



Local 428, Yonkers Firefighters

Andrew Horky receives thanks  
...rescued Joseph Wendrychowicz

## Boy's heroics save fire victim

By ED TRAPASSO  
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A life was saved from fire in Yonkers Monday in an adventure that could have been borrowed from a children's storybook.

An 8 year-old boy, Andrew Horky, pulled a man to safety while flames crackled beneath the bed where the would-be victim slept.

The dramatic incident occurred at 349 Walnut St. in the city's Nodine Hill section when a fire erupted in a top floor apartment at 11:08 a.m. The apartment's tenant, Joseph Wendrychowicz, 58, apparently triggered the fire when he fell asleep while smoking, dropping his lit cigarette beneath the bed.

The young hero, who lives in the apartment below, heard unusual sounds. Thinking the man mistakenly left water running, the boy went upstairs to assist the man known as "Wimp" in the neighborhood. "We always take care of Wimp," the boy said afterward.

The boy encountered thick smoke when he entered the unlocked apartment. "So I crawled on the floor," the boy said afterward. "My uncle always told me to crawl when your in a fire because the smoke rises and it will get into your lungs. I crawled to the bedroom because I heard something crackling. Right under the bed was the fire."

The boy remained cool-headed. He shook Wendrychowicz awake, and then led the groggy man to safety.

"There's no doubt in my mind that he saved his life," Lt. Donald Starkey of the fire department said afterward.

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Staff photo by Ed Ledes

Firemen battle blaze on roof of 347 Walnut St.

## Olympic medals

Nation	Gold	Silver	Bronze	Total
U.S.	2	2	—	4
USSR	6	3	2	11
Austria	3	1	—	4
Netherlands	1	1	1	3
Canada	—	—	1	1
Bulgaria	—	—	1	1
E. Germany	3	4	5	12
Finland	—	3	1	4
Czechoslovakia	—	—	1	1
Norway	—	1	2	3
Italy	—	1	—	1
Switzerland	1	—	1	2
W. Germany	—	—	1	1
Lichtenstein	—	1	—	1
Japan	—	1	—	1
Sweden	1	—	—	1

### On TV today

Men's figure skating; ice dancing; men's speed skating; second run of the men's giant slalom; cross country; men's biathlon; men's double luge. All coverage on WABC-TV, Channel 7 at 8 p.m.

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# Khomeini yielding reins on military

The Associated Press  
Ayatollah Ruhollah Khomeini was reported today to have transferred his post as commander in chief of Iran's armed forces to President Abolhasan Bani-Sadr. The move stirred speculation Bani-Sadr might move troops to the U.S. Embassy in Tehran to replace the militants took some 50 Americans hostage 108 days ago.

The increase in Bani-Sadr's authority was reported by Tehran Radio, which quoted the ailing, 79-year-old ayatollah as stating the appointment was aimed at "consolidating power in Iran at this critical moment." This was an apparent reference to the militants who have rejected the latest plan to ease the hostage crisis as a "U.S. plot."

Bani-Sadr's escalation to the chief of Iran's armed forces gave him the muscle not only to end the embassy crisis, but to put down ethnic unrest in Iran, particular-

ly in northwest Kurdistan, where Kurdish rebels have been battling the central government for more autonomy.

The increase in his authority came as a U.N. commission prepared to fly to Tehran to investigate the regime's charges against Shah Mohammad Reza Pahlavi, the monarch ousted by Khomeini's Islamic forces 13 months ago. Both sides have agreed to the members of the commission, whose inquiry presumably will speed the release of the Americans.

The Carter administration has been anxious to resolve the crisis, and the Paris-based station Radio Luxembourg reported today that Iranian Foreign Minister Sadegh Ghotbzadeh was believed to have met with Carter's chief of staff, Hamilton Jordan, in Paris on Monday.

Jordan has been reported actively involved in the negotiations to try to free the hostages.



## Trudeau wins; softens support for U.S. stand



Pierre Elliot Trudeau  
...returned to power

and his Conservatives ended 16 years of Liberal rule, 11 of them with Trudeau as prime minister. The Liberal chief had actually announced his intention to leave politics last November.

But Clark was undone by a tough budget in which he proposed a highly unpopular 18-cent-a-gallon boost in gasoline taxes.

TORONTO (AP) — Pierre Elliott Trudeau, a political has-been just three months ago, took charge of Canada once again in a stunning election victory he called a rerun of "an old love story" between his party and the voters, and offered himself and his country as peacemakers in the U.S.-Soviet dispute.

Trudeau's Liberal Party routed the Progressive Conservatives of Prime Minister Joe Clark in parliamentary elections Monday, cutting down a government that was one of the few to stick by the United States down the line in its confrontation with Moscow.

In a victory speech early today to an ecstatic crowd of supporters in Ottawa, Trudeau, 60, took a distinctly softer approach, declaring that the United States is "our greatest friend" but adding that preserving peace between the superpowers must be part of Canada's world mission.

In elections last May, the youthful Clark

## Mystery remains over death of John Carr

By MAURY TERRY  
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John Carr, a central figure in the reopened "Son of Sam" probe, could still be alive, or, if dead, may have been a murder victim and not the "apparent suicide" authorities originally believed him to be.

Carr, a suspected accomplice of David Berkowitz in the Queens District Attorney's re-opened investigation of the "44-Caliber" killings and the son of Berkowitz' neighbor, Sam Carr, was presumed to have shot himself to death in Minot, N.D. in February 1978 — six months after Berkowitz' arrest.

Now, however, these newspapers have learned that:

— Investigators are not 100 percent certain that the body found in Minot two years ago was actually Carr. The body was never officially identified by North Dakota police or any family member, and a legally "unknown" person was

buried in Carr's grave in a Westchester cemetery.

— New information being sifted by investigators about the shooting conflicts with the original determination of "apparent suicide" as the cause of death. Numerous inconsistencies have increased the likelihood that Carr, if in fact he was the victim, was murdered.

Sources close to the new "Son of Sam" investigation have confirmed that the body thought to be Carr's was interred without North Dakota authorities establishing that it was indeed Carr. Visual identification of the body was impossible because the rifle blast totally disfigured the face of the victim, they say.

In addition, authorities in Minot claim that the body was fingerprinted and identified. However, four sets of

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## INSIDE

### Modern master of dance



At 60, the high priest of modern dance, Merce Cunningham, is still causing excitement and controversy. His newest dance is to be performed tonight. See page B1.

### World/Nation

The air Americans breathe is getting cleaner, but the water we drink is threatened by a variety of pollution problems, a White House advisory panel reported today. Story on page A12.

### Sports

The American hockey team continued to skate on solid Olympic ice, tripping up Romania 7-2 Monday. They're now within one victory of a trip to the finals. See page B9.

### Weather

Mostly sunny and milder today, highs around 40. Fair and not as cold tonight, lows 25 to 30. Chance of precipitation near zero through tonight. Details on A2.

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## Drug abuse battle losing funds

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Drug abuse treatment and prevention programs are a stepchild of society.

They are subject to unpredictable whims of government funding. Faddish opinions about what method works best this year and what is best next, and community opposition to locating drug treatment programs in the neighborhood.

One of the few consistent trends is that drug use is up while total government spending on drug programs in New York State is down. The state government's share in funding for drug programs has shown the most dramatic drop, plummeting this year to a third of what it was at its zenith in 1974-75. Westchester, almost miraculously, has been able to log modest increases in its expenditures on drug programs despite the statewide decline in drug monies.

The incidents of contradictory decisions and second thoughts are numerous. For example, the federal government in fiscal 1980 is planning a modest increase on drug abuse prevention programs. The amount of federal money available for prevention

programs, which was \$6.2 million in 1979, will be \$11.3 million in 1980 and will increase to \$16.1 million in 1981, a statistician for the National Institute on Drug Abuse said.

But Gov. Hugh Carey, in his proposed 1980 budget, is cutting funds for the same purpose. He is abolishing the Commission on Alcohol and Substance Abuse, whose role was developing drug abuse prevention programs, and is eliminating the commission's \$15 million budget.

While Westchester does not have commission-funded programs, New York City does. The governor is providing \$4 million for the programs to continue until the end of the school year.

In Westchester, there is widespread recognition that drug abusers need treatment and that drug abuse occurs in all social circles and all economic brackets. Yet Mount Kisco successfully stymied for 18 months the efforts of the Renaissance Project, Inc. of New Rochelle to set up a drug counseling center there, to meet a growing need for such services in northern Westchester.

The town blocked the plan by failing to bring up Renaissance's proposal for discus-

son at a town board meeting, Renaissance executive director Joseph Cleary said. Renaissance, which has a policy of avoiding community hostility, abandoned the effort and opened the center in nearby Bedford. Cleary reports the program is enrolled to 100 percent of capacity.

Perhaps the most spectacular example of inconsistency is the biggest state drug treatment program ever devised. In the mid-1950s, then-Gov. Nelson Rockefeller decided the best form of treatment for drug abusers would be to pull them out of the normal prison system and put them in lock-up centers for drug abusers. The state built or set up 22 such centers, including the \$27.4 million, 725-bed Ridge Hill Center in Yonkers.

A cornerstone of the program was to avoid tagging drug offenders with criminal records by adopting a policy of "civil commitment" whereby drug abusers were incarcerated in a lock-up center without actually being convicted of a crime. The concept is similar to committing a person to a mental institution.

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**DRUGS**  
The battle we're losing  
One of a series

