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News in Brief

NYPA Chief Quits

ALBANY, N.Y. (AP) — John Dyson, the chairman of the Power Authority of the State of New York, has resigned, saying he needed to take a break from state government.

Dyson's resignation was announced today by aides to Gov. Mario Cuomo. Reached at his Dutchess County home, Dyson said he wanted to spend more time with his family and pursue other interests, but didn't rule out future involvement in state politics.

2 Americans Die

PEKING (AP) — A Chinese airliner crashed on landing at Jinan airport in eastern China's Shandong province, killing 38 people including two Americans, the official Xinhua news agency reported today.

Information from CAAC indicated the two Americans were businessmen, said U.S. Embassy spokesman Tony Saritt. U.S. officials were verifying their identification before releasing their names.

Eric Rating Back

BUFFALO, N.Y. (AP) — Eric County, whose bond rating was suspended last year after it ran into big financial problems, has had the rating reinstated but at a lower scale.

Marie V. Richardson, the deputy county executive, said Friday that the decision by Moody's Investor Services to rate the county "B-a" rather than the former "A" rating probably means the county will be able to borrow money but it will be more difficult and at higher interest rates.

"We're extremely disappointed," she said.

Harvester Struck

CHICAGO (AP) — The United Auto Workers struck International Harvester at midnight Friday, affecting up to 12,000 workers in eight states, company and union officials said.

A 14-hour bargaining session broke down about 11 p.m. because of IH's refusal to restore benefits it had promised to restore during the 1982 rounds of negotiations, said UAW vice president Bill Casselens, who heads the bargaining team.

Mitterrand Jee

NOUMEA, New Caledonia (AP) — President Francois Mitterrand of France, ignoring the 30,000 French settlers who jeered him in this troubled French territory in the South Pacific, said today his visit had restored the dialogue between pro- and anti-independence factions.

The settlers marched through the capital shouting against independence and holding as Mitterrand's helicopter arrived after a trip half way around the world. Some 3,000 French riot police and troops blocked every street leading to the High Commission, where Mitterrand landed for a 12-hour visit.

Lotto Millionaires

ALBANY, N.Y. (AP) — A retired New York City policeman, a former Buffalo foundry worker and a retired Albany County factory worker have been named winners of about \$6.8 million in state Lotto jackpots.

The state Lottery Division said Friday that the winners were

—Francis Ford, 62, of Watervliet in Albany County, who collected almost \$1.7 million as his share of the \$6.7 million prize in Wednesday's lottery drawing.

—Benedict Di Stefano, 41, a bachelor from Staten Island and a 10-year veteran of the New York City police force who retired because of injuries suffered in the line of duty, also won nearly \$1.7 million from the Wednesday drawing.

—William Hill, 66, of Buffalo, won almost a \$3.4 million share of the Jan. 9 prize money.

Court Boycotted

MANAGUA, Nicaragua (AP) — The Sandinista government said Friday that Washington's decision to boycott the World Court's deliberations on Nicaraguan complaints places the United States "outside international law and confirms its warlike policies."

A Foreign Ministry statement also expressed "concern" over the U.S. announcement that it was suspending participation in talks with Nicaragua aimed at resolving differences between the two countries.

Inaugural Gala In Full Swing

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Reagan's four-day inaugural celebration is in full swing, transforming the normally staid nation's capital into a dazzling swirl of parties, parades, and Hollywood pizzazz.

The festivities were kicked off Friday night with an hour-long "prelude pageant," featuring martial music and popular songs from America's past.

The climax of the outdoor show was a thunderous fireworks display over the Washington Monument that drew cheers from President Reagan, Vice

President George Bush, their wives, and a shivering crowd estimated at 16,000.

Security forces reached the most stringent protective measures ever witnessed in the capital. Dozens of downtown streets were blocked off to traffic and miles of crowd-control fences were erected. Metal detectors were installed at every event the president is likely to attend.

The pageant, which took place on the snow-covered Ellipse about a quarter-mile from the White House, included a narrative of inaugural history by actor

Fess Parker.

Later, Bush and his wife, Barbara, were the guests of honor at a Hollywood-style gala featuring singer Lou Rawls, Pearl Bailey, the Gallin Brothers country western band, Merv Griffin and the New York City Breakers dancing troupe.

"You're No. 1, Sir," Larry Gatin of the Gallin Brothers told Bush from the stage.

The taped-for-television gala, the first of two being produced by singer Frank Sinatra, attracted 6,000 people to the huge Washington Convention

Center. Tonight's show will honor

Reagan. Tickets were priced at between \$75 and \$150 but the event wasn't billed as mandatory black-tie. Many guests wore formal attire, but Bush wore a conservative blue suit. For the women in the mostly Republican crowd, mink coats and fancy cocktail dresses were the order of the night.

The Bushes sat in a special box with Commerce Secretary Malcolm Baldrige. They were greeted by Sinatra when they arrived.

Bush laughed heartily when

comedian Rich Little joked about the vice president's status. Imitating Reagan, Little said to Bush: "What exactly is it you do?"

At the close of the two-hour gala, Bush thanked Sinatra for "a spectacular evening" and said he wanted the crowd to know "how privileged I am... to be part of this administration."

Tonight's gala for Reagan promised Mikhail Baryshnikov, the Beach Boys and Dean Martin.

Ron Almost Resigned To Deficit

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Reagan says he almost has to be resigned to leaving office with a record of presiding over the biggest deficits in history but is still aiming to shape a permanent program of balanced budgets for the future.

In an interview published in Friday's editions of USA Today, Reagan said "I almost have to be" resigned to being the president whose deficits were the largest ever.

The president has been working on a budget designed to reduce the federal

deficit to \$100 billion over a period of three years, although administration spokesmen have conceded it might not be possible to nail this down in the budget submitted in February.

Asked how much thought he gave to his role in history as he wrestled with the deficit, Reagan replied:

"Actually — I know, I get that question an awful lot, as if you sit over here and that's all you think about is what are they going to write in the history books. You know, the truth of the matter is, I don't think about it at all."

On another subject, Reagan said some black leaders "are so committed politically to the opposite party that they don't want to hear" about the things he claims his administration has done for black people.

"I have to come to the conclusion that maybe some of those leaders are protecting some rather good positions that they have, and they can protect them better if they can keep their constituency aggrieved and believing that they have a legitimate complaint," the president said.

Article Found False

NEW YORK (AP) — Ariel Sharon says he scored a "clear moral victory" when a jury decided that a Time magazine article already had found defamed him also was false. That left the jurors to make a final decision on whether the former Israeli defense minister was libeled.

The six federal jurors concluded Friday that the 1983 Time story was not true when it said Sharon "reportedly discussed" revenge with Lebanese Christian leaders the day before the start of a massacre of Palestinian civilians.

The jury, which began deliberating Monday in the \$50 million suit, recessed for the night without

resolving the third issue necessary for a libel verdict: whether Time published the story with "actual malice."

Deliberations were scheduled to resume today.

Friday's decision on the issue of falsity came two days after the jury decided the same Time article had defamed Sharon.

Whoops!

NEW YORK (AP) — Time magazine "was gratified" it lost another round in Ariel Sharon's libel suit, Time's managing editor said — before he realized he was reading reporters the wrong prepared statement.

A federal jury had just decided against Time on Friday in the second round of Sharon's \$50 million libel suit, and reporters were waiting on the courthouse steps for a statement from Time's managing editor, Ray Cave.

"I have to put my glasses on now," said Cave, who began reading from a written statement prepared before the jury's decision was announced.

"Time is gratified..." said Cave, who paused, then shouted: "Wrong statement!"

Laughing in embarrassment, Cave turned to an aide.

"OK, OK, give me the statement. We had to be ready," said Cave.

"Ever hopeful," he said and then read: "Time still believes that the article was substantially true."

Bridge Load Limit Sought By Drohan

FULTON — Mayor Verner Drohan has requested that the city police department post a ton limit on the North Sixth Street Bridge, according to a statement released by Drohan on Thursday.

In his statement Drohan said that the consulting firm Barton & Logsdon, hired by the city to complete a study of the bridge, has determined that the bridge should be posted for the ten ton limit for safety reasons.

Drohan also said that heavy vehicles such as fire trucks and snow plows should not be on the bridge at the same time. "As long as two vehicles are not on the bridge at the same time there is

sufficient capacity to accommodate a heavy truck," Drohan said in the statement.

Late last summer Drohan said that the bridge located in the city's sixth ward should be either repaired or replaced. The bridge which is the only outlet for about 20 residents who live north of the bridge.

In October, Oswego County officials moved the bridge up the county priority list in order for the bridge work to be paid mainly with state and federal funds.

An in-depth study of the bridge should be completed early next month.

WOSC Has New Owners

By MARION CICIARELLI P-T Bureau Chief

FULTON — Two young entrepreneurs, originally from the nation's capital, began their ownership of radio stations early this past December when they purchased WOSC Radio in the town of Granby.

Sam Brown and Mike Doughney purchased the area radio station from WKFM of Syracuse after initially looking over the station last March.

"We were looking into several opportunities through a broadcast broker when we came across WOSC Radio which was in our price range of

available stations. Out of the stations in our price this seemed to be the best one on the market," Brown said.

Brown said that he and Doughney hope to purchase other radio stations as time goes on. WOSC is the first station that the pair have owned.

The idea to purchase their own radio station was first discussed when they were students at the University of Maryland. Both Brown and Doughney and WOSC's new radio merging personality Tom Wayall worked together at WMUC radio while attending college. All three are originally from the Washington D.C. area.

Since becoming owners of the area radio station, Brown and Doughney have upgraded the station's equipment and made programming changes.

Brown said that since upgrading the station's transmitting equipment, WOSC can be broadcast to most of central New York and parts of southern Canada. "We are the only radio station to effectively cover all of Oswego County," Brown said.

The new owners have changed the station's format to what Brown calls a full service radio station offering news, entertainment and features as well as music. The type of music played by the area station includes adult contemporary (light, popular music) and middle of the road music which appeals to people ages 25 to 64, according to Brown.

The new programming format will also localize events happening on the national and international level. Included in the upcoming events to be covered by WOSC are President Reagan's presidential inauguration



President and Mrs. Reagan arrive to attend the Prelude Pageant to the 56th American Inauguration on the Ellipse in Washington on Friday night. (AP Laserphoto)

Cunningham Again 'Under The Gun'

By RANDY PELLIS P-T Staff Writer

OSWEGO — Faced with a seven-year declining enrollment, and the financial difficulties that accompany such a decline, Bishop Cunningham High School must now finally succeed in achieving sufficient enrollment by this March 1, or close its doors forever.

This is the second year of a two-year mandate imposed on the school at the direction of Bishop Frank J. Harrison, of the Roman Catholic diocese of Syracuse. According to that mandate, total enrollment at the school as of March 1, 1984 had to be at least 170 students. But by March 1, 1985, the mandate insists that enrollment must reach 200.

With 28 seniors graduating this year, out of a total enrollment of 160 and only a month and a half left before the March 1 deadline falls, Cunningham has so far succeeded in attracting 31 recruits, but still needs 28 more if it is to remain open, according to Father Leo Heizman, principal of Bishop Cunningham High School.

He defended the bishop's mandate as an "example of concern for quality." "The bishop is not willing to lower the standard of education here in order to keep the school open," said Heizman.

"Some people look for a small school. Some people look for more discipline. And some people look for higher values and morality," he said. Religious instruction is a part of every student's curriculum, whether Catholic or not. Non-Catholics, who make up 11-12 percent of the school's student population, are allowed to go elsewhere to receive their religious training.

Sports play a big role with 85-90 percent of all students participating in at least one sport, according to Heizman. He said, "Sports are a learning experience. Being a small school, some students who wouldn't get to play elsewhere, do get to play at Bishop Cunningham."

Nevertheless, the basketball team is presently enjoying its best season in the last five, with a record of 11 wins and two losses, in a tie with Hannibal and APW for the Onondaga High School League South-B

title. Scholastics is the name of the main game, and Heizman proudly recited these statistics: 70.2 percent of last year's graduating seniors went on to college, and 18.9 percent found employment.

Bishop Cunningham offers both regents and non-regents diplomas. Class size in most non-regents courses remains rather small, according to Heizman, who estimated those classes at roughly 8-12 students. Regents credit classes attract more students and usually run 15-25 students per class. The school's 17 teachers give Cunningham a teacher-student ratio of almost one-to-100.

Tuition at Bishop Cunningham is \$1,100 per year for one student. However, that figure drops for a family's second child; and again for a third child sent to BCHS. Tuition assistance is available from a number of sources.

"Those of us who have our kids there aren't the millionaires in the city, but it's worth it," said Elaine Croucher, president of Cunningham's Home and School Association. She is among those of the school's recruitment committee who have been "approaching people on a personal basis, explaining the school, its discipline, its standards, its sports and its financial aid."

Two of her sons are enrolled at BCHS and a third graduated from there and is in college. She cited the school's small class size as important to her children's education.

"The teachers are always accessible," she commented. She also had great praise for the school's sports program and agreed with Father Heizman that many get to play at BCHS that wouldn't get that chance at other schools.

She believes if the school were to close, it would never re-open based on similar closings throughout the area. Nevertheless, she is optimistic and feels that Bishop Cunningham's recruitment drive will be successful.

She credits parental involvement, local government's moral support, and publicity with saving Bishop Cunningham last year.

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Preparing for another day at WOSC — WOSC's new owners, seated in Tom Radio located in the town of Granby. The new owners took over the personality, standing from left are Sam Brown and Mike Doughney. Photo By Marion Ciciarelli

Way the station's new morning personality. The new owners took over the local station this past Dec. 1. Photo By Marion Ciciarelli

