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Badgers roll on, remain unbeaten

Wisconsin defeated the Purdue Boilermakers 31-24 Saturday at Camp Randall to go 6-0 on the season. C-1

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Clinton, GOP wrangle over school funds



Remembering cancer victims

Nearly 2,000 people participated Saturday in the 6th Annual Breast Cancer Awareness Run/Walk. B-1

Like Nixon, Clinton looking to the polls

WASHINGTON — The American public will approve of President Clinton's job performance during the tumult of the Watergate scandal, but they were slow to embrace his impeachment.

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Fox restoration a challenge

Plan aims to compensate for damage from PCBs

By Susan Campbell Press-Gazette

Overwhelmed by a proposal to designate the Fox River as a Superfund site in another review that will add its costs — more likely to be hundreds of millions of dollars — to the price tag.

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Senate race will go down to wire

Feingold locked in war of words with Neumann

By Scott Helmebrand Press-Gazette

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Fox River cleanup stirs up 8th race

Congressional candidates spar over Superfund listing

By Tom Coon Press-Gazette

With the PCB cleanup site on the Fox River running through the Madison area, environmental regulation is one of the most contentious issues in the fall election.

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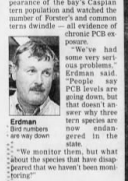
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Fox/Goal is to restore Fox River, lower Green Bay to condition before 1957

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Edman says PCB levels are going down, but that doesn't mean they're safe.

appearance of the bay's Capitan tern population and spilled the number of Plover's and common terns to 400 — all evidence of a decline in PCB exposure. "We had some very serious problems," Edman said. "People say PCB levels are going down, but that doesn't mean they're safe. We monitor them, but about the species that have dropped, that we haven't been monitoring."

Figuring the cost
The cost of addressing the damage rises above and beyond the cost of treating or ridding the river of PCBs, which is the focus of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's effort to designate the river as a Superfund site. That cost alone is estimated at up to \$1 billion or more.

Assessing the damage
The aim of the agency's Initial Assessment and Compensation Determination Plan is to restore the Fox River and lower Green Bay to its condition before 1957 — before paper mills discharged 500 tons of PCBs through superstacking and recycling.

Most of the chemical companies have followed the current law in Green Bay and are making their way to Lake Michigan, but scientists estimate more than 70,000 pounds of PCBs remain in the riverbed today.

Race/Candidates divided on reform bill

By A-1

"Every year that there's a delay in the Superfund reform bill, more PCBs flow into the river," she said.

Candidates' roles
Although Congress probably won't influence the EPA decision on the Superfund reform, representatives may play a role in other ways.

Green said one of the most important things a local leader can do is to take a clear position on Superfund, something he said Johnson has not done.



This X-ray is of a deformed bird found in lower Green Bay. The wing bones are bent, a condition associated with chronic PCB exposure.

To send comments on the Fox River
The U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service is accepting comments until Oct. 21 on its Lower Fox River Cleanup Plan. To request a copy of the document, write Frank Kowach, U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service, Room 3100, 1400 Independence Ave., Washington, D.C. 20250.

Restoring or punishing?
Paper mills faced with paying for restoration and compensation for cleanup costs say they are being punished for doing what they were required to do at the time when it was legal.

Commercial losses
Commercial fishermen also suffered losses when the fish advisory series forced the shutdown of some areas.

Just compensation
Fishing how to compensate recreational fishermen for years of fishing advisory restrictions is a hot topic.

Congress approves up to \$500 million for charter schools

By A-1

WASHINGTON — The House of Representatives approved and sent to the White House on Saturday legislation that authorizes up to \$500 million a year over the next five years for the planning and expansion of high-quality charter schools.

The House also has passed several other bills, including one that solves a perennial problem for home health care and expands health care options for up to 100,000 veterans.

A bill that gives a cost-of-living increase to veterans receiving disability compensation is also being provided for students to identify model conditions that are more prevalent in Gulf War veterans.

Hewitt's next project came to her in dream

By A-1

NEW YORK — Part of Princeton University's new \$100-million project to build a new dormitory came to her in a dream.

It came to her in a dream, she said, about five years ago. Taylor bought the property in 1983 but never planned to build the dorm.

"I had a dream about it, and I was up at 3 a.m. and I was thinking about it. I went to see some of the people who were involved in the project and they were saying 'Oh, that's a great idea.'"

Taylor's land preserved
CONCORD, Conn. — Singer-songwriter James Taylor has sold his 100-acre farm with a provision that it be preserved forever.

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