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photo by Douglas Vanderweide

Maine State Police officers recreate an accident in which Linda Lancaster, 37, was killed, and Judy Sutter, 34, was injured. They were struck by a car while walking along Park Street Saturday.

Graduate student killed after being struck by car

by Doug Kesseli
Staff Writer

A University of Maine student was killed and another injured Saturday after they were struck by a car whose driver is now being held on charges of manslaughter and drunken driving.

Linda Lancaster, 37, a graduate assistant in the College of Education, was walking on the sidewalk on Park St. in front of Dryden Terrace Apartments at about 7:30 p.m. when a car veered out of control and hit her, said Orono police Sgt. John Rogers.

Rogers said the car also struck Judy Sutter, 34, also a graduate assistant in education, before it

turned over and came to rest on top of Lancaster.

Both victims were taken to Eastern Maine Medical Center, where Lancaster died of multiple internal and massive head injuries 3½ hours after being struck.

Sutter was taken to the hospital for compound fractures to one of her legs. An EMMC nursing supervisor said she is in fair condition.

Peter Gagnon, of Mattawamkeag, has been charged with manslaughter, aggravated OUI and operating under the influence, and is being held in lieu of \$35,000 bail in Penobscot County Jail in Bangor.

Gagnon will be arraigned Tuesday morning in 3rd

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Officer injured in tumble down stairs Sunday

by Steve Miliano
Staff Writer

A University of Maine police officer was treated and released from St. Joseph's Hospital in Bangor Sunday for injuries suffered after he fell down a flight of stairs during an altercation with a student in Ballentine Hall. Officer Dave Lint suffered cuts to his knees and is expected to miss at least one day of work because of the incident.

William Laughlin, UMaine police investigator, said Craig J. Clark, 21, of Gardiner, was arrested in the Stodder Hall parking lot in conjunction with the incident and faces charges of assault.

Clark was apprehended at about 12:15 a.m. Sunday by two officers who responded to Lint's call for backup, Laughlin said.

The incident occurred after Lint was called to the dormitory to investigate a complaint of possible disorderly conduct, Laughlin said.

"The officer was standing in the lobby when he heard suspicious noises," Laughlin said. "He went to check it out and found three individuals in the building. Two of the individuals left the building upon the officer's request, but the third turned and headed for the stairs."

"The officer pursued him up the stairs," Laughlin said. "In the process of speaking with him, (Lint) ended up at the bottom of the stairs."

Laughlin would not give more details of the event but did say that "alcohol seemed to be a factor."

Lint said he was hauled to the ground and fell down the stairs when he attempted to prevent the suspect from falling.

"He turned in the stairwell and I thought he was going to fall," Lint said in a telephone interview.

"I reached out to grab him, and we both ended up falling. I was actually dragged down the stairs."

Lint said he and Clark fell down the flight of granite steps leading into Ballentine Hall as well as the stairwell inside the building.

Lint said that once outside the building Clark fled from the area.

"Once we reached the bottom of the granite steps, I didn't feel much like going after him," he said. "By

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Former Klan leader wins Louisiana election

NEW ORLEANS (AP) — Newly elected state Rep. David Duke, a former Ku Klux Klan leader, said Sunday that blacks and Jews have nothing to fear from him and scoffed at the notion he would be banned from the GOP and not be seated by the Legislature.

"I repudiate any racial or religious intolerance," Duke said at a news conference. "Any group — racial or religious — has nothing to fear from David Duke."

Duke, 38, squeezed out a 227-vote victory over homebuilder John Treen, 63, to represent a nearly all-white house district in Metairie, a suburb of New Orleans. Duke received 8,459 votes, or

50.7 percent to Treen's 8,232 or 49.3 percent, in Saturday's election.

Duke registered as a Republican two days before qualifying for the race. After Duke's stunning success in the Jan. 21 primary, the national party sent three advisers to help his mild-mannered opponent and persuaded President Bush and former President Reagan to endorse Treen.

Duke became an international spokesman for the Klan in the 1970s as grand wizard of the Knights of the Ku Klux Klan. As a teenager he was photographed in a Nazi uniform.

U.S. senators, the governor and other community leaders of both parties warn-

ed that a Duke victory would ruin the state's reputation and harm already tenuous race relations.

While Duke said he was extending a hand in friendship to the Jewish community and inviting his opponents to talk with him, he did not mince words on where he stands on civil rights and affirmative action.

"I'm for getting the government out of our personal lives. I'm not for any law for segregation or integration," he said. "The right not to associate is just as precious as the right to associate."

Duke's victory was denounced by national Republican Chairman Lee At-

water, who vowed to have Duke censured and barred from using the GOP name.

"David Duke is not a Republican," Atwater said in a statement. "He's a pretender, a charlatan and a political opportunist who is looking for any organization he can find to try to legitimize his views of racial and religious bigotry and intolerance."

"We repudiate him in his views and we are talking immediate steps to see that he is disenfranchised from our party."

"Is he going to censure my past? How

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Sex Matters

News Briefs

Dole to Senate: 'Stop the dragnet'

WASHINGTON (AP) — Sen. Robert Dole said Sunday he has found nothing that should disqualify John Tower as defense secretary and that the Senate should "stop the dragnet" and move ahead with the confirmation.

"I think we should stop checking every rumor. Unless there's some criminal activity, let's get on with the vote," Dole, the Senate minority leader, said on the CBS-TV interview program "Face the Nation."

Senate Majority Leader George Mitchell, D-Maine, another guest on the program, promised a quick vote on the Tower nomination once it leaves the Senate Armed Services Committee.

But Mitchell, although saying he had not yet read the FBI reports on Tower, said allegations surrounding Tower's private life and drinking habits are "an appropriate subject of inquiry" because of the importance of the defense post.

Christian questions Hudson's motive

LOS ANGELES (AP) — In the aftermath of a landmark, \$21.75 million jury award, Marc Christian thinks about his former lover, Rock Hudson, and the question that haunts him still: "Why did he do it?"

Why did Hudson hide from Christian the secret that went to bed with them for eight months; that the movie star had AIDS?

"I don't know why he did it," Christian reflected. "He took that to the grave with him. I don't know if he just couldn't face the fact that he was dying. A lot of people don't believe in their mortality when they're famous. You see your image up there on the screen and maybe he thought he would live forever."

McKernan, Snowe to wed Friday

AUGUSTA, Maine (AP) — They met in the Maine Legislature on the Republican side of the aisle, the raven-haired representative from Auburn seated directly behind the handsome young floor leader from Bangor.

When she decided to run for Congress in 1978, they got together to map out campaign strategy. Over the years their shared interest in politics blossomed into something more.

The decade-long courtship between Rep. Olympia Snowe and Gov. John R. McKernan will culminate this week in marriage.

"What holds our relationship together is the fact that we love politics," said Snowe, now in her

sixth term in Congress. "For some, that becomes a dividing factor, but in our case that obviously hasn't been the situation."

McKernan, a former two-term congressman, was elected governor in 1986.

The wedding Friday at the Greek Orthodox Church of the Holy Trinity in Lewiston — Snowe is of Greek descent — will begin the second marriage for both.

The announcement of their pending nuptials three weeks ago evoked surprise that two of a small state's most prominent political figures could have kept a romance of nearly a decade relatively private.

'Thrill killer' challenges system

KINGSTON, N.Y. (AP) — A self-described "monster," a thrill killer at 15 whose reputation is that of New York's most dangerous inmate, is defending himself at his attempted murder trial and trying to put the system on trial.

Willie Bosket Jr., charged with stabbing a prison guard, is shackled hand and foot in court, but when he sits down at the defense table, he flashes a smile at reporters and surveys the scene before turning to the neatly prepared files on his desk.

He's admitted in opening arguments that he stabbed the guard.

Articulate and intelligent at the trial, Bosket said he hopes his appearance will focus attention on problems he perceives within the legal system. He says he stabbed the guard to retaliate against injustices committed against him in prison, but the prosecutor calls him a master manipulator.

"Each and every day I stand in this courtroom, I laugh at this system

because there ain't a damn thing that it can do to me except to deal with the monster that it has created," Bosket said in his opening statement.

Bosket, 26, has shuffled in and out of the legal system since he was 9 years old.

"I'm a monster that's come back to haunt this system and I will dog this system until it is in its grave," Bosket promised in 1987.

At the time the guard was stabbed at the Shawangunk Correctional Facility on April 6, 1988, Bosket was serving 25 years to life for assault, arson and being a persistent felon. He also had three years remaining on previous conviction.

In 1978, at age 15, Bosket prompted legislators to change the way the state treats violent juveniles when he murdered two men and injured another in an eight-day crime spree.

He told authorities he did it "for the experience." New York City Mayor Edward Koch called him a "willful mad-dog killer."

Khomeini rejects author's apology

NICOSIA, Cyprus (AP) — Iran's Ayatollah Ruhollah Khomeini on Sunday rejected the apology of British writer Salman Rushdie and exhorted Moslems around the world to "send him to hell" for his novel "The Satanic Verses."

In a statement issued by the official Islamic Republic News Agency, Khomeini said the "imperialist mass media were falsely alleging that if the author repented, his execution order would be lifted. This is denied, 100 percent."

"Even if Salman Rushdie repents and becomes the most pious man of time it is incumbent on every Moslem (to) employ everything he's got, his life and wealth, to send him to hell," Khomeini was quoted as saying.

Khomeini, patriarch of the Islamic revolution, last week sentenced Rushdie to his death for his novel, which Moslems say insults Islam.

But Iranian President Ali Khamenei, allied with so-called pragmatists led by parliament speaker Hashemi Rafsanjani, sought to defuse the crisis Friday by saying Rushdie's life would be spared if he apologized and repented.

Rushdie, in hiding under the guard of Scotland Yard, issued an apology Saturday.

Khomeini's latest statement appeared to leave no room for a negotiated settlement of the issue, which has put Britain's newly restored relations with Iran in jeopardy.

A bounty of \$5.2 million has been put on Rushdie's head by Iranian religious leaders since Khomeini issued the death sentence.

In his message Sunday, Khomeini also called on non-Moslems to help carry out the death sentence against Rushdie.

"If a non-Moslem becomes aware of his whereabouts and had the ability to execute him quicker than a Moslem, it is incumbent on Moslems to pay a reward or a fee in return for this action," the statement said.

Neither Khomeini's statement nor IR-NA referred to the president's offer of a reprieve, reflecting a widening rift in the Iranian hierarchy over the Rushdie affair.

In London, a spokesman for the British Foreign Office said, "We heard of this report with great concern. We shall be considering carefully its implications."

"This subject will, of course, be discussed in Brussels by the Foreign Affairs Council" on Monday when Foreign Secretary Sir Geoffrey Howe is to raise the issue, the spokesman said.

The 41-year-old Rushdie, born to a Moslem family in India, has not been seen in public since Thursday, two days after Khomeini's first decree.

In his apology issued through an agent, Rushdie said, "As author of 'The Satanic Verses' I recognize that Moslems in many parts of the world are genuinely offended by the publication of my novel. I profoundly regret the distress that publication has occasioned to sincere followers of Islam."

Moslems say "The Satanic Verses" blasphemes their religion by portraying the prophet Mohammed's wives as prostitutes and suggesting that he wrote the Koran, the holy book of Islam, rather than receiving it directly from God.

"The Satanic Verses" is banned in Iran, India, Pakistan, Bangladesh, Egypt, and South Africa.

Publishers in France, West Germany, Greece and Turkey have decided not to

publish the book, and some bookstore chains in the United States have pulled it from their shelves.

In New York Sunday, a spokesman said Cardinal John J. O'Connor criticized both "The Satanic Verses" and those who threaten its author, and seemed to imply Catholics should avoid reading the novel.

"He (O'Connor) encourages everyone not to dignify the publication of this work, which has been viewed by Moslems as highly sacrilegious and offensive," said Peter Finn, a spokesman for the cardinal.

The European Conference of Foreign Press Associations Sunday called Khomeini's order an "act of terrorism against freedom of conscience, of religion and of opinion, values that are held to be the truest expression of a civil and more human world."

In Yugoslavia, the leading Communist Party daily began printing excerpts of "The Satanic Verses" in its early Monday edition.

The printing of the excerpts in the daily Borba coincided with the arrival Monday of Khamenei on a three-day visit to Yugoslavia, the Iranian president's first official trip to a European country.

Outrage, disbelief follow juvenile's release from jail

WEST ENFIELD, Maine (AP) — When 16-year-old Trey Emery was arrested for last fall's murder of an 8-year-old girl, townspeople breathed a collective sigh of relief. But the relief turned to outrage and disbelief when Emery was released from jail and turned over to his parents.

"They can't understand why they let him out," said Ida Griffin, a clerk at Bill's Corner Store in neighboring Howland. "Here was the boy being arrested for murder, and that night he was at home with his parents. It's almost unbelievable to me."

Emery was arrested Feb. 13 and charged with murder in the Oct. 1 slaying of Heather White, a third-

grader who was choked, then dumped in the Penobscot River where she drowned.

Saying he is innocent until proven guilty, District Judge Susan Calkins ordered Emery released to his parents with the stipulation that he regularly report to a probation officer and continue his studies.


But going home has not been easy. Emery's parents have received at least one anonymous telephone threat and now sleep in rotating shifts to assure his safety.

Penobscot Valley High School officials — equally concerned for Emery's safety — arranged for him to continue his schooling at an undisclosed location with an unnamed teacher.

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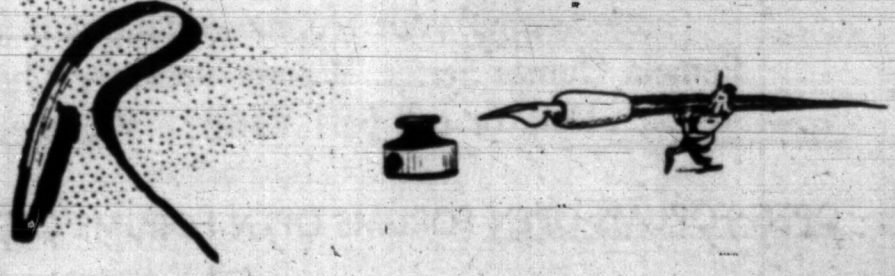
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Review

Trio's performance a 'gourmet meal'

by A. Samad Yusuf
For The Campus

The small crowd that braved the cold Friday night was not disappointed by the performance of the Amsterdam Guitar Trio.

Simply put, the concert could be described as intriguing, fascinating, skillful, shocking and just plain good.

As the lights dimmed opening the concert, the three musicians, Johan Dorrestein, Olga Franssen and and Helenus de Rijke walked onto the stage.

Their repertoire included few Spanish pieces but was based more on transcribing classical and contemporary music into classical guitar music.

Sometimes as the saying goes, "simpler is better," and it certainly held true in this regard. There was no form of electronic amplification and the volume level was nowhere near some concerts that could rearrange the ears on one's head.

The first composition played was a classical piece transcribed from a suite by Claude Bedussy titled "Petite Suite," which was certainly in the vein of most classical music, drawing your attention to the flow of rhythm played in the upper notes while the lower notes kept the timing of the melody.

Interesting short pieces, creating a feeling of lightness, but it really only picked up at the end of the suite. The piece that ended the suite was called "Ballet" and had a more rousing feel to it.

The second half of the concert started with the Spanish composition by Albeniz. What a treat it was. This was the real McCoy and the crowd loved it.

Despite a smaller crowd after the intermission, the applause was louder after this semi-romantic piece.

The trio then played a piece composed by a Thai musician named Dnu Huntrakul. The pair of pieces titled "Prelude" and "Golden Rain" was

written in an Eastern or Oriental scale and proved to be quite a shocker for almost everyone.

It is unusual enough for any Oriental music to be played by a Western orchestra but it is even more so on a guitar trio ensemble.

The piece mesmerized the audience. Bass string slapping and plucking that would have made the gurus of electric bass guitars smile, upper fret picking that any blues fan would appreciate and thumping on the soundboard gave a very esoteric Oriental sound to the music.

The final scheduled piece had a fast tempo which the audience did not seem to expect. Starting at a feverish pace, the three guitarists broke the rhythm midway into a tune with a yell, tapping of the soundboard of the guitar and floor stomping.

A large portion of the audience came away shaking their heads in disbelief and were obviously impressed with what

they had experienced.

The crowd roared for more and was treated to a grand finale with a Spanish piece titled "Grave e Fandango" by Luigi Bocherini. This was a spirited Spanish Flamenco tune with Franssen tapping on her guitar in time with the melody.

While speaking with the patrons after the performance, Franssen commented, "You don't really clap between pieces until the entire composition is finished..."

Perhaps in Europe, but in Orono it shows how much they were appreciated.

She also added that the groups intent is to shock the audience with each performance and did now want them to sound like other guitarists, solo or groups.

Shakespeare once said, "If music can be the food of love, then play on."

Friday's performance was a true gourmet meal.

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Announcing Women's Center Committee Open Forums

STUDENT INPUT IS NEEDED!

The University Women's Committee encourages your participation in a series of three open forums for students, faculty, staff and community people. These forums will provide you an opportunity to share your input regarding the concept (goals and objectives), plan, and physical design for a Women's Center facility on campus.

All forums will be conducted informally and facilitated by Women's Center committee members. Please bring your comments and suggestions to any or all of these sessions on the following dates:

WOMEN'S CENTER OPEN FORUMS

February 22

11:30 - 1:30 p.m.

Coe Lounge, Memorial Union
Orono Campus

4:00 - 6:00 p.m.

North/South Bangor Lounge
Memorial Union
Orono, Campus

February 23

11:30 - 1:30 p.m.

Ballroom
University College Center
Bangor Campus

If you are unable to attend any of these three open forums, please submit your recommendations in writing directly to Pamela Dumas Serfes, Women's Center Chair, 223 Chadbourne Hall, or call 581-1586. We need your input!

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Student aid director takes job with state

Longtime director of Student Aid at the University of Maine, Burt Batty, has announced his intention to leave his position to become Director of Programs at the Maine Educational Loan Marketing Corporation (MELMAC).

Batty will begin his new job in early March.

President of MELMAC, Richard H. Pierce called Batty "one of Maine's leaders in higher education finances who will continue to bring his great experience and talents to bear in an expanded role to the benefit of Maine students and their families."

MELMAC is presently the largest owner of educational loans in Maine and is a statewide operation.

"While leaving this position at the university is difficult, the new and exciting challenges for me with MELMAC provide great opportunities to be a part of expanding higher education access to people all over the State," Batty said.

Batty has A.A., B.A. and M.A. degrees in education and has served at the UMaine since 1978. He is the author of a variety of publications and is a past President of the Maine Association of Student Financial Aid Administrators.

He has also served on the Board of Directors of the National Association of Student Financial Aid Administrators, is a past President of the Eastern Association of Student Financial Aid Administrators and has been involved as a consultant for the College Board and the U.S. Office of Education.

He has also served as presenter, member and advisor to a variety of state, regional and national education committees and task forces.

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WE'RE FIGHTING FOR YOUR LIFE

Woodbury elected head of international program

by Christina Koliander
Staff Writer

The chancellor of the University of Maine System was recently elected to chair the board of directors for an international program.

Robert Woodbury will chair the board of directors for the Council on International Educational Exchange. He will serve in that capacity for five years. "My primary responsibility is to chair the board and lead in the development of policy for the board," Woodbury said.

Woodbury was elected in November by delegates at the annual conference which took place in Cannes, France.

"As an academic administrator, I have tried throughout my professional life to expand opportunities for faculty and students at U.S. institutions where I have worked to learn from study experiences outside of North America," Woodbury said.

Woodbury said CIEE is a program that encourages students to study abroad. Although it is a program mostly designed for college students, he said high school students have also taken advantage of it.

Among the services that CIEE provides for students is the international student I.D. card, which provides identification and discounts for students in 60 countries.

Another service the program provides is the international teacher identity card which entitles educators to travel benefits and discount fares.

Woodbury said he believes in foreign study and feels it will contribute to his job as chancellor. He also said he feels this new job will bring more ideas to UMaine.

One idea that Woodbury hopes to bring back to UMaine is how to make foreign study more affordable for people who find it important.

In the past, Woodbury has traveled to China and the Soviet Union and spent last Thanksgiving in Tunisia.

"I've traveled throughout my life and it's educational for me," Woodbury said.

Woodbury also has said he hopes to make foreign study more central and more available to students who were unable to have the opportunity in the past.

CIEE was founded in 1947 and is a non-profit membership organization which has international offices in the United States, as well as in Paris and Tokyo.

There will be four or five executive meetings headed by Woodbury this year, but he said his new appointment will not take him away from his current position.

Woodbury said he thinks chancellors and presidents should take more initiative when it comes to foreign study.

"If we are to make progress in expanding study-abroad programs for our students and internationalizing the perspective of mainstream academia, then chief executives of institutions of higher education must become more involved," Woodbury said.

In 1988, UMaine students took their first exchange with the University of Southern Maine to Kharkov State University in the Ukraine.

The next annual conference will be held in November 1989 at Georgetown University in Washington, D.C.

Leaders share ideas on state's future

by Doug Vanderweide
Staff Writer

Where Maine will be in the coming years was the subject of "Vision 2020," held at the Augusta Civic Center on Friday.

Sponsored by the Task Force on University/State Government Relations and the Commission on Maine's Future, "Vision 2020" boasted attendees from several Maine government departments, as well as professors and administrators from the University of Maine System.

Chancellor Robert Woodbury said the conference was an attempt to get government, university and civic leaders to "compare notes" on the changing face of life in Maine.

"What's (this change) mean to young people, to families, to old people and to our institutions?" he said.

Woodbury said the University of Maine has a large base of talented people who can offer expertise to the communities of Maine and aid them in development.

"They have a responsibility to share (that expertise) with others," he said.

Woodbury said one of the greatest challenges to the UMaine System is to help the state adapt to the information age.

"There's more and more pressure on universities to provide new areas of knowledge. There's a constantly

expanding pressure to do so," he said.

"A university today plays a role that perhaps the steel industry played 50 years ago."

Woodbury said the University of Maine is helping in the development of the state.

"We are an institution that's responsive, and we're trying to be as creative and flexible as we can," he said.

Harlan Phillippi, a senior associate of the UMaine System and one of the coordinators of "Vision 2020," called the conference a success.

"Every session that went on, people came out and said, 'This was a great session,'" he said.

Phillippi said one of the many benefits of the sessions was active participation by the attendees.

"It wasn't just someone talking to them," he said. "There was a lot of exchanging of ideas."

Sessions at the conference included subjects like the family, civic responsibility, work and employment, and social mobility, among others.

Many sessions were led by UMaine faculty and administrators. Julia Watkins, acting dean of the College of Arts and Sciences, Steven Marks and Deidra Mageean of the Department of Sociology, and Professor Lois Ploch all conducted seminars at "Vision 2020."

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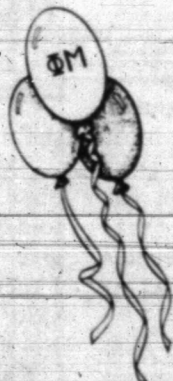
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Sports

Boston College clinches Hockey East title with two victories over UMaine

by Joe Grant
Staff Writer

BOSTON -- The Boston College Eagles are the 1988-89 Hockey East champions.

With a 6-2 win over the University of Maine Sunday afternoon, BC clinched the title.

"They have been the most consistent team all year," UMaine coach Shawn Walsh said. "They deserve to be Hockey East Champions."

Coupled with Friday's 6-3 victory, Eagles goalie David Littman said he thinks the weekend sweep of the Black Bears will send a message to other teams across the country. But he isn't satisfied.

"I hope it did," he said. "But when you win a league championship it means nothing. You still have to give 100 percent."

BC is now 14-4-4 in the league and 19-6-4 overall while UMaine, who has now dropped three straight, slips 15-8 and 25-10.

According to Walsh, the key moment of the game was when Scott Pellerin was called for interference on a "great hit."

Steve Scheifele tipped in a shot from Paul Marshall on the BC power play for the game-winner.

With the Eagles holding a 3-2 advantage going into the third period, David Emma gave his team a much more comfortable lead.

The sophomore center drove down the left wing and blasted a slap shot past the stick side of a seemingly surprised Scott King.

UMaine got their chance to come back two minutes later when Sean Farley was penalized for holding.

But a Black Bears breakdown gave BC a 3-on-2. Emma again carried the puck and dropped a pass to Greg Brown.

His snap shot goal gave the Eagles a three-goal lead before Tim Sweeney capped the scoring with Emma and Scheifele assisting.

Littman had an outstanding series for BC, going the distance in net both nights.

"He was the difference all weekend," Walsh said. "He should be a first team All-American."

Littman, however, reiterated his aspirations for the season.

"Last year I got individual awards but they meant nothing without a championship."

"Littman showed just how good he is," UMaine forward Bruce Major said.

Major tied the game at one in the first period, beating Littman with a far-side wrist shot after Marshall gave the Eagles the early lead.

Stephen Heinze put BC up 2-1 in the second before UMaine's Martin Robitaille struck back.

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photo by Scott LeClair

UMaine could not prevent Boston College from clinching the Hockey East Championship this weekend in Boston. The Eagles handled the Bears 6-3 Friday night and 6-2 Sunday afternoon. The Black Bears return home for two games with Boston University next weekend to wrap up the regular season.

Vermont takes care of Black Bears, 74-66

by Mike Bourque
Staff Writer

In last week's much-publicized "measles game" no fans were allowed to watch the University of Maine and Siena battle.

On Sunday versus the University of Vermont the fans were back but most of them probably wished that the Board of Health had barred them from this one, also.

The ECAC cellar-dwelling Catamounts of UVM downed the lackadaisical Black Bears, 74-66, before 1,137 equally lackadaisical spectators at the Bangor Auditorium.

"We weren't ready. I thought we stunk ... except for TJ (Forester). I thought the officiating stunk," UMaine coach Rudy Keeling said. "They need to be tight. I knew we were in trouble because at our pre-game meal they (the players) didn't even mention the game except for the fact that the big guy (Vermont's 6-foot 11-inch center Joe Calavita) wasn't going to be there."

Though Vermont coach Tom Brennan wasn't happy about the loss of his senior center Calavita to a stress fracture, he said it might not have been all bad.

"It's tough without Joe but that might have helped us to

day. I'm sure Maine-- no matter what the coach says-- might have taken us for granted," Brennan said. "But the other guys aren't scared to take over. We did a good job."

Keeling said he knew his team wasn't ready to play when it went out for the pre-game

(a pair of steals--one each by Derrick Hodge and Marty Higgins).

But then UMaine went cold and didn't score for the next 4:43. In the meantime, Vermont, led by Bangor native Bart Donovan (8 first-half points), went on a 10-0 run and

"I think we finally realized that we were going to lose this game and we tried to come back but it was too late."

UMaine Head Coach Rudy Keeling

shoot.

"My son and I were the only ones in the locker room and I told him I was going to have to give my Knute Rockne speech. I knew I was in trouble when he said 'Who's Knute Rockne,'" Keeling said.

Early on it looked as if UMaine might be able to play itself into the game. The Black Bears (8-15 overall and 6-8 in the NAC) took an early lead 10-6. Two of the hoops came directly from defensive efforts

grabbing a 16-10 lead.

Vermont (5-18 overall and 3-11 in the NAC) never relinquished the lead, taking a 31-24 margin into the break.

"We got out in front 10-6 and then thought this was going to be easy. We didn't do the little things. It's too late in the season to be doing those things," Keeling said.

He said one of the problems was lack of execution from the big men (Coco Barry, Curtis

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Dan Bustard

Bring on the Wildcats

Sunday. We have to wait until Sunday.

This could be the game of the season in the Seaboard Conference.

For the University of Maine women's basketball team, this is what they have been waiting for all season. One game, potentially for all the marbles.

The University of New Hampshire will visit the Bangor Auditorium next weekend, hopefully with a record of 17-8, 11-2 in the Seaboard Conference.

Hopefully? Well, UNH has to travel to Boston to face Northeastern University Wednesday night to set up the showdown in a northern town.

Even just after the easy win over Central Connecticut State Saturday in Memorial Gym, Head Coach Trish Roberts was looking ahead.

"My biggest concern now is New Hampshire."

The preparation will not begin immediately, as Roberts plans to give her players two days off.

But then the festivities begin.

"We will begin to study the films and see what we are doing wrong. I am also wondering how we will stop Kris Kinney. If we can control her, we can control the game."

Kinney, the leading scorer in the conference, hit for 29 points in UMaine's 65-61 win Feb. 1 in Durham, NH.

"I think the home court will be an advantage," Roberts said, with a hint of understatement.

Central Connecticut State Head Coach Brenda Reilly, who has seen all of the top teams, has some definite opinions on the subject of the Seaboard playoffs.

"I was surprised at how much they beat BU (UMaine won by 20 points last Wednesday in Boston). I felt that the top four teams were all kind of even and all capable of beating each other."

"If you can stop (Rachel) Bouchard, you can beat Maine. The same goes for New Hampshire. If you can stop Kinney, you can beat them."

"But if Maine gets the number one seed, forget it. With the crowd and the band, they will win the playoffs."

The Blue Devils had just come off a big win over Northeastern Wednesday and has played every team tough, losing to UMaine and UNH by two and BU by five, making Reilly's thoughts seem very reasonable.

But I sincerely hope UNH defeats Northeastern Wednesday, for the game Sunday would be a real chance to erase some leftover cobwebs from past seasons.

After some interesting rulings allowed other teams to have the home court in the past two seasons, (see WILDCATS page 9)

UMaine destroys Blue Devils

Black Bears one win away from Seaboard Conference title

by Dan Bustard
Staff Writer

It was interesting for awhile, but a 16-0 run midway through the first half allowed the University of Maine to go on to crush Central Connecticut State 77-54.

UMaine won its 10th game in a row to improve its record to 18-7, 12-1 in the Seaboard Conference.

The two teams were tied at 14 when UMaine began the spurt, which was sparked by strong defense and an effective offense.

"We practiced their offense a lot this week," Head Coach Trish Roberts said. "All we did was switch inside and they didn't adjust. That surprised me."

"Defense was the difference," Central Connecticut State's Brenda Reilly said. "In the first half, our offense stalled. We stayed with them for seven minutes, but they got momentum."

Rachel Bouchard led UMaine with 23 points and 11 rebounds and played good defense on the main cog of the Blue Devil offense, sophomore center Keisha Carmichael.

Carmichael did score 23 points for CCS, but only had eight in the first half.

"Bouchard did a good job on Keisha," Reilly said. "She fronted her and denied the ball."

Julie Bradstreet started in place of Kathy Karlsson for the second straight game and responded with 20 points and 10 assists, also spending some time running the offense.

"Nobody has played point guard for us (besides Cathy Iaconeta)," Roberts said. "Julie has in practice, and I feel more comfortable with her in there (when Iaconeta is on the bench). She is good at penetrating and dishing off."

Karlsson did play after missing the Boston University game and scored seven points, leaving Roberts with a difficult choice as to who to start next Sunday against the University of New Hampshire.

"Kathy was not completely well," Roberts said, "so we started Julie. It is hard to say (who will start). It is a tough decision."

Carmichael and Angie Suffridge, who missed the 71-69 UMaine win in New Britain, combined for the Blue Devils' first 14 points to keep the visitors close.

But the Black Bears dug in defensively, holding Central Connecticut State scoreless for 7:18 while establishing a lead that would never get any smaller than 15 points.

"I think the difference from the first game was the six and a half hour bus ride," Roberts said. "And we are also playing better. It was on that road trip



photo by Scott LeClair

UMaine's Cathy Iaconeta drives past a Central Connecticut State player in the Black Bears' 10th win in a row, 77-54 Saturday in Memorial Gym. Pending a game Wednesday with Northeastern University, the University of New Hampshire will come to Bangor next Sunday with the Seaboard Conference title at stake.

that we started to play better."

"Maine played more intense," Reilly said. "Plus I think that they took us a little lightly (in the first game), as we were picked for seventh in the conference pre-season."

"I was surprised that they beat BU by so much (20 points). Roberts has done an excellent job. For a young team, they are really playing well. She had a tough act to follow."

Suffridge ended up with 17 points for Central Connecticut State, which fell to 11-12 and 5-7 in the conference, two

games behind BU for the final playoff spot pending the Terrier's game with Vermont Saturday.

The Blue Devils could only manage 36 percent shooting from the field and had serious trouble converting free throws, making only 13 of 21 (62 percent).

"Every time we have had an over-night game, we have lost by 20," Reilly said. "I guess you can expect that with a young team, but that is not an excuse."

UMaine hosts UNH Sunday in the Bangor Auditorium at 2 p.m.

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•Eagles

The freshman picked up the puck in the mid-slot and when defenseman Mark Denehy fell to his knees, he circled past him and beat Littman low to the stick side.

On Friday night, David Capuano gave UMaine a 1-0 lead with his 32nd of the season before BC stormed back for four straight goals.

Heinze scored while BC was a man down and Sweeney tallied on the power play before Jeff O'Neill and Farley notched even-strength goals.

Bob Corkum cut the lead to 4-2 late in the third with Major and Robitaille assisting but BC countered everything

UMaine could get.

Scheifele put the lead back to four in the third. Perron scored his 20th with over 10 minutes left but Heinze's empty-net goal was the only remaining scoring.

Littman had 36 stops in the contest while King had 35 saves.

Vince Guidotti returned to the lineup on Sunday and was a welcome sight but the Bears also had another unwelcome departure on Friday.

Senior left wing Christian Lalonde is expected to miss approximately six weeks after fracturing his wrist.

Guidotti was heavily wrapped but the

doctor's gave him the OK for Sunday.

The Silvio O. Conte Forum, where the UMaine-BC games were played over the weekend, will be the site of the Hockey East semi-finals.

Friday night's game had a Hockey East record attendance of 7,389. There were about 8,000 at the BC-Georgetown basketball game Saturday night and 7,029 for Sunday's contest.

UMaine will host Boston University next weekend for two games to wrap up the regular season.

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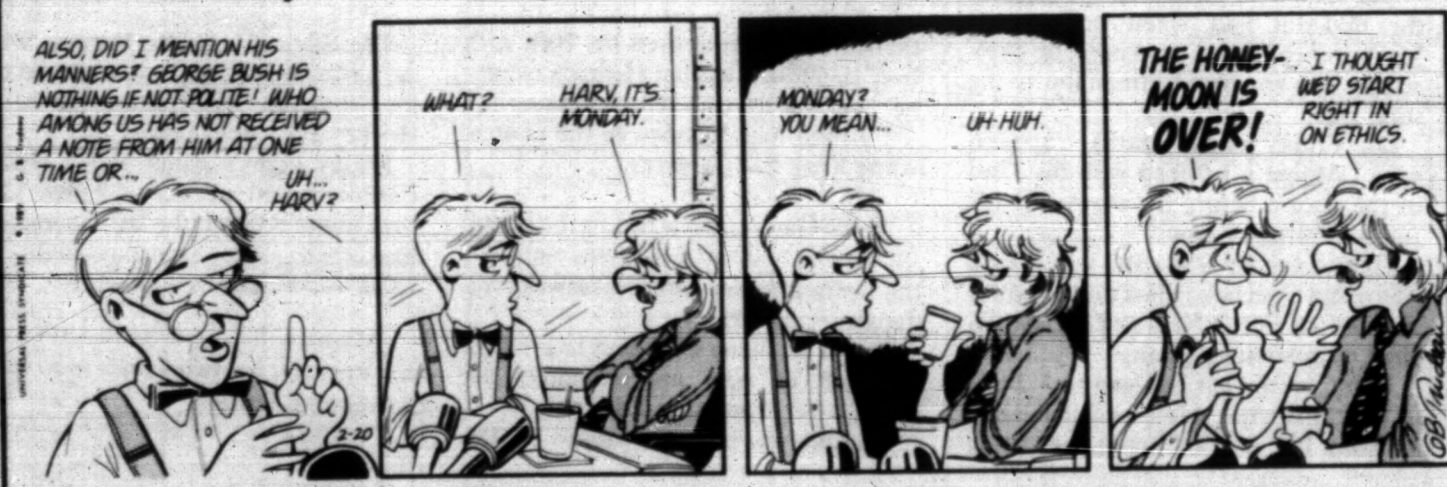
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Fatal

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district court and could be bound over for the March grand jury, Rogers said.

Four years ago Gagnon was convicted in Lee County Florida of driving while under the influence of alcohol.

Penobscot County District Attorney Christopher Almy said Gagnon's prior conviction could affect the sentence.

"If he's convicted then I'm sure the judge will take it into consideration when he is sentenced," Almy said.

Gagnon could face up to 16 years in prison and \$17,500 in fines if convicted of the three charges.

Maine State Police were called in Sunday to recreate the accident, and a final analysis from this recreation might not be back for a few weeks, Rogers said.

He also said several witnesses will be interviewed in the next few days. An alcohol test is expected back from the laboratory in a week.

Fall

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that time I had already called for backup. Cpl. (Leroy) Patterson and Officer (Paul) Miragliuolo apprehended the suspect in the Stodder parking lot."

Clark was released on bail of \$5,000 personal recognizance and is scheduled to appear in 3rd District Court in Bangor on March 3.

If found guilty of assault, Clark could receive up to a \$500 fine or 364 days in jail, Laughlin said.

When contacted Sunday afternoon, Mary Ann McGarry, resident director of Ballentine Hall, said that she hadn't been in contact with police officials and refused to comment on the incident.

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many Republicans, how many Democrats have done controversial things in the past?" Duke asked. "The actions of Mr. Atwater are really un-American."

Several lawmakers said they expect an attempt in the Legislature to refuse to seat Duke by challenging his qualifications, namely his residency in the district.

It would be the first time the House has ever taken such action. The Legislature convenes for a special tax session on Wednesday.

"It all depends on what the majority of the House wants to do," said House Speaker Jim Dimos, a Democrat. "Unless someone makes a motion to disqualify him, then he will be sworn in. I know the people in his district elected him by a small margin, but he still was elected and has to be treated as a member."

Asked if he had been a resident of his district the requisite one year before the election, Duke said: "Absolutely I am. It's a frivolous question."

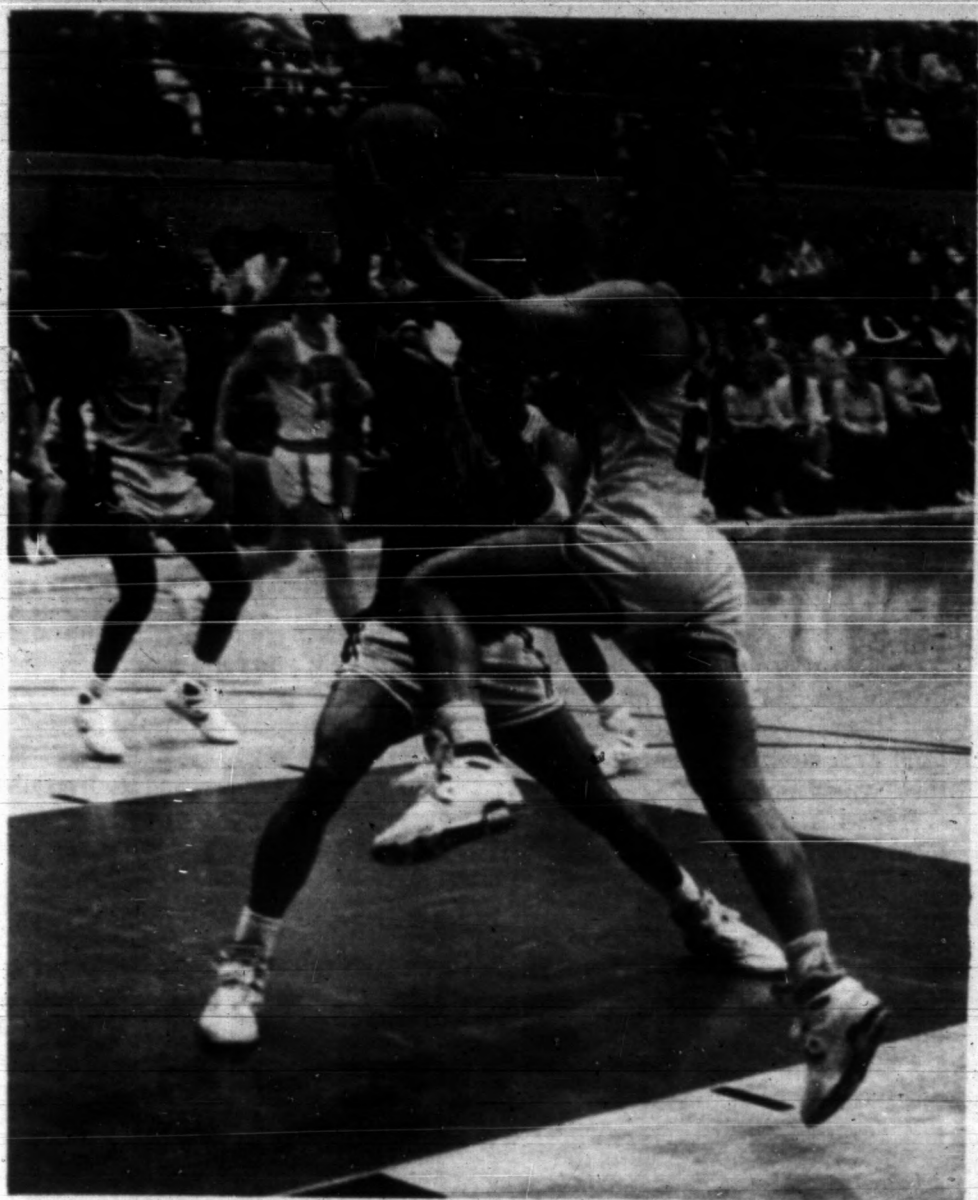


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Black Bear point guard Marty Higgins goes up for a layup in a recent game against Canisius College. UMaine could not find a way to beat Vermont, falling behind in the first half and losing by eight points, 74-66. The loss drops UMaine's record to 8-15, 6-8 in the North Atlantic Conference.

•Vermont

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Robertson and Reggie Banks) on offense.

"We threw it in there. We got it inside but we didn't score," Keeling said.

UMaine's leading scorer on the season Matt Rossignol was held to zero point on just three shots in the first half.

"People have been coming out on Matt because we're not executing down low," Keeling said.

In the second half UMaine came within four at 41-37 only to have a technical foul called on Guy Gomis for slapping the ball out of a Vermont player's hand on an in-bounds play. The Catamounts' freshman guard Kenny White took advantage of the mistake, hitting both free throws and a baseline jumper on the succeeding in-bounds

play. That gave the Catamounts an eight-point lead and reversed the momentum.

"That play might have changed things. I don't think he hit it out of the guy's hands," Keeling said.

"I think we finally realized that we were going to lose this game and we tried to come back but it was too late," he said.

Vermont was led offensively by Matt Johnson (19 points), White (16 points) and Kevin Ruberson (11 points).

Keeling said he knew the Bears weren't ready to play mentally.

But Keeling, whose team has now lost its last three, wasn't completely down on his team.

"This whole thing could be remedied if we beat Siena," he said.

•Wildcats

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UMaine can earn the top seed with a win over UNH.

It would also cap a bizarre season of constant distractions, due to the Peter Gavett case and the resignation of three players and two assistant coaches last December.

For the Black Bears, and especially Roberts, it would also mean to perfect way to end the regular season after living in the proverbial eye of the hurricane.

"I didn't think we would be this good," Roberts admitted Saturday. "And I didn't think we would be in this position."

"This team has really jelled

together. We are clicking now. I don't know why. People say that its coaching, but I don't know."

Roberts may have helped shed a more positive light on Gavett, as this team was recruited by him and should be the force of the conference for some time.

But that is the future. The present seems interesting enough for me, so I'll be there Sunday to watch.

Hope to see you there.

Dan Bustard is a junior journalism major from Presque Isle who hopes he can bum just one more ride to the Bangor Auditorium.

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Vermont defeats UMaine track teams

by Dan Bustard
Staff Writer

It was not a good road trip for the University of Maine indoor track teams as both suffered losses at the University of Vermont.

The men's team was missing several key performers, helping the Black Bears fall by the score of 84-57, while the women were no match for the Catamounts, getting blown out 92-21.

Head Coach Jim Ballinger felt that Vermont has a good men's team, but three important competitors were unable to make the trip for UMaine.

Dave Johnson, a consistent scorer the jumping events, injured his foot Thursday. X-rays were taken Friday but the results were not available as of Sunday.

Carl Smith, UMaine's top 55-meter dasher, did not travel to Burlington due to personal problems, Ballinger said.

John Kachmar, the Black Bears' top hurdler, still is having problems with a hamstring injury suffered at the Easterns last weekend.

"We didn't have enough people," Ballinger said. "I think it would have been a tight meet if those three would have been able to compete."

The surprise story of the meet for UMaine was Scott Woodcock, who won the high jump (6' 0") and the triple jump (42' 6 3/4") as well as placing third in the 50-meter high hurdles.

"Scott winning the high jump was a pleasant surprise," assistant coach Emily Spiteri said. "Without Dave, we needed someone to do the high jump, and Scott said he had done it before."

"Scott has not practiced the high jump at all," Ballinger said. "He really came through for us."

KC Latham also had a strong meet, winning the 400 meters (52.2 seconds), placing second in the 50-meter dash (6.1 seconds) and third in the 200 meters (23.8 seconds).

Mike Norman scored two victories, capturing first place in the 500 meters (1:07.3) as well as the long jump (21' 0"). Norman also finished third in the 50-meter dash.

Pat O'Malley was the winner in the 3000 meters (8:44.5), while Jim St. Pierre rounded out the first-place finishes for UMaine with a 45' 10 1/4" throw in the shot put.

Leading Vermont was Matt Nobles, winner of the 800 and 1500 meter races, and Mike Schaffer, who won the 50-meter dash and the 200 meters.

The UVM women, the defending New England outdoor champions, won all but two events in easing past UMaine.

"Vermont is a great team," Ballinger said.

Kim Pierce did qualify for the New England Indoor Track Championships next weekend with a 1:21.4 500 meters, good for second place.

Spiteri was impressed with Karen Laber, who placed third in the high jump and achieved a personal best of 5' 4 1/2".

"That is the best jump I've ever seen her take," Spiteri said.

Melissa Brancey was victorious in the high jump, also with a leap of 5' 4 1/2", but won on fewer misses.

Brenda Sheehan finished first in the long jump for UMaine, but her effort

of 16' 9" might not have been enough.

"Vermont's best long jumper fouled three times," Spiteri said. "She is a 18-foot plus jumper."

Ann Poulin, Sarah Dahl and Sally Kelly led Vermont. Kelly was a double winner, finishing first in the 50-meter dash (6.6 seconds) and the 200 meters

(25.9 seconds).

Dahl won the shot put (33' 0") and placed second in the long jump (5' 4 1/2") and the 50-meter dash (7.6 seconds).

Poulin proved best in the 50-meter dash (7.5 seconds) and the 400 meters (57.5 seconds). Both were meet records.

New organization to focus on drugs and athletes

(CPS) -- The group that raised a nationwide student voice against drunk driving announced a new effort Jan. 23 and a new target: steroid and other illegal drug use by student athletes and their young fans.

Robert Anastas, founder of the four million-member Students Against Driving Drunk (SADD), figures he can duplicate his success.

"We can reverse peer pressure and make it positive rather than negative," he maintained in announcing his new program.

"Student athletes are natural leaders and trendsetters in our high schools and universities. When they stumble, everyone falls," Anastas said, who recalled deciding to mount an anti-drug crusade among athletes after New York Giants linebacker Lawrence Taylor was disciplined for failing a drug test and Canadian Olympian Ben Johnson lost his gold medal last summer after testing positive for steroid use.

"When I heard he used steroids," Anastas said, "I thought the American dream was shattered."

"He was the greatest commercial for steroids, but it's shattered the work ethic

that coaches try to install in boys and girls, that if you run when others walk, sleep when others party, you can go anywhere in sports. Now the message is 'I can do it my way and cheat.' But that's a false package, and students need to know that."

Anastas said the new program, called Student Athletes Detest Drugs, will use the same technique as his drunk driving effort: students will sign cards pledging not to abuse drugs.

"We'll give the cards to the athletic director, who will pass them on to his coaches, who will discuss drug abuse with their teams. If they agree to sign cards, then they'll also make a public statement."

"But they won't only be making a statement, they'll be sending a message to their parents, their brothers and sisters, their fellow students and their fans, too."

"Once you've committed publicly," Anastas continued, "It's not easy to go to a party and down a six-pack or smoke a joint without feeling like a hypocrite."

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Steinbrenner suggests changes in USOC

PORTLAND, Ore. (AP) — America's Olympic program must trim its bloated bureaucracy, spend more money on athletes, and make winning medals its primary goal.

That was the message Sunday from a U.S. Olympic Committee panel chaired by George Steinbrenner, the New York Yankees principal owner and new vice president of the USOC.

Steinbrenner shook up the USOC, to the delight of some and the resentment of others, by saying it should slash its executive board from 89 to 43 voting members and eliminate 19 of 32 committees.

"The USOC and its members to a degree have lost their unity of purpose, and need to recapture their sense of mission," the report said.

That mission, it said, is "to ensure conditions enabling American athletes the unfettered opportunity to prepare themselves to compete internationally to the maximum of their abilities."

Steinbrenner was criticized by many Olympic athletes for his "winning is everything" attitude when he was appointed last year to head the USOC Overview Commission.

The point of amateur athletics, critics such as speedskater Bonnie Blair said, was participation and striving for one's own best, not just winning.

"Winning medals must always be the primary goal," said the Steinbrenner report. When asked about the goal, he turned the question around.

"If the winning of medals isn't important, how come every one of your newspapers puts the medal count on the

front page?" he said.

"It's important for this country to be among the best. The American public must never be satisfied just to make the team and not care about the performance, and there's some of that."

USOC President Robert H. Helmick said "the main message is, 'Let's not handicap the athletes and keep them from winning. Let's give them the support they need to perform at their best.'"

Edwin Moses, a two-time Olympic gold medalist in the 400-meter intermediate hurdles, didn't quarrel with Steinbrenner's emphasis on winning medals.

"I think that's what any athlete wants," Moses said. "Everyone is in it to win."

Moses also welcomed the proposed changes in the USOC.

"I think when a company goes from being a small, family-type business to a large corporation, you have to go through some kind of restructuring in order to operate efficiently," he said. "Everybody might not be happy, though."

Not everybody was happy, despite loud applause for Steinbrenner by the executive board after he spoke.

Mike Jacki, executive director of the U.S. Gymnastics Federation, was worried about whether the USOC board members would implement the change.

"A lot of people thrive on being here," Jacki said. "They're more concerned about being here than they are about giving more help to athletes. If they had to make a sacrifice, they'd say,

'I'd rather go to a meeting than have that support go to an athlete.'"

The U.S. Olympic team, Steinbrenner said, should be promoted as America's team.

"You can't do it with the Yankees, and you can't do it with the Dodgers. You sure as hell can do it with the Olympics."

Indiana tops Michigan, 76-75

(AP) — Bill Frieder wouldn't complain about the referees. Not exactly. All he would do is cast doubt.

"I'll get ripped if I say it was good because people will say I'm not standing up for my team, and I'll get ripped if I say it wasn't good because they'll say I was making excuses," Frieder said Sunday after Jay Edward's 3-pointer at the buzzer gave ninth-ranked Indiana a 76-75 victory over No. 13 Michigan.

"I think I heard a horn while it was in the air," Edwards said. "I didn't hear it before I shot it."

Edwards never saw the ball go in. But he knew it did.

"I heard everybody scream," Edwards said. "I couldn't believe it at first. I'm just now realizing what happened."

Rumeal Robinson, who led the Wolverines with 24 points, knew immediately what happened.

"We had the game in our hands," Robinson said. "A referee call in a crucial game like this is what will give

them the Big Ten championship."

The Hoosiers, 21-5, are 11-1 in the conference with six games remaining. Illinois is second at 8-4. Michigan, 19-6, fell into a tie with Iowa at third at 7-5.

In other games Sunday, No. 3 Missouri beat Nebraska 79-63, No. 8 North Carolina beat Maryland 86-75, No. 14 West Virginia beat Rhode Island 90-66 and No. 18 Nevada-Las Vegas beat Temple 62-60.

On Saturday, No. 1 Oklahoma beat Colorado 106-88, No. 2 Arizona beat UCLA 102-64, No. 4 Georgetown beat Boston College 80-69, Wisconsin beat No. 5 Illinois 72-52, No. 6 Syracuse beat Providence 87-80, Memphis State beat No. 7 Florida State 89-78, No. 11 Duke beat Kansas 102-77, Pittsburgh beat No. 12 Seton Hall 82-76, No. 15 Iowa beat Minnesota 91-66, Northwestern beat No. 16 Ohio State 70-69, No. 19 North Carolina State beat Georgia Tech 71-69 and Vanderbilt beat No. 20 Louisiana State 108-74.

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Guatemalan villagers suspicious of Army

by Brook Larmer
The Christian Science Monitor

SAN ANDRES IZTAPA, Guatemala — Ever since the strangled and tortured bodies of 22 peasants were discovered in November near El Aguacate, a village cradled in the hills above San Andres Iztapa, the Guatemalan Army has highlighted the massacre as an example of the atrocities wrought by leftist guerrillas.

For a civilian government still struggling to establish international credibility after years of brutal military rule, the "Aguacate" case could be pivotal.

Guatemalan officials have used it to show the world that they are dealing with "terrorists," and thus worthy of continued foreign aid. But the official version of the November massacre is strongly challenged by village residents interviewed by the *Monitor*, human rights activists, and leaders of a wide range of political groups.

Doubts about the publicized massacre add to growing concern about renewed political violence here in the past year.

Several European and five Latin American countries are using the UN Human Rights Commission, which met recently in Geneva, to reclassify Guatemala as a "worst offender." Such a reclassification could cut the flow of foreign aid.

Several developments cast doubt on the official version of the Aguacate murders:

— Relatives of the victims told the *Monitor* that the two "witnesses" sent to testify before the United States Congress in December were military in-

formers who didn't actually witness the tragedy. They said there was only one true witness, who claimed to see government soldiers leading the peasants away and loading them onto Army helicopters.

— The Army maintains that the guerrillas strangled the peasants because they didn't want to waste ammunition or attract attention. But relatives say each body had a bullet hole in the back.

— Last week a human-rights group released an investigation that laid responsibility for the massacre on the Army. The Center for the Investigation, Study, and Promotion of Human Rights published the report even after its director, Factor Mendez, received death threats and its office was strafed by machine-gun fire.

— Later, an infuriated Col. Jose Luis Quilo summoned six survivors of the massacre to the nearby Chimaltenango Army base. According to fellow villagers, the six men said they were threatened and urged to publicly denounce the guerrillas for the massacre.

— The government human-rights attorney, Gonzalo Menendez de la Riva, only made two brief trips to San Andres Iztapa, where he met with neither the "witnesses" nor the survivors. "It was more like a tourist trip than an investigation," says former adjunct Arturo Martinez Galvez, who resigned in protest in January. "We didn't even open a file on the case."

— Leaders of a range of political groups, ultra-conservative to progressive, signed a paid advertisement Dec. 10 calling for a "profound investigation." There has been no answer

"This was the biggest massacre in Guatemala since 1978. But instead of investigating it, (the government) just shipped its witnesses to the U.S.," says Mike Shawcross, a social worker and government supporter. "If the Army version turns out to be wrong — and nearly everyone thinks it is wrong — then they've got a lot of egg on their face."

The stakes are high.

Three years ago, when Cincio Cerezo Arevalo became Guatemala's first civilian president in 16 years, he was intent on reforming a country that had suffered 100,000 killing and 40,000 disappearances. Political violence dropped dramatically during his first two years, enough to lift the U.S. boycott on military aid and attract funds from Europe.

But, according to human-rights monitors here, a wave of kidnappings,

torture, and political murders has been building ever since conservative Army officers attempted a coup last May. Three death squads have surfaced in the past two months.

Discussion of renewed violence at this week's UN meeting could cost the country dearly.

"If the wave of bad images keeps coming out of Guatemala, it could be difficult for European countries to continue sending aid," says a political analyst.

So far, only one country has publicly endorsed the Army's version of the massacre: the U.S.

For confirmation, U.S. officials refer to a cable released by the opposition news agency, CREIGUA, three days after the massacre. The dispatch reported that leftist rebels had caused 25 Army casualties in ambushes near here on the day of the massacre.

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