the distress do not come from the existence of subsidized housing.

Ruling goes against residents' own ban

By Kathy Gormus Herald Reporter

The federal Department of Housing and Urban Development has informed the Manchester Housing Authority that it must allow pets in federally subsidized housing for the elderly and handicapped.

The new directive conflicts with the apparent wishes of the residents of Manchester's three housing complexes for the elderly and handicapped, who in a survey conducted earlier this year overwhelmingly opposed allowing pets.

The authority was informed of the law providing for pets in elderly housing in a letter from HUD dated April 17, but received by the authority two weeks ago. Under the law, which took effect Nov. 30, 1983, local housing authorities may issue guidelines on the keeping of pets.

The authority tabled action on issuing guidelines when it met Wednesday night at its meeting next month. There are 306 apartments for the elderly in the three complexes — Spencer Village, Westhill Gardens and Mayfair Gardens — according to Carol Shanley, executive director of the Housing Authority.

Asked about the ruling this morning, Ms. Shanley said, "I think the tenants themselves have got to come to some decision." She said she thought internal regulations at the complexes would ease the situation.

"I think some people are going to want pets," she said. "And I think that's going to be a problem." The survey was conducted by the authority in response to an invitation from the state Department of Housing to participate in a pilot program in which HUD would fund a housing complex for the elderly and handicapped for a two-year period.

Mary Lou Crane, a special assistant at HUD, said that HUD and the Department of Agriculture are devising "broad, umbrella guidelines" for the keeping of pets which will address issues such as size, breed, type of pet care and number of pets allowed.

She said the guidelines must be ready by Nov. 30, but that local housing authorities are being asked to devise their own in the meantime. Ms. Shanley said the authority's guidelines would most likely take the form of limiting the number or size of pets that tenants may have "so you wouldn't have a St. Bernard living next door."

However, authority member Mary O'Connor said at the meeting that noise and not size would probably pose the biggest problem. "You have to live here to understand the problems it's going to create," she said. She is the tenant representative on the authority.

"Therapeutically, it's great for people to have animals," said authority member John Fitzpatrick. "But the big question is what does it do to your neighbor."

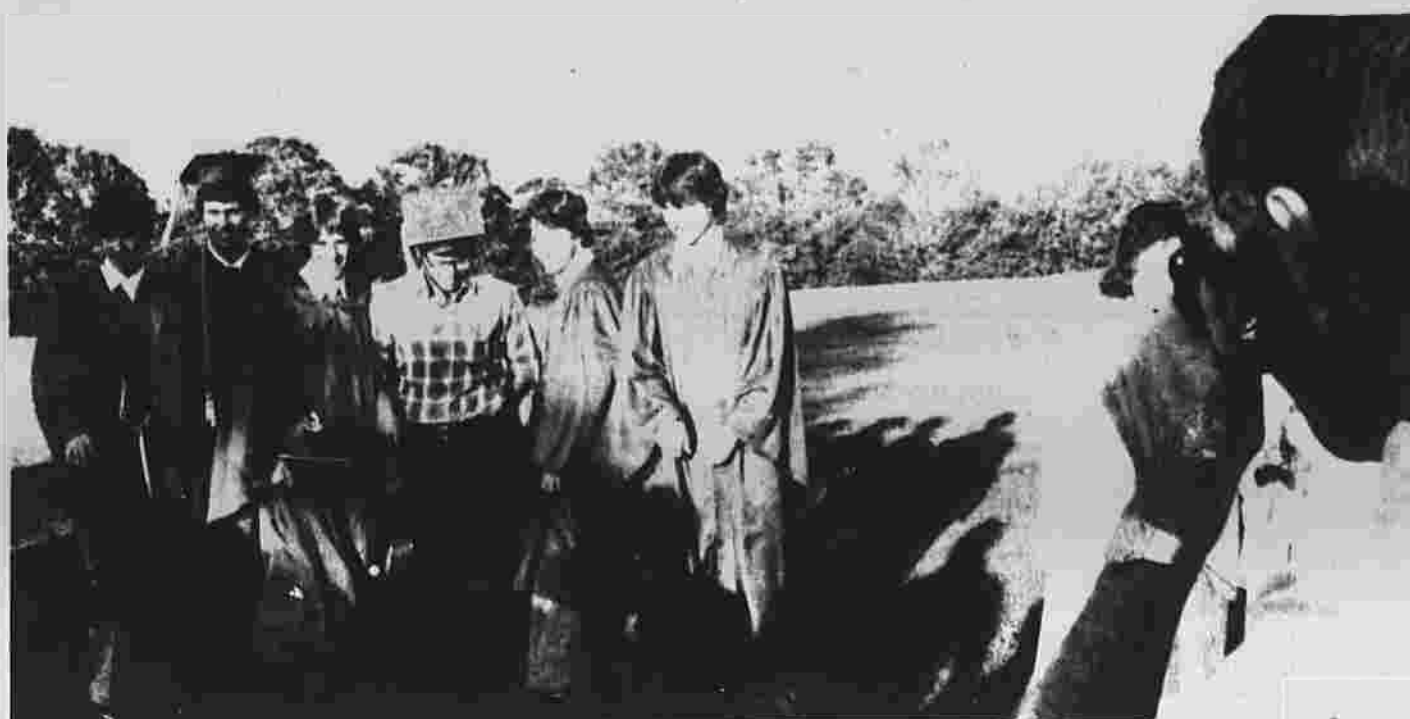
In the survey conducted by the authority, 159 of the 193 residents who responded said they opposed allowing pets in the apartment complexes. Of the 34 responses that favored allowing pets, many of them were qualified as to what type of pets should be allowed.

The proposed contract provides for pay increases of 6 percent beginning July 1, and another 7 percent beginning July 1, 1985. A contract with the same pay increase provision has been ratified by library workers and approved by the Board of Directors.

The next steps in water system improvements will be the replacement of four-inch diameter water lines, many of them reduced in capacity by clogging, with new 8-inch lines.

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Bolton High School graduates clown for the camera after commencement exercises outside the school Wednesday night. At the center is Ray Boyd, a 1971 Bolton alumnus.

Forty-five get diplomas Grads glow at BHS commencement

By Sarah Possell
Herald Reporter

BOLTON — It was anyone's guess whether the 1984 Bolton High School graduation would have to be held inside on Wednesday, considering the extremes of record heat, high winds and flooding that have characterized this month. But when the sun arrived, the sun and cool breeze that wafted across the lawn behind the high school were all that any senior could ask for. Relatives were decked out in their most fashionable summer ensembles. Clusters of younger students stood in back of the seated crowd in the most deliberately casual of dress: shorts and midriff tops for the girls, one boy shirtless, another in leather garb. But the seniors themselves were more sober during the hour-long commencement. They stepped slowly up to the side of the stage, two by two, to the tune of "Pomp and Circumstance." They did not whistle, screech or applaud — except when invited to do so by the superintendent. It was obvious that the seniors loved being on the threshold of no more mandatory school. One could see pride and sadness



MALCOLM FERGUSON
... valedictorian



MARCIA MANNING
... salutatorian

in their parents' eyes. Among the graduates, one could discern that the first glimpses of freedom brought with it the slight furling of the brow that surely betrays anxiety about what comes next. The 45 seniors — including six students from Willington, the first to spend their entire four years at

Bolton — fairly glowed at the praise heaped on them by administrators and teachers during the commencement. "We know almost every one of you," school board chairman James H. Marshall told them. "And we are here to affirm what you already know, that is, that we love you."

Here's list of grads

BOLTON — Here is a list of the 1984 graduates of Bolton High School:
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Grisel, Knopp, Richard B. Lieber Jr., Marcia Jane Manning, Debra Lee Marshall, Kelly Ann McMillin, Richard George Carl McMillin III, Kelly Ann McShee, Douglas Moore, Anthony Winter O'Donnell, Keith R. Owen, Pamela Ann Parent, Timothy P. Parent, Regis Anne Rompellini, Kim Marie Richardson, Scott K. Richerdom, Phillip Albert Rumm, Eric John Ryan, Lisa Marie Schmidt, William Joseph Sheetz, Catherine Lynne Snyder, Joseph Lee Frisou, Michael Joseph Golev, Catherine Ann Geberl, Leed More Goodwin, Blaine Alan

Four in Coventry petition for return of selectmen rule

By Tracy L. Geoghegan
Herald Reporter

COVENTRY — Four members of the Coventry Taxpayers Association are circulating petitions calling for the abolition of the council-manager form of government and a return to a board of selectmen. The petitions — which are being distributed by Thomas Brainard, Bill Brainard, Dorothy Wilnot and Barbara Ware — request that the town council set up a commission to consider the following recommendations:
• Abolish the town council, town manager, town meeting form of government.
• Establish a board of selectmen, board of finance, town meeting form of government in its place.
• Provide for the election of a three-member board of selectmen (the first selectmen being chief executive and administrative officer for the town); a six-member board of finance; a five-member planning and zoning commission; a five-member board of police commissioners, a town clerk, a town treasurer and a tax collector.

THOMAS BRAINARD, president of CTA, said he believes the change would ensure more accountability to the town on the part of the chief executive and more stability of government. "The council flip-flops every two years. Under the current system, the town manager has to become a very political animal," Brainard said. "We just can't continue with an appointed manager and fluke town councils," Brainard said. "Both parties are having difficulty finding people to run for town council. I can't see why anyone on any political party, or any independent, wouldn't want to try an elected form of government," Brainard said.

BRAINARD SAID his requests for signatures on the petitions have been extremely successful. "No one has turned me down yet," he said. He and other petitioners must collect the signatures of 10 percent of Coventry's voters to force the town council to appoint a commission to investigate the change-over. Brainard said the commission would be required to draft a town charter, revision in accordance with the recommendations of the petitioners. "The council accepts the revision and the referendum will be held. If it passes referendum, the revision will become law one year later, according to Brainard. Brainard said that even if the council rejects the revision, voters can petition for a referendum, and then pass the revision.

Asked about the move, Town Council Chairman Robert Olmstead said he sees no problem with changing over to selectmen and a board of finance. But he said he objects to turning the town clerk, treasurer and tax collector into elected offices. "You're asking for problems when you start messing around with the administrative backup," Olmstead said. "You've got to have someone around who knows what they're doing. You don't train a town clerk in five minutes."

OLMSTEAD ALSO SAID that he doubts the proposed form of government would be less expensive because selectmen are usually paid a salary, while town council members are not. "None of them (the CTA members circulating the petitions) has any experience in town government, other than watching from the outside," Olmstead said. "I don't think you should make someone town clerk on the spot."

Reagan's non-political trip should be political bonus

By Mark A. Dupuis
United Press International

HARTFORD — Though billed as non-political, President Reagan's brief visit to Connecticut to address a national sheriffs' group should prove a political plus, state and local Republican leaders say. Reagan came to the state Wednesday to deliver a law-and-order address to the National Sheriffs' Association, which describes itself as the world's largest law enforcement organization. And while he was only in the state about two hours, Republican leaders saw a political plus in the visit to Reagan, who at this point is favored in polls to win Connecticut in November. "I don't think it will hurt," said J. Brian Gaffney, a New Britain lawyer who chairs Reagan's state re-election campaign. "We're happy to have him anytime he wants to come."

In his speech, Reagan told the sheriffs a "liberal social philosophy" was partly to blame for a rise in crime and said Americans have now mandated that criminals not be treated with leniency. Reagan criticized the belief people turn to crime because of poverty, an underprivileged background or other socio-economic factors, saying the nation is still paying "for those years of liberal leniency."

"Throughout the nation there is a new consensus on the crime issue... that utterly rejects the counsel of liberal leniency toward criminals and the liberal philosophy that fostered it," Reagan told the sheriffs' group. "The American people insist today that judges and government officials recognize what common sense has always taught — that right and wrong matters, that individuals are responsible for their actions, that retribution must be swift and sure for those who prey on the innocent," he said. Reagan received a warm reception from the more than 1,600 delegates to the sheriffs' convention, which made him an honorary member in 1969 when he was governor of California. "I thought he was terrific," said Hartford County Sheriff Patrick J. Hogan, a Democrat and past president of the national group. "He seems to be really out for law enforcement."

"I don't think it was a political speech," Hogan added, noting Reagan had not attended any Republican Party event while in the state. "I think he was just expressing his own political viewpoints."

Hartford Republican Town Chairman Ben F. Andrews Jr. said that while the trip was non-political, the visit to Hartford and news media coverage could help the president politically. "I think a president visiting a city like this, the presidential presence is going to have an effect," Andrews said. "I think it ultimately is going to help because the amount of media coverage given this visit is going to have a positive net result for the president and for the city."

Andrews said he had tried to ask town GOP chairman to

line up an event with the president but was unable to because the trip was considered non-political. "It wasn't a political trip," Andrews said, adding, however, "Every speech given by a politician is a political speech." Gaffney said he hoped the president would be back in the state to campaign before the November election, though he said no firm commitments had been lined up.

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lb. \$4.79		Sweet Juicy Nectarines	lb. 89¢
		Large Size Lemons	10/1.00
		BAKERY DEPARTMENT	
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		Fresh Baked Cinnamon Buns	/\$1.19
		Fresh Baked Rye or Pumpernickel Rolls	1.29 doz.
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Coventry receives first condo request

By Tracy Geoghegan
Herald Reporter

COVENTRY — Coventry may soon get its first condominium complex if construction plans recently received by zoning officials are approved. Eugene Sammartino of Andover's Tiger Lee Construction Co. submitted blueprints to the town planning office Tuesday for a 98-unit condominium complex the company proposes to build off Merrow Road. The plans call for the construction of 17 buildings containing either four or six condominium units on 76 acres of wooded land on the south side of Merrow Road. The site is near Coventry Hills, a 300-house development sponsored by the federal Department of Housing and Urban Development.

The application will be presented at the Planning and Zoning Commission meeting Monday. If it is accepted, a public hearing will be scheduled. The land is currently zoned for rural residences — a classification under which condominiums are authorized. However, many groups and individuals are expected to oppose the proposal, according to Coventry Zoning Agent Ernest Wheeler. The condominium units would be priced in the high \$60,000s or low \$70,000s, according to Sammartino, whose firm has built dozens of developments and houses throughout eastern Connecticut. Sammartino said the development, which would be called "Townsend Place," has been designed with many extras to make it competitive with complexes in Manchester. "These are larger units than most of the places in Manchester," he said. Each unit two-story unit would have five rooms and would contain about 1,250 square feet of living space. "We're going to have tile floors, rather than vinyl," Sammartino said. "We'll also have stained wood floors, a large vanity, oversized windows and oak cabinets." Sammartino said his company would use 6-inch window casings, baseboards and other trim as opposed to the standard 4-inch variety if the project received zoning approval. "The walls and ceilings will be insulated way beyond what state and local codes require," he said. "It's a totally different design inside and out."

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Law-and-order theme was big among lawmen

By Margaret Jackson
United Press International

HARTFORD — About 500 sheriffs, many wearing Reagan-Bush '84 buttons, warmed to a rallying cry against crime given by President Ronald Reagan as he spoke at the close of their convention. The sheriffs enthusiastically interrupted Reagan's short campaign-style address made in a two-hour stop Wednesday 14 times with applause, as the president asserted crime had declined but the fight had not stopped. "Progress has been made," agreed Richard J. Elrod, a Cok County, Ill. sheriff and president of the association, who thanked Reagan for asserting that "right and wrong does matter, that retribution must be swift and sure."

"But crime is like a cancer, and until we can remove it all — we must keep up with new initiatives," he said, as he praised federal efforts Reagan said would complement the sheriff's "crucial" work at local levels. Although Elrod firmly said the association did not endorse any candidate for re-election, he praised Reagan as a "longtime supporter of law enforcement efforts" who was made a lifetime member of the association in 1969. But other sheriffs said Reagan was "among friends" who would support both his re-election and his policies on crime. "I think people have no choice in law enforcement," said Lincoln Stokes, an Ohio sheriff and president of the Buckeye State Sheriffs' Association sporting the bright red blazer of the Buckeye state badge-bearers. "They have to go with the president," he said, wearing three Reagan-Bush '84 buttons.

President had his hecklers

HARTFORD (UPI) — The National Sheriff's Association welcomed President Reagan to its convention, but the president got a different reception from groups outside denouncing his policies on Latin America and women's rights. About 150 protesters booted as the presidential motorcade pulled up at the Parkview Hilton hotel Wednesday and chanted and carried placards as Reagan spoke inside. Police kept the demonstrators behind barricades as they chanted "Out the door in '84" and "Hey! Hey! Hey! Reagan's got to go." Barbara Reed, a Farmington resident, said she was using a day of her vacation to join the demonstration. "The policies of the United States in Central America are so terrible. It makes me feel wretched to be a part of this country given our policies," she said. "I couldn't think of a better way to spend a vacation than to protest President Reagan."

Other demonstrators denounced Reagan's treatment of women. "We are very angry at Mr. Reagan for what he has done to women. He's cut services that affect women and children and sent affirmative action back on its ear," said Marian Galbraith, of Norwich, a member of the National Organization for Women. Other members of NOW held signs saying, "ERA won't go away" and "Reagan's wrong: women are right." The gathering was not entirely hostile. A clown from a nearby circus mingled with the crowd, passing out circus flyers, and a small band of Reagan supporters stood on the corner. "They're crazy," one man said of the protesters. "He's doing a lot more for this country than the Democrats did. More people are working than when (Jimmy) Carter was president!"

Amusement rides: Is more regulation needed?

'We can't ban fun and games ... but we can take better steps'

By Stuart Stalter

WASHINGTON—Whether a one-night stand in a shopping mall parking lot, a week-long county fair or a full-fledged amusement park, midway lights are being switched back on across the land.

Such rides as the "Spider," the "Hammer" and the "Shooting Gallery" can be loads of fun, but they can also bring tragedy.

In each of the past three years, an average of 10,000 injuries have occurred on amusement rides. In the last decade, 72 deaths shattered the merit of the midway.

Poor maintenance, failure to inspect regularly and operator error cause about one third of the accidents. Rider misbehavior causes another third. Improper design and manufacturing flaws account for the rest.

The problem does not focus on the relative security of a carousel or a pony ride. We're concerned with the whipsawing, whirling and rapid start and stop rides, some of which approach speeds of 60 miles per hour.

Twenty-seven states do not regulate amusement rides at all. The other 23 states have a patchwork quilt of safety efforts.

Only 17 states require inspections of rides that stay "fixed" in one site as well as those that travel from one area to another. Most are inspected for structural integrity. In some states, as long as electrical and building codes are met, the show goes on.

So, who's minding the shop in states without inspection programs? Certainly not the Consumer Product Safety Commission. In 1981, Congress limited the commission's authority to mobile rides only, leaving us powerless to deal with hazardous rides permanently set in large amusement parks.

We send our kids and ourselves aloft on rides that are often as complex, sophisticated and almost as expensive as small aircraft, yet there may be no safety rules in effect.

A wise fargoer would do well to find out about the accident records of parks and carnivals and to push for safety rules and inspections where none exist and to pay heed to any posted warnings.

We can't ban fun and games in a leisure society, nor do we want to. But we can take better steps to see to it that thrill-seekers who fly through the air with the greatest of ease return to ground safe and sound, ready for the next great adventure.

Stuart Stalter is a member of the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission.

'There is no problem here requiring federal action'

By Charles S. MacDonald

WASHINGTON—Two things justify federal regulation of any industry: a serious problem and an indication that the federal government can deal with it better than anyone else.

Neither of these criteria exist with respect to the Consumer Product Safety Commission's effort to regulate amusement rides.

Government injury estimates show that rides are about the safest form of recreation. Less than 2 persons in every 100,000 are ever injured in any way by an amusement ride.

The comparable figures for bicycles is 253 per 100,000, baseball, 224 per 100,000, and football, 191 per 100,000. More people are injured in a typical year playing billiards than are injured by all amusement park rides.

Studies show that only one in 1.5 million park visitors is injured so as to require overnight hospitalization. Fatalities occur in less than one in every 30 million visitors. The latest government figures show four times as many fatalities from football, baseball and soccer.

Connecticut In Brief

Merger being studied

HARTFORD—A four-member committee has been appointed to study plans to merge the state's two-year community college and technical college systems.

The Board of Governors for Higher Education Tuesday agreed to consider merging the two systems. Board Chairman Russell D. Dench Jr. said Connecticut is one of the few states that have separate two-year college systems.

The technical college system and community college system are each governed by a board of trustees and administrative staff. The Board of Governors runs the entire state system of higher education, including the University of Connecticut and the State University of Connecticut.

Dench said the committee would explore the possibility of merging specific colleges, but would focus on consolidating the two boards of trustees and the 40-member community college staff and 21-member technical college staff.

Gangs attend wake

HARTFORD—Members of two rival Hispanic street gangs whose violence rocked Hartford in 1981 came together to mourn the murder of a former leader of the Ghetto Brothers.

Members of the Ghetto Brothers met Wednesday night at the wake of Benny Gonzalez, 25, who was gunned down by two fellow Ghetto Brothers Sunday night, in what police are calling a "hit murder."

Members of the rival Salvaje Nomads dropped by the wake to pay their respects, and the Ghetto Brothers appreciated the gesture.

Gonzalez was found Sunday in a grassy area near Main Street. Officials at the state Medical Examiners office said Gonzalez died of gunshot wounds to the head and chest.

Police arrested two Hartford men Monday and charged them with murder in the case. Eddie Quintana, 24, and Carlos M. Rivera, 21, were assigned and held on \$100,000 bond.

But police still have not found the third suspect in the "hit murder," the one they said paid to have the murder committed.

Fire bomb damages store

NEWTON—Firefighters fought thick smoke in a video store today after the establishment was apparently fire bombed, officials said.

Police and fire officials responded to the 6 a.m. alarm at the Video Forum on Route 25.

Police said an incendiary device was hurled through the window, and they regard the incident as arson. No one was injured.

Police said the fire was discovered by police responding to a burglar alarm at the store.

28 remain homeless

PORTLAND—About 28 families forced to flee their homes when the Connecticut River spilled over its banks three weeks ago are still homeless, officials say.

Jan Jankiewicz, a spokeswoman for the Red Cross's Greater Hartford chapter, said most of the families are from Middlesex County.

Half the homeless are residents of hard-hit Portland where the Connecticut River swelled to its highest level in nearly 50 years May 31 and June 2.

Portland First Selectman Robert E. Cleary said Wednesday many of the homes are uninhabitable and the residents will never be able to live in them.

Cleary said seven homes are situated illegally on a flood plain on Riverview Street. "They cannot go back because where they live does not meet the zoning regulations," he said.

Residents are upset with the decision and said officials have known for years that they lived on the flood plain on Riverview Street.

Open Forum

Need for sensitivity

To the Editor:

The Manchester Interracial Council supports the recent commentary of June 21 and editorial June 12 in the Manchester Herald regarding incidents involving police conduct in detaining young black residents. Although in the two incidents cited, the black teenagers involved were entirely innocent of any wrongdoing, many members of the community, both black and white, are concerned about the appearance of insensitivity in the manner in which the initial investigatory process was handled.

Certainly we are aware of the dangers faced by police when they must detain suspects. However, when detaining a suspect based on very little information other than a description of the individual's race, there is a need for sensitivity to the potential innocence of the individual. It is important that citizens of all races be treated with appropriate respect and consideration, especially taking into consideration the varying reactions that most people exhibit when stopped by a police officer. In such a circumstance, even the innocent can appear guilty or, at least, apprehensive. In many instances it may be possible to obtain more detailed descriptions of suspects prior to detaining anyone. We feel that this is essential to prevent recurrences of similar incidents.

A step in this process would be written rules governing the standards of conduct of police when questioning citizens. Another step would be more interaction between the police, both administration and staff, with members of the community who are concerned with improving communication between the police and the minority community. Human relations/sensitivity training should also be factored into the process. There appears to be a need for such training that would benefit both the police department and the community.

Can we work together to achieve an atmosphere of mutual support and trust? That is the challenge to be faced by the community, town administrators, and the police department.

More wells contaminated

ENFIELD—Test results show 19 additional wells in Somers, Ellington and East Windsor are contaminated with EDB, a cancer-causing chemical.

The results released Wednesday showed 13 wells at private homes in the Somerville section of Somers contained between 0.25 and 1.3 parts per billion of the pesticide. The state has set a standard of 0.1 parts per billion for safe drinking water.

In East Windsor and Ellington six more wells showed positive levels of EDB, said Charles P. Agro, chief of sanitation of the North Central District Health Department.

So far, 38 wells showing EDB contamination and 73 wells with acceptable levels have been found in Somers, said Michael M. Mocco, town sanitarian for Somers. Mocco said 200 different well sites have been tested. "We're still waiting for some results," he said.

Death is suicide

DANBURY (UPI)—A body found hanging from a tree behind a school today appears to be the result of an apparent suicide, police said.

Lieutenant Arthur Sullo said a janitor discovered the body of the 22-year-old male shortly before 7 a.m. Police identified the man as Eugene A. Lambert, whose last known address was High Ridge Garden, a housing project adjacent to the school yard.

The preliminary investigation has not revealed any evidence of foul play, Sullo said but the death was being treated as a hanging death until an autopsy is performed.

Police said the body was taken to the state Medical Examiner's office for autopsy.

Report disappointing

To the Editor:

I was disappointed to read the press account of the minority opinion to the Citizens' Advisory Committee on Curriculum and Instruction report.

I would like to say that I strongly disagree with their objection to professional educators serving on public committees. I feel that the professional educator, the teacher, the administrator adds a dimension that simply is not obtainable elsewhere. The input provided by Anne Gaudin, Gwen Brooks and Art Glasser in my opinion invaluable and absolutely necessary. I cannot think of any other source of information that could provide the insight to the daily functioning of a large system with a comprehensive high school. The professionals provided the expertise that was vital. I do not believe that a committee such as ours could have functioned in any reasonable manner without professionals serving.

I also disagree that neighboring towns offer better educational opportunities. I am sure that our neighboring towns have strong points and weak points as our own system does. An excellent education may be obtained from the Manchester public schools and has been obtained by many.

I have been honored to serve on a committee that has had a professionals who care enough about the children that they teach give of their spare time to work to improve the opportunities available to the children also serving.

Joyce Trainer
52 Hamlin St.

UNDER THE DOME: Sen. Ted Stevens, R-Alaska, has asked the Federal Election Commission if he can designate his daughter Beth as an "aide" for a trip on which he'll be paid travel expenses and an honorarium by an organization his office declines to identify. Why does he care? Under the law, a member of Congress can get travel expenses for himself, his spouse and one aide. Stevens also asked whether his 3-and-a-half-year-old daughter Lily is eligible for travel expenses as a "dependent" so young she cannot be left alone.

THE NATIONAL REPUBLICAN SENATORIAL COMMITTEE picked up the tab for \$105 in registration fees for staff members of Sen. John East, R-N.C., at an anti-abortion conference in Washington some time ago. The use of political funds for office expenses was "a bookkeeping decision," according to an East spokesman.

A 78-year-old tuna is a hard fish to hook. Over the past year, the Senate's permanent subcommittee on investigations made 39 attempts to get reputed Chicago mob figure Anthony "Big Tuna" Accardo to testify on labor corruption. Accardo has spent time at St. Mary of Nazareth Hospital in Chicago and the Mayo Clinic in Rochester, Minn., for various ailments. At long last, he is scheduled to appear today for testimony before the subcommittee.

Thorne steps down amid controversy

'With regret'

By Mark A. Dupuis

HARTFORD—Mental Retardation Commissioner Gareth D. Thorne will leave office next month amid controversy over the state's efforts to move the retarded from large institutions to community-based group homes.

Thorne, who has overseen state programs for the retarded for 13 years and has headed the Department of Mental Retardation since it was established in 1975, announced Wednesday he will resign effective July 27.

His resignation came in the face of mounting criticism of his handling of efforts to move the retarded to community-based group homes and an investigation of the Department of Mental Retardation by Gov. William A. O'Neill's legal counsel.

Thorne, 61, said he had been thinking about retiring for two years or more and decided he didn't want to stay the three or more additional years needed to implement the program for placing the retarded in group homes.

O'Neill accepted Thorne's resignation "with regret" and thanked Thorne for his service. There was no immediate word from O'Neill as to a successor for Thorne, who was paid about \$55,000 a year as commissioner.

Bill Mill, spokesman for the Department of Mental Retardation, said Thorne decided to resign after meeting last week with court-appointed monitors overseeing the shift to group homes.

"It became apparent to him at that time that the implementation process was going to be a number of years and was going to require a continuity of leadership in the department," Mill said.

Thorne has been under fire for efforts to carry out a settlement in a lawsuit that sought to move residents out of the Mansfield Training School in favor of the smaller, community-based group homes.

Under a consent decree to end the suit by the Connecticut Association for Retarded Citizens, the state agreed to make available the option of a group home to all people now housed in the larger facility.

O'Neill's legal counsel, Jay W. Jackson, has been investigating the Department of Mental Retardation and interviewed at least 18 people, 14 of whom advocated reorganization of the department or Thorne's removal as commissioner.

Thorne made no mention of the controversy in his resignation letter, but did stress the need for continuity in the department as it carries out the consent decree.

"At this juncture the interest of mentally retarded persons, which is the matter of primary concern, can best be served with assurance of continuity of leadership essential to meeting the complexity of tasks which lie ahead," he wrote.

O'Neill directed Jackson to conduct the inquiry into the department last month after settlement of the Mansfield suit, reports two retarded women were raped in a nursing home where they lived, and a U.S. Justice Department decision to investigate the Southbury Training School.

Jackson's inquiry is expected to be completed in the next week or so.

Now Yankee Mac mortgages go begging

By Mark A. Dupuis

HARTFORD—Connecticut residents are showing only about half the money available from the latest Yankee Mac mortgage offering, state Treasurer Henry E. Parker says.

The state will parcel out \$73 million in mortgages, about half of the \$150 million available. Parker said Wednesday.

Parker said 1,083 potential homeowners applied for mortgages under the sixth Yankee Mac offering since the state began investing pension funds to provide mortgages in June 1981.

Parker said he used the same process as before to set the interest rate, using various national indices.

"We were consistent but the national indices have just dropped on us," he said. "Our interest rate (for the latest offering) was well within the scope of every index in the nation, which it has never been before."

Parker said he was pleased with the \$73 million showing, which he said would lead to new jobs and additional tax revenues for the state and municipalities while also providing a prudent investment of state pension funds.

Of the \$73 million in applications, 51 percent of the money was sought for new construction, which Parker estimated would create 670 jobs.

"All of that represents positive economic flow of cash and at the same time 13% percent on that \$73 million looks good for the investment portfolio," he said.

Parker said the state offers Yankee Mac mortgages once a year early in the spring, and with a \$73 million in applications Wednesday the state has distributed a total of about \$70 million for mortgages under the program.

The 1,083 applicants must pass a credit check, Parker said up to 10 percent of the applicants could end up not obtaining the loans for failure to pass the credit check or other reasons.

State's poor mostly women, children

By Mark A. Dupuis

HARTFORD (UPI)—A new report says almost 80 percent of Connecticut's poor are women and children largely because of an increase in female-headed households and the wage gap between men and women.

The state will parcel out \$73 million in mortgages, about half of the \$150 million available. Parker said Wednesday.

Parker said 1,083 potential homeowners applied for mortgages under the sixth Yankee Mac offering since the state began investing pension funds to provide mortgages in June 1981.

The report said 45 percent of all Hispanic children are poor and 35 percent of all black children are poor. "This is our hope. This is our whole future," commission Chairwoman Tina Cunningham said of the state's children. "Just imagine the opportunities they are not getting."

The report—"Facts About the State of Connecticut Women"—is a 74-page document culled primarily from the 1980 census and presents little that the commission has not said in past years.

"It reflects what you know already," said Susan Bucknell, executive director of the commission. "But it gives some substance to what you already know."

OPINION

Uniform age for drinking should be 19

An editorial

With the federal government providing the carrot-and-stick approach, states are moving in toward establishing a minimum drinking age of 21. The chief reason for uniformity is to prevent carnage along "blood borders" caused by young people crossing state lines to purchase alcohol in states with lower drinking ages.

Having a uniform drinking age makes sense. But we feel 19 is an appropriate age, not 21. A national minimum age of 19 would solve the border woes without discriminating against a certain group of citizens.

To begin with, we are not convinced that there is any conclusive evidence pointing to a significant decrease in driving fatalities by posting a higher age. Connecticut's Department of Motor Vehicles listed 411 fatal accidents in 1983, resulting in 445 deaths. There were 532 drivers involved in these collisions, and of them, 112 were aged 20 or under.

A minimum 21 age drinking bill also wouldn't have much effect on teenage drinking and driving. In the days when 21 was the minimum age, high school students still found someone to buy alcohol for them. At least by establishing the minimum age at 19, we will be taking the potential supplier out of school corridors. Prohibition didn't work in the '20s, and a limited prohibition won't work today.

Setting the age requirement at 21 makes for a second-class citizenship. For a 3-year period, youths would be allowed to vote and they certainly would be taken for military service, but they could not drink. Some may consider the "if-I-can-fight, I-can-drink" argument outdated or irrelevant, but we think it is valid. Society tells its young men that they are mature enough to fight in wars, but they are not mature and responsible enough to moderate their drinking and get behind the wheel of a car. If it doesn't smack of hypocrisy, at best it shows a distrust of young people. Free will involves letting go sometime, and dark consequences sometimes are the price of that freedom.

The minimum 21 age measure discriminates against women because the overwhelming number of alcohol-related crashes involves males. Insurance companies have always compensated for the greater risk of single male drivers by charging higher premiums. Should we follow their logic and set the drinking age at 25?

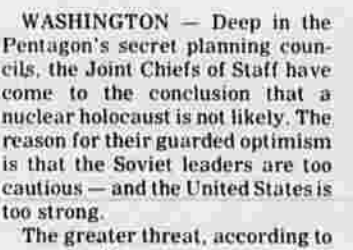
It is precisely this dilemma that shows the inadequacy of a higher drinking age. Even if the nation settled on 21, that still wouldn't solve the problem of older people involved in alcohol-related crashes. There should be stiff penalties for convictions, including suspension of driving privileges for first offenses, and strong action against those who knowingly serve alcohol to minors or fail to check for identification. These would make suitable deterrents.

Education is an important first step to eliminating not just the drunken driving among youths, but the alcoholism and the threat of alcohol abuse that afflicts them. For decades, the government and certain non-profit agencies have waged an anti-smoking crusade. Do the same with the perils of drinking, starting in the elementary schools, and the problem may be lessened.



FROM GARY HARTPEACE, WITH HUGS AND KISSES

Weapons plant finally closed after four years of warnings



Jack Anderson
Washington Merry-Go-Round

WASHINGTON—Deep in the Pentagon's secret planning councils, the Joint Chiefs of Staff have come to the conclusion that a nuclear holocaust is not likely. The reason for their guarded optimism is that the Soviet leaders are too cautious—and the United States is too strong.

The greater threat, according to our top military experts, would be limited military confrontations, with conventional weapons. The Soviets—who for years have been the world's greatest land power—are now challenging the United States for control of the seas.

It has been our carrier task forces that have given the U.S. Navy its power and reach. Not surprisingly, this is precisely where the Kremlin has decided to challenge us. After decades of neglect, the Soviets have seen that carriers are an effective means of extending their power.

The latest intelligence reports warn that the Soviets are building four new Nimitz-class carriers, nuclear-powered ships with conventional takeoff and landing capability that are expected to be deployed before 1990. The carriers will likely have 60 to 70 planes, including MiG-23s, an early-warning aircraft.

One secret Pentagon study estimates that by the year 2000 the Soviets may have nine aircraft carriers, including the four new ones.

The Soviet decision-making process on the carriers, and what they hope to gain with the ships, are revealed in highly classified intelligence reports and other studies reviewed by my associates Dale Van Atta and Donald Goldberg.

The Soviet navy's first proposal for an aircraft carrier came in 1925, but sank like a stone in the country's overriding necessity for defensive measures against a supposedly hostile capitalist world. The proposal surfaced again in 1936. Stalin's admirals wanted a carrier with icebreaking capability. In this period, a prestigious American company offered plans for three variations of a combined battleship-carrier.

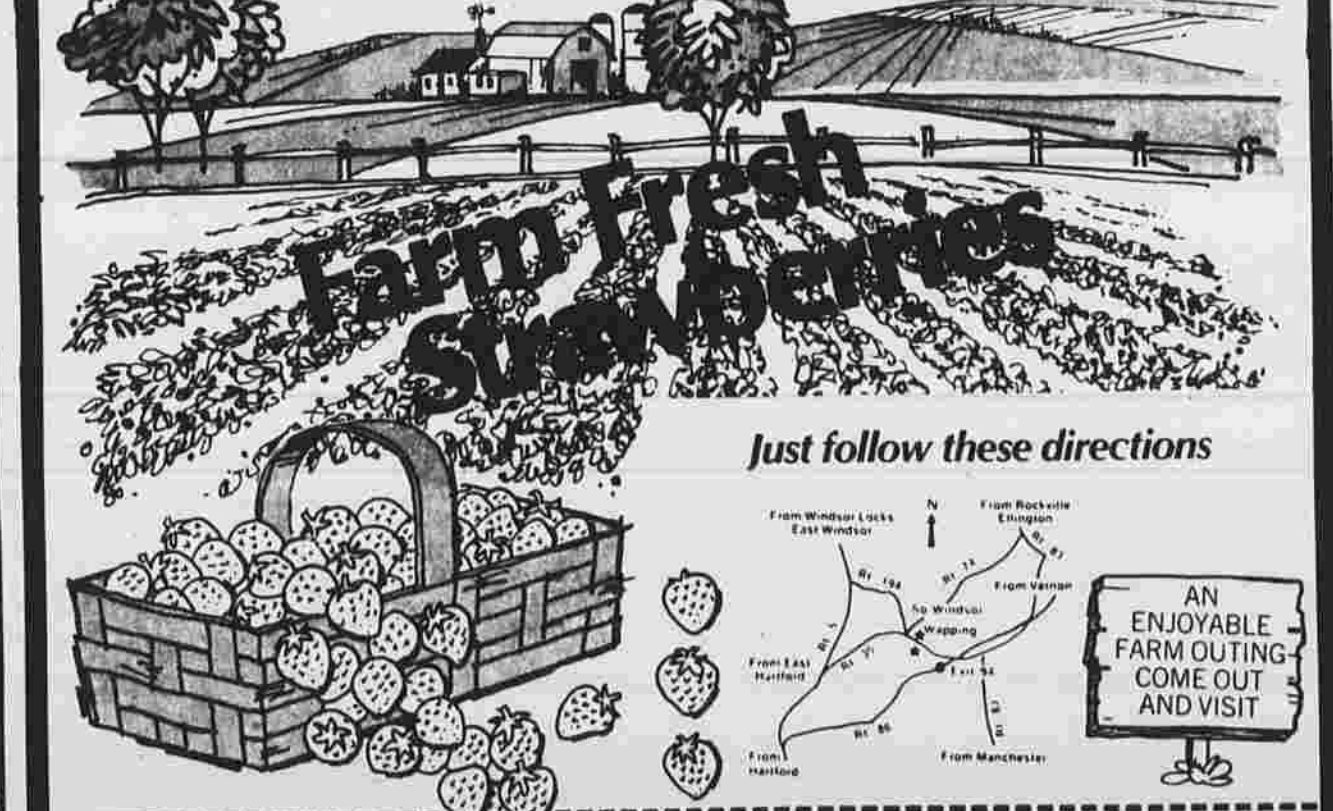
The Soviets tried in vain to steal plans for the Nazis' aircraft carrier, Graf Zeppelin, before World War II. At the end of the war, the Russians captured the incomplete German carrier, which had been scuttled but not destroyed.

The Soviets raised the carrier and studied it closely. But it either capsized while under tow to Leningrad laden with war booty or viewed carriers as floating dinosaurs, militarily vulnerable to nuclear missiles.

But with Khrushchev's abrupt departure in 1964, Leonid Brezhnev ordered full speed ahead, and in 1976 the Soviets' first carrier, the Kiev, appeared in the Mediterranean. As a Defense Intelligence Agency report interpreted Brezhnev's thinking, "an aircraft carrier would be militarily advantageous and politically useful, giving the Soviets 'another of the trappings of great power status.'"

Although the CIA pronounced

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U.S./World In Brief

Dobrynin, Shultz have talk

WASHINGTON — Secretary of State George Shultz and Soviet Ambassador Anatoly Dobrynin held their longest known meeting together, less than a week after President Reagan expressed a willingness to hold a summit with Soviet leader Konstantin Chernenko.

The almost three-hour meeting Wednesday — the second in eight days — was the most comprehensive, direct discussion of East-West issues since Shultz met with Soviet Foreign Minister Andrei Gromyko at Stockholm in January during a conference of stock ministers on East-West security matters.

"We didn't solve anything but we discussed in depth each question, which I am going to report to my government," Dobrynin told reporters. "We tried to discuss everything."

The length of the meeting was unusual. It was not posted on Shultz's public schedule and his assistants with Dobrynin usually last an hour or less.

Air safety problems cited

WASHINGTON — An internal Federal Aviation Administration memorandum warns that the air traffic control system "is coming under jeopardy" because of too many aircraft and overloaded controllers.

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'Star Wars' plan defended

WASHINGTON — Defense Secretary Caspar Weinberger says the administration's "Star Wars" anti-missile project will not violate the 1972 anti-ballistic missile treaty, as its critics charge.

Abandoning administration caution about accusing the Soviet Union of violating treaties, Weinberger said the Soviets are building a new ABM radar site, "which is a violation of the ABM Treaty."

The Pentagon has said the installation is under construction in the central Soviet Union.

Weinberger also said it is "not indeed" the draft Democratic platform recommends scrapping the Strategic Defense Initiative — the formal name of the "Star Wars" program. He said the effort to develop a shield against a nuclear missile attack "could bring far greater safety to future generations."

Lebanon's Cabinet meets

BEIRUT — Lebanon's coalition Cabinet held a crucial meeting today to discuss the unification of the national army and a Syrian-backed peace plan to guide the country out of its current civil war.

The meeting, the first since Prime Minister Rashid Karami's Christian-Muslim executive won a parliamentary confidence vote June 12, followed a night of skirmishes between warring militias loyal to the various Cabinet ministers.

The factions traded fire in rocket-propelled grenades and heavy machine guns until morning. Four Lebanese soldiers were wounded on the Christian side of the Green Line dividing Beirut, police sources said.

The Cabinet, chaired jointly by Karami and President Amin Gemayel, convened in Bikfaya, Gemayel's summer residence, shortly after 10:30 a.m. with all its members present but government sources warned against undue optimism.

Senate likes Conrail sale

WASHINGTON — The Senate is giving a friendly reception to the administration's plans to sell Conrail, but a key House member says he is concerned the transaction is being pushed too quickly.

Thirteen bids arrived at the Transportation Department for the 14,000-mile Northeast-West coast carrier by Monday night deadline, including one reported lost in the mail and not disclosed until a Senate surface transportation subcommittee hearing Wednesday.

James Burnley, deputy transportation secretary, agreed with two senators at the hearing that the successful seller among the 14 proposing to buy Conrail may not be the one offering the most money. The key factors, he said, will be keeping the line intact and protecting its employees.

Insanity defense mullied

WASHINGTON — On the second anniversary of John Hinckley Jr.'s acquittal by reason of insanity, Congress appears close to passing a proposal restricting use of the defense.

Two years ago today, a federal jury found Hinckley innocent by reason of insanity for attempting to assassinate President Reagan. White House press secretary James Brady and two law enforcement officers. The verdict outraged the nation and brought renewed calls to tighten the insanity defense.

Hinckley, 29, the driver son of a rich Colorado oilman, remains committed indefinitely to a Washington mental hospital where he is undergoing therapy and participates in activities for patients.

This year, the Senate passed many of the administration's anti-crime proposals, including a sweeping reform of the insanity defense. President Reagan has been critical of Congress for failing to move quickly on the proposals.

Five miners die, 70 trapped

TAIPEI, Taiwan — Officials held out little hope today of rescuing 70 miners trapped 2,000 feet underground by a methane gas explosion in Taiwan's second largest coal mine.

Four miners were found dead immediately after the blast and one died later in a hospital. Another 19 were being treated for injuries.

Exhausted rescuers, their faces blackened by coal dust, braved the gas that continued leaking into the colliery and worked in shifts all night Wednesday to clear debris in hopes of reaching the trapped miners.

Obituaries

Hildegart H. Standish

ANDOVER — Hildegart (Huber) Standish, 75, of Route 6, died Tuesday at Windham Community Memorial Hospital. She was the wife of the late Leslie C. Standish.

She was born in Germany and had lived in Andover for more than 50 years.

She leaves a son, Leslie Myles Standish of Andover; three grandchildren in Andover; and several nieces and nephews.

Graveside services were to be today at 2 p.m. at Andover Congregational Church Cemetery.

The Potter Funeral Home, 456 Jackson St., Willimantic, has charge of arrangements. Memorial donations may be made to the Andover Fire Department.

Ida B. Howard

Ida (Blackmar) Howard, 86, of 333 Bidwell St., formerly of Ellington, died Wednesday at a local convalescent home in North Scluaue, R.I., on July 4, 1897, and had been a resident of Manchester for more than 30 years.

She leaves six daughters, Mrs. John (Viola) Morton, Mrs. John (Evelyn) Tedford, Mrs. Dorothy Cowles, and Mrs. Harvey (Grace) Johnson, all of Manchester, Mrs. Raymond (Shirley) Barcomb of Enfield, Mrs. Russell (Flora) Baneroff of Warehouse Point, two sons, Frank E. Davis of Manchester and Harold J. Howard Jr. of Enfield; 22 grandchildren; 40 great-grandchildren; and two great-great-grandchildren.

The funeral will be Saturday at 11:15 a.m. from the Holmes Funeral Home, 400 Main St. Burial will be in East Cemetery. There are no calling hours. Memorial donations may be made to the Dialysis Unit at Rockville General Hospital, Rockville.

Shirley A. M. Brown

Shirley A. (Melanson) Brown, 44, of 175 Diane Drive, South Windsor, formerly of Manchester, died Wednesday night at Hartford Hospital. She was the wife of Dana M. Brown.

She was born in Lewiston, Maine, on July 10, 1939, and had lived in Manchester for several years before moving to South Windsor 3 1/2 years ago.

Before retiring because of illness, she had been employed at the J. C. Penney warehouse in Manchester. Before that she had been a secretary for Regal Men's Shop, Manchester, for four years. She was a member of Concordia Lutheran Church.

Besides her husband she leaves a daughter, Mrs. Karen Lanz of East Hartford; and her parents, Edward and Martha (Hoy) Melanson in Maine.

The funeral will be Friday at 9 a.m. at Concordia Lutheran Church, 40 Pitkin St., Burial will be in Riverside Cemetery in Maine. Friends may call at the Watkins Funeral Home, 142 E. Center St., today from 7 to 9 p.m. Memorial donations may be made to the Memorial Fund of Concordia Lutheran Church.

Josephine M. Kracunas

Josephine (Moskitis) Kracunas, 70, of 64 Turnbull Road, died today at Manchester Memorial Hospital. She was the wife of the late Anthony P. Kracunas.

She was born Oct. 17, 1912, in Hartford and had been a resident of Manchester for the past 40 years. At the time of her death she was a supervisor with the Hartford Insurance Group where she had worked for 23 years. She was a parishioner of St. Bridget Church.

She leaves two sons, Peter A. Kracunas of Manchester and Paul J. Kracunas of Tolland; a daughter, Paula E. Kracunas of Manchester; two grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews.

The funeral will be Saturday at 11:15 a.m. at the Holmes Funeral Home, 400 Main St., with a mass of Christian burial at 9 a.m. at St. Bridget Church. Burial will be in St. Joseph's Cemetery, Foxonoch. Friends may call at the funeral home Friday from 3 to 5 p.m. and 7 to 9 p.m. Memorial contributions may be made to the American Cancer Society, 237 E. Center St.

In Memoriam

In loving memory of Alfred Logan who passed away June 21, 1977.

Sadly missed by wife

Fire Calls

Manchester
Wednesday, 10:40 a.m. — water call, 233 S. Main St. (Town)
Wednesday, 11:35 a.m. — medical call, 141 Brookfield St. (Paramedics)
Wednesday, 1:15 p.m. — gas wash down, 41 Center St. (Town)
Wednesday, 4:47 p.m. — medical call, 57 Milford Road (Paramedics)
Wednesday, 8:06 p.m. — medical call, 141 Princeton St. (Paramedics)
Thursday, 12:30 a.m. — medical call, 622 Middle Turnpike East (Paramedics)

Tolland County
Tuesday, 3:15 p.m. — bicycle accident, Bousala Road (Andover)
Wednesday, 11:35 a.m. — possible fractured leg, Coventry Holler Center (South Coventry)



KATHY KERRIGAN AND LOUIS GILBERT
junior speaker and valedictorian

Tech graduates 106

In the American tradition of honoring the dead, Jerrall concluded his talk by dedicating the occasion to the late Bernard Larry Noble.

Noble, who lived at 530 Bush Hill Road in Manchester with his parents Bernard and Beverly, was a Cheney Tech senior when he died in February of a heart attack. And though he couldn't be there to get his diploma Wednesday, two friends accepted for him.

His classmates responded with a standing ovation.

Practical matters were the focus of Warren J. Foley's light-hearted talk. The State Board of Education member told the graduates to smile, listen, and be courteous at interviews — and to be on time, above all else, when they land a job.

"Give of yourself 100 percent, and maybe 110 percent, if you have to," Foley added.

Father William Charbonneau, East Catholic principal, delivered the invocation and dedication. He apologized for the heat, then said he hoped Wednesday's ceremony would usher in a "new era" of joint efforts by Cheney Tech and ECHS — besides just the snowblades and buses the two schools had shared and exchanged in the past.

Valedictorian Louis Gilbert exhorted the graduates to make their own mark on the world. "It can be easy, at times, to follow the crowd and be one of the gang," he said, noting that being a leader is tougher.

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Inspector tells of his visit to Claveries' day-care center

By Sarah E. Hall Herald Reporter

State inspector Leon Katz calls it a "fantastic story," an "unbelievable scene."

But the story's subjects, a couple who run a day-care center in their Jean Circle home until late last year, say they've been treated unfairly.

The conflicting reports revolve around a surprise inspection of Claudia's Pre-School Learning Center, run by Ronald and Claudia Claverie, on Nov. 29, 1983.

Katz claims he found many serious violations — ranging from the use of powdered milk, which is forbidden by public health codes, to children left unattended in the kitchen and in an upstairs bedroom.

According to Katz, there were more than 20 children in the home, which was licensed to serve no more than 12 at any one time. The day he visited, as many as 18 of them were packed in a running van, apparently about to be whisked away. Katz discovered one child in the garage and 18 or so others in the van moments after he inspected the house.

"They were going to run off with the evidence," Katz said.

Katz said Mrs. Claverie had asked if she could let her dog out of the locked car in the garage before he checked it out.

Katz complied, but grew impatient when Mrs. Claverie failed to return. He walked into the garage and saw an infant sitting on the concrete floor.

"The van was heated and there was no need for children to be wearing coats," Ronald Claverie maintained this morning.

He added that Katz's comments "are slanderous." He said he may consult his attorney, Joel Janemda, about pressing charges.

"The state has placed responsibility on me and beyond what they require of other people," Claverie added. For example, he said that state inspector Katz demanded that "every square inch" of flooring in the United Pentecostal Church Meetinghouse, where the Claveries have operated a day-care center, be replaced.

THE CLAVERIES SPENT \$10,000 on this and other renovations to the church hall, according to Ronald Claverie.

Another woman who taught at the center, Sharon Dalton of Portland, tipped off the state Department of Health Services to alleged violations last year, Katz said.

Claverie insisted that although the center was over-subscribed, the teacher-to-child ratio was one to four. He is convinced that he, his wife and their teachers cared for the children responsibly.

Here's list of graduates

Here is a list of 1984 graduates of Howell Cheney Regional Vocational Technical School:

- AUTOMOTIVE**
Guy A. Barrett, Guy A. Bradford, Ronald Paul Dube, Elio M. Figueredo, Eric Bernard Gouvin, William R. Green, Raymond Frank Hewitler, James Edwin Hutter Jr., Michael J. Lewis, Michael James Littlewood, Ernest Dillon Pierop Jr., Jose A. Veissco, Alexander Joseph Zolop.
- CARPENTRY**
Ronald Augustine Ailevo, Jeffrey Patrick Edwards, Cockswill, Michael Edward Einsiedel Jr., Michael Steven Ford, Douglas Henry Givins, Raymond Mark Monna III, Timothy Paul Miller, Robert Robert King, Jerry Laisla, Roger Pierre Lavigne, Michael Alan Luskis, James Francis Molitsky, Luis Alender, Kenneth E. Manning, James Arthur Mount, John James Nutt, Dean Joseph Roy, Don Michael Soucy, Robert Lawrence Stone.
- DIESEL — Post Graduate**
Steven Rick Morrill.

- ELECTRIC**
Kenneth Michael Baker, William Robert Burke, Lee Michael Cook, John Paul Cuv, Mills John D'Alto, Jack Chris Dunafide Jr., Robert Thomas Gault, Roy Roland Gault Jr., Ernest Paul Garbaldi, John David Gault, Steven Gault, Robert Gault, Gene Poliner, Robert Charles Robert, Don Michael Soucy, Robert Lawrence Stone, Michael Allen Weorne, Patrick A. Noble.
- WELDING — Post Graduate**
Henry Sorouge Fossati.
- MACHINE DRAFTING**
Edward Joseph Bouchard, Wayne Patrick Cross, Charles Francis Dorri, Curtis John Hutchinson, George Joseph Jenkin, Thomas Patrick Kelly, Anne Anne Kech, Bernard Larry Noble.

- MACHINE-TOOL**
Paul Belonger, Raymond A. East Catholic, Vincent Gosselin, Clovete, Robert W. Collins, Dennis P. Cunniff, C. Guy, David R. Cuv, Paul Andrew Duff, Steve Fecteau, Albert Ferris, Luis Hernandez, Glenn Edward Jurka, Paul Kari Kozlisk, Gregor J. Martin, Joseph Gregor Nevers, Robert H. Olson, Paul A. Poirier, Steven A. Poirier, George W. Poirier, Joseph M. Sarter, Arthur Mount Jr., John Joseph Otto, John M. Paradis, Kathleen Marie Paradis, Joseph E. Schultz, Steven Wasilewski.
- ELECTRONIC**
Robert Augustine Burns Jr., Louis Joseph Gilbert, Vincent Gosselin, John Joseph Gosselin, Andrew Gardner, Eric David Lehmann, Andrew Gardner, John B. MacIntyre, John B. MacIntyre, Arthur Mount Jr., John Joseph Otto, John M. Paradis, Kathleen Marie Paradis, Joseph E. Schultz, Steven Wasilewski.

FOCUS / Family



This is the exterior view of the Nordeen's sun room. The addition replaces, in part, a draughty porch that wound around the front of the house.

Sun Spaces Norm and Betty Lou Nordeen enlarged their home with light

By Susan Pleser Herald Reporter

Living with a solar addition may be a marvelous way to survive the winter.

But with temperatures in the 90s and humidity to match, surviving the recent heat wave has been a challenge. "We're figuring that out now," says Norman Nordeen of Manchester.

Betty Lou Nordeen and her husband just finished enlarging their gracious 1871 Victorian home. The showpiece of the project, however, is a two-story sun space located at the front of the house, where a draughty wrap-around porch used to be.

It is early evening. But the space is brilliant with light. When one peers through the gigantic windows into the yard beyond, the blue walls of the addition and the blue of the evening sky appear so blend.

The solar panels on the exterior are connected to a hot-water system. Nordeen expects to save about 300 gallons of oil a year, though he acknowledges the estimate may be low. Before the space was built, the Nordeens had a domestic hot water heater (which operates directly off the furnace).

In the interest of summer comfort, the Nordeens have purchased pleated fabric blinds to cover the windows along each wall. The blinds' outer surface is reflective to keep the heat from the summer sun out.

BUT EVEN WITH the wall blinds closed, sun streams through the windowed ceiling of the room. Shades to cover the roof of the addition have been ordered as well. Mrs. Nordeen notes that some of her houseplants have frizzled in the heat of the past few weeks.

The sun space measures 20 feet by 8 feet wide. The floor is covered in brick, which will absorb heat and help to make the space comfortable in the winter months.

The room is accessible from the Nordeens' living room and oversized office. French doors at the front of the office lead to the sun space beyond.

The doors, hung with double hinges, are unique. The width of the hinge — about 7 inches — allows one open door to fold flat against the other open door. "I didn't want doors that just opened and blocked up space," Nordeen says.

The sun room is ideal for entertaining, Mrs. Nordeen says. In April she christened the addition with a luncheon for about 20 members of the executive board of the Women's Club of Manchester. The meal was served in the sun room.

The sun space is accessible to the downstairs rooms only. But one can enjoy the view of sun and green plants from the upstairs master bedroom. Wide windows in the bedroom overlook the space. The windows open to admit heat, and a ceiling paddle fan helps circulate the air.

COMPLETION of the addition took a full year from the time the design was started. The Nordeens



Norman and Betty Lou Nordeen stand at the back of their new solar addition. Note the windows at top right; they belong to the master bedroom.

Where's the beef? To some people, food is an earthly delight

By Tom Tiede Newspaper Enterprise Association

ACONA, Miss. — Like most other people, Henrietta Taylor gets the between-meal hungries. Unlike most others, however, she doesn't just reach for satisfaction from supermarket snacks. She doesn't opt for Twinkies, Ring-A-Dings or Cheese Whiz, and her face breaks out when she has chocolate.

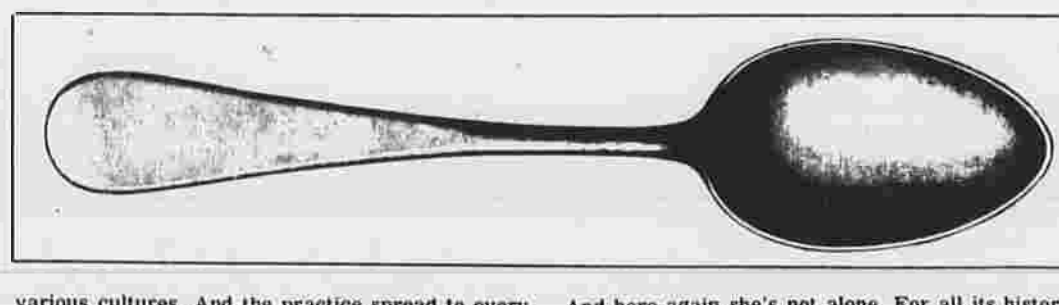
So she says, she eats the earth. "I like it especially on a hot day," Mrs. Taylor says. "I get it from the shade on a hill near the water. I wet my hands, and roll a little bit of it into a moist ball. Not too much, understand. A little bit is better than a lot. I just kind of lick it with my tongue."

"Hey, there's nothing like good, fresh dirt."

Dirt? Mrs. Taylor, 52, who uses a pseudonym here, says she's been eating it most of her life. And apparently she's not the only one. Medical observers say that soil eating is an old custom in the remote backwaters of the southeastern United States.

The practice is called geophagia. And the common belief is that it designated thousands of years ago, probably as a result of famine.

EVENTUALLY THE TASTE was adopted by



various cultures. And the practice spread to every corner of the earth. Greeks have done it. Orientals have too, and ditto the Polynesians. Right now in America the habit is more or less associated with rural black women (men think it's icky) in the Deep South.

And "habit" is the right word. Henrietta Taylor says she is virtually addicted to the lumpy soil of northeastern Mississippi. "I'm crazy about the taste," she points out. "I like to have it with Coca-Cola. I suppose it's a lot like smoking tobacco; once you get started it's hard to quit."

Mrs. Taylor says she has tried to quit several times.

Holmes County, Miss., 50 miles north of Jackson. He says that 10 years ago at least one-half of the country's female population said it ate dirt, but now only a fraction of the women claim they still do.

THE REASON IS that women are not passing the habit on to their daughters. And the reason for that is the aforementioned social stigma.

Frate claims the health worries are probably excessive. He says he has never found any indication that digested dirt is a physical risk. On the contrary, he says the soil is almost always benign.

Cornthart. Frate says, has much higher sodium levels than dirt.

For example, cornstarch is full of sodium. And high amounts of sodium in the diet may lead to high blood pressure. Frate says the blood pressure rate in Holmes County has skyrocketed since dirt eaters began switching to salty substitutes, and it's now twice the U.S. average.

Frate says he can't yet prove a connection in the matter, but Henrietta Taylor is darned convinced. "Smell the earth after it rains," she says. "The smell, cornstarch that is wet. And you tell me who's better off. God makes the good earth. I don't know who makes baking powder."

Soccer moms say there's nothing sweeter than a win

Ahhhhhh. The sweet taste of victory. The glory of it all.

It finally happened. My son's soccer team won a game. Splendor in the grass. And a noble victory it was, too, come as it did on the heels of two agonizing defeats. The score: 2 to 0.

His first game was really a heartbreaker. It was his first game, ever, in the whole world. His debut. His grandparents were summoned from Pennsylvania for the occasion. He was sporty in a blue shirt with "Wildman" and number 95 emblazoned across the back and blue shorts with a racing stripe down the side and black E.T. sneakers.

But all the costumes in the world wouldn't have saved his team from the crushing defeat, 4 to 0. My little guy, face still flushed with exertion, broke down in tears in the back of the car as he rubbed a fresh bruise on his leg.

"That's OK," we said. We told him he played a really good game. Worked hard. He tried his best. Your team just needs a little more practice, we said. Wait 'til you see. It'll be better next time.

Next time dawned this week. There they were on the field, psyched for a 2 to 0 loss this time. They ran their little legs off. They attacked the



Susan Pleser Herald Reporter

ball as though it were some dangerous alien from outer space. If you've never seen a 7-year-old attack a ball, just come out to the soccer field some evening. Let there be no mistake: a 7-year-old attacks the ball.

One little kid raced toward the ball, full tilt, and wound up his body for a mighty kick. He kicked so hard his foot went flying over his head. He missed and the ball spun sullenly in the middle of a tuft of grass. He got a rousing cheer from the spectators, anyway.

One little kid let off another kick and the energy backfired and he landed flat on his back, contemplating the sky. "Atta boy," someone shouted, and the kid jumped back up and rejoined the fray.

ONE LITTLE KID raced up the field, ball just in front, and gave a kick just outside the goal. The ball stopped all by itself, willy-nilly, inches from the line. "Good try," someone yelled. "Keep it up."

Then there was a little girl named Tracey. Her foot connected with the ball, and it evidently

caught her by surprise, judging by her look. She didn't miss a beat however; she started to move up the field. She ran furiously, tongue hanging from the corner of her mouth, the way kids do when they are using every ounce of concentration.

But suddenly she realized what had happened. There she was, out in front of the pack, and she was in control and she was having a marvelous time. And the crowd was cheering her on. She flashed a grin of such proportions and such unrestrained joy that several mothers on the sidelines had to laugh. She gave the ball one final kick and she did a little jig midair before she ran off to chase it again.

And eventually, the team got a goal. Then another. The final score: 2 to 0. They finally scored and they finally won a game, all in the same night.

My little boy got in the back of the car and rubbed another bruise.

"You see, you're improving," we said. He flashed the same grin Tracey gave the spectators minutes before and he did a little jig in the back seat. Isn't soccer fun?

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Advice

Pastor can't straighten out his feelings for another man

DEAR ABBY: It makes me blush to write this, but I have to unload on someone. I can't talk to a minister because I am my own pastor.

I have a wonderful wife and family. The problem is me. I can't get on with anyone besides my wife. The person I am in love with is another man. He lives in a town nearby, and he is also married. We see each other once a week. I can't understand my feelings — I only know that this man makes me feel more loved than I've ever felt in my life. I suppose that makes me a homosexual.

My wife is a fine person, but I doubt that I was ever really in love with her. Sex was never very important to her, and when we did have sex, she didn't seem at all interested. Could that be the reason I have turned to another man for love?

I know the rights and wrongs of what I am doing, so please spare me the lectures. Thank you for letting me get this off my chest.

FEELS BETTER
IN N. CAROLINA



Dear Abby
Abigail Van Buren

DEAR FEELS BETTER: If "unloading" on someone has helped you to feel better, then your letter has served its own purpose. You did, however, ask a question that deserves an answer. You turned to another man for love not because your wife seemed disinterested, but because of an unfulfilled sexual urge. You, my friend, are not a homosexual — you are a bisexual.

DEAR ABBY: I am writing in response to "Needs Answers in Alabama." (She said her son had dated three different girls in the last two years and all three had babies and each claimed her son was the father.)

Just because her son

My problem is my son-in-law. He is a fine young man who is extremely casual in his dress. When I tell him for Sunday dinner, on a warm day he comes to the table with bare feet and no shirt. My daughter, who knows how I feel, says, "Mom, leave him alone — he's comfortable that way."

So for the sake of peace, I say nothing, but it certainly is unappetizing to eat at a table with a man who is naked from the waist up.

Please tell me how to handle this. Or am I overly sensitive?

FRUSTRATED
IN MAINE

DEAR FRUSTRATED: You are not overly sensitive; your son-in-law is overly insensitive. Handle it this way: Say, "Charlie (or whatever his 'fine' young man's name is), will you please wear some kind of shirt when you have dinner with us? I know it's warm, but everyone else is fully dressed, and I'd appreciate it if you were, too."

DEAR UPSET IN TEXAS: Not necessarily. I'd wonder what was wrong with it.

DEAR ABBY: I am another mother-in-law who never dreamed she would be writing to you.



Herald photo by Terquillo

She won the Keeney quilt

Mieke LeCoultrre, center, on the staff of Manchester Memorial Hospital, was the winner of the handmade quilt raffled recently at the Fun Time Fair at Keeney Street School. Admiring the quilt are Wendy Palermo, left, and Maureen Lescoe, members of the PTA ways and means committee. The quilt was made by PTA mothers and teachers. Proceeds will buy equipment for the school playground.

They enlarged their home with light

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have lived with draped furniture, striped walls, ceiling spackle and sawdust since that time, and they both express relief that the project is over.

"All we want to do this summer is sit here," says Mrs. Norden. "I can't believe it. We're finished."

"And it turned out the way we wanted it," Norden adds.

The couple, members of Trinity Covenant Church on Hackmatack Street, even had their new addition dedicated by church members

recently. Their friends came to the home, read scripture, and the choir sang. It is important, the Nordens say, that they share their house with their friends.

"We didn't build it to romp around in it ourselves," Norden says. "You use the house for your hospitality," his wife says.

The house was formerly the home of a Doctor Knapp, the company doctor for the Cheney Brothers. He'd never recognize his former abode, the Nordens remark.

Besides the solar addition, the

entire house has been redecorated, including three upstairs bedrooms, an upstairs sitting room and a sleeping porch. New white wallpaper and off-white wall-to-wall carpet have been used throughout the downstairs rooms. Instead of curtains, windows are covered with energy-efficient insulated folding shutters papered on the inside surfaces in the same pattern as the walls.

Designer for the sun room was Alan Robbins of Bolton. Construction was under the supervision of Timothy J. Connelly of 28 Sage Drive.

About Town

Develop the masters

Master of P.T.D., will speak on "Developing the Masters of Our Lives" tonight at 7:30 at the Educational Community, 645 Birch Mountain Road.

The lecture is open to the public. There is no charge. Call 646-9711.

Pinchlore scores listed

The following are the pinchlore scores for games played June 7 at the Army and Navy Club. Play is open to all senior citizens each Thursday at 9:30 a.m.:
Gertrude McKay 60; Anthony DeMaio 64; Martin Bakst 66; Mary Twombly 66; Andy Nokes 67; Scott 82; Corinne Gibson 81; Edna Farmer 57; Charles Gidrits 57.

Neighborhood program starts

The Nutmeg Branch YWCA will start a new Neighborhood program in September at Waddell School.

Neighborhood care is a service of before-and-after-school day care, running from 7:15 a.m. until school begins, and resuming at school dismissal until 5:30 p.m.

AARP plans outing

AARP chapter 1275 will go on an outing to Banner Lodge in Modus on June 27.

The buses will leave the parking lot of Pic 'n' Save, East Middle Turnpike, at 10 a.m. and should return about 6 p.m.

Center Bridge results

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Lucal are overall champions of the Center Bridge Club. The championships were played June 15. Other winners were:

North-South: Mr. and Mrs. Harold Lucal, first; Mollie Timreck and Phyl Pierson, second; Mr. and Mrs. Weatherwax, tied for third and fourth.

East-West: Andy Studley and Anne Davis, first; Marlon Knybel and Marge Prentiss, second; Mr. and Mrs. Irwin Goldberg, third.

Thoughts

Recently, in the midst of my daughter's confirmation celebration, one of my pastors reminded me of the treasure of gifts that lies within each of us. The treasure hunt for our gifts is often very difficult. We can more quickly identify things about ourselves we like, but have more difficulty seeing and appreciating our good gifts.

Kindness respects both this fragility and timidity. It also recognizes that some gifts, neither

fragile nor timid, just develop or reveal themselves slowly. Kindness is thus a good posture or attitude out of which we recognize and appreciate the gifts inherent in each other. Kindness, like a warm sun and gentle rain, nurtures to growth and flowering, washes and dries to visibility the treasures of living.

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Here's where to write

Here's where to write for advice from the syndicated advice columnist featured in the Manchester Herald:

• Dear Abby — Abigail Van Buren, P.O. Box 38923, Hollywood, Calif. 90208.

• Dr. Lamb — Dr. Lawrence Lamb, M.D., P.O. Box 1551, Radio City Station, New York, N.Y. 10019.

What's the best way to jog for comfort, effectiveness?

DEAR DR. LAMB: I would like some information about jogging. I started jogging about four weeks ago. My goal is 20 minutes a day to improve my circulation, reduce tension, muscle tone in my thighs, hips and abdomen and to help control my weight.

I don't know how to jog to achieve these goals. Does speed make a difference or is the stride more important? Should I step down flat on my foot or just the balls of the foot? Is 20 minutes a day sufficient to achieve these goals?

When I first started I was palpating after only two minutes. After four weeks I can comfortably jog for 12 minutes. I haven't lost any weight but I really feel better. The muscles in my legs have better tone. I also enjoy jogging. This is the longest that I have ever stayed with an exercise program.

I'm a 48-year-old woman, about 7 over the weight and smoke one and a half packs of cigarettes a day.

DEAR READER: My first advice would be to stop smoking. That will do



Your Health
Lawrence Lamb, M.D.

more for your heart and lungs than about anything else you could do. It will also improve your endurance for jogging. And you will look younger if you don't smoke because smoking increases the tendency to have wrinkled skin, particularly crow's feet around the eyes.

Jog or run at a speed that is comfortable for you. In general the distance on your exercise program, read the Health Letter 15-12, Exercise Wise, which I'm sending you. Others who want this issue can send 75 cents with a long, stamped, self-addressed envelope for it to me in care of the Manchester Herald, P.O. Box 1551, Radio City Station, New York, N.Y. 10019.

DEAR DR. LAMB: I want to know more about vitamin B-6. How much and what size to be taken and

what it does for a person. Is 500 milligrams of vitamin B-6 a day too much?

DEAR READER: We used to say that water-soluble vitamins such as B-6 wouldn't harm a person because the excess would simply be eliminated in the urine. Thanks to wretched excesses, we know differently. Vitamin B-6 is a case in point. Women who have taken 500 milligrams a day for pre-menstrual tension have developed so much nerve damage they could hardly walk. That's right, those large doses of B-6 can cause nerve damage.

Vitamin B-6 is essential to your health. Its biggest role is in complex chemical actions to use amino acids. The more protein you eat the more important it is to have an adequate intake of B-6. But Nature planned things well in this regard and fish, poultry and red meats are all good sources of B-6. The recommended daily dietary allowance (RDA) is 2 milligrams. If anyone needs more than 3 milligrams a day, she should see her doctor and take it under medical supervision.

Does one impulsive strike make woman a child abuser?

DEAR DR. BLAKER: I used to run a day-care center in my home and it was a very popular and successful place. One day, three months ago, it all came to an end when I hit one of the children.

I had been trying to interest her in activities because all she seemed to want to do was bite other children. She actually got her teeth on two of the kids, but I caught her in time.

An hour before the parents came, I was beginning to clean up and I turned around to see her at it again. I grabbed her and slapped her across the face. Immediately we both started crying. I never did anything like that before.

I fell apart. How could I hit a 2-year-old unless I had a hidden violent streak? When would it surface again? I was plagued by these questions and closed down my center two weeks later.

One of the parents called me to baby-sit and I am even frightened to take that job? Do you think I have a problem?

DEAR READER: Yes,



Ask Dr. Blaker
Karen Blaker, Ph.D.

your job you have you tied up in knots? Write for Dr. Blaker's newsletter "How to Reduce Job Stress." Send 50 cents and a stamped, self-addressed envelope to Dr. Blaker in care of the Manchester Herald, P.O. Box 475, Radio City Station, New York, N.Y. 10019.

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old dog. What do you think?

DEAR READER: That maybe they are crazy for not being sad.

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Quaint streets, pleasant warfs grace Vinalhaven Island

**Friday, May 25
8:46 a.m.**
Vinalhaven Island, Vinalhaven

There was no entry yesterday because I was too busy. Since the black flies were so fierce yesterday morning, I had to break camp in stages because I couldn't take more than a few minutes' exposure to them at a time. I left Union and the black flies behind at 9:17, continuing east on Route 17. I had a big downhill into West Rockport, and from there to Rockland was almost all free-wheeling.

At 10:15 I entered the Rockland Ferry terminal. At the ticket booth, I was disappointed to learn that no camping is allowed on either Vinalhaven or on North Haven islands unless written permission from the town selectman is received at least two weeks in advance. What a bunch of garbage!

After a stop at the IGA, I took a leisurely side-trip south on Route 73 to Owl's Head. I walked along the stou, weather-beaten planks on P.K. Reed's baracle-encrusted wharf, where I got a good whiff of salt, lobsters and clams.

There wasn't much activity around there at the time, because the men were out pulling in their catch. At a nearby home, an old salt worked on his boat.



Summer Cyclist
Glenn Davis

I missed the 11:30 ferry back to Rockland, so now I've got some more time to spend on Vinalhaven Island, which isn't all that bad.

After returning from Owl's Head, I bought a ticket to Vinalhaven, even though that meant I'd probably have no more than a half-hour to spend on the island. While waiting to board, I struck up a conversation with a lady who has a summer home on the island. One thing led to another, and within a few minutes, she and her husband had granted me permission to camp in their yard.

The ferry ride was most relaxing, and several passengers took advantage of the warm sun, cool breeze and gentle pitch-and-roll of the ferry to get

some sleep. I would have none of that, as I greedily took in all the views of the rugged, surf-battered coastline.

Following the one-hour and 20-minute crossing, my hosts, Joe and Thelma Collura, and I, walked the quaint, old streets of Vinalhaven until we arrived at their home on Clam Shell Alley.

I left most of my equipment in their yard, and with just my handbag, I began to explore the island by bike. A few miles out of town, that course of action proved unwise, because with the roads in such horrible condition, I was forced to keep both eyes on the road while dodging frost-heaves and pot-holes, and thus was unable to enjoy either the ride or the views.

I spent the balance of the daylight hours taking pictures of homes and lobster shacks perched on the warfs. A trip to Grimes Park provides a sea-level view of the surf, rock climbing, a beachcomber's paradise of driftwood, clam shells and snails, and a plaque which memorializes a young man who was lost at sea.

I climbed the heights of Armbruster Hill which was one of several granite quarries on the island. At one time, Vinalhaven was a major granite center, having cut granite for the Brooklyn Bridge, the cathedral of St. John the Divine, Penn Station, and Grand Central Station, among others.

I watched the sunset and then returned to the house, where I set up my tent.

Adopt a Pet

She shepherd needs home

By Barbara Richmond
Herald Reporter

Tasha, a 2-year-old female shepherd, is this week's featured pet. Tasha was found late in May on South Main Street. She's a little shy.

But she loves to play ball with Dog Warden Richard Rand. He said she also minds well, going back into her run when the ball game is over. She then obliges by shaking hands with Rand.

Most dogs at the pound are linked with owners. But not all. Sadly, Alfie, a dog that had been at the pound for a long time, was destroyed on Tuesday.

Last week's pet, 5-year-old Misty, a little Scottish terrier, has been adopted by a Pioneer Circle family. She is going to make a nice house pet.

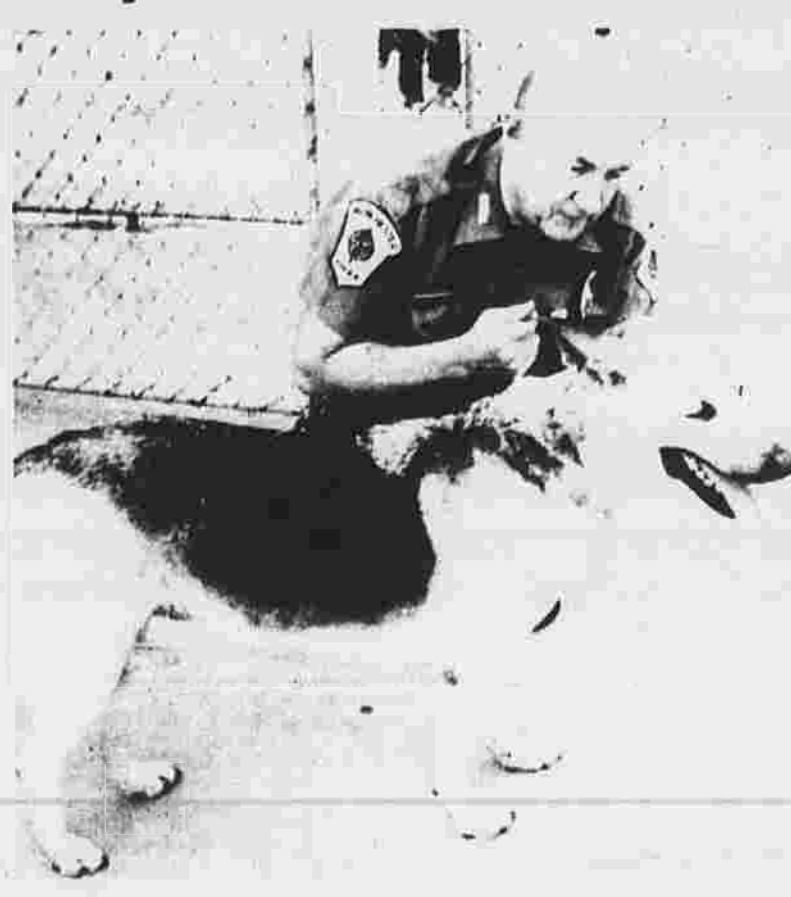
The little beagle named Dancer — the one who could stand on his hind legs — has been adopted by a Wells Street family.

Freckles, who made an appearance in the column a few weeks ago, a sweet-tempered mixed breed English setter, has been adopted by a Dale Road family.

The little black neutered male poodle reidentified in last week's column was claimed by his owner.

Maggie, mentioned in last week's column, is still waiting to be adopted. She is a black and brown poodle-terrier cross. She was found near the Parkside Apartments on June 8. Rand says she's 8 or 9 months old.

New this week at the



Herald photo by Richmond

found are Buffy and Bart. Buffy is about 8 years old. She was found roaming on Hartford Road, Monday night. She's buff and white and is a retriever cross.

The other is a 6-month-old shepherd male. He

was picked up Tuesday morning at the K-Mart Plaza on Spencer Street. He's been named Bart. Rand is at the dog pound, located on town property off Olcott Street. The owner must also buy a license.

in, and swimming with a friend.

"We recommend that people who do not know the beaches check with the life guards before going in the water," she said. "We find that most injuries are to people who do not know our beaches."

Emergency rooms ready for injuries

LEWES, Del. (UPI) — As summer begins, hospital emergency rooms are braced for the annual onslaught of outdoor injuries and ailments.

"We average five to 10 broken ankles a summer," said one hospital staffer in this Delaware beach resort.

"There were nine last year," said another. "Four people paralyzed from the neck down. The people don't pay attention, they don't heed the warnings," said Jim Monaghan, an assistant hospital administrator in Lewes.

People also flock to tennis courts where they pass out from heat. Lawn mowers maim careless operators, people drown in swimming pools and children fall off bikes and out of trees or are hit by cars.

As soon as the sun comes out and it becomes warm, then everybody becomes a jerk," said Dr. Ben Corballis, a hospital emergency room director.

Heat stroke — a hot weather malady whose symptoms include nausea, fatigue, no perspiration — can force a person's temperature to a fatal 110 degrees if the victim is not cooled down, and taken to a hospital immediately. Corballis is



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"People must understand that they have to embark on any (summer activity) with a slow and gradual introduction. If they don't, we'll see them in the emergency room." He said the number of emergency cases increases by up to 50 percent in the summer.

Lorna Verrell, nurse manager of a beach emergency room, said many

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Medical team sees hope in hay fever fight

By Gino Del Guercio
United Press International

BOSTON — A team at Johns Hopkins Medical School announced today findings that may lead to the effective treatment of hay fever within five years.

The group found that the chemical peptide leukotriene is the primary factor that causes the swelling, itchiness, runny nose and sneezing most often associated with hay fever.

"Within the next five years there will probably be an effective treatment available," said Dr. Stephen P. Peters.

Peptide leukotrienes had previously been suspected as a potent factor in hay fever, but that hypothesis had not been proven in studies on patients. The natural body substances known as histamines were previously thought to cause most symptoms.

Currently, there is no direct control of blocking the effects of leukotrienes," said Peters. "But every drug company in the country is looking for one."

Approximately 20 million to 40 million U.S. residents are believed to suffer from hay fever.

Available treatments include antihistamines, which fight the ill effects of histamines; drugs to relieve allergic symptoms; and steroids. However, none of these drugs fight the effects of leukotrienes and antihistamines have side effects that limit the doses that can be taken.

Leukotrienes had been suspected as a major reason for the uncomfortable symptoms of hay fever, but the Johns Hopkins study published today in the New England Journal of Medicine was the first to verify it.

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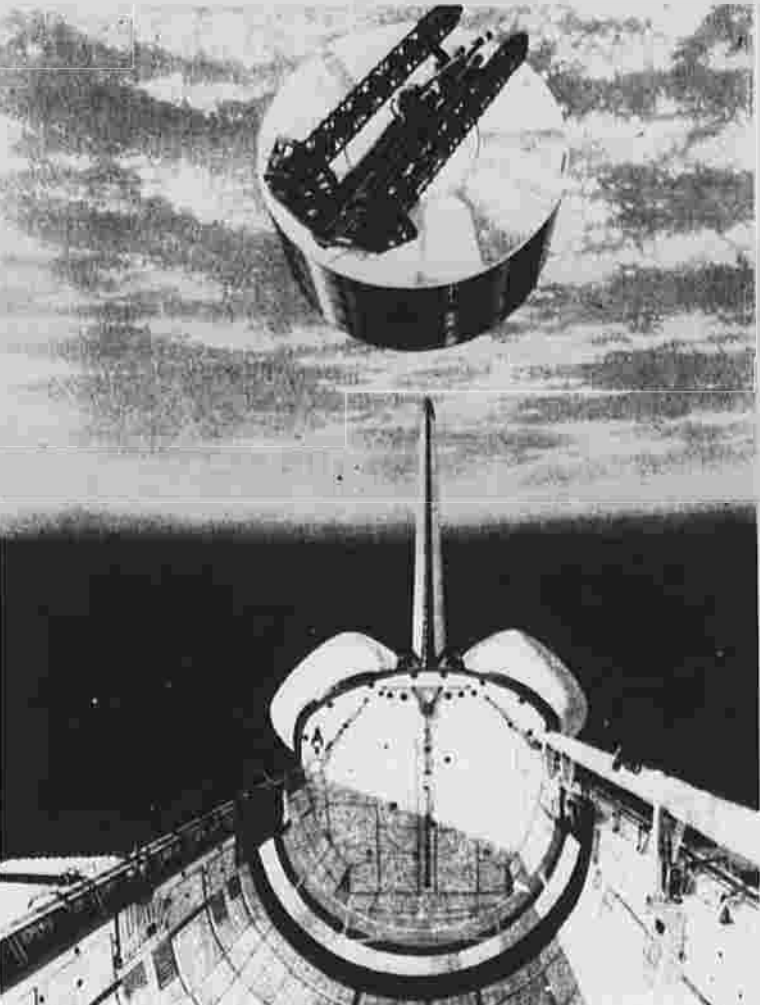
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Cool air means hotter romance in the Sunbelt

CHAPEL HILL, N.C. (UPI) — Air conditioning is inflaming summertime romance in the Sun Belt, according to University of North Carolina researchers.

"We have looked at a lot of things that might explain our finding that an increasing percentage of infants are being conceived during the hottest part of the summer, and none does," researcher John Florin said Wednesday.

"Air conditioning is the only logical explanation we have been able to come up with that fits."

Florin, compared Census Bureau information on monthly births in the South with 120 consecutive weeks of National Weather Service temperature records.

He said the researchers wanted to learn whether seasonal variations in fertility are as strong in the South as they were in the North, when 20 percent fewer babies were conceived from July to September than during the peak conception months of December and January.

Though the study found heat still coincided with fewer instances of conception, they also found Southern cities and major urban counties deviated from the national pattern.

Because these urban centers have higher per capita income, the people who live there are more likely to have air conditioning at home and at work," Florin said.

Doctors see no danger in valium-Tagamet pair

BOSTON — Patients on a combination of Valium and the ulcer drug Tagamet, should feel at ease now that a study has shown the two drugs don't interact as severely as once thought, a researcher said today.

"There is a large interaction, but when the interaction occurred in clinical practice its importance was far less than one would have gathered," said Dr. David J. Greenblatt, chief of the division of clinical pharmacy at New England Medical Center.

"We always ought to think about it when we mix drugs, but this study shows this is not a potentially dangerous combination," he said.

The ulcer drug Tagamet (generically known as cimetidine) slows the body's ability to break down Valium (diazepam).

So in patients taking both, the level of Valium in the blood was usually higher than if only Valium was used. The interaction was thought possibly dangerous because it could increase a patient's sedation, fatigue and drowsiness.

However, according to a study published today in the New England Journal of Medicine, such changes were not found.

The report warned that only a small number of patients were studied and they were generally healthy and relatively young.

Expert says doctors avoid ethical issues

NEW HAVEN — An outspoken authority on medical ethics claims the courts and government agencies are setting medical policy on sensitive issues because doctors, afraid of lawsuits, refuse to act.

The Rev. John J. Paris told the Connecticut Hospital Association Wednesday it is wrong to expect courts to decide matters involving life and death, quality of care and cost or accessibility of treatment.

"What you find is the enormous reluctance of physicians to come to grips with ethical issues of the day," Paris said. "They will let a family go to court to get a court order to remove a respirator."

Paris has been working at the Hastings Center in New York since September while on leave as a religion professor at Holy Cross College in Worcester, Mass. He also helped write the March 1983 report of the presidential commission on medical ethics.

The report endorsed a patient's right to refuse treatment which will only prolong dying; a family's right to make treatment decisions for incompetent patients; a parent's right to decide treatment for infants born with inoperable conditions or fatal illnesses; and the rights of hospital and doctors to refuse or restrict treatments "to use limited resources more effectively."

Paris said laws are needed to recognize "that we as a society believe it is normal and appropriate behavior to stop respirators on those that are brain dead and in a permanent vegetative state."

But Connecticut and New York legislatures have repeatedly rejected laws spelling out when respirators can and should be removed or allowing patients to put into writing their wishes not to be kept alive by extraordinary means.

"One's rights ought not cease because one is not able to forcefully walk out the door," Paris said.

The absence of law or medical policy has resulted in controversial cases involving a patient's right to die and a family's wish to allow a family member with no hope of recovery to die with dignity.

Paris was involved in several such cases, including parental efforts to withhold care from "Baby Jane Doe," a New York girl last year suffering from spina bifida and the 1981 Connecticut case of Melanie Bacchiocchi, whose family won a court order to remove her from a respirator after she was diagnosed as brain dead.

He said court battles can be enormously expensive for families and make only limited progress in resolving the ethical questions.

Treatment costs are apportioning care to keep costs down are other ethical issues doctors have avoided for 20 years but can no longer be ignored, Paris said.

Revived Steve still handle Phils' ace Steve Carlton

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In the days when everybody in the National League was beating up on the Mets, New York somehow found a way to handle Steve Carlton.

Now that the Mets are battling the Phillies for first, they're still handling the Philadelphia lefthander.

Darryl Strawberry's three-run homer snapped a 2-1 tie in the third inning Wednesday night, lifting New York to a 7-4 victory over Philadelphia.

The lost ended Philadelphia's six-game winning streak and left the Phillies one-half game ahead of the second-place Mets in the NL East.

"It feels good to beat them and I know Carlton is a famous pitcher," said Strawberry, whose club entered this season 32-29 against Carlton. "But the guys tell me he doesn't always do that well against the Mets."

Strawberry has slumped since May, but now he's hitting homers in three games. His drive was his first homer at Shea Stadium since April.

With two out in the third, Ron Gardenhire singled and advanced

to second when Carlton, 44, walked Keith Hernandez. After George Foster's RBI single, Strawberry belted Carlton's first pitch deep over the right-field wall for his ninth home run.

"My problem was I was trying to do too much," Strawberry said. "I thought I had to do too much. I'm starting to get where I want to be but I'm not there yet."

Strawberry isn't the only Met to get a charge from beating Carlton. New York starter Ron Darling, 23, went 6-2 in three starts and found the win especially pleasing.

Elsewhere in the NL, Steve Carlton and I am very happy to beat him. We got a lot of runs, which surprised me. I know he has had trouble with the Mets in the past," said Darling, the first Mets starter in six years to win four straight games.

Darling was relieved by Doug Sisk, who recorded his eighth save. The Phillies, who took a 2-0 lead on Tim Lincecum's two-run single in the first inning, were irate over a call by home plate umpire Fred Barger, 6-6, who ruled Terry Forster survived a ninth-inning jam, leading the Braves. Len

transplant operation Monday at a University of Chicago hospital.

Blackburn was in critical but stable condition, which is standard for a heart transplant patient.

The liver surgery was performed Monday by Dr. Wayne Frye, chief of the transplantation section of the department of surgery, and Dr. Richard Gusberg.

The youth died Sunday while bicycling to work, when a utility company car struck the rear of his bicycle and threw him through the rear window of another vehicle.

Brennan, a Roman Catholic, said he decided to donate the youth's organs based on his religious convictions and the wishes of a friend at St. Therese Hospital in Waukegan.

"My little tyke has sort of fooled us all," said Brennan, a real estate agent and owner of a carpet business. "He's passed on, but his body is still alive."

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Liver donation buoys chances for woman

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The 49-year-old patient, who asked that she not be identified, had been awaiting a liver transplant for quite some time and was critically ill when she went into surgery, said hospital spokesman Tom Urtz.

She was reported in critical condition after surgery Wednesday. But Urtz said it is not unusual for a liver transplant to be in critical condition during the days following the surgery.

The donor was Terry Brennan of Gurnee, Ill., whose heart, retinas, kidneys and skin have been used in other transplants, said Fran Angelitti, a member of the hospital's organ procurement program.

Even after his death, Terry's body "is still alive," said John Brennan, his father.

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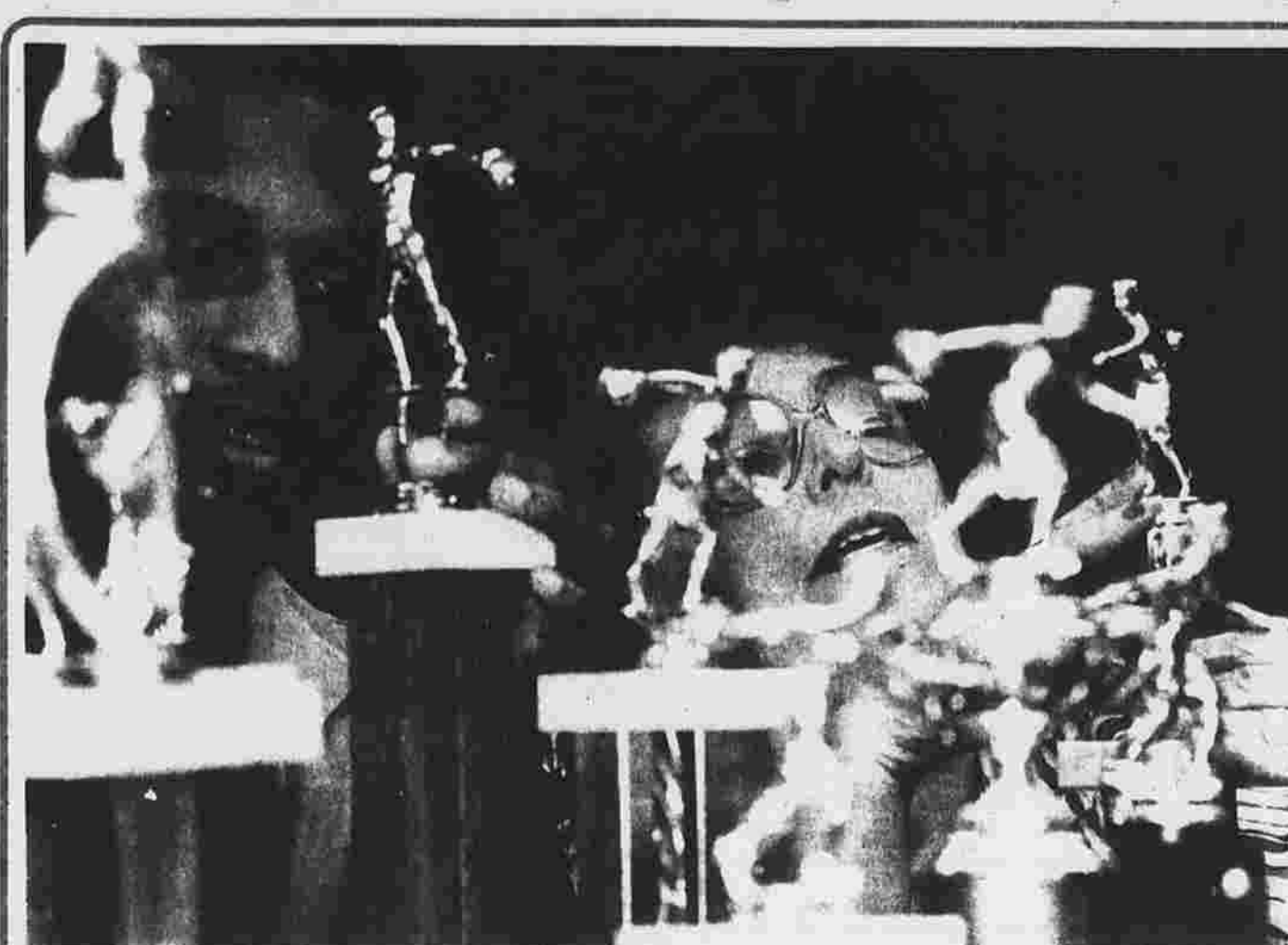
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Tony Taylor and Lorraine Comeau look over some of the 73 trophies that they rehabilitated. Trophies will be awarded tonight at the Manchester Association for Retarded Citizens' annual bowling banquet.

Her trophies strike up a new life

By Adele Angle Focus Editor

Some need polishing. Others are chipped and cracked. One has a baseball player on its top. One has a broken head. Another a broken arm. But by the time Manchester Association for Retarded Citizens has its annual bowling banquet tonight, the 73 trophies will be shipshape. Getting them that way is Lorraine G. Comeau's job. "Even if the bottoms are cracked, that's OK. I can save pieces of marble and just use them later," she says. Mrs. Comeau is the angel behind the bowling trophies. All year, people donate their old trophies to the Manchester Sheltered Workshop. Some drop them off at the Parkade Lanes, where most clients of the workshop bowl on

Thursdays. People donate trophies from all kinds of sports — baseball, swimming and golf, to name a few. All kinds end up at the workshop. Since March, Mrs. Comeau, along with Tony Taylor, recreation director of the Manchester Sheltered Workshop, has been cleaning and polishing the trophies, replacing pieces that need replacing, and transferring parts back and forth. Up until recently, the trophies were sitting in her basement rec room, making the place look like a trophy repair shop. "My bar is loaded with trophies," she says. Mrs. Comeau insists she's not "artycrafty or anything like that." She just feels everyone should be a winner. "They all work so hard. Why not?" she asks. "You bowl all year, whether you bowl 120 or 12. They bowl their hearts out." The tools of her trade? "Oh, screwdrivers. Pliers... Pliers are the main thing," she says.

The trophies are an odd army of shapes and sizes. "We try to give the bigger ones to the bigger people and the little ones to the little people... so they'll be able to hold them in their hands," she says. Her daughter Lynn Comeau, 29, will get one of her trophies. Miss Comeau is a Sheltered Workshop client and is a member of the Teddy Bears team. Until about four years ago, only those on the first-place team got trophies at the bowling banquet. No more. "It's through the generosity of parents and friends that we can do this," she says. And, no, she doesn't mind the chaos in her rec room. Not when she sees the proud smiles the trophies bring. The banquet and the trophy at the end of the year — that's the big thing to them," she says.

Paula Cheatwood conquers McKinley

She scaled new heights, but her husband bowed out

By Sarah E. Hall Herald Reporter

After months of preparing for the highest climb of her life, Paula Cheatwood, a mountaineer and co-director of the Adventure Challenge program in Manchester, has made it to the top of Alaska's 23,320-foot summit — the highest in North America — on Sunday, nearly a week before they expected, the spokeswoman said. The air taxi service had made an occasional radio contact with them as they ascended.

While the climbers were prepared to wait out storms on the snow-covered alp if they had to, the spokeswoman said they've had "really good weather" that probably speeded their ascent. According to Mrs. Pisch and the spokeswoman, Pisch is now hiking through the lower part of Alaska's Denali National Park to meet his wife and the other six members of the expedition on their way down. "They're making better time than they thought they would," the spokeswoman said. "We're expecting to see them early next week."

Pisch's mother said she's sure her son is disappointed. An experienced climber and co-director of Adventure Challenge, an experimental education outfit, Pisch was looking forward to the McKinley trip as a personal challenge. When he married the 25-year-old Ms. Cheatwood last year, their wedding cake was sculpted to look like McKinley — complete with miniature climbers and signs marking major passes. "It's something he's wanted to do for years," Mrs. Pisch said.

"It's been his dream. But at least he had enough sense not to continue if he was having difficulties." Pisch and Ms. Cheatwood had hoped to return again to McKinley after this trip and become part of the first expedition ever to film a trip up the mountain. And not long before they left, Pisch received an invitation from Paul Petzold, "probably America's most famous climber," according to Pisch — to accompany him on what is supposed to be the 75-year-old man's last climb, in

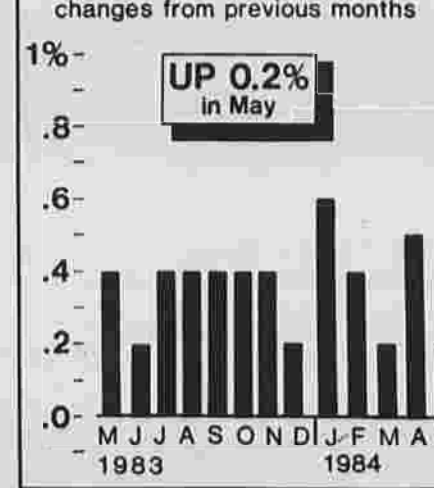
Wyoming's Grand Teton Park. "It's a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity," Pisch said at the time. He had not ruled out accepting the invitation, though the July 21 departure date for that expedition falls close to the date of his return to Manchester from Alaska. A biology teacher at Glastonbury High School, Pisch was recently chosen by the National Science Foundation as one of seven Connecticut teachers to participate in a month-long leadership conference at the Boston Museum of Science.

May prices up slightly

WASHINGTON (UPI) — Consumer prices increased just two-tenths of a percent in May as food prices dropped and housing and fuel prices rose only moderately, the Labor Department said today. The department's Consumer Price Index, the nation's primary inflation measurement, showed "no signs whatsoever" of the explosion in prices some prominent economists keep predicting, one department economist said. So far this year, the inflation rate is running at 4.6 percent, when figured annually, the department said. The May increase was less than half of April's 0.5 percent jump, slipping back to the slow rate of growth in March. Groceries fell 0.7 percent in price, pulling down the overall food and beverage index, including restaurant meals, by 0.2 percent. There was no increase in food prices in April and a slight decline in March.

Overall energy costs rose 0.2 percent, although the actual increase was greater before being smoothed out by the government's seasonal adjustment process. "A number of prominent economists have been seeing inflation in double digits later this year," department economist Patrick Jackman said. "So far there are no signs whatsoever of that." Economists are still waiting for the increase in meat prices that was widely predicted after last summer's drought forced producers to cut the size of herds. Prices for beef as well as poultry, eggs and fresh vegetables declined sharply. Prices for used cars increased a hefty 1.2 percent, but new car prices slipped 0.2 percent. The overall transportation index, one of seven major categories of price changes reflected in the report, rose 0.5 percent. Other major categories, including food, showed the same or smaller increases than in April.

Consumer Prices



Reagan blames Soviets for impasse on summit

WASHINGTON (UPI) — President Reagan blames the Soviet leaders for the impasse over a summit and says the Kremlin "is unwilling to make that commitment as yet" to reduce East-West tensions. "We all recognize that there is no more important foreign policy goal than the building of a more peaceful world in which liberty and prosperity can flourish," Reagan said Thursday in addressing a group of high school students at the White House. "We need to develop a more realistic working relationship with the Soviet Union, one marked by greater cooperation and understanding and by progress in arms

reductions," he said. "Unfortunately, it appears the Soviet Union is unwilling to make that commitment as yet," he said. Reagan, who is keeping the spotlight focused on relations with the Soviet Union, goes to the Pentagon today to confer with the Joint Chiefs of Staff. Later, he will fly to Camp David to relax in the rustic setting for the weekend. So far, the president is getting the cold shoulder from Soviet President Konstantin Chernenko, who Thursday ruled out a meeting with Reagan as long as the United States maintains an "unconstructive" posture in arms

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