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Christmas around the towns

Local businesses hear cash registers ring



Santa Claus confuses Orono with the North Pole. He was seen walking down Mill Street Thursday. (Keenan photo)

by Jennifer Girr
Staff Writer

Orono and Old Town businesses are mid-way through the 1986 Christmas shopping season and it is so far so good.

Hugh Flye and Kent Palmer, owners of Dr. Records and Mr. Fixit, said business is fairly steady.

"It has been our experience around this time of year that students are pinched for money," Palmer said.

He added the recent weather affected the amount of business they have received.

"The weather has been harassing us a bit. When the weather is bad people are more apt to go to the mall than seek out the individual stores," Palmer said.

Some other area businesses, such as Everybody's and Discount Beverage Warehouse, have closed since the beginning of the year. This has contributed to the welfare of the other shops.

Linda Cunningham, owner of Cunningham's Florist of Old Town, said business has been "crazy."

"We've been real busy. Last weekend was crazy."

"The college kids give us a lot

of business and keep us busy. Some of the university students are buying the smaller Christmas trees and the fraternities are buying the bigger trees to put on their roofs," she said.

Mike Ambrose, of DeGrasse Jewelers, said business is ahead of last year.

"I have no complaints," he said.

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Linda Cunningham, owner of Cunningham's Florist

Although business is good, Ambrose said less than five percent of his clientele is comprised of students.

One of the newer additions to the Orono shopping area is Hair Hut & Tropical Sun II. According to Kelley Drinon, the traffic has been heavy and the business good.

"We've been doing pretty well, especially with the tanning beds," Drinon said. "The

business is mostly college students."

Normally a time to withdraw money from the local banks, Cathy Lemin of Maine Savings Bank said they haven't noticed that much of a difference "on the whole."

"The automatic teller machines have experienced a greater withdrawal rate. We may not have the whole picture

because of the increased ATM use," Lemin said.

Karen Pelletier of University Photo, located in Orono, said business has stayed steady even when the students go home for breaks.

"We kept an eye on that when the students went home for Thanksgiving break, but things stayed pretty busy," she said.

"We've actually done pretty well," she said.

Cheese balls are 'true meaning of Christmas'

by Matt Mullin
and Kevin Sjoberg
Staff Writers

Cheese balls, plush toys, candy cane popcorn, and Bon Jovi cassettes.

These are the most popular items this Christmas according to Bangor Mall merchants.

Lou LeBlanc, manager of Spencer Gifts, said that board games, such as "Wheel of Fortune" and "Jeopardy," jewelry, and posters are moving well.

"We like to please the customers while they shop for gifts, and make a huge profit while doing it."

Eric Voelker, assistant manager of Hickory Farms

"Because we have a variety of items, nothing in particular is selling better than others. Adult gag gifts sell better on Halloween," LeBlanc said.

At Hickory Farms, assistant manager Eric Voelker explained his philosophy during the holiday season.

"We like to please the customers while they shop for gifts, and make a huge profit while doing it," he said.

Voelker said the "true meaning of Christmas" has been cheese balls and beef sticks.

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The large selection of cheese balls and other treats is just a taste of what is being sold for the holiday season. (Sjoberg photo)

Have a happy holiday season

Old Man Winter shows his bright red schnozola

by Susan J. Plourde
Staff Writer

Frosty faces, wool coats, mittens, and red noses are some of the indicators of the arrival of Old Man Winter.

Other indicators are slippery roads, icy windshields, and hazardous driving conditions.

Maine State Police Chief Col. Allan Weeks said, "Lowered visibility, insufficient traction, and temperature changes can spell disaster for the motorist who forgets to guard against these seasonal dangers."

William Laughlin, an investigator for the UMaine campus police, said problems arise when drivers are not accustomed to the inclement weather.

"There are students on campus who are not used to driving in snow," Laughlin said.

The first few storms of the year cause particular problems for drivers, police, and maintenance personnel, Laughlin added.

"The roads are salted to melt the snow and ice," he said. "After the first two or three storms, there is still salt remaining from the previous storms so that each storm becomes less of a problem."

Laughlin said the ground crews on campus do a good job of "keeping on top" of the road conditions.

"But it doesn't take long in Maine for conditions to get slippery no matter how much on top of it you are," he added.

Laughlin cited particular problems on the hill in front of Alford Arena called the Squa Pan Road.

The police and safety crews pay attention to slippery road conditions and cordon off that area when necessary.

"All it takes is a little water, a little snow, and a drop in temperature and people end up in the middle of College Avenue (at the bottom of the hill)," he said.

As motorists must prepare themselves for adverse weather conditions, their vehicles must also undergo changes.

The Maine State Police recommends winterization maintenance for vehicles which includes an engine tune-up; battery, exhaust, and light check; and antifreeze, windshield, and wiper evaluation and replacement, if necessary.

Attention should also be paid to the brakes and tires, which are very important especially when roads are slippery.

Tire chains are recommended by the state police as the best assistance for deep snow and glare ice.

The state police advise that ice at 30 degrees is more slippery than it is at zero degrees.

The way to avoid slippery road conditions is to stay at home. If it is necessary to go out, pay attention to weather reports and the status of the

•Presents

Compact disc players and video-cassette recorders continue to be "hot items," said DeOrsey's salesman Rich Esposito.

Esposito includes "Bruce Springsteen and the E Street Band Live: 1975-1985" and Bon Jovi's "Slippery When Wet" as the most popular albums and cassettes during this holiday season.

Popcorn's popularity this Christmas is reflected in the sales at The Popcorn Folks.

"Everybody loves popcorn," said manager Alice Page. "It's a unique gift for Christmas."

The gift cans of popcorn have sold really well, clerk Kim Jamison said.

"We've mailed cans across to Texas, California, and even England and Guam," she said.

Holiday favorites include flavors such as candy cane, eggnog, and bourbon.

Page said that popcorn has been popular because of the recent return of natural ingredients in foods.

"Popcorn is one of the most traditional natural foods," she said.

At Card-o-rama, manager Joan Winstead said that plush toys, especially Gund bears, have been "a very hot item."

Another popular gift is Opus, the penguin from the comic strip "Bloom County," wearing reindeer antlers.

Winstead said that this has been the busiest Christmas since Card-o-rama has entered the mall.

John Hamel, assistant manager at the Marianne clothing store, said that there has been a trend in pastel colors in corduroy pants and sweaters.

"Business has been about the same as last year," Hamel said. "It's not a big Christmas."

As always, Santa Claus is a popular Christmas fixture among children.

One of the mall Santas explained his work.

"I talk to the kids and ask them what they want, and if they've been good."

"I give them coloring books and we sell photos of the kids with me. Some of the kids are scared of me though," he said.

Another mall Santa, a six year veteran, described his most memorable anecdote.

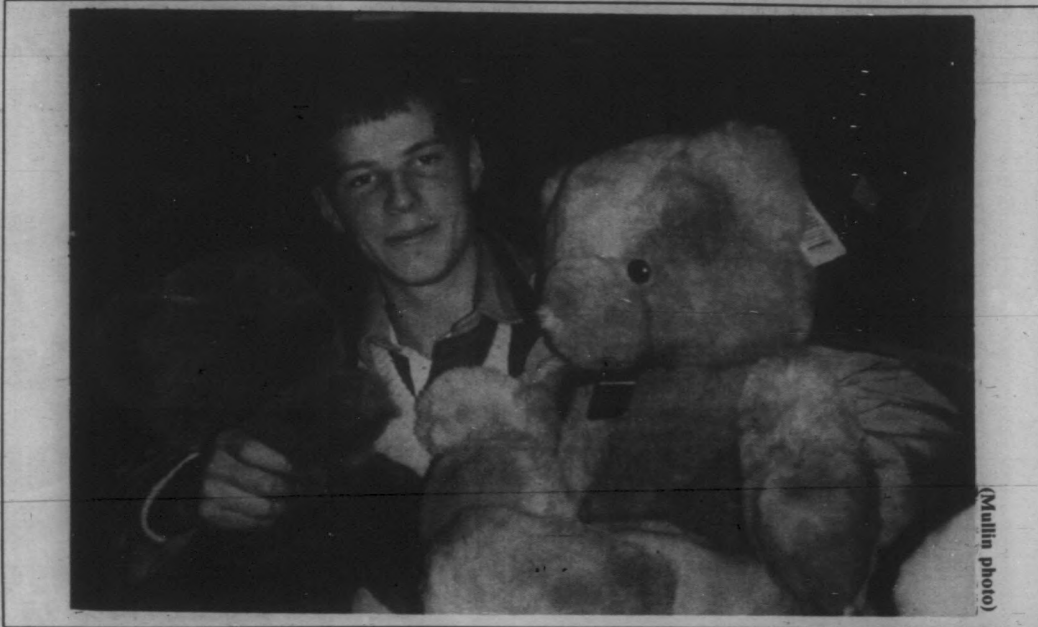
"Last year, a small boy came up to me, I put him on my knee and asked him what his name was. 'Billy,' he replied.

"I asked him what he wanted for Christmas, and he froze up. 'What's wrong, Billy, I asked. Billy answered, 'I've got to fart.'"

According to Santa, this year's most popular toys are Teddy Ruxpin, the talking teddy bear, and Voltron toys.

"I've had a few requests for Snake Mountain play sets as well," Santa said.

All in all, the mall merchants expect a prosperous Christmas, but urge shoppers not to forget the "true meaning of this special holiday."



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UMaine capable of creating new substances

by Jeanette Brawn
Staff Writer

The University of Maine has the means to measure an atom, or to create a new substance never before created in nature.

The Laboratory for Surface Science and Technology (LASST), at UMaine was formed in 1981 to support research in surface science.

The tremendous range of technical equipment available in the LASST has made this laboratory one of the best in the world said Charles W. Smith Jr., professor of physics.

People from all parts of the world come to use the \$200 million worth of equipment, he said.

"We have equipment here that is unique in all the world," Smith said.

The two pieces of equipment he was referring to are the High Pressure X-Ray Photoelectron Spectrometer, which measures crystal structures, and the Mirror Electron Microscope Low Energy Electron Diffraction System, which gives a topographical image of surface material.

Smith said the functions of the LASST could be put into three categories.

It provides educational training to UMaine students.

"This is very good training for the students since they get hands on experience in a very technical field," Smith said.

LASST brings UMaine's name to the attention of the science and engineering community, she said.

It also provides an incentive for industries to come to Maine.

"Many industries are attracted to the state of Maine because they know they have the chance to use this lab," Smith said.

Barbara Deshane, the executive secretary of LASST, said, "Since the laboratory began in 1981 it has grown tremendously in size and outreach capabilities."

Deshane said the lab started as a public service resource for industries. The industries were often calling to see if the the university could help correct some developmental problem they were having in creating new products, she said.

"We do a lot of things here which are kept secret for security reasons also," she said.

She said the people in the laboratory are often called upon to make up reports in different languages for use by scientists world wide.

Smith said currently people from eight nations are working in LASST.

Deshane said UMaine often funds or re-imburse part of the cost of these peoples travel and living expenses during the time they work at LASST.

"Often they receive a grant to do their work here and those cost are built into the grant," Deshane said.

She said the university gets patents on any new equipment or discoveries made in the lab.

"What's really amazing is that the place has something new happening everyday, she said.

"There is a chart of a range of fees the university charges for the use of the equipment and this money is usually put back into LASST," Deshane said.

She said LASST is a non-profit organization.

• Religion

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In a recent *Daily Maine Campus* article, Chittick said that while fundamentalist movements have been strong in developing lay leadership, they exhibit a fear of intellectual freedom.

"They put out the message, either wittingly or unwittingly, that when you enter the church, you leave your mind at the door," he said.

Michael C. Gemignani, the dean of the College of Arts and Sciences, has not detected the degree of fundamentalist influence at UMaine that was evident at Ball State University in Muncie, Indiana, where he held his previous position.

"There are strong fundamental and religiously conservative communities around Ball State," Gemignani said.

The atmosphere, student attitudes, and the number of religious activities at Ball State were influenced by the fundamental movement, he said.

"I think there is greater diversity among the student body here at UMaine," he said. "I rarely see advertisements for religious events."

Gemignani, an Episcopal priest, holds mass at 7 a.m. every Tuesday morning in his office in Stevens Hall before his work day begins.

"It's usually over by 7:25, so it doesn't interfere with my work," Gemignani said.

Chittick said he has seen an increase in religious interest among older students here.

"As the overall age of the student population rises because of non-traditional student population increases here at UMaine, they bring with them something of the religious quest."

"That isn't to say that traditional students aren't asking religious questions, it just seems to be more of a direct concern," Chittick said.

Various social liberation movements have also influenced people to seek religious guidance and talk openly about personal issues in church, he said.

"People who have had abusive childhoods are more willing to ask the ministry, 'How does one wrestle with problems of the past and present?'" Chittick said.

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Magazine

UMaine dorms do Christmas

by Jan Vertefeuille
Staff Writer

Around campus, dorms and organizations are holding parties and special events to mark the end of the semester and to celebrate the Christmas season.

Most dorms have Secret Santas, when residents pick each others' names and secretly leave small gifts each day, usually for a week. They then have a party on each section where the Secret Santas are revealed and a larger gift is given.

In Estabrooke Hall, residents had a Christmas party and dance, decorated the dorm Christmas tree, and had an ice cream get-together, Resident Director Joan Wellhauser said.

The students have also tried to make others' holidays a little better by raising money to donate for food baskets in the area.

"They also collected cans on each floor and sent money to the El Salvador earthquake victims," she said.

Dirk Stratton, RD of Corbett Hall, said the dorm had separate section parties and some resident assistants had parties to watch "Rudolph the Red-nosed Reindeer" and other Christmas shows.

Jim Balzano, president of the UMaine Fraternity Board, said each fraternity has a private Christmas party and a few are having parties for children in the Little Brothers program.

He said at these parties a brother dresses up as Santa Claus and gives out toys to the children.

"This isn't a big time of the year for us (for service projects)," Balzano said. "In the spring, the ATO Fight Night, Delta Tau Bed Sled, and other houses have the big fund-raisers."



Santa Claus takes orders at Bangor Mall

(Campus photo)

Larry Rogers, food service manager for Wells Commons, said the dining commons campus-wide have a Christmas buffet each year. Steamship round of beef, butterfly shrimp, spinach log, and all the trimmings, including

special desserts, will be served Dec. 14 as the supper meal in all dining commons.

Most cafeterias will be decorated with a Christmas tree, tablecloths, and candles during the buffet and will play

Christmas carols.

UMaine President Dale Lick and his wife are having a holiday party for the children and grandchildren of university employees Dec. 13 from 10 to 11:30 a.m. in the Damn Yankee.

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by Mark Kellis
Staff Writer

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Christmas Commentary

by Mark Kellis
Staff Writer

Christmas has to be the happiest time of the year. Carolers proclaim the joy and hope that the season brings.

Presents wrapped in colorful paper and fancy bows are nestled beneath a tree decked with tinsel and ornaments.

Family and friends gather around the fireplace to toast the spirited occasion.

The whole scene could have been pulled from the front page of a family picture album, at least by those who have had the chance to experience it.

Come Dec. 1, I always begin to think about the true spirit of Christmas. Is this spirit embodied in the amount of effort that is devoted to shopping for Christmas gifts? Maybe, but I know many people who try to express their love simply by draining their checkbooks.

Yes, I love to receive gifts and I love to buy that special gift for that special person, but what does this all mean?

The Christmas season never fails to remind me how lucky I really am -- I have my health, I have friends, and I have few financial worries. All in all, I am relatively secure.

Christmas also reminds me of the plight of underprivileged children, the homeless, lonely people, the terminally ill, and those in war-torn countries.

What kind of Christmas are they going to have? Not a happy one.

Depression and suicide are common this time of year. Everyone is expected to be joyful and "spread good cheer."

This expectation can be too much to live up to. The Yuletide season is supposed to be a time of family reunions. Many, however, spend Christmas alone, and take their lives as a result.

I don't intend to take the burden of the world's problems, but it makes me sad to know that there are people suffering when I am enjoying myself.

I have always been of the opinion that New Year's Resolutions were the most ridiculous notions. But how about the idea of having Christmas Resolutions? Here are some of mine:

To be sensitive to other peoples' problems, with the attitude, "Do you need help? If so, I'm there to give it."

To make someone's Christmas day happier. My mother always suggested that instead of spending money on ourselves, we should buy gifts for the poor family down the street and leave the gifts on their doorstep. This year is as good as any to do this.

Merry Christmas!

Youth art exhibit yields knowledge

by Susan Shea
Staff Writer

Looking at Christmas through the eyes of children around the world is the theme of the seasonal exhibit at the Hudson Museum in the Maine Center for the Arts.

The exhibit attempts to heighten awareness of different attitudes toward Christmas.

Entitled "Christmas Around the World," the exhibit is made up artwork from over 10 different countries by children between ages 4 to 14.

"It's supposed to show what other children's perspectives of Christmas are," said Gretchen Faulkner, co-coordinator with Lee-Ann Konrad of education programs at the museum.

Many school groups, from Hampden to Mt. Desert Island, have been touring the museum. "We try to encourage them to look at the whole museum while they're here," said Faulkner.

A sixth grade group from Asa Adams Elementary School in Orono looked at the exhibit and "several commented that they were interested that different culture groups did some of the same things that we do, and many were more interested in the actual techniques used," said teacher John Pickering.

According to a title panel, which is part of the exhibit itself, many of the works were contributed by The Christian Children's Fund and are affected by the "individual experiences, local customs, the cultural environment, and the materials that were available to the artists."

The works are being circulated by The University Museums and are from the Museum's International Collection of Child Art, at Illinois State University.

"The museum has been very successful," said Faulkner. "A lot of the general public has been coming in and bringing their children in with them on Saturdays and Sundays, but we would like to encourage more of the student population to take advantage of it also," added Faulkner.

Best albums of the year chosen

by Kelley Bouchard
Staff Writer

"It's that time of year, when you can hear..." about the best music of the past year.

Some artists came close. Like Prince and The Pretenders. Others didn't. Like The Culture Club (See ya!) and Huey Lewis and The News (Again?)

Then there were those who either put out another great album or finally cut the one that got them on the charts.

Either way, these are my purely personal favorite albums of 1986. Five guaranteed to please...

Tuff Enuff sent a tried and true Texas bar band through a veritable renaissance. Headed by Stevie Ray's older brother Jimmie Vaughan, The Fabulous Thunderbirds have been working together for twelve years. With songs like "Wrap It Up," "Look At That" and the title cut, thank the record gods for their 'overnight' success.

The Rolling Stones are rumored to be passing over some rough territory lately. The boys are starting to show signs of partying for too long. But they've yet to crumble in the face of difficulty. *Dirty Work* is an interesting reflection of the

diversity the band is trying to deal with. From the hardcore "Winning Ugly" to the reggae-funk "Too Rude," the Stones still gather no moss.

R.E.M. didn't reach the masses with *Lifes Rich Pageant* the way they did with *Fables Of The Reconstruction*, but maybe it's just as well.

This excellent album is probably still a mystery to the teeny-bopper fans who were screaming for "Driver 8" at last month's concerts. They were obviously surprised by tunes like "Begin the Begin," "Fall on Me" and others. Maybe next time I won't have to bring a b.b. gun loaded with Sweet Tarts.

So almost made everybody say "Phil who?" The other drummer from Genesis, who tried with previous albums to stay away from pop for art's sake, hit it hard with "Sledgehammer." The rest of *So* is even better, especially if Peter Gabriel was a part of your vocabulary before the hammer fell. Tunes with Laurie Anderson and Kate Bush are the synthesis of maximum art. Expectedly, you've probably heard "In Your Eyes" and "Big Time," but you'll have to make an effort to hear the rest.

His best album in years is turning out to be a political faux pas. Paul Simon's *Graceland* is the result of research and knowledge gained while studying the complex rhythms and musical styles of black South Africans.

Recorded with some of South Africa's best black musicians, Simon has introduced the world to the essence of these oppressed people, but does not make a violent statement for or against apartheid. His position against their white-minority government is subtle, like a slow leak in a dam. There's not as much noise as dynamite, but it's more effective.

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Editorial

Some final thoughts

Christmas is the best holiday there is. There doesn't seem to be much doubt about it. Studying and making it through final exams makes the end of the semester that much sweeter.

But finals start Monday and there are many who have chapters upon chapters to read or review before their first finals.

Whose fault is that? Students say it's the teachers, teachers say it's the students.

Regardless of where the blame "falls," there could be a solution — if anyone wishes to acknowledge it.

There was some discussion into instituting a two-day reading period at the Council of Colleges meeting several weeks ago.

That is two days, which normally would be class days, which could be spent studying for exams.

Not just a weekend equal to that which would normally be spent to study for one prelim, but two days.

To state a few of the advantages of such time? Those with more than one final on one day would greatly benefit.

There would be time to organize thoughts, a process that usually escapes the average student after Thanksgiving break.

Time to catch up to the point where your last professor's lecture left off. You know, right between the Spanish prelim and 14-page philosophy paper.

Or maybe get your hands on those elusive reserve readings that began after the third test, but

due to the other 16 million things you had to do were never at the right place at the right time.

If classes ended on Wednesday prior to finals week, the grades received on the exams, cumulative or otherwise, would undoubtedly improve.

The majority of students would make good use of the extra reading time because work does tend to pile up toward the end of the semester.

But unfortunately next year's calendar has already been decided.

If this were to be instituted in 1990, that would allow plenty of time for the calendar to be debated.

Of course, there is the risk of students taking advantage as if this was a couple of extra days to party.

That's just the way it is.

Perhaps the problem of professors and students losing those two days of classes could be remedied by making adjustments at the beginning of the semester, during breaks, or at the end of the semester.

There is no law against classes ending on a Wednesday.

This is not just another thought to be argued in to oblivion.

The advantages of this idea are endless and with consultation to colleges such as Bowdoin who do have this type of policy, the results could leave more students with merrier Christmas's.

Jennifer Gurr



Marc Larrivee

They shape opinion?

Let's take a pause from holiday cheer and discuss some truths that persist regardless of the time of year.

Within the media are a couple of men that stand at the forefront of the right-wing in this country. They are maybe a few years apart in age but they are cut from the same cloth. Their names? Buckley and Will.

William F. Buckley, you know him, he's that guy with the crumpled drip dry shirts and with eyeglasses that often teeter precariously from his pointy nose as he elucidates (his word) on any given political topic during his on screen ego-wank "Firing Line."

George Will on the hand is that crisp pressed sort who speaks in deep and serious tones, but only makes sense to other clear-crisp-pressed so-called moderate Republicans.

With their physical set attributes aside, readers are left to decipher their political diatribes. As the push for sanctions against South Africa grew in Congress this past summer both writers articulated their views in their syndicated columns.

Thematically, Buckley and Will took the same tact — capitalism is the answer — which brought this gem from Will: "The social and cultural as well as economic dynamism that accompanies capitalism is the surest solvent of superstitions and irrationalities like apartheid."

Buckley armed with less eloquent syntax reinforced the argument:

"... economic growth in South Africa is the surest means of effecting the loosening of controls and the granting of civil rights."

I may not have the gracefulness with prose as my counterparts but I'll see if I can capsulize what they wrote.

Will and Buckley are saying that all blacks need in South Africa is a burgeoning economy in which wealth will be so great for the white minority that freedom for blacks will become politically feasible enough to be bestowed upon them.

Well, maybe not exactly in those words, but that is the substance of their remedy for fascism. Unfortunately, what this amounts to is more of the same. The apartheid state of South Africa is systematic exploitation and oppression based on racism which has been built on the foundations of the free market system. Racism is not an "irrationality" that came out of no where, but an evil which materialized due to the capitalist structure of the West.

Moreover, imperialism rears its ugly head and suits United States interests well. For example, strategic minerals such as chromium and manganese mined by the cheap labor of South African blacks flood into the United States.

A great deal of the problem with right-wing ideologues is that they don't realize that U.S. complicity with South Africa supports the system of apartheid. Economic growth is not what blacks need in South Africa because under the PW. Botha regime they are little more than slaves. Therefore, little headway will be made against exploitation in South Africa as long as apartheid continues to exist.

Marc Larrivee says, "have a cool break folks, latter days."

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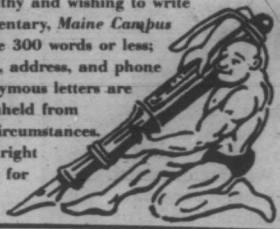
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When writing

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Resident recommendation

To the editor:

Yesterday our RA was let go by our dormitory for "not doing his job." We are all residents of his section and floor. Because of the dismissal, he will not be able to get a letter of recommendation from his supervisor. This letter is our attempt to present our experiences and recommend him highly for a position in another dorm. He is an individual who has helped a great many of us through some hard times. Listening and being supportive are several of his qualities and yet in times of crisis he stands his ground. In a potentially volatile situation, where an individual wanted to fight (for no reason—a drunk)

he calmly called the university police to alleviate the problem. When a student died on our floor, he arranged for a session with a counselor and spent hours of his own time helping us understand. These are only several instances of his "doing his job." He may be a Computer Science major and be found from time to time in the computer center. He can voice his opinion. He may live directly above the resident director. He may make mistakes sometimes after all, he's human too. We do not envy his position at all, life in a "fish bowl" can be a difficult thing.

Have any of you ever had a boss, whose style disagrees with

your own? Just because he and his RD may not attack problems in the same way, is no reason why he could not do a good job for you. RDs, if he comes by, give him a chance to tell his story and listen. You will never regret this decision we guarantee it or we'll take him back (we wish!). We extend to him the best of luck and hope that he'll come back and visit (when he's not on duty elsewhere!!). Thank you for the chance to tell the other side,

Residence hall residents
Hall withheld upon request

Buy American

To the editor:

As the holidays approach, and we prepare to venture out and purchase gifts for our family and friends, I would ask that the following thoughts be kept in mind.

The United States is enjoying a relatively healthy economic period at this time. However, it is believed by many that if our current trade imbalance with our East-Asian friends is allowed to continue then America will begin to develop some "cramps".

There are two simple solutions to this problem:

1. Congress can impose severe tariffs on goods imported from such countries or...

2. We can become more selective in our purchasing habits—buying more American manufactured goods. It is clear that the latter is ideal, for it prevents the production of bureaucratic red tape.

So have yourself a wonderful holiday, and invest in the future of our great nation.

John Turner
Orono

AIDS appeal

To the editor:

Mexican medics have been noted for their profuse prescribing of diet pills for visiting obese Americans.

A recent visit of south-of-the-border revealed flocks of Americans in more dire medical need, i.e., seeking new AIDS remedies.

For decades, various European pharmaceutical firms have marketed new (and sometimes experimental) medicines not available in the U.S.—including AID potents

Mexican waiting rooms demonstrate that AIDS does

not discriminate as to sex, race, religion, or financial status.

Despite the U.S. media hype concerning the "alternative life style" and thusly promoted by homosexual politicians, public relations experts and professionals, these patients were a miserable, dejected looking lot.

All the arguments for the safe sex and gay life seemed to be of no assurance to those couples sitting there with the anxious, cancer-characteristic look of Rocky and associated lovers.

Dr. Urban Terbieten
Texas

Maine senators have influence in Contra investigation

To the editor:

In recent days there have been several allegations that some of the profits from the infamous Iran arms deal were funneled to UNITA, the terrorist organization that is trying to topple the popular, legitimate and internationally recognized government of Angola.

If such funding of UNITA took place before rescission of the Clark Amendment, which bars any U.S. aid to UNITA, then it was illegal and would represent yet another case of the Reagan administration wantonly trampling on the Constitution and the authority of Congress in its fanatical efforts to support right-wing terrorism around the globe.

It is important to note that UNITA, like the Nicaraguan Contras, have very little popular support in the countries they

seek to rule. What support UNITA has is almost entirely of a regional, not national, nature. UNITA has thoroughly discredited itself by accepting help from the pariah of Africa, South Africa. Thus, by supporting UNITA, the United States has once again aligned itself with South Africa and has seriously eroded its credibility in Africa and around the world.

Like the Contras, UNITA has no qualms with employing terrorist tactics. You wouldn't know it from reading the mainstream press in this country, but UNITA has shot down two civilian jets in its illustrious career. (It should come to no surprise that the U.S. supports such acts of terror. At this very moment, the C.I.A. employs, in El Salvador, a man by the name of Medina who, under the name of Posada, was convicted in

Venezuela of blowing up a Cuban airliner, killing 73 civilians. Posada escaped a Venezuelan prison by bribing guards).

Those of us in Maine should be aware that Rep. Olympia Snowe and Sen. William Cohen both sit on congressional panels that are investigating the arms-for-terror deal. Both should be encouraged to investigate as vigorously as possible the possible illegal diversion of funds to UNITA.

Only by getting to the bottom of these illegal, covert wars and punishing those responsible we can discourage future administrations from trampling on the Constitution in pursuit of a thuggish foreign policy.

Lawrence Reichard
Orono

Commentary

Giving a pet

Mary Forman

Now that the Christmas shopping season is underway, a puppy or kitten is often thought of as a great gift. However, the pet given as a gift can often wind up at the local shelter two months later, or left somewhere when the owner has to move.

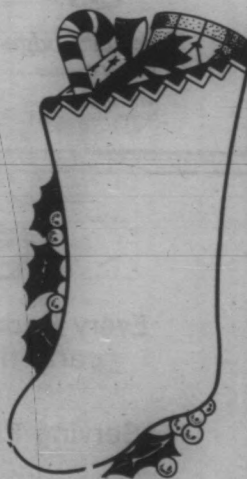
Before buying a puppy or kitten for someone this holiday, first answer these questions:

1. How long will this person be in a position to provide a home for this pet?
2. Will this person be moving for reasons for employment this summer or in a few years?
3. Are they in a financial position to provide veterinary care for the pet? Vaccinations? Licensing fees? Neutering?
4. Does their residence have an acceptable place for the pet to live?
5. If not, will the pet have to spend sweltering hot days at UMaine in the summer and freezing cold days at UMaine in the winter?
6. During vacations can this person take the pet home or financially provide boarding fees at a local kennel?
7. Does this person desire a 10-13 year or more responsibility of being a pet owner?

Owning a pet is not a far cry from having a child. They have to be housed, cared for medically, fed, and kept occupied (or their boredom can get them into trouble).

In 1975 the Bangor Animal Shelter housed 125 animals. In 1984 the number had risen to 1012. They feel that society has come to think of the pet as a disposable item. Unfortunately, many never find homes and must be destroyed.

If a puppy or kitten is really the desired gift, it is suggested to bring it into the home after the holiday. Things are too hectic during the holidays for the little ones to adjust well. An I.O.U. or picture of the pet in a card will due. Call a veterinarian to check on prices of vaccinations and neutering, before buying. The Bangor shelter has quite a few Christmas gifts that didn't work out in the months following the holidays. Perhaps it might be a better idea to wait and look then. If desired, obedience training is available by the Penobscot Valley Kennel Club at a low price. Obedience can be the key to better communication with your puppy. A stuffed toy is disposable—a living puppy or kitten isn't.



World/U.S. News

NEWS BRIEFS

Christians ask to aid homosexuals

AUGUSTA, Maine (AP) — The Christian Civic League of Maine wants to team up with the Maine Lesbian-Gay Political Alliance to fight AIDS and treat its victims, but the leader of the homosexual-rights group said Thursday she is not interested.

Alliance President Dale McCormick called the invitation from civic league Executive Director Jasper S. Wyman "a publicity statement" issued to advance the group's conservative agenda.

But Wyman, conceding "there is some symbolism in this," said the league is serious about joining forces with gay activists on AIDS legislation. "I've never been more sincere about anything," said Wyman.

In a letter addressed to McCormick, Wyman also suggested that the alliance drop any plans to submit a bill to the Legislature this

year to protect homosexuals from discrimination under the Maine Human Rights Act.

Gay rights bills have been rejected repeatedly, and Wyman said he believes its chances of passing this year are very slim.

"In place of the time, money and energy exerted in seeking passage of this legislation," Wyman wrote, "we believe a wiser and more constructive course would be to concentrate on addressing the tragic and growing problem of AIDS."

Good cheer in notes to hostages

WASHINGTON (AP) — A volunteer organization is sending 50,000 letters to the American hostages in Lebanon, hoping they will be delivered through a Shiite Moslem clergyman, a group spokeswoman said Thursday.

The letters, written by school children in Buffalo and Philadelphia and Girl Scouts and

Campfire Boys and Girls throughout the country, are being sent by "No Greater Love," described a Washington-based humanitarian, nonprofit organization formed to help the families of terrorism victims.

Carmella LaSpada, chairman of No Greater Love, said the letters are being transported by a private carrier service and with the help of the Arab-American Anti-discrimination Committee will be delivered to Lebanon.

Albert Mokhibir, spokesman for the Arab-American group, said the letters will be given to the Shiite clergyman, Sheikh Mohammed Shamsedin, and hopes they will be delivered by Christmas.

The hostages, being held in Lebanon by terrorists thought to have ties to Iran, are Terry Anderson, Tom Sutherland, Joseph Cicippio, Frank Reed, and Edward Austin Tracy.

LaSpada said that this channel for sending mail to the hostages had not been tried before.

Christmas card contains \$1,000

CORVALLIS, Ore. (AP) — The coordinator of the county's annual holiday food drive says she opened an envelope addressed to the drive and found \$1,000 in cash in an unsigned Christmas card.

A typed message read: "Please use this contribution to help some of the needy families in Benton County this holiday season."

"I about fell over. I just couldn't believe it," Ginger Gouveia said Wednesday.

"Whoever sent it must have had faith that it would get to the right place," Ms. Gouveia said. "I just want to let the person who sent this know that we appreciate it and that it will go to help the needy."

This is one classy fish reef

WEST PALM BEACH, Fla. (AP) — With a 1967 Rolls Royce, a plastic dinosaur or an 80-foot ship to choose from as home, marine life is proliferating at a 2-year-old artificial reef.

Palm Beach County's Artificial Reef Committee took newspeople a mile out into the Atlantic Ocean and took those who could dive 90 feet down Wednesday to show off the first such reef.

The reefs provide breeding and feeding areas to attract marine life.

"It's nice down there, with animals everywhere," said Ed Sobey, director of the South Florida Science Museum and prime mover behind the reef program.

The reef was fashioned from the ship, a 30-foot-long plastic dinosaur that once stood over a miniature golf course, and the brown-and gold 1967 Rolls, which was in need of repairs when a resident donated it last year.

Orange you glad that its crushed

TUCSON, Ariz. (AP) — Inmates who went on a three-hour rampage when a prisoner refused to give up an orange were under control today after causing \$200,000 in damage to a new prison unit, officials said.

A corrections officer and seven inmates were injured in Wednesday evening's disturbance, which involved 137 prisoners at the Arizona State Prison Complex, said Corrections Department spokesman Michael Arra.

Two of the prisoners, whose names were not released, and officer Ernie Trujillo were hospitalized in satisfactory condition today, suffering from smoke inhalation. The other injured prisoners were treated and released.

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Holiday watch posted by police

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Troopers held briefings on Interstate 95 in Seabrook, N.H. and Interstate 91 in Guilford, Vt., to say that state lines do not mean much when police are dealing with speeders or suspected drunken drivers. They said drivers can expect increased patrols and roadblocks throughout the region. "People feel that they can jump from one (state) line to another and be safe," said Sgt. Terry

Martin of the Vermont State Police.

"If they think they make it out of Vermont safely and beat the system, ... they're going to find that on the other side of the line there is going to be someone just as concerned about the problem as we are in Vermont."

If motorists "obey the laws and pay attention to the speed limit and leave the booze at home when

they are driving, the accident rate will go down, it has to," Capt. Joseph Broderick of New Hampshire said.

Massachusetts State Trooper Robert Freniere, speaking on I-91, said his state will run roadblocks each weekend specifically aimed at snagging drunken drivers.

"Our aim is to take the person who is driving under the influence off the roadway," he said.

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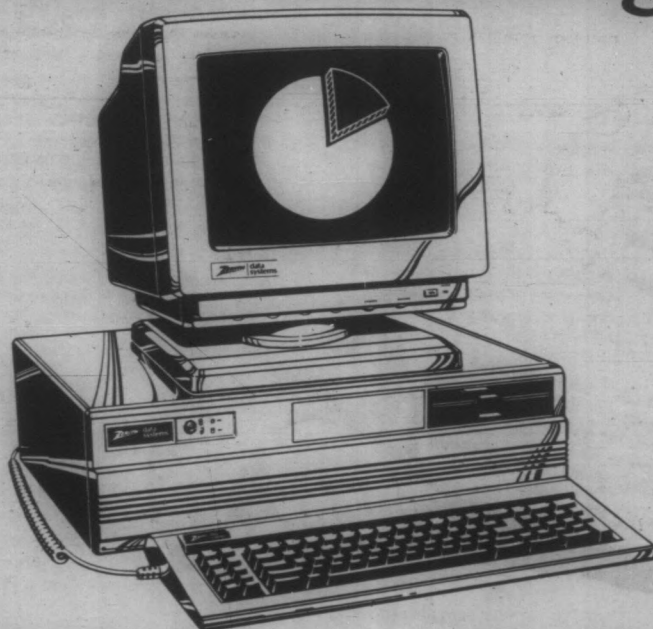
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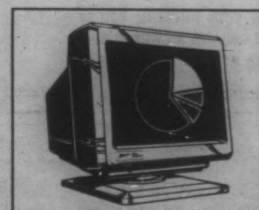
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CHRISTMAS PERSONALS

JMIV,

Feels good to laugh with you again, my wonderful babe. Who needs mistletoe? We have each other! Here's to another holiday season together! Thanks for always believing in me! Love you, French Fry

be good -- have fun! You will always be my favorite guy, thanks for being so -- patient? -- with me. Write! I promise I will (after a few beers - HA! no, no, no!). I will be thinking of you, most of all I'm going to miss you. Love always, K

Florida. Love you wicked lots and stuff.
Pittie Chie

To the illustrious WMEB-FM Staff,
You're great! Next semester we'll beat the Campus at another sport - maybe dunking for apples! We'll wipe out that sponge of the Communications Fee!

WMEB--
(World's Most Egotistical Broadcasters)
Eat hot death, you festering nanofossil ooze-like sore of a medium.

luv,
yer Fanz

D.,
I'll miss you, but I'll have you with me in my dreams at night.

vinnyARD,
We love ya!
The eight gRApEs

Punctuation please people! You're testing my nerves!

To my favorite Fuzzy Navel contestant,
Good luck Dec. 17th!!! I want to go to Florida again! Thanks for a wonderful year - thank you for all the love, laughter, etcetera. I'll miss you so much next semester. Here's to a great graduation, X-mas, and New Year's Eve!
Love,
Muffin xxx

Alfred,
Nice job cleaning up after the Joker in the Bat Cave.
Commissioner Gordon

Karen,
Manicotti? Ham Salad?? Why are we wasting our time talking about food?
Joe

Merry Christmas Ralph,
We secretly lust your body.
From,
Cathy & Cathy

To my roommates and the girls next door,
Merry Christmas and Happy New Year. Have a good break.
Booboo

JC and Marcel,
Good luck in finals. Merry X-mas. See you at La Cage.
Bobb

TDMC Staff and friends,
It's been utterly too-boo. The power to hire and fire, pass and fail has been more than wonderful. Looking forward to editing most of you at the Times.
Jessica
Dear Jonathan,
I love you forever. Merry Christmas. All my love,
Jen

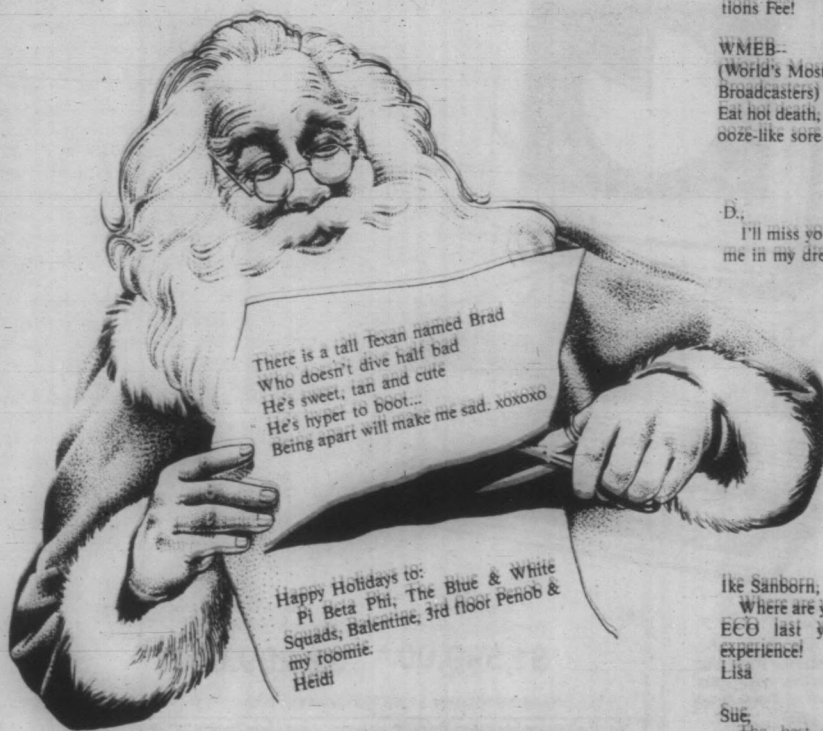
Conga Man,
You know I have a hard time expressing my feelings, so listen to REO's song. I'll miss you!
222

I love you, you know it's true Mr. Potato-head, I'll miss you!
Miss Cheesehead

C.C.,
Hope the night of the 5th was as special for you as it was for me. I'll miss you!
224

GMH,
Is he or isn't he? Ha ha. Happy Anniversary Dec. 13. Oh yeah.
SLB

Please turn to next page



Brad Buck is a wankhead!

May your Christmas be touched with a special kind of magic, the kind you gave me.
Love,
Anne-Marie

T.M.O.,
It's time for your mission. You've trained hard & well. It's all within you. I'll be thinking of you. Have fun.
Love,
B-Ray

Jamey, John, Paul, Fred,
Have a great break! Paul no bear killin'. See ya' Jamey, no jet aviation. John no I.B. Ming Fred, no scenes, just chillin' over break.
B-Ray

Since Jessica Lowell is graduating and will (at some point) be employed, Dinner Club will be held on a weekly basis at her home. -- HA! Congrats on grad. Watch out for those crullers!! Love ya,
K

Bobaloo!
Don't go! Conrats on graduation --

Paul Cummings,
How dare you leave us! We'll miss your finesse with Foodclub Tuina and your 1000 excuses on why you can't go out. Love you tons! See you in Maui! xoxo.
Porky & Piglet

Mrs. P,
I wish it was June.
Love u,
Mr. P

To APO,
Live long & prosper. The pook mgtrom, a brew a day for GPA, GRD CTL, mouse & mole have fun with the pookies! Mark & Ed, psych'd for Canada; I am. P.

S. McCauslin,
It is not where you are but who you are with at Christmas that matters. Remember if it gets to you just put on your shades.
Joe Cool

Huggie-Bear,
Merry Christmas honey! Can't wait to spend the holidays "which" you in

Ike Sanborn,
Where are you? We had such fun in ECO last year. Let's relive the experience!
Lisa

Sue,
The best roommate and friend forever! I love you!
Christie

Swill, Gumby, Mick, Laurie, Sparky, Deb, Miles, Ken, Kevin, what more can I say? I love you all dearly! Here's to good old times.
Love,
Squell

Dear Gumby, ID, Squell, and Swill,
I'd like to wish you a very Merry Christmas and I'm looking forward to a new year together. (With the exception of our loss of Squell) You're all the greatest and the bestest of my friends. We've had some great times and I have many happy memories. And that is the best gift I could ever have. Social! Weekend! Pink and frills! Ca-ca! Cigarettes in the laundry room! Gin & Tonics "ID" part-time virgin! Quebec, and Happy Hours! Goober-shit! Love all four of you lots!
Love,
Mick
Seasons Greetings also to Zanne, Sparky, Deb, and C.A.

Crystal,
Another concert maybe? No ice cream this time though.
Dave

Pers

Snuggums,
Here's to us - it love you very ver Your little concu

R & R
Super apt soon P.

To the JamesD.,
Class good ka P.

S.,
Merry Christm for putting up y frozen strawberr sweat, and Saturd -C

Tiger,
I know it hasn semester. I do care friend.
Fergie

Suzette,
Watch out fo Beach Gods! Go We'll miss you! Love,
your 7 roomies

To the pledges of Merry Christm with our bet! To Sigma, our best fr Merry New Christmas! Love,
2 of Santa's elves

Hi Fathead,
And you never one, well here it DS

Sweetie,
These past 5! great! Meet me Christmas Eve. Love,
your Sweetie

KIRKLE
Wann
Drum
Christm
woman.
Luv Ya,
EPW

Ray,
May I at Peace Love,
Ali

Roomie,
Have merry N Love,
Ali

MAINE
Many semester Love,
Alicia

Personals Con't.

Snuggums,
Here's to us - it's been awesome!! I
love you very very much.
Your little concubine

R & R
Super apt soon'll be surpassed!

P.
To the JamesD,
Class good karma!

S.
Merry Christmas roomie! Thanks
for putting up with me. Remember
frozen strawberry margaritas, cold
sweat, and Saturdays. You're the best!

Tiger.
I know it hasn't been the best this
semester. I do care. You are still my best
friend.
Fergie

Suzette.
Watch out for those Malaysian
Beach Gods! Go for it in Portland!
We'll miss you!
Love,
your 7 roomies

To the pledges of Tau Beta Sigma,
Merry Christmas and good luck
with our bet! To or sisters in Tau Beta
Sigma, our best friends (in the world!)
Merry New Year and Happy
Christmas!
Love,
2 of Santa's elves

Hi Fathead,
And you never thought you would
one, well here it is. I love you.
DS

Sweetie,
These past 5 1/2 years have been
great! Meet me under the mistletoe
Christmas Eve.
Love,
your Sweetie

Steph,
You're a sweetheart!! You're
awesome!! Can't wait until next week!!
Love always,
Adam

Steve,
Merry Christmas and Happy
Graduation! Good luck, I'll miss you!
Love,
Kim

Ferris,
Merry Christmas
KB

Kip,
"Wait a minute, I have to go to the
bathroom!" "I'm hungry!" Thanks for
McDonalds, Governors, and not
charging me rent. Cement head lives!
Nice guys do finish first!
Love,
Ka-ron (But he looooooves me!)

Kelly (BW from 212 Andro),
May our lives be filled with Thurs-
day Nights!! "Karen what are you do-
ing?" (drag, drag) Remember Orrie
and Madeline, the "Love Poster", Em-
manuel Lewis, "Let me in I have to talk
to you", and "Studhunters", "You're
the best!"
Love,
your roomie Karen

Kitten,
I sure have missed you! I even miss
the beer and nachos...it's just not the
same anymore. Jennifer sends her love,
and I do too. Another New Years
alone? Hope to see you soon. I love
you!
Puppy

Pasty,
You are a computer fag.
SS

Mon-Chi-Chi,
Am I that scary?
Shoonan

Baby Blu,
I luv you jeezum...crow. Will you
marry me?
Luv,
Boobie

Joyce,
Thanks for putting that magical
sparkle back into my Christmas - on-
ly your love could do it. I need you
sweetie!!
Your Teddy Bear

Shaun K,
I miss you alot. Call me soon.
Hugs & kisses,
Becky

Pete,
The face says: Happy Christmas and
a Merry Goo Year!! Insanely in love
with you!!!
Rhonda

S Cunningham,
Thanks tons for all the coaching &
patience with us. Thanx to you we had
a great season & have a good friend.
Best of luck!!
WRFC

John Spear & Jessica Lowell,
You guys had better find
jobs...you're my role models! What
defense will I have against my parents
when I finally graduate? Will I finally
graduate? Best of luck to both of you.
You've seen * in the Campus, so you
know it's true!
SEO

Merry X-mas to the red-head with the
blue eyes and the Ralph Lauren
women. I hear everything is better in
layers!!

* Sly,
Suzie loves you!

Mary G,
Congrats on the graduation and all
the luck. Go get 'em!!

Clo Rebels,
You made the papers!! Have an un-
controllable X-mas, but take it easy on
those stairs!
A fan

Dear MMR,
Well we made it through 1/4! As I
told you a year ago, I love you more
with every day. How about a "quality
weekend" at T2-R8? I love you!
MPH

Hey Sexyman,
You bring your black and I'll wear
my pinks and we'll test the mistletoe
and we will have a Merry Christmas!
Love,
M

Papa Bear,
June 27 will never be here to soon!
Love you forever,
Kare Bear

Conan,
Merry Christmas to "Knight in shin-
ing armor!" I love you... forever.
Your Sweet Pea

Rob, Julie, Lissa,
Thanks for all your time, effort,
help, and encouragement. We ap-
preciate it very much. Have a Merry
Christmas and a Happy New Year!
The White Team

Please turn to
next page

KIRKLES.

Wanna make a movie, my Little
Drummer Boy? Have a Merry
Christmas. From your only REAL
woman.
Luv Ya,
EPW

Ray,
May the Holidays find you finally
at Peace.
Love,
Ali

Roomie,
Have a happy Christmas and a very
merry New Year.
Love,
Ali

MAINE MASQUE,
Many thanks for a wonderful first
semester. Happy Holidays.
Love,
Alicia

To the HSBP.

Good luck in your search. Pity you
if it turns out to be you know who!
Here's to beer, and lots of it! How
about those Christmas lights. We must
be the envy of the whole dang'ed com-
plex. Here's to Nog and Nat (what a
combo). I would like to bid everyone
farewell, it's been real.
Doppler Shift

4th Floor Corbett,

Old Duke, Higher Love, snowballs,
cups study lounge, Mike (S), perfect-
ly, proportioned, 2 hours of hell,
brownsuede shoes, illegal pets, making
love book, big & rastaman, three
bridges, ufag, ...Paulina. Merry
Christmas and have a damn good
break.
Love,
Kathy & Steph

Pitter Patter,
Got three or four hours?
Love,
Chloe

Justifiably Sexy,
You're one hell of a roommate. I'm
sure going to miss you.
Love,
Audio Visual

Pookie,
Only 190 more days!
Love,
Mrs. P

Fergie,
I will miss you and all the fun times,
but we're all allowed one immature
relationship. I had mine with Dave. I'll
always love you. Please don't forget
me.
Tiger

Sports

Boston College rolls past UMaine 76-59

by Mike Bourque
staff writer

The Boston College Eagles used its superior overall talent, especially in the frontcourt, to cruise by the University of Maine mens' basketball squad by the score of 76-59.

Skip Barry led BC with 20 points and sophomore guard Dana Barros chipped in with 16 including 2 from 3 point range.

Maine was led by senior captain Jimmy Boylen who had 22 points and sophomore Matt Rossignol who had 18 including 4 three pointers.

Jeff Holmes also had 11 with three of his coming from three-point land. The key thing to look at here is the scoring from in the Maine frontcourt which shows foul plagued Mike Bitterman who had 6 and starting center Coco Barry who scored no points.

"We are in desperate need of an inside game," said Maine assistant Jim Hutnik. "We are a young club and are prone to make mistakes," he added.

The amazing thing is that without the inside game Maine actually hung close until about the 6 minute mark.

Believe it or not Maine was even in the lead at one point 16-14. Maine stayed close until BC ran off 9 straight that was closed by a alley-oop dunk by the Eagles' Tyrone Scott.

By the half the Eagles' struggled to a 13 point lead at 41-28.

Maine came out strong in the second half and after Jeff Holmes hit a 3-pointer and assisted on a Boylen hoop, Maine was down only and had forced a BC timeout. At another point Maine fought back within 5 on baskets by the hard-fighting Boylen.

The Eagles, even without starting center Troy Bowers for most of the game, were just too much to handle for the Black Bears.

Maine, now 1-3, will come home to play a tough LaSalle team whose wins include one over Big East power Villanova. BC, now 4-1, will continue on to play Holy Cross.

Lauree Gott scores 1000th point as UMaine wins again

by John Holyoke
Staff Writer

The University of Maine women's basketball team vividly showed the difference between a NCAA Division I team and a Division III school Thursday as it blew out Husson College 77-42.

The Black Bears dominated the game from the opening tap with what has become their trademark: a swarming defense which wreaks havoc with the opposition.

The Braves had 10 possessions in the first five minutes ended by steals or turnovers as Maine jumped out to a 14-2 lead.

Husson coach Red Wilson explained that in a typical game his team wouldn't have made such mistakes.

"Against the teams we play, you don't need to move too much," Wilson said. "Maine's so quick, you can't stand around and let things happen."

Perhaps the highlight of the game for Maine came with the Bears enjoying a 38-point lead. Senior captain Lauree Gott hit a free throw with 6:59 to go in the game to give her 1000th career points.

Gott, described by coach Peter Gavett as "the glue that holds this team together," overcame a slightly injured

thigh and a poor shooting night to reach the milestone.

Junior center Liz Coffin led the Black Bears in scoring with 16 points in limited action. She shot 8 for 9 from the floor.

Gavett substituted freely for much of the game, putting in fresh waves of players much as a hockey coach would.

"This game gave us a chance to use a lot of people," Gavett said. "We got to try a lot of things and let people (who don't play as much) see what they've got to do to play."

Maine showed its depth by placing everyone in the scoring column. Debbie Duff was the only other Black Bear to reach double figures as she scored 10.

The surprise of the night came in the person of freshman guard Cathy Iaconeta. The 5-2 speedster is known for her defensive and ball handling skills, but she showed a previously unseen skill as she led Maine with 8 rebounds.

"It's not supposed to happen like that," Iaconeta said. "I guess they underestimated and don't block out little people."

Maine will be idle until Christmas break, but will play a home game Dec. 20 against Harvard at 4 p.m. Other home action during the winter action will include the Maine Holiday Classic tournament on Dec. 27 and 28.



Personals Con't.

To MJK,
Thanks for being my best friend!
Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.
Love,
Lady Ice

Hey Vanna,
You turn those letters better than anyone we know.
Love,
K & S

Fat Ninda,
"Hey Rodger, no more babies!"
Love ya,
Kath & Steph

Kelly,
Close your eyes, I want to see you tonight in my sweet dreams, because I can see it coming in the air tonight. That's just the way it is & I'll never be afraid just as long as you stand... stand

by me. Te quiero.
Amor,
Carlos

J,
Merry Christmas
Love,
C

Boobie Wan,
I love you very much you sexy irresistible ball of hair! Next year we will be together as husband and wife finally! Me and you and a dog named Boo! Geezum crow! I can't wait! Holy guackamoly burgers Batman! Merry X-mas

Love,
Blu
P.S. I think you are o-tay! And so does Clara!

Mikeus,
Merry X-mas and Happy Graduation! We'll miss you!
Love,
Kathy and Kevin
P.S. Can we borrow some money?!

To the Ad Production Staff,
Thanks for all the good work over the course of the semester. You guys turned out to be a well oiled cog in the newspaper machine.
Dan

Cheer up Terri. There is more to this world than Cocoa Crispi's and being queen. After all, theres Carlo and Bostonians!! I love you Ruth.

Estabrooke (especially 3N)
Thanks for a great two years. You all gave on campus living a new meaning. Hopefully I'll see some of you around next semester. The Shop Talk girls know who I mean. Right Jude?!
Ronda

Thanks roomies for putting up with me. Promise to buy milk on time next.
Susan.

To Apt. 8J,
Thanx for putting up with this lush all semester; at least it gives you something to laugh about. Although I may do some pretty WEIRD things, remember — no dumb jocks!!!! (Sorry Lee, they're all dumb.)

Love,
Your pseudo-roommate

Marsha Beaucage,
You Know who you are. Merry Xmas. Just think--no more law, newspaper lab, projects, or papers.
RC

Alas poor Orono, I knew it well.



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by R. Kevin
Staff Writer

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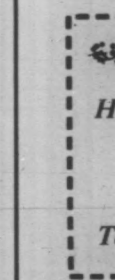
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Hockey gets ready for Moscow-Spartak match

by R. Kevin Dietrich
Staff Writer

Most of the University of Maine's hockey fans will be looking to the Black Bears' Saturday matchup with the Moscow-Spartak hockey team in the Alford Arena.

Coach Shawn Walsh, on the other hand, is more interested in his squad's Friday contest with WCHA opponent Colorado College.

"They're hot," Walsh said. "They've lost five one-goal games and they split two overtime games with No. 1 North Dakota."

Maine enters with a 7-5-2 overall record having split last weekend's games, losing to the University of Wisconsin 7-5 on Friday and coming back to beat the University of Denver 7-5 on Saturday.

Colorado College brings a deceiving 8-9-1 mark into the contest with the Tigers having lost to the University of North Dakota 4-3 in overtime last Friday and beating the Fighting Sioux 3-2 in another overtime thriller on Saturday.

The Tigers are led by a pair of fine defensemen, Rob Doyle, who has seven goals and 20 assists for 27 points, and Doug Clarke (3-18-21), who skated for the Canadian Olympic team a year ago and captured WCHA Player-of-the-Week honors for his play two weekends ago.

"They're two great players," Walsh said.

Colorado also draws a considerable amount of strength from its experience as the Tiger's lineup features nine seniors.

"They've been playing well of late," Walsh said.

In net, Colorado College has a pair of sophomore goaltenders, Derek Pizze, who brings a 5-6-0 record and a 3.88 goals-against-average into Orono, and Matt Gilbreth (3-3-1, 5.22).

The series between the two teams is

tied at two games apiece. In the initial meeting between the two during the 1984-85 season, the Tigers swept Maine, but a year ago the Black Bears gained a measure of revenge, sweeping Colorado 5-4, with Jay Mazur scoring an overtime goal, and 5-2 the following evening.

And as good as the Tigers are, Maine's Saturday opponent should be even better.

Moscow-Spartak, a member of the Soviet Elite Division, is described by Walsh as being a squad of NHL caliber.

"They beat Hershey of the AHL (American Hockey League) 8-3 and they tied Binghamton 4-4," Walsh said attributing the tie to jet-lag.

Spartak plays New Haven, also of the AHL, Friday before venturing to the Alford Arena.

"We'll be the first college team they will have faced," Walsh said.

"It'll be a chance to redeem ourselves for last year," he added alluding, to the Black Bears 11-1 loss at the hands of Sokol-Kiev of a season ago.

"This is a chance for us to see how good we are against some of the world's best."

Spartak, who is on a 10-game tour of the United States, is led by Sergey Shepelev and Victor Tumenev each of whom were members of the 1984 Russian Olympic team and are described by UMaine Assistant Sports Information Director Ian McCaw as being their best players.

Between the pipes for Spartak will most likely be netminder Segrei Golosumov who played in both contests against the AHL foes.

Spartak Head Coach Boras Mayorov is no stranger to international competition either, having played on the 1968 Russian Olympic team.

Other Spartak players to watch for are Sergey Ageikin, who had a hat trick

against Hershey, and Gennadi Kurume, who had a pair of goals against Binghamton.

Walsh plans to split the goaltending duties between Scott King and Al-Loring for the contest.

"I'm looking for an entertaining game," Walsh said. "The Russians are more on the minds of the fans and the public, then on ours, but I'm looking for an exciting game."

Following the Spartak contest, Maine will take a couple of weeks off before the current No. 1 team in the nation, North Dakota, comes to town.

Two days later the Black Bears will travel to the Cumberland County Civic

Center for a matchup with Great West Hockey Conference opponent University of Alaska-Anchorage.

"I just hope that our students who go home will come see us," Walsh said. "That's why we scheduled a game down there."

The Black Bears will have their work cut out for them against the Fighting Sioux as UND currently possesses one of the best records in college hockey, 15-3, and just maybe the best player in college hockey, Tony Hrkac.

"He's probably the leading candidate for the Hobey Baker award," Walsh said. "He's running away with the WCHA scoring race."



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