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System officials speak in Augusta

Richardson says cuts will have 'severe impact' on UMaine System



UMaine President Dale Lick speaks to the Legislature's Joint Standing Committee on Education earlier this week.

Campus photo by Doug Vanderweide

AUGUSTA, Maine (AP) — Meeting John R. McKernan's full \$10 million target for cut-backs in University of Maine System spending would result in a "severe impact on the quality of the institution," trustees chief Harrison Richardson told the Appropriations Committee on Thursday.

University Chancellor Robert Woodbury forecasted a 12 percent tuition hike, a 700- to 800-person decline in enrollment and the loss of 190 positions, including an unspecified number of actual layoffs, as potential consequences of McKernan's call for a \$210 million reduction in the biennial budget.

Outlining the pressure on the statewide campus system,

university officials said that increasing the \$6 million in cuts they have already proposed to the full \$10 million now being sought would amount to a reduction of almost 7 percent in the next fiscal year.

Woodbury, saying that more than three-quarters of the university-system's costs were tied to personnel, called substantial savings especially difficult to achieve in the short-term and suggested that only a major restructuring could produce a major cut in spending.

In the latter case, he said, "the right strategy is to downsize," but added that such an approach would involve steps to either "contract the mission," of the state univer-

sity system or to "dismantle some of your capacity."

Echoing remarks he made to the full Legislature on Monday, even as McKernan was unveiling his budget reduction package, Woodbury said he hoped not only to "not lose momentum" in upgrading the university system but also to "not lose the psychology that supports the momentum."

University officials pegged 12-percent tuition hikes at \$240 per student.

The university officials' comments came amid some bantering over how to describe the budget troubles, which McKernan has declared do not con-

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GSS holds candidates' forum, part 2

Three tickets vie for the top student government jobs in recall election

By Damon Kiesow
Staff Writer

The General Student Senate held its usually annual candidates' night Tuesday in Nutting Hall.

It was actually the second such occasion held in three months. The last, in Dec. 1989, was host to five different tickets. After the nullification of that election, the ballot this time around is considerably smaller.

While four of the candidates who spoke Tuesday ran last December, only one of the tickets was the same.

The tickets this time are: Dwight Dorsey, Chad Crabtree-Stavros Mendros, and Gunnar Christensen-Ed Glover.

Crabtree and Mendros ran with Tom Magadiou and Gary Atwood, respectively, in the last election.

Dorsey, who is president of Residents on Campus, did not run in the last election.

Christensen and Glover, the only complete ticket left from last December, were the unofficial winners of last semester's nullified election.

Kurt Meletzke and Devin Anderson were also on the ballot, but they have been officially removed by the Fair Election Practices Commission.

According to FEPC Chair Alicia Fencer, Meletzke and Anderson were removed for their failure to attend a mandatory candidate's meeting with the FEPC.

Fencer told the *Maine Campus* that the FEPC held a special meeting last Thursday, at which the candidates were asked to explain their absence.

It was at this meeting that the FEPC voted unanimously to remove them from the ballot.

"They can still be write-in candidates," Fencer said.

Meletzke said Thursday the reason he could not attend the 7:00 p.m. Wednesday meeting was because both he and Anderson had a lab class at 6:00 p.m.

"We did have a representative who was going to attend, but something came up and he couldn't make it," said Meletzke. "We are still running as a write-in ticket."

The student government candidates were scheduled to speak in the order of their appearance on the ballot.

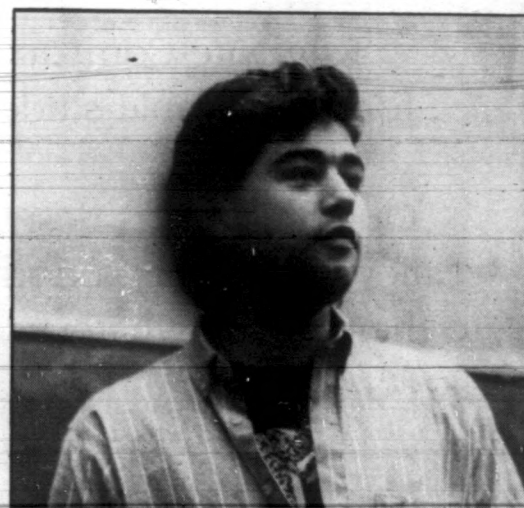
Dwight Dorsey, first on the ballot, spoke last however. He ar-

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The Candidates:



Chad Crabtree (left) and Stavros Mendros



Dwight Dorsey



Gunnar Christensen and Ed Glover

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Phi Mu sorority will recolonize in March

By Erika Hurtubise
Staff Writer

Becky Peterson, former National President of the Phi Mu sorority, spoke to University of Maine Panhellenic Council and Fraternity Board members last Thursday night, asking their support in rebuilding the University of Maine's Phi Mu chapter.

Over the last few years, UMaine's Phi Mu chapter has experienced a significant decrease in the number of members, as well as student interest.

Currently, Phi Mu has one initiated member, President Jen Bishop, and eight pledges.

"We knew we had a situation where a chapter needed to be rebuilt," Bishop said.

Peterson has led several successful Phi Mu regroupings at various colleges across the nation. She will return to UMaine this March to regenerate interest in Phi Mu among the university's women.

"A lot of women at UMaine could be an asset to the Greek system," Peterson said.

Peterson asked members of UMaine's Greek system to contribute to the regrouping of Phi Mu by submitting a list of potential women on campus who may or may not have a current interest in a sorority and could be a positive asset to the UMaine community.

"From what I've heard, Maine is a growing sorority and fraternity school," said Peterson.

Peterson plans to "reeducate the entire Phi Mu group," she said. "This is necessary to have a contributing chapter on campus and in Phi Mu."

Peterson is optimistic about regrouping Phi Mu at UMaine because of a successful recolonization Delta Zeta conducted here nearly five years ago.

"It took a long time to build up (Delta Zeta) to a (strong) level," said Deb Greenberg, president of Delta Zeta at UMaine. "We don't want to just pick any girls."

Presently, Delta Zeta holds 30 members.

"I think it can work (for Phi Mu)," Greenberg said.

Bishop said Phi Mu lost a few members last semester due to graduation and through a transfer to another college. However, a decline in the number

of members and interest began a few years ago, for reasons she does not understand.

Bishop, a sophomore, rushed Phi Mu in the fall of 1988. At that time, the sorority was lacking substantial support.

In March, Peterson will return to UMaine to begin Phi Mu's recolonization. Devita McBride, Phi Mu's national chapter consultant, will accompany Peterson and aid Phi Mu in the pledging process.

Beginning Phi Mu's rush after UMaine's two-week spring break in March, Phi Mu will avoid "interfering with the existing framework on campus," Peterson said.

It is not the chapter's intention to take away potential sorority members from UMaine's current rushing activities, she said.

Peterson pointed out that the recolonization is not a rush function but more of an "interview" with women interested in rushing Phi Mu.

"One of the things a new group does is set goals, programs and decisions on a particular campus," Peterson said. "They are all unique."

Among the Greeks present at the meeting, there was some concern about the added pressures that will be placed upon UMaine women rushing at that time. Towards the end of March, students will be on the downward slope of the spring semester, heading towards prelims and final exams. This is usually a stressful and time consuming period without the extra responsibilities included in rushing, they said.

Assistant Dean William Lucy, director of Student Activities, spoke in support of Peterson's decision to regroup Phi Mu, regardless of the time of semester the recolonization will take place.

"There are pros and cons for coming (to UMaine) at different times. Ideally, if you could come now, this is the time," Lucy told Peterson.

"However, we (UMaine Greeks) will support you whenever you decide is the right time for you."

Lucy said he was "pleased Phi Mu wants to stay on campus," and felt Peterson would do very well at UMaine.

"Even if some (women) are not interested in Phi Mu, this may generate interest next fall for other sororities," said Lucy.

Private colleges outrank public business schools

(CPS) — Private colleges do a better job than public universities in preparing students for the business world, said a group of 500 business executives surveyed in the Midwest.

The survey was released in mid-January by the Ameritach Partnership for Independent Colleges, a consortium of Midwest independent foundations and associations.

The executives said that private colleges do a better job in developing students who think critically, communicate effectively and provide leadership.

The survey covered businesses in in

Ohio, Indiana, Michigan and Wisconsin.

"It is gratifying to see a greater appreciation of the students who come from independent colleges," said Kenneth Hoyt, president of the Ohio Foundation of Independent Colleges.

But, public university officials disagree with the survey.

"I would challenge that, I think we do a pretty good job here," said Terry Arndt, associate dean of the college of business at Ball State University in Muncie, Ind.

"Comparing private and public schools is like comparing apples and oranges," he added.

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Child abuse reports on rise in Maine

Psychology professor questions number of cases, harm to young victims

By J. Emily Hathaway
Staff Writer

Is the rate of child sexual abuse on the increase? Is adult-child sex harmful to the children involved?

These were two of the questions addressed by William O'Donohue, a University of Maine psychology professor, Tuesday.

The talk was the third in a Women in the Curriculum Lunch Series entitled "Sexual Behavior: Changing Attitudes, Perceptions and Morals."

O'Donohue said there has been an increased frequency of reports of child sexual abuse.

"The State of Maine Department of Human Services gets about 15,000 reports a year about child abuse. About 5,000 of these are reports of child abuse. About ten years ago there were half as many reports," he said.

According to O'Donohue, the state now requires professionals to report allegations of child sexual abuse to the Department of Human Services. However, the department only has enough staff to investigate one-third of the child abuse reports it receives.

"That doesn't mean that they believe the other 10,000 are completely without merit. They have to extend their scarce resources to cover the problem as best as they can," he said.

O'Donohue said that one-third of Maine's prison beds are occupied by sex offenders.

"The majority of these are child sexual abusers ... The single highest incidence of problem that occupies prison beds in the State of Maine is child sexual abuse," he said.

According to O'Donohue, the increase in reported cases could have come about for three reasons.

"Is it a disclosure of a long-standing problem that for some reason now we're getting more disclosure? Does it repre-

sent a massive increase? Is there an epidemic of fictitious reports?" he said.

O'Donohue said, on a larger scale, the reporting of child sexual abuse dates back to psychoanalyst Sigmund Freud's 1894 report of 18 cases. In 1897 Freud decided the reports represented wishful thinking on the children's part.

"There were two things that Freudian theory promoted: [A] these reports are not actual ... (and) [B] even when the reports recounted actual incidences of child abuse the child was the seductive partner," he said.

According to O'Donohue, a number of studies have since been done. However, he said it is hard to compare the figures since they differ on dimensions such as the definition of abuse, the age difference required, and how the study was conducted.

O'Donohue said most people agree on two things.

"One, it's significant — much more frequent than most people commonly think. Two, that it tends to be a gender crime ... females are usually the victims and males the perpetrators," he said.

O'Donohue said that pedophile groups argue that adult-child sex is not wrong — society has been too repressive.

"They would say that children are naturally sexual. We try to repress it and ignore it and this is harmful for the child. Children can actually benefit from sexual contact with loving adults," he said.

According to O'Donohue, these groups claim the children involved are not injured.

"They're against childhood rape. They're talking about what they call consenting contact between adults and children. Rape and violence would be wrong, but not a more affectionate contact," he said.

O'Donohue said the groups claim, if children end up in psychological treatment, this is because of the aftermath

rather than the sexual experience.

"(They assert) it's the kids being stigmatized. It's the parents acting in shock. It's the kids having to go through the court system and deal with antagonistic lawyers," he said.

According to O'Donohue, the organizations' newsletters contain letters that are allegedly from children.

"I'm a boy of thirteen and I hope you will read this letter...I wish I was one of the kids in the stories featured here in the bulletin with someone to love me like that. I think it is wrong for people like police to bother men and boys who just want to love each other," he said.

O'Donohue said these groups claim that our age of consent laws are much too conservative. One group has a slogan "Sex at eight before it's too late." They say eight should be the age of consent.

"NAMBLA [another group] supposedly shows a scientific study in which an adult male's penis entering a boy's rectum doesn't cause damage after the age of six," he said.

According to O'Donohue, some of the groups claim that we hold a double standard when it comes to consent.

"Two adults engaging in sex — how consenting is that sometimes?" he said.

O'Donohue said that he rejects these arguments.

"I think they're wrong. They're self-serving. They vastly underestimate the effects abuse has," he said.

O'Donohue said that the groups differ in how they counsel members in regard to current laws.

(see ABUSE page 7)

ATTENTION !

The following financial aid advertisement ran incorrectly on Wednesday, February 7. The FAF mailing deadline is February 15, not April 15, as stated.

Financial Aid Form (FAF) to College Scholarship Service by February 15

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Class discusses cultural diversity

By John Begin
Staff Writer

In following the lead of the University of Maine System to better integrate cultural pluralism into the curriculum, the Honors Program has established a course to educate students about UMaine's various cultures.

This semester marks the inauguration of the interdisciplinary course, "HON 450: Cultural Identity In Our Time," which seeks to dispel the myths and negativity surrounding the many cultures on campus, viewing them as valuable resources rather than as hindrances.

"The melting pot didn't do its job," said course instructor Jim Bishop, referring to the 1800s' belief of America as a mixing bowl of ethnicity.

"We're not 'standard' Americans."

While UMaine is not populated by "standard Americans," the cultural identities of many students have been threatened by the high degree of assimilation in college, which attempts to blend many distinct cultures into a homogenous one.

Bishop sees this cultural assimilation as a potentially dangerous situation.

"You lose important pieces of yourself — your tongue, your family."

It's not a healthy way to approach education, or life," he said.

In order to break down the assimilation process, the course relies on a curriculum designed to provide insight on the customs and histories of different ethnic groups, as well as interaction with guest lecturers.

Monday afternoon's class, a panel discussion titled "Cultural Identity and Education," featured administrators from a diversity of backgrounds.

Rene Attean, the director of the Katahdin Area Health Education Center in Princeton, Maine, told of her struggles as a Native American growing up on the Penobscot Reservation in Old Town.

"Being Indian was something I couldn't hide, so I dealt with it," she said. "I grew up not thinking there was anything wrong with being an Indian,

until I left the reservation and found out differently. Who I was never mattered, it was what I looked like that mattered," Attean said.

For William Small, the chairman of UMaine's Department of Foreign Languages and Classics, and a Jew, the "agonies" came with the approaching of Christmas and Easter.

"It's difficult to grow up as the outsider, the non-Christian," Small said.

Small said that on upon entering Bowdoin College in the late 1950s, he threw himself into total assimilation, to escape what he referred to as "quiet prejudice."

"It's very easy for students and faculty to hide out. Simply assimilate — it's the easiest way," he said.

Samori Rashid, UMaine's associate director of admissions, said that his African-American background prevented him from having the easy assimilation option that Small had.

"Given my color, I don't have the option of hiding," he said.

Yvon Labbe, the director of the Franco-American Center on College Avenue, said he helped to establish the center in the 1970s because he was concerned with the "lack of presence of people like me."

One of the biggest problems facing the integration of cultural pluralism at UMaine concerns the way in which the diversity of ethnic groups are perceived, Labbe said.

"The diversity is not seen as an asset, but rather as a problem," he said.

After the panelists finished presenting the audience with information about themselves and their experiences with prejudice, one student of Native-American descent asked the panelists what she could do to make her struggle with college easier and more bearable.

Cheryl Daly, the assistant dean of students for multi-cultural programs, said that she had had success with what she called "a support system."

By joining a variety of student organizations while she attended Queens College in New York, Daly was able to

develop a strong sense of pride and confidence in herself.

"Before long, the pride and confidence becomes a part of your daily life," Daly said. "The university is responding to you. Make them respond to you."

Rashid offered further advice.

"Find yourself, take pride in yourself, and have a sense of who you are," he said.

Rene Attean agreed.

"If you don't have yourself, you have nothing," she said.

As part of the course, a Speakers Series will bring different cultural experiences to UMaine every two weeks, beginning on Feb. 12, with Wayne Newell's lecture "The Struggle for Cultural Integrity."

Newell, a Passamaquoddy Indian and principal of the Indian Township School in Princeton, will be speaking in Memorial Union's Bangor Lounge at 4 p.m.

On Feb. 26 at 4 p.m., ssipsis, a Penobscot writer, painter, and long-time

advocate for Native American's and women's rights, will be lecturing on "The Art of Indian Giving" in the Bangor Lounge.

Robert Leavitt, the director of the Micmac-Maliseet Institute at the University of New Brunswick, will speak on "Language and Identity" on Mar. 19, at 4 p.m. in the Bangor Lounge.

Andrea Bear Nicholas, a historian and member of the Maliseet tribe, who recently contributed to an important inclusion of Indian history in Maine history texts, will lecture on "Education and Culture" on April 2, at 4 p.m., in Memorial Union's Sutton Lounge.

The last speaker in the series, Robert Vachon, a Roman Catholic priest and editor of "Inter-Culture, a journal dealing with multi-cultural issues, will speak on "The Revolution of Cultural Pluralism" on April 6, at 4 p.m. in the Bangor Lounge.

The Speaker Series is free and open to the public. For more information call 581-3262.

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titude a "crisis."

"I don't want to use that word," said Richardson, a former legislator and longtime friend of the governor, choosing instead to cast the situation as "a very serious matter."

He said a short time later, "I would prefer to describe it as a matter of great concern."

Committee members repeatedly stumbled self-consciously in the search for a synonym. At one point, Senate Chairman Michael D. Pearson, D-Enfield, pressed an inquiry about "the grave situation that we have," adding, "whatever word you want to use."

Another panel member, Rep. Patrick K. McGowan, D-Canaan, evidenced a slight change in his own characterization of McKernan's cutback announcement. In its immediate aftermath, McGowan had described the event as "Black Monday." But on Thursday, McGowan appeared to devalue the moment, referring to it merely as "Dark Monday."

Asked about the linguistic dilemma, Rep. Judith C. Foss, R-Falmouth, shrugged. "I think the state is facing difficult times," she said, "not business as usual."

For the committee, business as usual was listening to a parade of departmental and agency officials describing proposals to limit spending and meet the administration's cutback targets without jeopardizing essential services and programs.

Following the university presentation, Sen. Joseph C. Brannigan, D-Portland, said panel members would be hard-pressed to know whether to treat Woodbury's remarks as a submission of recommended cuts or as a warning against accepting such reductions.

"It never came across as a proposal," Brannigan said, "but they certainly were asking that they not take the (entire) extra \$4 million" in target reductions.

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East German speaks on changes

By Damon Kiesow
Staff Writer

Mark Twain once said, "It is by the goodness of God that our country has three things: freedom of speech, freedom of conscience, and the prudence never to practice either of them."

East German journalist Hermut Mechtel, a leader in that country's democracy movement, used Twain's words to set the stage for his speech Wednesday night in Nutting Hall.

"In the GDR (East Germany) in 1989 we didn't have freedom of speech, freedom of conscience, or freedom of demonstration," he said, "but we also didn't have the prudence never to practice them."

It was that lack of prudence that thrust Mechtel into the forefront of the democratic movement.

A member of the Communist party for 16 years, Mechtel left it because, as he explains, he could no longer support the party with his silence.

Mechtel described life in East Germany and the events which led up to the opening of the Berlin Wall on Nov. 9 1989.

The Communist party was "owner of the whole country," he said, "not de jure, but de facto."

Under Communist rule, the party controlled the newspapers, radio and television. It was for this reason that Mechtel gave up his position as editor of the Communist controlled *Freie Erde* in Neubrandenburg, to become a free-lance writer in 1978.

The state security service tapped phones, opened mail and kept "the whole country under surveillance," said Mechtel.

The secret police were a force of 85,000, but according to Mechtel, there also were "half a million unofficial members. Snoopers who betrayed their friends or colleagues for money, party idealism, or under pressure or duress."

The people of East Germany saw the security service "not as a protector, but as a terrorist organization," he said.

Mechtel said, while there were regular elections in East Germany, they were not free and open as in the western democracies.

The Communist Party, "nominated 70

to 80 percent of all the candidates," he said.

To make it more difficult for people to vote against Communist Party candidates, party affiliations were not listed on the ballots.

"If one didn't know the candidates," Mechtel said, "one didn't know which party they belonged to."

Nevertheless, Mechtel said, votes for the Communists were dropping every year.

This apparent drop in support had little effect in the election results.

"In the GDR it was common practice to falsify figures," he said.

No matter how many votes opposition parties received the Communists would declare that they "had the full backing of the people," Mechtel said.

"It wasn't success that counted," he said, "but the news of success."

The falsifying of voting figures in the May 7, 1989 elections was the catalyst which led to change in East Germany, Mechtel said.

"When I saw the election returns in the newspaper the next day, I was depressed," he said. "Ninety-eight percent (in Potsdam) had voted for candidates" from the Communist Party.

"Many people were discontent with the government," he said, "but they went to the elections and voted" for the Communists.

"Are we a nation of cowards?" Mechtel asked himself.

Soon after the election he attended a gathering of citizens who were concerned about the returns.

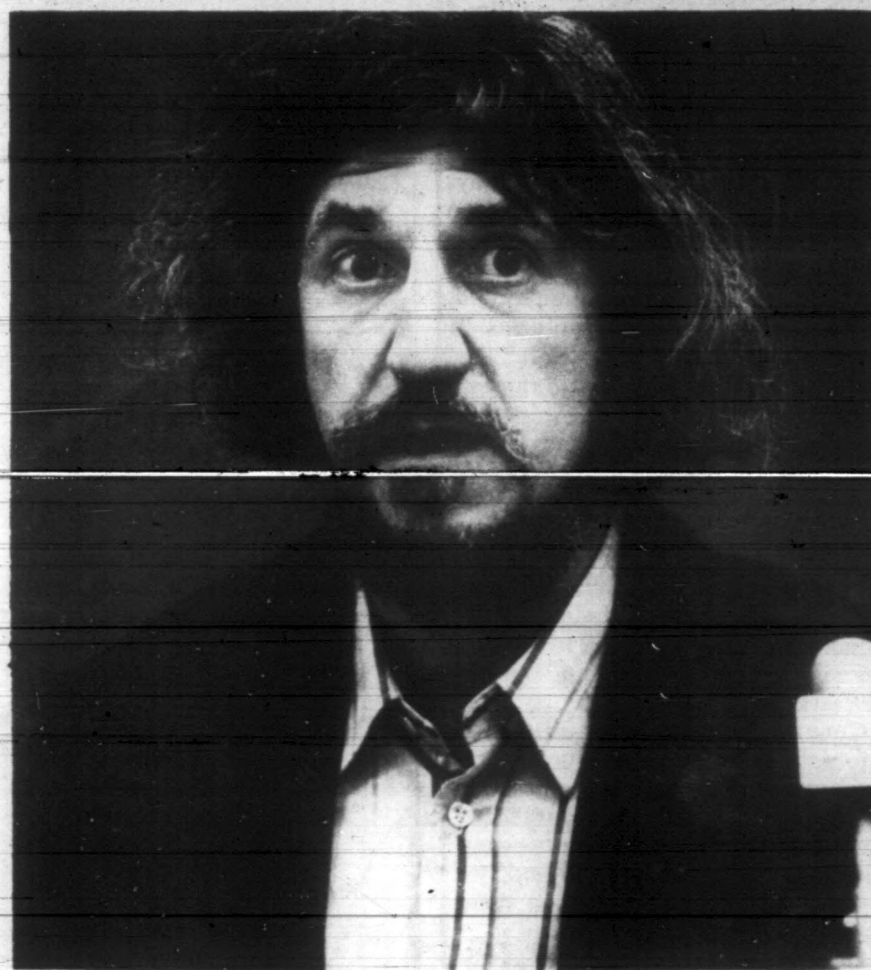
"We met there nearly 60 people most of them had participated in the party count of the ballots and had noted the results," he said.

It was discovered at that meeting that the party election committee "had forgotten a zero in announcing the election returns," Mechtel said. "15,000 votes against (the Communists), instead of 1500."

"I was relieved," he said, "we were not a nation of cowards, only a criminal government."

Mechtel and his wife joined grassroots citizens' action groups and began writing protests, filing criminal charges and making public speeches.

After signing a call to form the New



Journalist Hermut Mechtel.

Campus photo by John Baer

Forum, the first anti-Communist democratic party in East Germany, Mechtel was detained by state security and questioned for five hours.

He still continued his campaign against the Communists and was active in organizing demonstrations.

On Nov. 9, in his home town of Potsdam, 100,000 protesters marched against the government. That same day,

in Berlin, close to 1 million also marched.

"That night the government opened the wall," he said.

Mechtel is currently on a speaking tour and is scheduled to talk at Bates College, Bowdoin College and the University of New Hampshire, among others.

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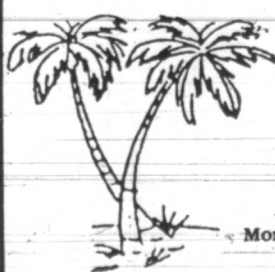


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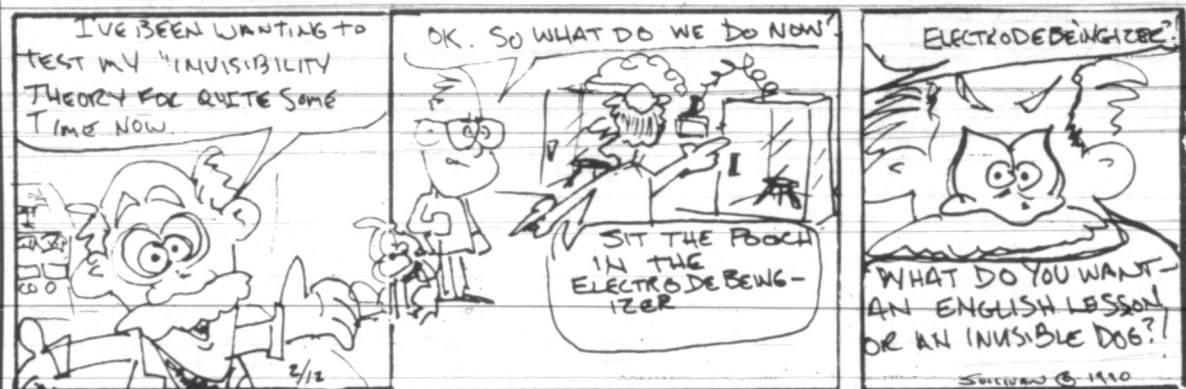
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Cuts

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Noting that the university officials had been urged to present similar arguments to the governor, Brannigan added, "we'll have to wait and see what comes from that."

Later, McKernan's chief of staff, Sharon Miller, said the governor remained open to counter-proposals for reaching his \$210 million budget reduction target.

"As he's said, his budget's a starting point," she said.

Miller also noted that the university and other non-cabinet agencies had not been asked to assume a fully proportional share of budget cuts.

"The \$10 million is still the target," she said. Of Woodbury's contact with McKernan, she said, "they've talked."

Abuse

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"Some say obey current laws and we'll try to work within the system to change them. Others indicate not to obey current laws," he said.

O'Donohue defined pedophilia as a primary erotic orientation toward children.

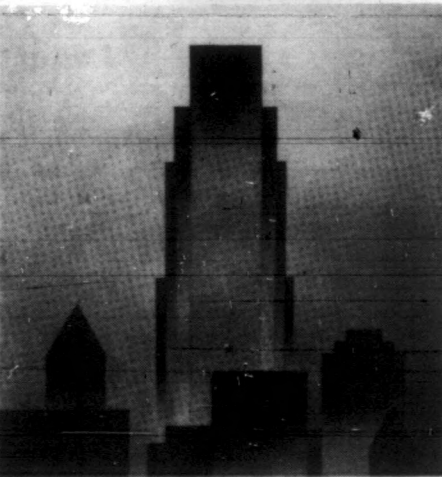
"It's more than just an age difference. They're attracted to an immature body ... Horribly enough, some pedophiles are even attracted to infants. Infants have been abused," he said.

O'Donohue said that many pedophiles are users or producers of child pornography, including child "snuff" films.

"Snuff" films are pornography that shows the killing or maiming of a person," he said.

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Editorial

Some stamp of approval

When an item goes up in price by a nickel, most people are not too concerned. But when that five cent increase is on a postage stamp, people tend to take notice.

The increase, the first since 1988 and the largest in U.S. history, will be up before the Postal Service Board of Governors in March.

If it passes, the proposed increase would create a 20 percent increase, and bring the price of a stamp up to 30 cents. The proposal would take effect in February of 1991.

The 20 percent increase is six percentage points higher than the rate in which consumer prices have risen from 1988 to 1991.

How can the federal government raise the price of stamps by such a high inflation rate?

The answer to that is not known, but one of the reasons for the increase is the substantial national deficit.

The Postal Service managed a \$404 million surplus in the last three months of 1989, but they expect a \$1.6 billion deficit for the period ending on September 30.

The Postal Service was also required to contribute \$800 million to deficit reduction in the last two years, even though they don't use a cent of tax-payers money.

It appears that the government, in order to keep with their idea of no new taxes, are trying to find a way to generate income without the taxpayer seeing an increase in their taxes.

And what is interesting about the government getting "contributions" from the Postal Service is that the two have been separated since 1971 when tax subsidies were eliminated, and the Postal Service, in effect, has no connection with the federal government.

It also appears that the five cent increase is not that big of a deal.

However, if someone owns a company that sends out a lot of first-class mail, they could be looking at a substantial increase in the amount of money they spend on mailing.

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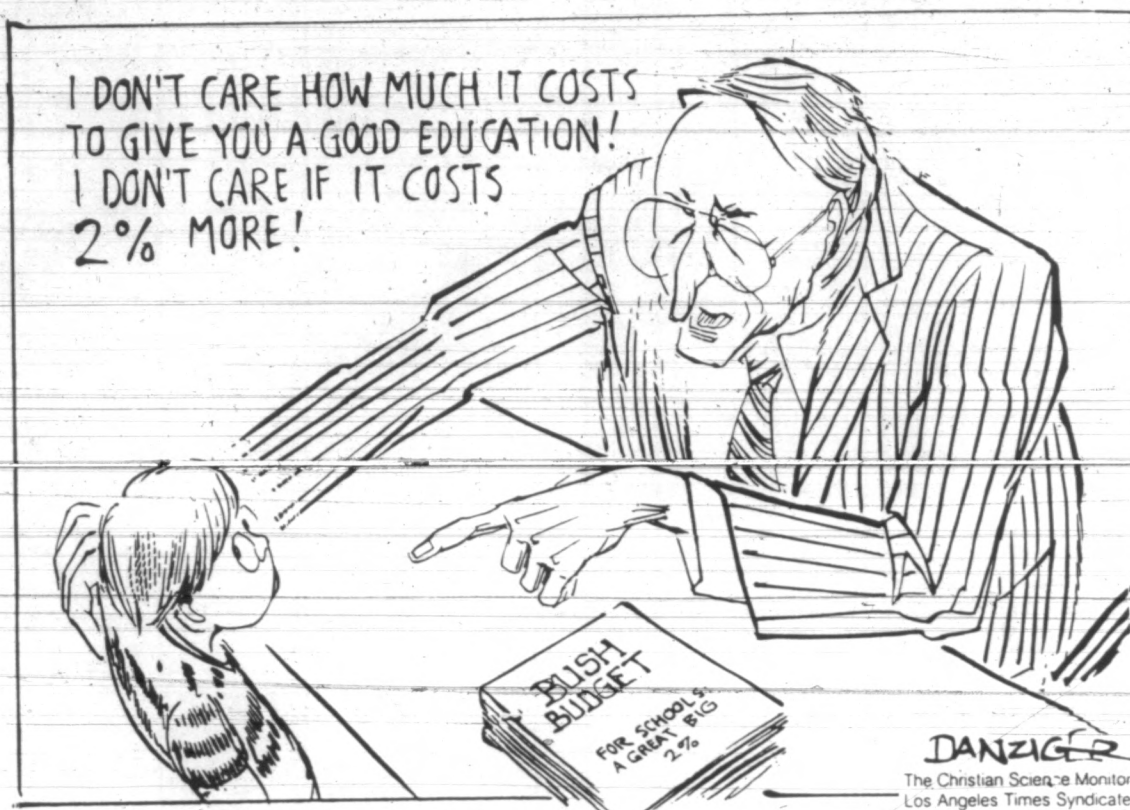
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The price of love

If you haven't heard by now, the State of Maine is having financial difficulties. It seems that someone in central accounting didn't quite carry a decimal point far enough one Friday afternoon. It was getting late, and the poor guy's glasses were broken. He also had a big date with the counter girl down at McDonalds on Western Avenue.

She's a cute little thing who just melts his heart when he sees her all decked out in that brown and gold outfit.

Anyway, he was counting the minutes until the weekend and his mind really wasn't on the numbers he'd been playing with since eight that morning and he blew it. And that decimal point didn't quite go where it should.

What's worse is that he didn't notice.

So? you say. The guy would pick it up first thing on Monday.

Well he didn't. Having spent the entire weekend with the cute little blond from McDonalds, he was sooooo in love by the time he got back to work on Monday she was all he could think about. And he didn't notice.

And that's a big deal.

If you write it out numerically, a dollar looks like this: \$1.00. If you move the decimal point one to the right it looks like this: \$10.0, and that's ten dollars. If you began with ten dollars and made the same mistake you would end up with one hundred dollars.

An increase of ninety dollars. The State of Maine deals with very large numbers in their check book, so when that guy was getting himself worked up over the little blond cutie he gave the State an extra hundred million or so just by sliding one decimal point too far right.

Meanwhile, Jock was out spending money like it was growing on trees, and when so-



Galen Perry

meone in central accounting finally got around to noticing the mistake it was too late—at which point the State became a little bit pregnant.

If you still don't know how this affects you, let me explain.

In a nutshell the answer is this:

The University of Maine and its sister campus' are State funded, and when it comes to trimming the budget this State will do what GM or Chrysler or any other large corporation would do to save millions; they send out word that each department is to cut X millions from their current and forthcoming budgets.

The chain of command goes like this: Jock phones the Board of Trustees who in turn phone Chancellor Woodbury who in turn phones the presidents of each campus. (At Orono that's President Lick) President Lick begins the trickle down effect of passing the buck, or in this case, cutting the buck, by phoning Vice President Hitt who then phones the respective Deans of each college who in turn phone all-department Chairs telling them to CUT THE BUDGET. NOW!

It doesn't stop there, however, for not only must the budget be

trimmed this year, but over the next two or three as well. The administration will make the major cuts, and they'll tell you it isn't something they don't enjoy doing, but... What this means is an increase in tuition for all students and a serious case of the frets for some non tenured professors; although a few non-tenured professors have been dealing with the frets for some time now, balancing their teaching load with the research the current administration equates with ability. The others will be beginning fretters with a short apprenticeship.

The current hiring freeze will eliminate new line hires that some departments were counting on, too.

All of this temporary and long term planning creates a malaise which seriously effects the students and faculty, making for the worst of times.

The simple way to eradicate the financial problems for UMaine would be to eliminate the sports programs. This alone would save nearly two million annually. However, when you talk sports at UMaine you go beyond dollars and sense. The fiduciary conscience of the administration is non-existent when dealing with this subject, for there is a far greater force guiding these chosen few: Eg? —the oldest of voodoo which has driven man since the days of Agamemnon.

What happens in the end? The administration dictates policy, students and faculty gripe until even that becomes tiresome and eventually every thing works itself into a faint memory five or six years down the road.

It could be worse, though. The guy in central accounting could have moved that decimal point two places to the right instead of one.

Should be for

To the editor:

In the Wednesday 7, edition of *The Maine Campus* (p.4) you quoted a man, UMaine crime specialist, as stating campus was "lucky" nobody has been killed the result of drunk would like to disagree statement and remind man as well as the campus community, that one year ago this (February 18, 1989, a friend and fellow mine was struck behind while walking sidewalk on a Saturday. She died a few hours another friend of whom she was was seriously injured. The vehicle had a B three times the legal alcohol intoxication had a prior conv

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Should never be forgotten

To the editor:

In the Wednesday, February 7, edition of *The Maine Campus* (p.4) you quoted Alan Storman, UMaine crime prevention specialist, as stating that this campus was "lucky" since nobody has been killed lately as the result of drunk driving. I would like to disagree with this statement and remind Mr. Storman as well as the entire campus community, that almost one year ago this month (February 18, 1989, to be exact), a friend and fellow classmate of mine was struck down from behind while walking along the sidewalk on a Saturday evening. She died a few hours later and, another friend of mine, with whom she was walking, was seriously injured. The driver of the vehicle had a BAC almost three times the legal limit for alcohol intoxication. He had had a prior conviction for

operating under the influence. Linda Lancaster was the name of my friend and colleague. She was dedicated, talented and caring individual who was engaged in the pursuit of her Doctorate in Counselor Education. Even though the accident did not take place directly on campus (in front of the Drydent Corporation on Park St.) and was not committed by a student, it would seem that maybe "we" are not as lucky as Mr. Storman claims. I am not taking issue with Mr. Storman; I am simply asking that Linda Lancaster not be forgotten, especially on the first anniversary of her death. I am also asking that anyone reading this letter think twice before getting behind the wheel of a car after they've been drinking.

Steve White
Doctoral Student
Counselor Education

Perpetuating a deceptive myth

To the editor:

Congratulations, Mr. Vanderweide. Your article in the 2/7/90 issue of *The Maine Campus* has to be the worst piece of writing that I have ever had the displeasure of reading. Do you actually think about what you are writing before you babble it across these pages? It does not appear as such.

First of all, have you ever heard of Indira Gandhi? Has it ever occurred to you that the reason she was assassinated was because she was so brutally repressive of the Sikh minority in India? Guess who led Israel during the Yom Kipper War of 1973? Guess who led Great Britain during the Falkland Islands War of 1982 and is perpetuating the situation in Northern Ireland? That's right, Doug, Golda Meir and Margaret Thatcher respectively (both of whom

are women, I might add). This favorite pet argument of feminists that if the world were run by women, it would be a much better place is completely bogus and without merit. Just look at the evidence. There is plenty more available than what I just mentioned.

One last point Doug, can you say READ THE CONSTITUTION? If not, might I suggest you return to High School civics class so you can learn that the only federal money the President of the United States spends comes out of his paycheck. It is the Congress that Authorizes and Appropriates money for spending. Therefore, Congress is ultimately responsible for "running up the worst budget deficit the world has ever known."

Steven Attenweiler
Political Science

No apology.

To the editor:

What's with the abject apology for having run a photograph of a nude man and woman in your coverage of "Oh, Calcutta!" in the Jan. 30 *Maine Campus*? As you say, the photograph was an accurate depiction of the performance. So "one of the woman's breasts were, clearly visible." Big

Deal! We're all adults. We've all seen nude humans before. Offended readers — and advertisers — are entitled to their prudish opinions, but the Campus should not be intimidated by such criticism. A bit of journalistic courage, please: You have nothing to apologize for.

Phil Locke

The Maine Campus reserves the right to edit letters for length, taste, and libel.

Response



A true opportunity

To the editor:

I feel that all administrative staff at the Univ. of Maine should offer to take a 10 percent cut in salaries and benefits effective immediately. When the choice is between 10 percent roll backs, possible in other areas as well, or a large drop in the quality of educational services as is presently being considered, then the choice is clear.

I feel that this would be a significant statement to make not only to the students of the Univ. of Maine, but also to the people and lawmakers of the entire state. Here is an opportunity to put the State motto, "Dirigo," which means "I lead" into actual practice, to show that we of the University

are out in front, "leading", in search for a way out of this financial crisis without massive layoffs and drastic cuts in much needed and worthwhile services. Who knows, if we take this approach here the Governor might say that he too is willing to take a 10 percent or more cut in salary. Lawmakers and other Administrators around the state might also see the wisdom of this approach and offer 10 percent of their salaries as well. It can be done. The real question is, Who's willing to do it.

When a group of people are in a life raft, stranded in the middle of the ocean and there is a limited supply of food, some aren't thrown overboard or allowed to starve while others receive food. It is shared equal-

ly among all present but given out in small equal amounts as rations. The word ration comes from rational and this should be our approach. Lets not start by throwing anybody or any programs overboard until we have worked on a rational approach to the problem. The dictionary's definition of rational is:

1. Sensible
 2. Reasonable
 3. Able to think and reason clearly
 4. Based on reason
- Lets accept reason as the supreme authority in matters of opinion, belief, or conduct. This is the true definition of rationalism.

Ralph I. Coffman
Old Town

Correction was "inappropriate"

To the editor:

In your 'correction' on Feb. 5, you had acknowledged that the decision to run a photograph on an earlier date was "perhaps inappropriate."

I am genuinely perturbed that you came out with this apology.

I understand that you had to do this because you were threatened by some of your advertisers who were offended by this photograph. Presumably you were warned that you may not get any support from them in the future if you did not apologize for running this photograph.

The Maine Campus is a responsible daily newspaper published by the students of a public university in a free democratic society.

It will be a sad state of affairs

if you continue to apologize whenever somebody takes objection to something you have published just because the item you published has not been acceptable to a person or party because of political or moral or religious grounds.

Can you imagine Salmon Rushdie or his publishers apologizing to Ayatollah Khomeini just because some people did not like his Satanic Verses?

I am afraid next time when you publish a story on Cuba or abortion or gun control or AIDS or whatever, will you apologize on a subsequent day just because some one out there did not like what you printed? Where do we draw a line?

V.K. Balakrishnan
Professor of Mathematics



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Arts



MCA program book wins national award

Orono, Maine - "Passion & Fantasy," the 1989-1990 performance season program book developed by the Maine Center for the Arts, University of Maine, has won a national award for excellence.

The honor was awarded the Maine Center for the Arts by the International Society of Performing Arts Administrators at its recent 42nd annual conference in New York City. The 36-plus page book was cited for excellence in graphics for effective marketing of the performing arts and for the most outstanding contribution in the category of Program/Playbill.

The judges were: Ivan Chermayeff, past president of the American Institute of Graphic Arts, New York; David Finn, chairperson and chief executive

officer of the public relations firm Ruder-Finn, Inc., New York; and Charles D. Peebler Jr., chief executive officer of the advertising agency Bozell Inc., New York.

Rolf Olsen, marketing and public relations director for the Maine Center for the Arts and one of the graphic designers who worked on the book, says he is very pleased by the honor. He notes that having a painting by Michael H. Lewis, UM professor of art, on the cover contributed to the national award.

The "Passion & Fantasy" program book contains advertising and articles on art related topics at the University of Maine. Programs for individual performances, printed on contrasting paper, are stapled in the center of the book.

Cornerstone releases its first album: *Foundation*

River Records proudly announces the release of Cornerstone "Foundation."

This first album effort by one of Northern New England's most enduring popular live bands was produced, recorded, and mixed by Tom Blackwell at Studio Three in Portland, primarily during 1989.

"Foundation" contains nine original recordings by principal

writers Dan Merrill and Steven Boutet of Cornerstone, with contributions by Tom Blackwell and Con Fullam. In addition to Merrill (lead vocals and guitars), and Boutet (keyboards and vocals), other Cornerstone members are Dana Cobb (drums, vocals and drum computer programming), and Jim Goodrich (bass and vocals).

The recording is available in

CD and cassette formats and was distributed to radio, press, and retail during the week of Jan. 8, 1990.

As of Jan. 15, several cuts have been receiving airplay on WTOS, Skowhegan; and both WWTG (G98), and WGMX of Portland have committed to begin airplay no later than Jan. 22.

Penn 'March'es on...

By Jason Lambert
Volunteer Writer

The new releases of the past few months have not exactly been stuff that will live on in rock 'n' roll forever. But despite this, I have discovered one gem: Michael Penn's stunning debut album, "March."

It is an album, that is derivative of the Beatles and 'Blohde on Blonde' era by Dylan, but is also highly original. Penn creates an unusual mix of acoustic guitars, organs, and drum machines, that mix perfectly with Penn's insightful lyrics.

The first track, "No Myth," is also the single from the album. The singer's girlfriend has just broken up him. Frustrated by this, Penn compares himself to great lovers from Shakespeare, and Emily Bronte's "Wuthering Heights," singing "what if I was Romeo in black jeans, what if I was Heathcliff, it's no myth." The chorus contains an ethereal organ that almost seems to answer Penn's questions and lead him to his resolution.

"Brave New World" is a wild story in the mold of Bob Dylan's classic "Subterranean Homesick Blues."

In "Innocent One," the singer is disturbed because his lover thinks he is too naive to be a "partner in this game."

The centerpiece of the album, and also arguably the best song is "Bedlam Boys."

It begins with a beautiful musical intro by Penn's musical collaborator Patrick Warren, called "Disney's a Snow Cone." "Bedlam Boys" is a polished piece which contains guest vocals from former Prince sidemen Wendy Melvoin and Lisa Coleman on backing vocals. In the song, Penn is confronted by an old lover who has apparently been cheating on him. He sings:

Lisa's knocking at my open door
with a chance to make up
and hope for more
so I just whispered to her
under breath
"This love has suffered

such a quiet death"

It is a wonderful song that is very easy to relate to.

The next song, "Invisible," is about a woman who Penn figures is too good for him, therefore he does not make a move, singing "now one in a million, seems one more than me."

The remainder of the album adds such worthy tracks as "Cupid's Got a Brand New

Gun," and "Big House."

Hearing "No Myth" on top 40 radio among such cold techno-pop artists as the *New Kids on the Block* and *Chicago*, is a little like taking an infrequent drink of Evian spring water instead of the usual Orono fountain water.

This album shows that Penn has a lot of talent. If this is his "March," I can't wait to hear April and May.



Percussion Day is first of its kind

The 1990 Maine Day of Percussion, the first ever in Maine, will be held Saturday, Feb. 10 at Gardiner Area High School, according to Stuart Marrs, assistant professor of music at the University of Maine and president of the Maine Chapter of the Percussive Arts Society.

The day-long event, open to members and non-members, will feature local and nationally known percussionists, clinics, recitals and the first annual Maine Percussion Ensemble contest, the winner of which will be eligible to enter the national competition. The host of the Maine Day of Percussion is Chris White, band director at Gardiner Area High School and second vice president of the Maine Percussive Arts Society.

Marrs expects between 80 and 100 Maine participants to attend. He notes that awareness of percussive arts is rapidly expanding in Maine, as evidenced by the increasing quality of performance by students and professional percussionists.

Clinicians at the festival, among others, are: Gordon Stout, professor of percussion, Ithaca College, N.Y., nationally known recording artist, composer and recitalist, mallet percussion; Nancy Smith, professor of percussion, University of Southern Maine and principal percussionist of the Portland Symphony, snare drum; John McDowall and Karamo Sabally, leaders of West African drumming ensemble "Mamma Tongue," Latin percussion; and Nancy Row, principal percussionist, Bangor Symphony, timpany.

Door prizes worth more than \$1,000 include such items as tour jackets, stick bags, mallets and cymbals. For more information call Stuart Marrs at 581-1247.

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Entertainment

Ackroyd, Hackman star in 'Cannons'

Mac Stern (Gene Hackman) is a veteran Washington, D.C. cop who's on the move — literally. He has just moved out of his apartment and into his "woody" station wagon, been transferred from the lowly vice squad to the glamour of homicide and been assigned a new partner — Ellis Fielding (Dan Ackroyd). A police forensics expert, Ellis brings to the job thoroughness, intelligence and an entourage of famous friends, for Ellis has a peculiar disorder — when faced with danger he assumes the personality of the Wicked Witch of the West, Ricky Ricardo, the Roadrunner, Popeye, Pee-wee Herman or any one of a slew of characters.

Chasing down criminals in Mac's home-on-wheels while conversing as if in a Saturday morning cartoon is not easy on either partner. But when confronted with a bizarre multiple murder case and a conspiracy involving a high-level European leader, the desperate duo manage to overcome their differences and help bring to light a decades-old secret with international ramifications.

Tri-Star Pictures presents "Loose Cannons," an Aaron Spelling/Alan Greisman Production starring Gene Hackman and Dan Ackroyd. The comedic action-adventure was directed by Bob Clark from an original screenplay written by Richard Christian Matheson & Richard Matheson and Bob Clark. The producers are Aaron Spelling and Alan Greisman, with Rene Dupont serving as executive producer. Also starring are Dom DeLuise, Ronny Cox, Nancy Travis, Paul

Koslo, Dick O'Neill and Robert Prosky.

Gene Hackman and Dan Ackroyd, two of Hollywood's busiest performers, are paired together for the first time in a film that director Bob Clark calls "Quite mad, with its tongue constantly in its cheek."

"This is the wildest role I've ever had," says Ackroyd. "Most people think I've played a real crazy person before, but in 'The Couch Trip' I was portraying a guy who was pretending to be crazy. I've never actually played a guy who is technically a multiple personality."

To prepare for the role, Ackroyd hit the textbooks and started reading about deviant behavior and multiple personality syndrome.

"One case — a banker in London — went off and became Winston Churchill for three years," says the actor. "He really was convinced that he was Churchill. So, I took that as a model."

With a film career that has spanned more than 25 years and includes 50 motion pictures, Hackman has been making movies at the unbelievable pace of about two projects per year. Although the veteran actor is best known for his more serious characters, he has also played quite a few roles for laughs. Some of his most memorable comic characterizations include the blind hermit in "Young Frankenstein" and the villainous Lex Luthor in the "Superman" features.

"Gene really has the comic thrust in the movie," says Ackroyd. "Although I've got a



Porno peddler Harry "The Hippo" Gutterman (Dom DeLuise), left, worries about the sanity of the two police detectives, Ellis Fielding (Dan Ackroyd), center, and Mac Stern (Gene Hackman), protecting him from murderers in the comedic action-adventure "Loose Cannons."

comic character that gets to split off into these multiple phases, his great comic twist is that he gets to joke about how weird I am."

Another veteran comedic actor, Dom DeLuise, portrays Harry "The Hippo" Gutterman, a fleshy porn peddler who becomes Mac and Ellis' unwilling lead in an investigation of murders that have caught the interest of the FBI, Israeli intelligence and a prominent West German politician.

"One of the reasons I took this part is because I get the opportunity to shoot a gun," jokes DeLuise. "Here I was in show business all these years

and I never had a machine gun in my hands that really worked. Now I get to shoot more bullets than 'Rambo I, II and III' put together."

The supporting cast includes Ronny Cox as the bumbling FBI agent, Bob Smiley, Nancy Travis as a beautiful Israeli government operative and perennial bad-guy character actor Paul Koslo as a mysterious German assassin.

Cox, who is best known for his role as Lt. Bogomill in "Beverly Hills Cop I & II," attributes winning the role of Smiley to the overwhelming response he received for his portrayal of the conniving cor-

porate villain, Jones, in "Robocop."

"That film means a lot to me," states Cox, "because it has opened up my career. It's as if I've been rediscovered. I'm now being offered guys like Smiley, not just Mr. Nice Guy, because of it."

Travis, who has appeared in such films as "Three Men and a Cradle" and "Eight Men Out," reflects on being chosen to play a "very militant, feisty and seductive" Israeli agent.

"I'm not what Hollywood would stereotype as an Israeli," says Travis. "This is the last part I thought I'd ever get offered."



Cochran (Kevin Costner), left, falls into a passionate affair with Miryia (Madeleine Stowe), wife of his friend Tiburon (Anthony Quinn), setting the stage for "Revenge."

'Revenge' to star Costner, Quinn and Sally Kirkland

It is dangerous and foolhardy, but Cochran can't help himself. He has run off with his friend Tiburon's wife, betraying the trust and hospitality of a ruthless man. Tiburon will demand satisfaction, but revenge begets revenge, as two men and the woman they love tragically discover.

Kevin Costner, Anthony Quinn and Madeleine Stowe star in "Revenge," a Columbia Pictures presentation in association with New World Entertainment of a Rastar Production. The adventure drama, which also stars Sally Kirkland, was directed by Tony Scott ("Top Gun," "Beverly Hills

Cop II") from a screenplay by Jim Harrison and Jeffrey Fiskin. Hunt Lowry and Stanley Rubin are the producers, Costner is executive producer, and Jim Wilson is the associate producer.

Costner plays Cochran, a Vietnam War veteran and recently retired Navy pilot who is invited to Mexico by his longtime friend Tiburon (Anthony Quinn), a wealthy, ruthless power broker. At Tiburon's palatial estate, Cochran is drawn to Tiburon's new wife, the young and beautiful Miryia (Madeleine Stowe), and finds himself torn between his loyalty to his friend

and his passion for Miryia.

When Tiburon — which means "shark" in Spanish — discovers that his friend and wife are cheating him, he has Cochran beaten and left for dead, and he packs Miryia off to a brothel. Cochran, recovering with the help of a Mexican farmer, sets out to find Miryia and settle the score with Tiburon.

"There is no absolute right or wrong," Stowe says about the story. "Things happen, and the characters make their choices. Upon these actions, they must face the consequences and the responsibilities that go with them."

Bush gives kudos to Star Wars plant

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — President Bush toured the nation's largest nuclear weapons lab Wednesday, then declared that Star Wars "makes more sense than ever."

"This purely defensive concept doesn't threaten a single person anywhere in the world," Bush said in a prepared foreign policy address to the Commonwealth Club after he toured the Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory in Livermore, Calif., where most research on the Strategic Defense

Initiative is conducted.

"God forbid, if it ever had to be used, it would be used against missiles, not against people."

The president is on a three-day trip to focus attention on his proposed \$292 billion Pentagon budget for fiscal 1991, which Democrats say gives too much strategic weapons systems while closing bases.

Bush on Wednesday tempered his proposal for wholesale base closings with a vow of federal aid to help the com-

munities and individuals affected.

The president said laid off civilians would receive top priority for other Defense Department jobs and that the administration would help communities "develop powerful new economic assets, new ways to use old bases."

Speaking in heavily Democratic area where five military installations would be closed, Bush said: "There have been no politics in these proposals."

Bush said he welcomed recent pro-democracy developments in Eastern

Europe and the Soviet Union, but that "we must not let impatience, born out of euphoria, jeopardize all we hope to achieve."

"We must remain in Europe as long as we are needed and wanted... Let us not forget that... the Soviets still have more than 10,000 (nuclear) strategic weapons. They are modernizing them. They have deployed two new mobile ICBMs, and their spending on strategic defense is comparable to their spending on strategic offensive forces."

Aides said Bush considered adding a line to his speech congratulating Soviet leader Mikhail S. Gorbachev for his apparent success in winning party approval for his reform proposals, but decided against it.

"He has nothing to add to what he said yesterday," said White House spokesman Martin Fitzwater.

Bush said Tuesday that he found Gorbachev's proposals "especially encouraging."

Earlier, Bush was briefed on latest Star Wars technology during his tour of the Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory.

While working to reduce nuclear arms, "we will settle for nothing less than the highest confidence in survivability, effectiveness and safety of our remaining forces," Bush told workers.

About 150 environmental and anti-nuclear activists demonstrated outside the lab during the Bush tour. It was the second consecutive day he had been met by protesters.

On Tuesday night, Bush was loudly heckled by several protesters at a \$1,000-a-plate GOP fund-raiser.

The Lawrence Livermore lab is part of the University of California but is under an extensive long-term contract with the federal government to do nuclear-weapons research.

"In the 1990's, strategic defense makes more sense than ever before," Bush said.

"If the technology I've seen today proves feasible, and I'm told it looks very promising, no war planner could be confident of the consequences of a ballistic missile attack."

The technologies you are now researching, developing and testing will strengthen deterrence," the president said.

SDI has been controversial since President Reagan proposed it in 1983 as an impregnable shield capable of blocking incoming nuclear missiles.

Congress cut \$1 billion this year from Bush's request for a \$4.8 billion Star Wars budget; Bush last week asked for a \$1 billion increase for fiscal 1991.

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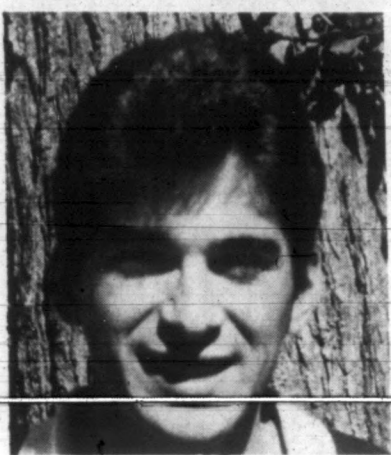
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Sports



Andrew Neff

Jumping to pros folly or fortune

It doesn't seem like a day goes by lately that I don't read or hear news of another college underclassman deciding to turn pro before graduating.

The list of undergraduate football players who have decided to forgo their final year or two of college in hopes of signing a lucrative contract with an NFL team is getting longer every day.

Running backs Emmitt Smith of Florida, Rodney Hampton of Georgia and Reggie Cobb (formerly of Tennessee), talented linebacker Keith McCants of Alabama and quarterback Scott Mitchell of Utah are a few of the more noteworthy names to announce their intentions to turn pro early.

McCants will almost certainly be the first or second pick in the NFL Draft April 22-23, he's that good.

Smith and Hampton will also likely be first-round picks.

As far as the others are concerned, Cobb is considered a big risk since he was permanently suspended from the Tennessee football team, reportedly because of substance abuse and other violations of team rules. Mitchell is a talent but probably won't go until the second or third round.

Although college football has been hardest hit by this increasing trend toward jumping ship early, it is by no means the only sport affected.

College baseball, basketball and hockey also lose their fair share of underclassmen each year to the big bucks offered by the pro teams.

Locally, both the UMaine baseball and hockey programs have lost more than a few talented underclassmen.

The University of Maine hockey team has lost five undergraduate players to the pros since Shawn Walsh became head coach in 1984 — Jack Capuano, Dave Capuano, Eric Weinrich, Mario Thyer and Shawn Anderson.

You wouldn't think a coach who has lost this many talented players would see any benefits to leaving college early. Walsh does... but only when certain conditions are met.

"If a player gets three years of school out of the way and is

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UMaine hockey prepares for UNH

By Jeff Pinkham
Staff Writer

The University of Maine hockey team prepares for another important Hockey East series this weekend when it plays the University of New Hampshire at Alford Arena.

The Black Bears (23-7-2, 9-5-1 in HE) are coming off a weekend sweep of Providence which moved them into second place in the league, three points behind conference leader Boston College.

UNH comes into the weekend series with an overall record of 12-11-5, and a HE mark of 5-5-4.

"This is going to be another great HE series," UMaine head coach Shawn Walsh said. "This is the best New Hampshire team I've seen since I've been at UMaine."

UNH head coach Bob Kullen said the key for his team is to play its own style of hockey.

"I just want us to play the kind of hockey we've always played, which is play with balance."

One of the differences in the two teams is their success on the power play.

Scott Pellerin's power-play goal in Saturday night's game broke an 0-21 streak for UMaine on the power play.

UNH, on the other hand, has been very successful with the man advantage.

"They have the best power play in the league, and they are a better offensive team than we are right now,"

Walsh said.

But Kullen said the power play is a hard thing to rely on.

"The power play is very funny. You can look great and not score or you can look awful and get the puck in the net."

The Wildcats are being led offensively this year by a trio of youngsters.

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Shooting woes drop UMaine

Men's basketball regroups for UVM

By Andy Bean
Staff Writer

BANGOR - "We just didn't play well. No ifs, ands, or buts," said University of Maine men's basketball coach Rudy Keeling in describing his team's 67-57 loss to the University of New Hampshire Wednesday night.

After jumping out to a 16-8 lead in the first six minutes of play, the Black Bears went into a shooting slump that produced one field goal in the final 14 minutes of the first half enabling UNH to take a 25-24 lead at the intermission.

UNH went on a 19-7 run led by center Eric Thielen at the start of the second half, while UMaine was still looking for a way to score. Thielen scored 13 of his game-high 21 points on that run to give the Wildcats a 44-31 lead with 11 minutes to play.

The junior forward used his quickness to get by the Black Bear defense and score from all over the court. Thielen scored six points in a row, on a layup, a jumper from the baseline and a five-foot turnaround shot.

UNH coach Jim Boylen said, "We really needed this win." The Wildcats won just their fourth game of the season to improve to 4-16 overall and 2-4 in the North Atlantic Conference.

UMaine fell to 3-4 in the league and 7-13 overall.

Keeling said, "I thought we executed fine offensively in the first half, but the shots didn't go... mentally I think we got out of the game."

"Free throws, jump shots, layups—they just weren't going in," Keeling said.

UMaine shot 18 of 61 from the field (.295 percent), and hit 61 percent from the foul line.

Derrick Hodge, who shoots 44 percent from the field and 81 percent from the foul line as UMaine's second leading scorer, uncharacteristically went four of 17 from the floor and one of six from the line for 11 points. The Black Bears did make a comeback after a timeout with less than 11 minutes remaining. UMaine went on a 9-2 run led by center Curtis Robertson to pull within six points, 46-40. But UNH hit the foul shots down the stretch to preserve the win.

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In or out? The University of Maine men's basketball team saw the ball fall out more than in Wednesday night as they fell to New Hampshire 67-57.

photo by John Baer

Women's basketball ready for upset-minded Vermont

By Beth Staples
Staff Writer

A week ago the University of Vermont women's basketball team did the University of Maine team a favor.

Feb. 3 UVM handed Boston University its first conference loss of the season, 66-52, and knocked the Terriers (5-1) off the top of the North Atlantic Conference standings. The same day UMaine defeated Northeastern University 60-42 and reclaimed first place in the NAC by virtue of its 6-1 record.

Saturday at 7 p.m. UMaine will play host to the upset-minded UVM squad at the Bangor Auditorium.

Although the Black Bears racked up a 92-66 win against the Catamounts Jan. 10 in Vermont, the UMaine squad is not taking the game lightly, said Jenny Yopp, graduate assistant.

"Although the margin was pretty big, the game wasn't won easily. If Vermont plays together, they could show us a good game," she said.

Playing together is just what UVM coach Cathy Ingles said she hopes her "confident and balanced" team (9-10 overall, 3-3 NAC) will do.

"Winning the BU game gave us confidence. I feel in our conference, on any given night, any one team can beat another," she said.

"If we play well as a team and play together, upsets can happen."

Ingles said the style of her 1989-90 squad is different from when 1986-87 Seaboard Conference Player of the Year Joann McKay competed. McKay graduated in 1988 and is a current UVM assistant coach.

"We are a more balanced team. Anyone of our five starters can be our leading scorer. That's good because the pressure isn't all on one person," she said.

Black Bear swim teams win regular-season finale vs. Mules

By Andrew Neff
Staff Writer

The regular season ended for both University of Maine varsity swim teams Wednesday night...

Now the real fun begins.

Both teams came away with victories over Colby College in their final regular-season meets. The UMaine men defeated the White Mules 150-83 and the women came away with 169-110 win.

Next on the agenda for both Black Bear squads is the New England Swimming and Diving Championships Feb. 16-18 at the University of Rhode Island in Kingston, R.I.

Wednesday's meet was the last chance for both teams to qualify some swimmers for New England in a few more events.

"On the whole, it was a pretty good meet, especially after a disappointing meet last week," said Jeff Wren, women's swim coach. "We qualified swimmers in three more events but we had a couple people just miss in others."

One major highlight of the women's meet was Noreen Solakoff's swim in the 1650-yard freestyle, an event that was added as a preparatory race for New England after both women's coaches agreed to put it in. Solakoff set a UMaine team record, logging a time of 17:51.53.

Double winners for the UMaine women were sophomore Clem Whaling

Ingles said she respects the UMaine program and will attempt to do things differently against the Black Bears Saturday.

"(Rachel) Bouchard and (Cathy) Iaconeta are like a pitcher and catcher in softball. They direct and take control," she said.

"We mixed up defenses, perhaps too much last time. Instead of confusing them, we didn't get into the groove," she said. "We need to contain them more and make them work a little harder for their points."

UVM's balanced offensive attack is paced by Missy Kelsen with 13.4 points a game. Kristen Shaffer with 10.9, and Jennifer Niebling with 9.4.

Kelsen, a native of Portland, is one of four Mainers on the UVM team.

Yopp said the UMaine coaches were proud of the balanced Black Bear production in the 70-49 victory over the University of New Hampshire Monday night. "It wasn't just one or two people contributing. Everyone played and everyone played really well," she said.

Bouchard powered in 25 points, Iaconeta hit for 11, Julie Bradstreet scored 10, and Tracey Frenette added eight for the UMaine squad.

Yopp said UMaine also received valuable contributions from sophomores Carrie Goodhue and Jessica Carpenter. "Carrie came off the bench, hit some key shots, and took care of the ball. Jess shot 3-for-3 and had two blocked shots," she said.

UMaine, 16-5 overall and 7-1 NAC, leads the series with UVM 19-5.

Ingles said she is anticipating an exciting game with the Black Bears.

"I like coming up to UMaine. The team draws good, loud crowds," she said.

and freshman diver Michelle Giroux. Whaling won the 200-meter freestyle and the 200 individual medley. Giroux won the one- and three-meter diving competitions.

Others singled out by Wren were breaststrokers Jennifer Boucher, Sue Trombini and Karen Stevens and freestylers Peggy Campbell and Stephanie Taylor.

Former Old Town High School standout Deb Stinchfield finished third in the 100 breaststroke for Colby while teammates Sarah Dubow and Sally White finished first in the 200 breaststroke and 500 free, respectively.

Men's double winners were freshman Aaron Rog, who finished first in the 200 IM and the 200 backstroke, and sophomore diver Rick Keene, who won both the one- and three-meter events.

Juniors Sean Conroy and Brad Burnham also did well. Conroy won the 200 free and finished second in the 500 free. Burnham won the 200 butterfly and was second in the 200 breaststroke.

Colby's Matt Davie won both the 50 and 100 free races. Chris Giesl won the 200 breaststroke.

Both teams' performances gave their coaches reasons to be hopeful about placing high in the championships.

"They've (the men) done a good job the last few weeks," men's coach Alan Switzer said. "I feel optimistic about our chances. I'll be very pleased to be in the top four."

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•Pros

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guaranteed making at least six figures and playing in the top-flight level of the pros, I'll support his decision," said Walsh.

Walsh said he thinks players need to stay in school at least three years because it's fairly easy for them to finish the final year of school in the summer months and get their degrees.

It's much harder to finish the work needed for a degree if two or more years' worth of work is required.

Not only does leaving early hurt some athletes, it also greatly inconveniences college programs and coaches.

Coaches can be at a particular disadvantage because they may not be able to effectively plan for the future if they're not sure how many players are still going to be playing for them.

"It just means you have to keep in constant contact with your players and keep the lines of communication open," Walsh said. "If you do that, you won't get caught by surprise."

Whether or not leaving school early to turn pro benefits or hurts athletes depends on the individual.

Some, like NFL running back Barry Sanders, benefit from turning pro early. Sanders turned pro after his

junior season at Oklahoma State University last year. He signed a multi-million dollar contract with the Detroit Lions and was voted NFC Offensive Rookie of the Year.

Others, like former Oklahoma University running back Marcus Dupree and supposed "can't miss prospect" basketball player William Bedford from Memphis State suffered from not having an additional year of Division I college play under their belts.

Dupree is out of pro football now and the jury is still out on whether Bedford can come back from bouts with substance abuse.

"Personally, I think it's a mistake (to come out early)," said John Bonamego, UMaine assistant football coach. "Pro careers can be very short-lived but you always have your college education to fall back on."

So why are so many undergraduate athletes leaving school early?

"It's hard to argue the benefits of an education to their future against signing a million-dollar contract," Bonamego said. "It all boils down to the almighty dollar."

I couldn't have said it better myself. Andrew Neff is a senior journalism major from Brewer.

•Hoop

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UMaine senior forward Dean Smith led the scoring for the Black Bears with 21 points.

The Black Bears will try to regroup when they travel to Burlington to take on the University of Vermont Saturday afternoon.

UMaine needs a win to stay above the .500 mark in the league, but Keeling is concerned about his team's mentality after the recent loss.

"I'm really worried about the team's mental approach to the game right now and I'm concerned about them putting everything into perspective," Keeling said. "We executed fine offensively

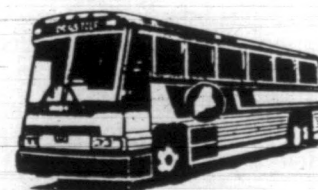
(against UNH) but we didn't concentrate."

UVM is struggling, recently coming off a 15-point loss to the University of Massachusetts. The Catamounts are 1-5 in the NAC and 7-13 overall, but their win in the conference was a three-point victory over UMaine in Bangor in January.

Kevin Roberson led the Catamounts in the teams' first meeting with 20 points. Keeling said, "Roberson will get his fair share of shots, blocks, and rebounds, but we will have to make him pay for what he gets ... and bump him around with Curtis and Coco (Barry)."

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• Hockey

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Randy Olson and the University of Maine hockey team will try to continue to move to climb to the top of the Hockey East standings when they take on the University of New Hampshire at Alford Arena this weekend.

Sophomores Savo Mitrovic (22-18-4), Domenic Amodeo (15-20-35), and freshman Greg Klym (7-24-31).

UMaine's leaders on offense are freshman Jean-Yves Roy (30-14-44), freshman Jim Montgomery (15-25-40) and sophomore Scott Pellerin (16-22-38).

Eleven of UMaine's top 12 front-line players are underclassmen and freshmen or sophomores have accounted for 80 percent of the team's goals this season.

However, Walsh doesn't feel the team's youth will hurt them.

"We are young, but we have experience in key positions, defense and goaltending."

Defensively, UNH is led by senior Jeff Lazaro (10-15-25), while the goaltending is being shared between Pat Morrison (8-6-2, 4.35 GAA) and Pat Szturm (3-5-3, 3.38 GAA).

UMaine's defense is anchored by sophomore Keith Carney (1-26-27) and senior Claudio Scremin (4-18-22). In net,

the Black Bears are led by senior Scott King (12-5-2, 2.72 GAA) and junior Matt DelGuidice (11-2, 3.20 GAA).

"Team defense and great goaltending are the keys to this weekend," Walsh said.

One statistic that stands out against UNH is the fact that they have not beaten UMaine at Alford Arena since February 3, 1985 and the Black Bears have won 10 of the last 11 meetings between the two teams.

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Drake coach replaced after player conflict

By Chuck Schoffner
AP Sports Writer

DES MOINES, Iowa - Drake basketball players said Thursday they threatened a walkout only as a last resort because they felt the university was unresponsive to complaints about coach Tom Abatemarco.

Abatemarco was reassigned Wednesday to other duties within the athletic department after players boycotted practice for two days and threatened not to show up for this weekend's game.

The coach was replaced by his assistant, Eddie Fields; the Bulldogs will play Wichita State at home Saturday night. "We just had to do whatever we felt we could do as a team to bring some happiness and gratification," said senior forward Mario Donaldson, the team's third-leading scorer with a 12.1 average.

"We went through every proper channel," junior guard Kaylon Green said. "It just appeared to us that we were kind of secondary in the situation. We didn't think that was fair at all."

There had been rumblings of player discontent with Abatemarco for some time, but the situation came to a head Tuesday night when players met with a three-person committee reviewing the basketball program.

After the five-hour session, players issued a statement through an attorney saying they would no longer play for Abatemarco because of "inhumane treatment."

"He wasn't a hard person to play for on the court," Donaldson said. "I was dissatisfied with things that went on off the court. People were not being treated fair."

"I didn't feel it a lot, but I saw it was a problem with some of my friends. They couldn't produce because of it."

Asked about specific incidents, the players declined comment.

"That's something we decided to do as a team, to not talk about specific things," Donaldson said.

Brian Brown, a senior who quit the team in January but joined his former

teammates at two meetings with university officials, said the school was told of problems on team as early as last season.

"This was inevitable," Brown said. "The university had a chance to head it off. Mismanagement allowed it to happen. They never took action when the players gave them the opportunity to."

Brown said some players complained to university officials last year about Abatemarco's treatment of them and voiced similar concerns earlier this season. Finally, the players decided a walkout was their only recourse, he said.

"It was a harsh decision to make," Brown said. "Fifteen young men made that decision. People who have been playing the sport all of their lives were willing to give it up to prove a point."

Now, he says, the players are satisfied. "All they want to do is play under someone who will respect them and give them positive encouragement," he said. "Now that they have someone to do that, they are willing to give 100 percent."

Donaldson said he thought the team generally played hard for Abatemarco, but added many players were afraid of making a mistake so they didn't play as well as they could have.

"If you did something well, he would encourage you," Donaldson said. "But if you played bad, he wouldn't lift you back up. It was hard once you went down. It was hard to make a comeback."

Green maintained that the coach's removal did not mean the players were running the program.

"I don't look at it like that," he said. "It could relate to anything in life. If you really want to stand up for what you want to do, you should do it. We're not trying to control anything or run anything."

Abatemarco has refused comment, but his attorney, Dan Stamatelos, said he was confident the coach would be cleared of any wrongdoing.

• Finale

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"We're coming along," Wren said. "I just hope they can do it under pressure because this (Colby meet) was more of a relaxed meet."

Wren still isn't "100 percent sure" which events he'll have each swimmer in since each swimmer can swim seven events (individual and relay) at New England.

Switzer, on the other hand, is pretty set as far as where he's going to put his swimmers.

Both coaches have until the night

before the meet before they must turn in their "lineups."

But until that time comes, both teams will have eight days to prepare for the meet. The extra time will also allow some of the ailing swimmers to rest and recuperate from bouts with colds and flu.

Switzer echoed the sentiments of both teams when assessing his team's outlook for the meet.

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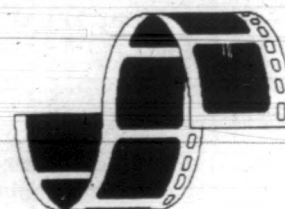
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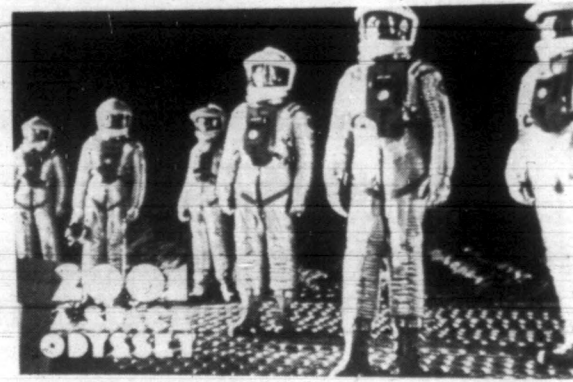
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