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GORDON: This is Harry Gordon and NewsCenter Control. We are about to go to Husson College for a remote broadcast that is taking place from Husson College. Correspondent Mal Leary is on hand. And we have been listening to some of the activities out there and various dignitaries are being introduced at the Husson College Dining Commons. And here is correspondent Mal Leary at Husson College.

LEARY: Good morning, everyone. This is Mal Leary at Husson College. At this point, State Party Chairman Hal Pachios is introducing various dignitaries at this gathering of the party faithful. There's over 500 people here. At this point, Hal Pachios has introduced Senator Edmund Muskie and he just, [audience applauds] at this moment, is introducing former Governor Kenneth Curtis, who is getting a standing ovation from this crowd, this very partisan crowd.

PACHIOS: And finally before the drawing, a person who we all love and who is as much responsible for Bill's success as Bill, and he's willing to share it, Mary Hathaway. [Applause] Okay, Sam, what are the numbers?

SAM: The numbers picked by Ken Curtis is 317. They're on your ticket. The number picked by Senator Hathaway, uh, Senator Muskie, I'm sorry, 270. And the number picked by Senator Hathaway, 133. If you'll see me after with the proper ticket number, then I'll give you the set of prints and we have two standby numbers in case those three numbers weren't picked, 472 and 63, and I don't know who picked those. Thank you.

PACHIOS: Mary, you have ticket number 133, don't you? [Laughter]

LEARY: Very well, the Democrats are going through a little hoopla here. I'd like to bring you up to date on a few things that happened last night. We've been informed by the Secret Service, there were two incidents yesterday. One, Brenda [Morrill ?], who was a participant selected for the Town Meeting last night was arrested on disorderly conduct by Bangor Police at the auditorium. And we understand that sometime late last night there was an attempt by a person who was intoxicated to break through the barricade near the Murray household. He was of course stopped by police authorities and is in custody. We don't have a name on him yet, but we're trying to get one for later. Now, I guess we'll go back to the State Party Chairman, Harold Pachios, who is at the podium at this point. There seems to be a hush in

the room. Senator Hathaway is moving over towards the doorway where we expect the President will be coming in shortly. We don't know if he's arrived yet or not.

GORDON: Mal, you may be interested in knowing that we have had no word from Brian Naylor, who is at Maple Street, that the President has left.

LEARY: Ah, well, maybe he hasn't left. In that case, we seem to have a little lull in the activities here since the hoorah has ended at the podium with a drawing of some door prizes by the State Party Chairman. They were drawn by Senator Hathaway, Senator Muskie, and former Governor, Kenneth Curtis. And senator Hathaway has left the room now to go over to the doorway where we expect the President will be coming, but things seem to be in a little lull here at the moment, Harry.

GORDON: All right, Mal, perhaps we can do a couple of questions and answers. From your perspective there, what's the general makeup of the crowd? Does it appear to be party faithful, for the most part? Are they well-dressed businessmen looking types, a lot of wives, any children?

LEARY: Well, I don't see too many children here this early this morning but there certainly is the party faithful. I recognize a lot of the major party contributors. A lot of the people that were at the \$500 a plate Hathaway fundraiser last night are also here tonight. By the way, that raised, the fundraiser last night put \$53,000 in the Senator's coffer. So there was certainly some practical benefit to the President's visit on behalf of Senator Hathaway. A goodly number of members of the legislature, both the House and Senate, are here, including House Speaker John Martin, Senate Minority Leader Gerry Conley. I would say most Democratic members of the House and Senator here as well as their families. I would, I've seen about half the Democratic state committee here. Of course, the Party Chairman, Hal Pachios, was acting as the master of ceremonies earlier.

GORDON: Mal, it's an interesting question, with the presence of some of the members of the Penobscot Indian tribe at the Town Meeting last night, I wonder if any of the members of the Indian community are at the breakfast this morning.

LEARY: I haven't seen any yet, Harry. We've been pretty well restricted, for the last 15 minutes, to the press area which is at the back of the Dining Commons at Husson College. So it's been very difficult to move around and talk with the folks. I have not seen any. I didn't see anyone when I came in.

GORDON: Earlier they had said that about 500 people would be admitted which would make that a pretty packed house. It's not that large a dining hall. Is it like a sardine can?

LEARY: That's the word for it, Harry, is a sardine can. It's wall to wall here. There are the staff of the Dining Commons is all lined up in the back of the room. The national and local press pools are packed in here at the back of the room. It's, all in all, a very tight situation. Security here, of course, is as tight as it was at the auditorium last night. Secret Service, sheriff's deputies, Bangor Police, State Police. It's a very secure building this morning.

GORDON: I'll attempt to recap some of the activity in the area from last night. The President told the Town Meeting that we broadcast last night in Bangor that he had stepped into the Indian land claims

dispute last year because that every property owner in Maine had been in danger. And he referred to doubts about land titles, because of the suit by the Penobscots and Passamaquoddies, to 60% of the territory in Maine. The President went on to defend the settlement proposed by his task force. That proposal would give the Indians 25 million dollars in exchange for dropping their claims to all private land except 14 parcels of over 50,000 acres. And additionally, the Indians would be allowed to purchase 300,000 acres from the 14 major land holders, at only \$5 an acre, and an additional 200,000 acres at the full market value. That proposal by the Presidential Task Force has raised a considerable amount of controversy, particularly among the land owners, the 14 larger landowners, and some executives in Augusta. And it has been suggested by the Maine Congressional Delegation, at least the two Senators that we wait and think about it a bit before we make too many charges of being preyed upon by the federal government. The President addressed several times the Indian land claims and appeared to handle it very well last night. He told the meeting audience that he could have washed his hands of the matter entirely. He further told them that he got an, the best lawyer he knew, Judge Gunter, to come to Maine and he felt that Judge Gunter's recommendation was fine. The Indians, however, rejected that recommendation. It was not all that favorably received by the Attorney General, either. So Carter told the audience that he got a native lawyer, Eliot Cutler, who was a former Bangor resident to come up and come up with another proposal. Have we had any news, Mal, about the President's arrival?

LEARY: I think we might have. Some of the national press pool people seem to be arriving so I would think that the President won't be far behind.

GORDON: We have had no word from correspondent, Brian Naylor. However, that may be due to some technical difficulties. We have had some problems with one of our radio links. However, the President spent the night with Laura and Robert Murray over on Maple Street in Bangor. Robert Murray has been active in Democratic politics. His son is a former Democratic legislator. And his son-in-law, Severin Beliveau, has been a member of the Democratic National Committee. The President spent the night in a second floor room which we toured earlier in the week. A rather small bedroom, plainly furnished with a double bed and a dresser and desk covered with the athletic statuary. The President reportedly arose early this morning and stepped out onto the porch and had words for the persons standing around, Secret Service contingent and State Police and a few curious onlookers, and went back into the house. We've heard little of the President since. Any news of the President from the Husson Dining Commons now?

LEARY: Not at this point, Harry. He did speak to reporters briefly outside this morning, some national reporters, I might add, which he said that he would be taking some definitive action in the coal strike as soon as possible. We just had a false start here when folks started to applaud thinking the President had arrived, when he hadn't. I guess you might say people are getting a little itchy for him to arrive.

GORDON: Last night, the only demonstration that materialized was one of a group of women who were protesting the President's silence on the extension of the Equal Rights Amendment ratification. One of the President's promises involving women during the '76 campaign was that he would be appointing more women to the Executive staff and during the Town Meeting last night, the President explained his administration's current hiring practices of women. And we have a recording of that excerpt.

PRESIDENT CARTER: I think that we have a difficulty

GORDON: The President has now arrived at the Husson College Dining Commons.

LEARY: The President is coming into the dining commons here at Husson College, and of course is getting a standing ovation from the crowd here. He's shaking hands over in the far corner of the building and trying to work his way towards the podium. Of course, here's the Democratic Party faithful, a lot of these people supported Jimmy Carter two years ago, long before he was a established candidate. Maine, of course, gave him a lot of votes in the early going of the Presidential race, and he's never forgotten that. And he's always spoken very highly of the Mainers that supported him early in the campaign. He's working the crowd at the moment, talking with the, with some supporters from the past, Martin Rogoff, who was his chairman. He's talking with other members of the Democratic state committee, and he's up on the rostrum now, [Crowd cheering] waving. He has Bill Hathaway up with him along with State Party Chairman Harold Pachios. They're drawing a continuous standing ovation, people now standing on their chairs clapping. It is probably the warmest reception the President has received since he has arrived.

PACHIOS: It is my pleasure to introduce to you this morning one of Washington's most thoughtful and persuasive legislators, a man of great intelligence, and a man of great decency. So decent, by example, that those of us who saw a man who may be his opponent yesterday, standing at the foot of the steps when Air Force One arrived looking like he was waiting to pick up his best friend, while on the other hand, when Ronald Reagan came to Portland last week, Bill Hathaway didn't try to horn in on that. Ladies and gentlemen, Senator Bill Hathaway. [Crowd cheers]

LEARY: And we have a prolonged standing ovation for Senator Hathaway. Again, people standing on those seats and applauding for the Senator who is up on the rostrum. He's going to be introducing the President.

HATHAWAY: Harold, am I the principal speaker? [Laughter] Thank you very much, Harold, Senator Muskie, and Governor Curtis, other distinguished guests and fellow Democrats. I'm getting to the distinguished guests in just a second. You know, I've always been proud of our President, but I was particularly proud of him last night when at the auditorium the superb way in which he answered the many questions that were put to him in that hour and a half. [Applause] But I was particularly proud and happy to hear his answer to the woman who asked the question about what had the Democratic Party done for the poor? And when he recited the litany of Social Security and minimum wage and Medicare and Medicaid and aid to education and then he went on, in answer to somebody else's question, and gave our promise for the future with tax reform and national health care, welfare reform, I was even more proud of him. And in giving this litany of our past accomplishments and letting the people know our promise for the future he was sounding the battle cry of the Democratic Party for the year 1978. And the reason he's here this morning is to sound that battle cry again so that we can go on to the greatest victory that we've ever had this November of 1978. [Applause] Without further ado, I want you to join me in welcoming on this beautiful, foggy morning in Bangor, Maine, Jimmy Carter, the President of the United States. [Applause]

PRESIDENT CARTER: Thank you.

LEARY: In the tradition of this morning, the President is given another standing ovation. Again, some people up on their chairs applauding, and he's keeping Senator Hathaway at the podium with him, while acknowledging the cheers of the Democratic party, [inaudible] gathered here for the fundraising breakfast for the Democratic State Committee.

PRESIDENT CARTER: One of the reasons that Bill Hathaway liked my answers to the questions last night well did I mentioned his name six times. [Laughter] And the good thing is, I did not have to exaggerate to do it, because he has been right in the forefront of people who are fighting for the good things for Maine and the good things for our country and I want to thank him for it. [Applause] How many of you think that Ed Muskie is one of the greatest Governors Maine ever had and one of the greatest Senators Maine ever had? [Applause] How many of you think the Ed trained a great replacement as Governor, who was one of the most wonderful Democratic national chairman we ever had, Ken Curtis? [Applause] How many of you think we're gonna send Bill Hathaway back to the Senate this fall? [Applause] How many of you think it's time for Maine to have another Democratic governor? How many of you think that Maine can elect Democratic congressman as well? I can see already you're my kind of Democrats. [Laughter] Well, the Democratic Party is the oldest organized, or even disorganized, political parties in the world. And it's because we stand for exactly the same principles that the United States of America stands for. We are a party that is not afraid to tackle difficult questions. Sometimes when they are not popular because the litany of things that Bill Hathaway described last night, which was all too brief, in which the Democratic Party has been in the forefront on the cutting edge, quite often even when popular support was not there, is long and a source of great pride to us. We in the party of which we are so proud have never lost the realization of where our strength is. It's with people who are not rich, powerful, influential in politics. But each one of us, as I mentioned last night in my description of the United States Senator and the coal miner, who occupies a position of responsibility either on the party level – local, state or national -- or in public office has continually to realize that we represent hundreds of thousands of people who have confidence in us. And sometimes Democrats, who are just human beings, betray that confidence because of a lack of realization of the responsibility placed on us and we get defeated. And sometimes we have a hard time describing what we stand for accurately because the news media tends to distort some of the reports that are received and some candidates for office have an ability to take a tiny or non-existent accomplishment, and through a superb public relations capability exaggerate it greatly. Perhaps this has happened in Maine. [Applause] And sometimes solid accomplishments, because of hard work and dedication, knowledge and experience, a closeness to constituents back home, goes unrecognized because of the quietness or humility or modesty in the heart or mind of a very important person. And that's the case, I think, with Ed Muskie and with Bill Hathaway. So it's important for a President, who can see from a unique perspective, to let the people even in a whole community know the importance of people who serve in Washington. And that's why I've come here this year to help strengthen the Democratic Party organization and to spell out as clearly as I can, which I did yesterday, the accomplishments of Bill Hathaway who's facing a very serious challenge this year. I know the people of Maine fairly well. My whole family has been here to campaign and you've received us with open arms and with friendship and hospitality that equals that in my own

state of Georgia. And I don't feel like an alien here; I feel like I've come home, because you've been so wonderful to me when I've been here. [Applause]

I'd like to describe very briefly some of the things that we face as a challenge in the Democratic Party. Last year, when I took office, the inflation rate was about 10 percent. The unemployment rate was almost 9 percent, a little above 8 percent. We had a sense of discouragement and a sense of embarrassment in the aftermath of Watergate and Vietnam and the CIA revelations. And there was a sense of alienation between the White House and the Congress, and I think between Washington and the rest of the country. And we had long overdue actions waiting to be taken, on energy and welfare reform, government reorganization and how to stimulate the economy without injecting the federal government into people's private lives and into the operation of our superb free enterprise system. We had a need to strengthen competition and also to get government regulation minimized and to cut down on paperwork and to try and bring some clear description of the goals that we face in this nation. We had a Middle Eastern dispute that had been under way almost 30 years. A Panama Canal negotiation had been under way 14 years. SALT negotiations that have never really tried to deal with actual limits and then reductions of atomic weapons. We had a growing sense that the nuclear genie was out of the bottle and can never be kept, and that inevitably, one nation, then another, then another was going to test atomic explosives to prove that they had military strength on tap if they ever needed it. These kinds of things needed to be addressed. And some of them, as you know, are quite difficult and quite controversial.

We made great strides last year. Unemployment rate dropped more than 1%. We had the highest level of increased employment, net increase in employment, this country's ever seen, over 4 million. We reduced those numbers of unemployed about a million and there was a restoration, I think, of the sense in this country that our nation was vigorous, was strong, and that our system of government and free enterprise could work together. We have made good progress in government reorganization. The Congress gave me the authority to reorganize the Executive Branch of government, we created a new Department of Energy. And the Congress is now struggling very tenaciously with one of the most complicated and difficult domestic issues they have ever faced, the first time a natural gas deregulation bill was vetoed was under Harry Truman about 30 years ago. And now we are trying to deal with oil supplies, conservation, import, export, transportation of coal, all the complicated measures at once. It's not an easy thing. But we've made great progress because the Democratic Party believes in people. And I think the reverse is the case. Bill Hathaway was successful in getting through the Congress a superb Career Education Bill and we're trying to give middle-income families a break now on how to deal with their very expensive cost of a college education. We're trying to bring some rationale into the minimum wage law so that those who work with their hands can have a fair chance to keep their family income on a net basis equal to others who are more fortunate. We've been successful in all those things already and I believe we have a great year ahead of us. But it's important that those of us who are part of the core, the heart of a Democratic party, not forget what we have done but also not forget the challenges before us. This is going to be a very difficult year for Democrats in Maine. And everyone here ought to take on the responsibility, voluntarily, without any urging, even from the Chairman, how you might in your own block or your own community or your own town strengthen the role of a

Democratic Party. I know from personal experience what it means to be a candidate who's lonely and unknown, unrecognized, without financing. Basically, an entire nation as a constituency. And we did it by going to people's homes, talking to small groups, eight or ten people in a living room, and then spending the night with that family. And after I left, quite often out of those eight or ten people, five or six would say, well I think I'll help this man become President. And it was a growing movement, just among ordinary people, because they had confidence in me, they had confidence in one another, they shared the same principles that you and I share, and they were willing to work. Most of them never contributed financially to my campaign but there was a sense of community there and of a belief that our nation, although it has faults, could be a much greater country.

After I was elected and inaugurated, we had a reception just for the heads of families who had let my own personal family spend a night in their homes. We had over 800 families who came to the White House who had taken us in as their house guests overnight. This was a kind of closeness that was formed on a nationwide basis. It's the same thing that can be done here in Maine. I was able to campaign full-time. Bill Hathaway can't campaign full-time. He's got enormous responsibilities on his shoulders in dealing with the problems that face us. He's a member of the Finance Committee and he's dealing with Intelligence Committee and he's got Human Resources problems that he's trying to address that'll help you and your family. These things have to be done in Washington by him. And is it in his absence, it's on your shoulders. If you leave here this morning saying well, it was an exciting thing to go and participate with other Democrats to see the President of United States, and then forget that you're part of the process in the future, this will be a wasted meeting and my trip here to Maine will have been in vain. But I know what one person can do and you are each is capable as am I, and there's a certain degree of magnification of one intensely committed person. They can have far-reaching effects even beyond what you can anticipate. And I hope that all of you will leave here this morning with a sense that you can make a difference. You don't have to give \$1,000 or \$5,000. There's hardly anybody here that can't give \$100. If you give \$10 a month for 10 months, and I hope you'll do that and hope you'll get 10 or 12 other people do the same thing, this group right here could solve all the financial problems of your major candidates for office next fall. If you just do that. And there's no one here that can't have receptions in your own house and inviting an eight or ten people and just serve them coffee and doughnut, and say why don't we get out there and work. And you take this block and I'll take this block and we'll hand them a pamphlet and we'll get them to support the candidate. You are leaders, every one of you, in the Democratic Party. And your role here is just as close as mine was three years ago, or those early supporters of mine were three years ago. There's another thing that you can do. In those small group meetings, you need to listen to your neighbors who will represent a broad cross-section of Maine and let your major candidates know what issues are important, and what concerns they have, and what criticisms they have. Sometimes those criticisms are completely unjustified. Sometimes they're legitimate. And it might be an issue that Ed Muskie or Bill Hathaway or others can address publicly. It would be very beneficial in eliminating a possible political handicap when election day comes. But these are the kinds of things that you can do personally. I might say that it's not a sacrifice for you to make. It can be one of the most exciting things that you've ever undertaken in your life, to be part of keeping a good man in the US Senate, electing a governor of Maine who's part of your own philosophy, and also members of the House of Representatives. And I think it'll grow. Maybe some of



you later would want to become involved yourselves in seeking political office, but that's not really important. I'm convinced that we live in the greatest nation on earth and although we do have problems and disappointments, sometimes we make serious mistakes, because of our closest to the people in the Democratic Party we have a mechanism by which, if we listen, we can correct those mistakes.

I have hope that we'll have a settlement in the Middle East this year. Nobody knows. I had a long session with President Sadat at Camp David a couple of weekends ago. I think he genuinely wants peace. I think he's willing to forego some of the ancient misunderstandings or distrust or even hatred that Egyptian people have had for Israelis. And I'll have President Begin, Prime Minister Begin coming over here the middle of next month. And he and I will have a chance to talk for several hours and I'll try to learn from those two men what sort of common ground there might be for an ultimate settlement in the Middle East. Perhaps we can do that. It won't be a party achievement. It'll be a national achievement but cause those two former representatives of enemies trust this country [Applause] and as a matter of mutual trust, [Applause continues] and to the extent that we betray that trust as a people, then our value in bringing peace to that region and into the world would be lessened or perhaps destroyed altogether. Well all of us share that kind of trust. Public officials, even spokesmen for the Democratic Party in one home or one block.

This has been a great experience for me to come back to Maine. My wife called me on the phone last night when I got to the Murray's home and said Jimmy I hope that you will find some excuse for me to come back to Aroostook County during the potato festival because [Applause] because of all the places that I visited in the United States, and she's been to almost every place, every state, she said that was my favorite place of all. And so now that I've come to Maine to try to help Bill Hathaway he owes me a favor and the favor that I'd like to ask Bill Hathaway is to invite my wife back up to Aroostook County. [Applause] Let me say this in closing. You know I said many times during the campaign, I don't claim to know all the answers. And I have found since I've been in Washington in the White House, that there has to be a partnership between me and the Congress. Pennsylvania Avenue is a two-way street. And I've consulted many times with Ed Muskie, who has one of the most important positions in the entire Congress of the United States and who has a confidence and trust of people in every state in our country. And Bill Hathaway has been to the Oval Office to talk to me about issues that face our nation as well. And I've been a frequent guest in Ken Curtis's house and he and Polly and Angel have been to the White House as well to eat with me and my family and to talk about issues of the Democratic National Committee, which he headed so well. But I have seen that the people have confidence now, a renewed confidence in government. We have the CIA, the intelligence community, being restored to a position of complete legality, competence, and with a well structured legal basis to define the limits of their activities. Bill Hathaway plays a major role there. He's intensely interested in the national security of our country. But he's also intensely interested in protecting the basic rights of American people, to make sure there is no illegal entry or intrusion into the citizen's privacy. Well that's something that we've accomplished the last year that hasn't gotten very much publicity. We've got the economy, I think, going in the right direction. We still have a very serious problem with excessive imports of oil. Last year we bought about forty five billion dollars worth of oil from overseas. Entirely too much. Our

economy has progressed a little bit more than those of other countries around the world that we can export not quite as much as we import, because they're not able yet to buy our products. Their economies have not grown so well. But we're making good progress, I think. But I'd like to say, in closing, that I have been well-received. Nobody could possibly have been a better host than Bob and Laura Murray, and I like to thank them personally. [Applause] And if you will join me and Ed Muskie, Ken Curtis, Bill Hathaway and those who seek the other major offices this fall, we'll have a tremendous Democratic victory in Maine and that will bode very fine tidings for our country in the future. Let's work together and show what Democrats can do in a tough election year. [Applause] Thank you very much.

LEARY: The President's getting a standing ovation on chairs from the Democratic partisans that are here, well over 500. We have Senator Hathaway and State Party Chairman Hal Pachios.

PRESIDENT CARTER: I'm willing to perform, during this election year, in a way that I described in my speech, if you're willing to do that, think about it a minute, if you're willing to do that, to raise the money from your neighbors, to help organize, to really work this year, would you be kind enough to raise your hand? Okay, don't forget, that's a solemn promise, and I know you won't forget it. Thank you very much.

LEARY: Nearly everyone in the room raised their hands at the President's request for a promise that they are going to be campaigning as hard as possible for all the Democratic candidates on the ticket come next fall. At this point, the President is shaking hands with Senator Muskie and is moving towards the doorway to leave this hall where over 500 Democratic partisans heard him reiterate several themes of his trip. The Sadat Begin situation where there may be a settlement in the Middle East. We heard him, mostly though, ask for Democratic Party solidarity in their, in an attempt to win, across the board this fall, the United States Senate seat that's up, the two Congressional seats and of course to elect a Democratic Governor. Harry.

GORDON: Thank you very much, Mal. The President ran over about seven minutes according to my calculations. We've heard in the interim from Brian Naylor, who's standing by out at Bangor International Airport, and will be giving us a report very soon. If you have no further parting comments for the moment from Husson.

LEARY: Well, I think it was a successful visit in terms of what the President was attempting to accomplish, Harry. He came here to try to fire up Democratic party workers and those who do most of the work in the Democratic Party. And I would say from the tenor of the crowd, the smiling people that are leaving here, that he succeeded in doing just that.

GORDON: Thank you very much, Mal Leary. We'll be talking with you again in a few minutes, we trust. And for the benefit of our audience in Portland and in fringe towns in the outer districts of the Bangor area, this morning is a very foggy morning in Bangor. The President will now be proceeding from Husson College about a mile and a quarter, mile and a half, to Bangor International Airport, the National Guard section. And will board the Air Force One enroute to New Hampshire. At just a few minutes before 9 o'clock now, the sun is beginning to make some progress and burning through the fog. Just a little bit of background information for some of you to the south and the north of us from here. Correspondent

Brian Naylor has been standing by out at the airport where we understand there are a few people gathered. Brian, what's going on out there?

NAYLOR: Well, there are just a few people, mostly local media types, milling about along with some Maine Air National Guardsmen. It's damp and very foggy, still, at this point at the airport. They say earlier this morning the fog was so thick that you couldn't see your hand in front of whatever, and at this point it has dissipated somewhat due to the wind and the sun, but there's still quite a good fog cover and whether or not that is going to delay President Carter's departure remains to be seen. There have been two planes that I've heard take off in the fog, whether or not that's any indication.

GORDON: Well, of course, Brian, Bangor International Airport has just recently installed a special radar to be able to handle planes in minimum conditions so I don't expect there would be any problem taking off. The landing might be another problem, but Air Force One spent the night here in Bangor. Any observation to make out there, Brian, as to, perhaps you have any information about the departure time?

NAYLOR: Well, the President is running about 5 to 10 minutes behind schedule this morning. And you can just apply that to, I believe the plane was scheduled to take off at 9, and I would expect that it will be delayed, probably about 10 minutes or so.

GORDON: And Brian, if you have Air Force One in view, are perhaps ground crews working on the plane now and have they started up any of the engines on the outboard side, away from the doors?

NAYLOR: Yeah, there's something humming in the background, I assume that's what it is. The service crews have been about, servicing the plane, refueling it. And at this point, it seems to be all ready and set to go. There are National Guardsmen standing about, but no other service vehicles, except for the two truck ramps with Trans East Airline on it, a familiar name.

GORDON: Thank you very much, Brian Naylor. We're going to be listening for you. If you get something interesting to report from the airport, let us know, and we'll get back to you via your radio link which is working very fine this morning. President Carter has finished his activities at the Husson College Dickerman Dining Commons where he urged support for Democratic candidates. In the, rather a partisan radio broadcast, the President extolled the virtues of the Democratic Party and certainly impressed and fired up the Democratic party faithful who were at that breakfast this morning. Earlier in this broadcast, correspondent Mal Leary mentioned that a man had been arrested last night. Our reporter Don Clark, here in Bangor, has talked with a Bangor Police Department and Don has discovered that one man attempted to break through the barricade set up in the area of the Maple Street home of Robert Murray where President Carter spent Friday night on his stop over in Bangor. We talked with a Lieutenant [Seabreeze?] of the Bangor Police Department about that incident.

LIEUTENANT: He was arrested and charged for operating under the influence and I guess he was just [inaudible] at a high rate of speed and due to his condition, he didn't see the barricades, and blew right through them.

GORDON: We asked Lieutenant Seabrease where the barricade was located.

LIEUTENANT: It was [staffed by?] the Police Officers [inaudible] to the barricade. It was right on Garland, right by Maple

GORDON: And Lieutenant Seabrease said the incident occurred early in the morning. He commented on the upcoming court appearance.

LIEUTENANT: It occurred last night, approximately 2 o'clock in the morning. And he'll be in court Monday morning.

GORDON: And Lieutenant Seabrease said he saw no reason to give out the man's name at this time, so we still have no identification of that gentlemen who ran a little bit afoul of the law last night. [A few seconds pause in the recording] It's about two minutes before the hour of nine o'clock at the current time and we have no word on whether the caravan has reached the airport. Brian, do you have anything further from there?

NAYLOR: It has not yet reached the airport. There have been a few advance State Police cars, but to this point, nothing in the way of a Presidential caravan. They do say, thought, that, I checked with a few Secret Servicemen, and they believe that the President will depart at the scheduled time, but that remains to be seen.

GORDON: All right, Brian, thank you. We will continue to monitor for the first arrival of the President at your location. The President's trip to Maine has raised 53 thousand dollars for the re-election campaign of Senator William Hathaway whom the President portrayed as one of the Senate's unsung heroes. The president addressed about 100 Hathaway supporters who paid \$500 each to attend the fundraising dinner for the Maine Democrats in Orono last night at the Penobscot Valley Country Club. Carter praised Hathaway's work in such fields as career education, programs for the elderly and efforts to curb alcoholism and drug addiction. But the President acknowledged the Hathaway is going to have a tough campaign on his hands this year. The freshman Senator from Maine, the junior Senator from Maine, is being challenged by the current incumbent, one of the incumbent Republicans, the one from the second District, Congressman William Cohen. To return to the President's activities this morning at Husson College, early in the broadcast, the President asked the gathered the Democratic Party faithfuls if Maine could reelect a Democratic Senator, and there was a round of applause. The President then asked if Maine could elect Democratic Representatives as well. And after another round of applause the president told the gathering, I can see you're my kind of Democrats. He urged members to contribute financially to the cause and he suggested that even though they may be small donations, if they are regular amounts, they could solve the problems that the Democratic Party is known to been having in the financial area. Extolled the virtues of the Democratic Party, at least from his perception of it. The president told the group that it was a great feeling to return to the state of Maine. He said at one point, it feels like I'm coming home. And he went on to mention that Rosalyn Carter, Mrs. Carter, desired to return to Aroostook County during the Potato Blossom Festival. Earlier last year, she had a trip to Aroostook County. He said now that he had come to Maine, the President had come to Maine, on

behalf of Senator William Hathaway, the President said Bill Hathaway owes me a favor and that favor is to invite Rosalyn back to Aroostook County.

The President also had good words for former Maine Governor Kenneth Curtis, who just recently resigned as Head of the Democratic National Committee. He mentioned that, Carter, that Curtis and his family had been at the White House and he briefly mentioned some of the discussion that had been carried on between the two. The President thanked his hosts of last night, Laura and Bob Murphy, at whose home on Maple Street he stayed. The President said nobody could have been better hosts and a round of applause from the Democratic gathering for the Murphys. And in closing up his activities at Husson College this morning, the President said that Democrats should work together. Brian Naylor now tells us that the President has arrived at the airport. You're on.

NAYLOR: Well, the Presidential caravan has just arrived and President Carter's limousine pulling up alongside the ramp to Air Force One. Secret Service and State Police are getting out of their cars along with some of the party faithful in the background and the national press media.

GORDON: Are there many of the local citizenry there, Brian?

NAYLOR: No, as a matter of fact, the local citizenry is conspicuous by their absence.

GORDON: Would that be, perhaps, that the area is pretty well fenced off from a public area where people could view easily?

NAYLOR: Yeah, I think that is the case. That they'd have to go through Security Guards and gates and all that. President Carter is just about to step up to Air Force One, emerging from the limousine with him, Senator Edmund Muskie, Senator Hathaway as well as former governor Ken Curtis. And it is noticeable that Mr. Carter properly walked to his trunk and removed his own suitcase.

GORDON: Brian, does it appear that any of the Maine elected representatives will be boarding the plane to fly back to, or on to New Hampshire, with the President?

NAYLOR: I'd say no, because President Carter is just now at the top of the stairs and is walking into the plane and he's not being followed by anyone at all, except for a few local staff. So it appears everyone will be returning, or Mainers will be remaining in the state.

GORDON: All right, we'll be returning to you in a few minutes, Brian Naylor. Continuing with the wrap-up of the activities at Husson College, in his closing today, President Carter extolled the virtues of the Democratic Party. He asked that the local Democrats work together to show Maine what Democrats can do in a tough election year. That, of course, referring to the opposition that Senator William Hathaway faces in the in the admittedly popular Republican Congressman William Cohen, who is seeking to unseat Senator Hathaway. And a contest that at least most of the members of the press with whom I've talked, agree at this point, is a toss-up. But is definitely going to be a horse race. It's about five minutes after the hour of nine o'clock. The President running five to seven minutes behind schedule and is the Air Force one in motion yet? Brian Naylor, at the airport.

NAYLOR: No, it's still standing, the doors open, the ramps haven't been removed. And I must make a correction to an earlier statement. Senator Hathaway was nowhere to be seen. I had mistaken someone else, apparently. But Maine's Junior Senator was not on board the President's limousine. Senator Muskie and Ken Curtis were, but I don't know what happened to Senator Hathaway. Apparently they bid adieu earlier.

GORDON: Perhaps Senator Hathaway has remained back at Husson College with a room full of Democratic supporters. Perhaps he's getting some mileage out of all of those people who volunteered to help at the behest of the President. Mal Leary told us earlier that when the President asked for people, who were at that time standing, if they were interested in helping in this election year to raise their hands, Mal Leary observed that almost every hand in the room was extended, which would be an opportune time for Senator Hathaway to maybe do some signing up. Brian, back to you.

NAYLOR: Okay, Harry, I don't know if you can hear me or not, but Air Force One is just starting to taxi down the runway amidst a swirl of blowing snow and kerosene smoke and a deafening noise. And it looks as though the President is on his way, and leaving Maine, after a very successful trip, I'd say.

GORDON: We have to agree with you, Brian. The reaction that we have had from people we talked with early this morning, during our five o'clock breakfast in a local restaurant, and the consensus we gathered from other reporters and persons who heard our broadcast last night at the Town Meeting, was that it was a rather successful event. The audience last night at the Town Meeting was regarded as a rather polite and restrained audience. The Mayor of Bangor, with whom I had breakfast this morning, Arthur Brontas, said he was very pleased. He said he was impressed with the way the event was carried off. He said he thought it did well for the city of Bangor. He said he thought the city had put on a good showing and he credited the residents of the city for their tactful questioning of the President on some very difficult and some very emotional issues which are currently being handled at the federal level which affect considerably the persons living in this state. Those key issues which were discussed last night which pertained particularly to the state of Maine where of course the Dickey Lincoln Hydroelectric Project, the Maine Indian Land Claims Case, and the phase down, the proposed phase down, of the Loring Air Force Base up in Aroostook County. And we will be talking more about those very topics as our continuing coverage of the President's visit goes on this morning. We'll try now for another report from the airport. Perhaps the plane is now airborne. Brian Naylor.

NAYLOR: Well, not exactly at this point. It has taxied out of sight, and one can assume it's at the other end of the airstrip. I don't hear any noise indicating that it has begun taking off yet, so we'll just have to stand by a few more minutes.

GORDON: All right, sir. Thank you very much. We mentioned before that the President's trip to Maine netted 53,000 dollars at the Hathaway dinner last night. The ticket price this morning to get into the breakfast was ten dollars a plate. We don't know exactly how many people were there so our mathematics won't be available to figure it up, and Don Clark informs me that there aren't enough fingers and toes available at the moment to do that sort of complicated mathematics. A gentleman familiar to all the new set of radio listeners, Mal Leary, has just come back into the room from over at

Husson College and Mal, I'll give you a minute to catch your breath. It's not that far away to Husson College. What was your impression of the breakfast this morning?

LEARY: Well, I think the Senator, Senator Hathaway, certainly got a boost in his campaign this morning because it always takes something to fire up the workers so that they will go out and really campaign hard. That hasn't been done so far in Senator Hathaway's campaign, but it certainly was done this morning. The President had the workers on their feet a number of times.

GORDON: Brian Naylor informs me that the plane is starting its takeoff. We'll get some color on that. Go ahead, Brian.

NAYLOR: Color. Ha. White. I can't see anything besides fog and a little snow on the runway. All I can hear, judging from what I can hear, it seems to be, [sound of plane taking off] yeah, it's directly in front of me and has lifted off. President Carter is on his way to New Hampshire.

GORDON: Thank you very much. Brian Naylor, over at Bangor International Airport reports that the President's jet, Air Force One, is now airborne. He's on his way for some more politicking in New Hampshire. Getting back now to Maine politics, I wasn't there, but from listening to the broadcast, it certainly sounds to me that the President did indeed fire up the local Democratic faithful.

LEARY: They were so fired up that I noticed that some of the workers, when they were leaving, were talking to each other saying, well, we've got to get together this afternoon, we've got to start planning this, and we've got to start planning that, and that's unusual this early in the campaign, I assure you. With this many months to go, to have workers starting to plan out how they're going to use the telephone to get out the voters next November is certainly unusual.

GORDON: Of course, this is seen as a key campaign and I mentioned earlier in wrapping up the coverage that most members of the press with whom I've talked, and a lot of people on the street, regard this as rather a horse race between the two candidates.

LEARY: To bring the Republicans into it for a moment, they do as well. The, when the National Republican Chairman was in the state a few months ago, he said it had been named a key race by GOP leaders. They've ticketed extra funding for the campaign. There's going to be a number of Republican dignitaries coming in to campaign for Congressman Cohen and in talking with the Congressman a few weeks ago, he said he would be trying to bring in former President Ford in into the state to campaign for him. So I think we're going to see a lot of national dignitaries in the next few months campaigning for either Senator Hathaway or Senator Cohen. Congressman Cohen.

GORDON: Maybe your slip is providential. We'll discover that in a few months, Mal Leary. I have here some taped excerpts of events of the past few hours in the Bangor area and we'll take about five seconds for our local stations on the Maine Broadcasting System to identify themselves and we will be back with continuing coverage of the of the President to Bangor.

You're listening to WCSH in Portland or WLBZ in Bangor, stations of the Maine Broadcasting System. I'm Harry Gordon in News Center Control and with me is Augusta correspondent, our legislative

correspondent, Mal Leary. Backtracking to the Town Meeting last night, that was held at the Bangor Auditorium, to what was very nearly a packed house, saving those portions of the house that were shut off because of security reasons, the President, early in his address, addressed equal rights. And the only demonstrators who were there were some women demonstrators.

LEARY: Yeah, there were about seven or eight outside the auditorium that had some placards saying, you know, Mr. President why don't you mention ERA? Why don't you actively take a role in an attempt to get Congress to pass legislation that would allow the Equal Rights Amendment more time to be ratified by the states? It's, I think, four or five states short now. And he mentioned that his wife, Rosalyn Carter, was in Florida campaigning for it at the same time that he was up here in Maine.

GORDON: That extension of the time period allotted for ratification was the topic of one of Carter's speeches and here is the response he gave to that topic.

RECORDING OF PRESIDENT CARTER: I can't promise you the fireside chat, but I do favor the extension of the time for the ratification of the Equal Rights Amendment. My wife, Rosalyn, is in Tampa, Florida today trying to get to the Equal Rights Amendment ratified in Florida. This ruling has been issued by the Attorney General, Griffin Bell, that it would be constitutional to extend the time for ratification. And legislation will be considered by the Congress. The Congress would have to pass such legislation. I support it and if it is passed, I will sign it with pleasure.

GORDON: Remarks of President Carter last night on the Equal Rights Amendment. Another question he was asked was about women in his administration. He had pledged during the campaign to find fuller employment for women as a minority group.

LEARY: I think one of the strongest women's advocates in Maine, Mary Smith, who used to be the head of the [inaudible] branch, the political action arm of the AFL-CIO, asked that question and she was very concerned that the President live up to her expectations and what he promised during his campaign.

GORDON: And here's the President's response. He explained his current hiring practices of women and he added this.

PRESIDENT CARTER: I think that we have a difficulty in that it's hard to locate women with proven records in business administration or local or state government administration, or in the federal government, that we can promote into a major job because they've been discriminated against for so long. But we have on the regulatory agencies as well on the top regulatory agencies, appointed women in major positions of responsibility. Compared to what my predecessors have done, we've done an excellent job. Compared to what we can do, we have not yet done so well. But we're doing better every day.

GORDON: Another topic, and probably one of the topics of biggest interest to the people of the state of Maine, was the Indian Land Claims Case.

LEARY: It was a major issue that everyone expected the President would be asked about. There was some fears that he would get hostile questions. For the most part, I think, the questioning was very



polite, from what we were expecting. There were some rumors in the afternoon brought about by Governor Longley's office, that there may be, that there might have been some demonstrations on the Indian Land Claims Case because of the opposition by many people to the President's Task Force recommendation on how to settle the case. And we talked to Attorney General Joseph Brennan just after the speech, just after the President's Town Meeting, for his reaction concerning Indian Land Claims Case.

GORDON: And Brennan was responding. The President had been asked by a member of the Penobscot Indians if he would have vetoed legislation which had been introduced last year by the Maine delegation which would have sought to extinguish all claims against land to the state of Maine and would have substituted money instead of claims to land. And this is Brennan's response.

BRENNAN: No, I was not concerned at all. It's been my feeling that if there were legislation, I always felt any legislation should have provided that their claim would have been converted at least into money, damages, so they would have an opportunity for that day in court. So I was not at all concerned with his answer.

GORDON: Another questioner who really didn't identify himself, he said that he was a teacher from Howland, asked the President if other states were going to be willing to give away money as well.

TEACHER: I would like to know, will other states have to be as lucrative in the giving of land and money as we are in state of Maine.

PRESIDENT CARTER: Well, obviously I've got as much as I can handle as President and I could recognize very clearly that there are more non-Indians than there are Indians in Maine, so politically there's no advantage in trying to resolve a question of this kind. I could have washed my hands of it and said, let the people of Maine sweat it out. But I felt then that it was our need for us to resolve it fairly quickly. And we've been working on it for a year. I sent the best lawyer I know up here to work with us, Judge William Gunther. And he worked out an agreement that he thought was fair that the Indians rejected. Later I got Eliot Cutler from Bangor, Maine, knowing your people, to come in and take over as a negotiating, head of a negotiating committee. What we've worked out, I think, it's a very good resolution.

GORDON: That was President Carter responding to a question, and continuing in the on the topic of the Indian Land Claims Case, we had this report which was done by Brian Naylor late last night. [Silence] A bit of difficulty with that Brian Naylor report. We'll have that for you in a minute. How did you perceive the President's handling of the questioning on the Indian Land Claims, Mal?

LEARY: It was just about what Senator Hathaway told me to expect. I talked with the Senator the Friday before the President arrived and we discussed the Indian Land Claims Case and how we thought the President would react and it was pretty much the way Senator Hathaway said he would. He would defend the basic agreement that the White House Task Force has proposed, namely that the claims against small landowners, those with less than 50,000 acres, would be settled with a federal payment of 25 million dollars to the tribes. The rest of it would be up to the large landowners, the 14 landowners

over 50,000 acres, would have to decide whether they wanted to make some sort of settlement with the tribes or whether they indeed wanted to go to court. The same applies for the state. The state could make some sort of arrangement with the tribes to settle the claims against the state, or they could go to court. The President said that's fine. That's up to the large landowners. That's up to the state. All he wanted to do was to protect the small landowners, those with less than 50,000 acres, so that they would not have any problems with title to their land and the consequential economic stagnation that would have caused to about two-thirds of the state.

GORDON: I realize, at this point I'm going to ask you to get into the role of some commentary. However, one does wonder, at times, how much politics is involved in this Indian Land Claims Case?

LEARY: Oh, there's a great deal of politics involved in the Indian Land Claims Case. I don't see how politics could be avoided, given the importance of the issue. The Congressional delegation keeps saying, you know, we're trying to maintain a unified effort, but that isn't what happened. When the Presidential Task Force recommendation came out, you very rapidly had a political split with Senator Muskie and Senator Hathaway basically agreeing with it, and Congressmen Cohen and Emery criticizing it. So I think there's been a lot of politics involved, and that doesn't even get into the realm of the state political angle with Attorney General Brennan and Governor Longley wanting to litigate, and a number of other state leaders, other candidates for governor besides Brennan, and possibly Longley, that are all saying, well maybe we better take a closer look at this and see if it's something we should try to settle with the tribes rather than go to court.

GORDON: It's been a lengthy case.

LEARY: It's been a lengthy case, but we've really only had a great deal of attention in the last year since the tribes had a ruling upheld by the U.S. Appeals Court. And that started the ball rolling in terms of suit against the individual landowners in the second, in the two-thirds of the state, northern part of the state. And when that happened, that's when people started getting concerned. Up until that time, most people really didn't consider the case as a serious case.

GORDON: Is there a sense of direction, any sense of movement?

LEARY: Oh, I think there has to be now, after the Presidential Task Force recommendation. In 60 days, if the state, regardless of what the state does or the large landowners do, the President will be recommending to Congress the basic settlement. What he's saying is, he hopes it within the next 60 days, we could wrap up the whole problem and settle with all the settle all the claims against both the state and all landowners in the in the claimed area of twelve and a half million acres. So the President's hoping to get everything settled, but he's saying if it isn't, he's gonna go to Congress to settle the claims against landowners with less than fifty thousand acres of land.

GORDON: We were told early in the week that the President probably would not have very much to say about the proposed phase down of Loring Air Force Base but nonetheless the question was posed by a Master Sergeant in the Air Force who is a resident of Bangor and probably is with a small Air Force detachment at Bangor International Airport. And the President said that he was looking into it

personally. And he let it be known, or at least for the first time to me, that the decision on Loring was being moved ahead still further and into the late summer rather than at the end of the month of February. Last night, we talked with the Speaker of the House, John Martin, who said that the President's watching closely of the cutback is encouraging to him and Martin recalled another point the President made.

MARTIN: He also indicated, which is kind of interesting tonight, that he, in effect, is postponing the decision from what we thought was the end of February to later this year. That additional time, to me, that is critical. And I think that that's what I got out of the message on Loring. If nothing else, then we have additional time to provide additional information to get to the to the White House. And I also think that it was important to note that he indicated very clearly that his mind had not been closed, that he obviously had an open mind to the question, would remain that way.

GORDON: And Martin pointed out one other thing. He said that Maine people had forgotten that the decision had been made under the Ford administration to make a 90 percent cutback. Martin said that Carter had assured Democrats up at the fundraising dinner in Orono at the Country Club that his mind would remain open on that Loring cutback. News. Yes, Mal.

LEARY: I think you have to get into the politics of this whole situation, Harry, too. I think that in this election year it is going to be extremely difficult for the Carter Administration to go ahead with a massive phase down of Loring Air Force Base. If they do that, it could very well mean that Congressman William Cohen would probably win that election because the Aroostook County would most likely abandon the normal democratic support that it provides to the to the nominee. And it could cause some serious problems to Senator Hathaway. So I think you may see at least a delay of the decision until after the election if not a reversal of any Air Force decision to phase down the base.

GORDON: Continuing with that vein of politics, News Center was not included in the press pool up at the Penobscot Valley Country Club. However, we did get some material to get some stories with, and Brian Naylor handled that aspect of our coverage.

NAYLOR: The prime benefactor of President Carter's trip to Maine was Senator William Hathaway who faces a tough challenge in his reelection bid. Carter had high words of praise for Hathaway during a Democratic fundraiser in Orono.

CARTER: He's responsible for revenue sharing and as you know this again has been a very important [inaudible] for us to strengthen the ties between the federal government and the state government. He's also a man of compassion, which I think is important because that's an element of leadership that never changes. Other issues come and go, but a close, sensitive attention to those who suffer in our society is a mark of a great leader and a great statesman.

NAYLOR: The President urged Democratic leaders to put forth a stronger effort in support of Senator Hathaway. This is Brian Naylor reporting for News Center.

GORDON: And it wasn't all politics and it wasn't all serious topics last night, either.

LEARY: I think it was, one of the more delightful questions, was when a teacher here at an elementary school in Bangor asked the President three questions that had been submitted by her second-grade students. And I think the President's response not only brought down the house but probably won him some votes from a lot of people because of the way he handled himself.

GORDON: I think if President Carter won any friends at all during his trip to Bangor it was probably among the children in the second grade over at Abraham Lincoln School.

LEARY: Some second graders from Bangor's Abraham Lincoln School may get to visit President Carter and his daughter, Amy, at the White House all because teacher Sharon Corvey ask the President questions that they wanted asked at his Town Meeting.

CORVEY: My second graders thank you very much, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT CARTER: Tell your second graders to come and see me and Amy.

CORVEY: They would love to. We've talked a lot about Amy. They really would like to meet her.

PRESIDENT CARTER: You bring them to Washington, and I will be glad to see them.

LEARY: Carter smiled and waved and shook hands with dozens of people as he left the Bangor Auditorium to spend the night with the Robert Murray family. This is Mal Leary reporting, for News Center.

GORDON: And the President wanted the second graders to know that they had asked what part of his job he liked best, what is the hardest aspect of his job, and the tailing end question that did bring down the house was, do you get dizzy flying on Air Force One. The President admitted during that answer that there were times when during long trips with many stops that he was not quite in command of all of his faculties, but he did not get dizzy flying on Air Force One. He further did remarked in in a rather light moment that he liked his job, he liked the house that he was living in, it was particularly close to his place of work, and he thought that perhaps it was the best job he had ever had.

LEARY: I think that that certainly did bring down the house. A lot of people were very happy to hear those kind of comments coming from the President. I think there's a great change in style from the Presidencies that preceded his. Of course, former President Nixon had a lot of problems coming from Watergate, led to hostility, loss of confidence in government. And President Ford started to do recover some of that confidence of the American public. And Jimmy Carter is, one of his themes in this visit, anyway, was saying that he's hoping that he can bring back that that confidence that was lost in the past Presidencies. And that was a theme we heard at the Country Club, at the Town Meeting, and again this morning at the Husson College breakfast.

GORDON: All considered, I would regard it a rather successful weekend for President Carter. He certainly charmed the audience last night at the Bangor Auditorium. And it may have been a successful weekend for Senator William Hathaway as well.

LEARY: I think it's a good kickoff to Senator Hathaway's campaign and it's my understanding he's going to get some more help later on this year. Not only from the planned invitation to the First Lady, Rosalynn Carter, to come to Aroostook County for the Potato Blossom Festival, but I'm also been informed that Senator, uh, Vice President Walter Mondale, will also be making at least one campaign visit for Senator Hathaway this year.

GORDON: This has been the continuing coverage of the President's trip to Bangor, Maine, and with the correspondent, Mal Leary, and Brian Naylor, I'm Harry Gordon in the NewsCenter Control in Bangor. You're listening to the stations of the Maine Broadcasting System.

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