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News Analysis

Colleges hit by budget crunch

By Steven Pappas
Staff Writer

Things are tough all over. Across the country, in many states, accountants for state governments have been coming up with numbers that are less than adequate to sustain state programs and colleges or universities.

This loss of funds has New England land-grant university administrators quaking at the thought of compromising excellence for dollars.

In the New England states, the budget crunch has hit the hardest. States like Vermont and Massachusetts are facing deficits that may force prisons and schools to close.

Instead of allowing public schools to push toward the ex-

cellence found at many Ivy League institutions, the state money that supports that type of achievement has diminished, according to school administrators.

For more than five years, the New England states have increased public funding for higher education.

"The people of Maine have been providing funding for schools at almost double the national rate," one legislator said at a public hearing last February. "The problem is the result, though. We are finding ourselves competing with the prisons and state hospitals for the right money for higher

education. Something's gone awry."

The same song is heard in the other New England states. Massachusetts and Connecticut are taking cuts that their administrators are calling "massive" and "pathetic."

According to a report issued by the New England Board of

Higher Education, among the New England states the increased public funding for higher education ended abruptly in fiscal 1989.

Now, a year later, the six New England states have appropriated more than \$1.7 billion for higher education.

Maine has had New England's largest two-year jump in public funding for higher education, though.

The 1990 appropriation was \$176.9 million, an increase of 25 percent, a Board of Trustees report stated. The University of Maine System was even granted a 25 percent increase in appropriations when the state was asked to tighten its belt.

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Students protest hikes

(CPS) - Tired of yearly tuition hikes, students on a wide variety of campuses have begun protesting price hikes in recent weeks.

In marked contrast to the relative silence that greeted most of the tuition increases announced annually during the past decade, students at Pacific Lutheran, Arizona State, Syracuse and Rutgers universities, City Univer-

sity of New York, and the universities of Miami, Michigan and Massachusetts, to name a few, have protested the hikes.

On April 11, for example, 3,000 University of Rhode Island students booed down Gov. Edward DePrete as he tried to explain why he

Law could create housing shortage

(CPS) - In one of the more zealous attempts to control students living off campus, a new law in College Park, Md., will require all houses with students in them to become "mini dorms."

The measure will create a student housing shortage and force rents to rise, local college officials warn.

To run "mini dorms," landlords will have to set aside 70-square-foot bedrooms for each resident, and provide an off-street parking space for each person whether or not they have a car.

Regardless of how many bedrooms there are, no more than five students will be able to rent a house.

The Prince Georges County Council in November passed the bill, which takes effect July 1. The ruling comes after years of complaints by College Park residents who say University of Maryland students disrupt the local neighborhoods and cause parking headaches.

"They knew what they were getting into when they moved here," retorted Eileen O'Brien of the campus legal aid office. "We don't have students pissing in the bushes or vomiting on the lawns or anything."

Citizen anger over student misbehavior and drug use finally forced a University of California-Berkeley off-campus housing cooperative to close in November, forcing 180 students to find new shelter.

Maryland's on-campus housing holds only about 8,000 undergraduates, while about 20,000 live off campus. Graduate students have it even harder. About 10,000 grad students compete for 1,000 dormitory spots, with the rest living off campus.

The new law will cut down on the available housing, and rents will "shoot through the roof," O'Brien charged.

"It was craftily designed," she said. "It will cause real problems for landlords."

The new regulation applies only to houses, said Jennifer Shimer, UM's coordinator of off-campus housing.

Landlords who own houses won't be able to rent to as many people, forcing them to raise rent. At the same time, more students will be forced into more expensive apartments. "Most

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Alpha Phi Omega's 24 teeter-totter-a-thon

photo by William Fletcher

Hostage may be freed

BEIRUT, Lebanon (AP) - A group calling itself the Organization of Islamic Dawn announced Sunday it will free American hostage Frank Reed within 48 hours and said he will carry a message for the U.S. government.

In Iran, a newspaper quoted an Iranian official as also saying Reed's release was expected by Tuesday night after "extensive talks" between the kidnapers and Iran.

The announcement from the previously unknown Islamic Dawn group was delivered to the independent Beirut newspaper An-Nahar three hours after an earlier unsigned communique said the U.S. educator - held for

more than 3-and-a-half-years - will be freed by Tuesday.

The later statement was accompanied by a black-and-white picture of a bearded, smiling Reed to prove its authenticity. It claimed responsibility for the earlier statement, sent with two other pictures to the independent newspaper and a Western news agency.

The communiqués were released one week after a pro-Iranian Shiite Moslem group freed American hostage Robert Polhill. Polhill, the first American hostage to have been freed

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Educational problems still plague schools

AUGUSTA, Maine (AP) - One-quarter billion dollars and six years after Maine enacted education reform legislation, many of the same problems still plague the state's schools.

Critics contend that students lack skills such as problem solving, critical thinking and teamwork - tools educators say will be vital in the workplaces of the future.

Some state officials, teachers and employers say it is too early to measure the impact because improvements have gone into effect slowly since 1984. They also point out that reform has attracted more bright, young teachers into the profession and has kept some veteran teachers from leaving.

Yet educators, parents and students statewide believe the reforms of 1984 have accomplished little in the way of preparing Maine's students for the future.

A former dean of education at the University of Southern Maine, Loren Downey, said much needs to be done.

"There are some frightening problems still not being addressed," said Downey, who now is director of professional education development for the University of Maine system.

Windham businessman Stu Neal, who teaches a high school course in entrepreneurship, said he is "flabbergasted" by what some students don't know.

"We've had kids who've taken accounting who can't balance their checkbooks," Neal said.

Lisa Soederberg of Peoples Heritage

Bank in Portland, who interviews high school graduates for entry-level positions, said there is much more that schools can do to prepare students for simple jobs.

"Even file clerk positions require independent thought and decision-making skills," she said.

The impetus for Maine's Education Reform Act was a study conducted by the National Commission on Education in 1983. The report detailed a "rising tide of mediocrity" in the country's educational systems that threatened "our very future as a nation and a people."

Its warning prompted many states to adopt changes in their education systems, including Maine.

As a result in Maine, teachers salaries were raised and the cost of per-pupil education nearly doubled. High school graduation requirements were expanded to include proof of computer competency, two years of science, social studies and math, a year in fine arts and a safety and health program.

Basic skills testing for 4th-, 8th- and 11th-graders was also included to provide an accountability system.

Eve Bither, Maine's commissioner of education, says the reforms have not been a complete failure.

"We had to have the mandates," Bither said. "But you have to focus on student outcome if you want to have change."

Bither said the reforms of 1984 were a necessary first wave upon which a new wave can be built.

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Budget

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England states, the report states, the increase in funding for higher education over the last two years has only been as much as 2 percent.

The national average is as high as 15 percent, the report states.

To compensate for the lack of public funding, many universities and colleges have had to raise tuition and fees as high as 15 percent in some cases. Most campuses have put off all capital projects and have de-allocated or re-allocated state monies to keep programs alive. Entire academic programs are being eliminated and faculty and staff positions are not being filled or have been terminated at many schools.

Robert Ramoth, a dean at the University of Rhode Island said "This is really it. We are seeing the wheels slow and it hurts. It hurts everyone," he said. "As long as the classrooms are overcrowded because students can't get the right classes, and the administration doesn't get up and bicker a little, you'll see the wheels slow so much, the students will be able to get out and walk alone instead of getting an educational ride the universities are supposed to provide."

In Massachusetts, public institutions and their more than 170,000 students are reacting to their second year of budget cuts and they are preparing for a third, officials from the University of Massachusetts have said.

In 1990, the state appropriated more than \$816 million to higher education, posting a 9 percent drop in funding from the state since 1988.

William Brock, a professor of hydraulics at UMass said he believed that in 1988 the university was headed toward being "one of the best research institutes in the world."

But the bittersweet taste of development that Brock and his associates felt in 1988 has petered away in the recent past.

In the last two years, the three campuses of the University of Massachusetts System have been forced to cut about

\$20 million from a budget of about \$240 million.

Brock said the cut has forced the Amherst campus to discontinue its plans for a new biotechnology facility and it has cut enrollment, slashed equipment funds and laid off a small percentage of the administration.

Libraries and other research facilities have been forced to cut back on hours so access to these facilities has been limited, he said.

"It was so bad for a while that in January the administration announced a mid-year tuition hike to try and bring non-resident tuition rates up to 100 percent of the cost of their education," he said. "It led to protests and many students walking out of classes," he said.

In March and April, the state government has asked the UMass System to return yet another \$5 million. Thousands of dissatisfied students have marched to the State House getting very little presstime or legislative attention or sympathy.

Ken Goff, a senior anthropology major at UMass-Amherst said, "I don't know why the students let this happen. It feels like the administration doesn't give a hoot about the students."

Goff and others in his dorm have signed petitions and marched against the budget hikes, but to no avail.

Seven students have been arrested for protesting against the budget, Goff said.

Brock said he had heard more than two dozen students had been arrested.

In Connecticut, the state appropriated \$463 million to higher education. That is down nearly 3.5 percent from the last fiscal year.

In each of the past two years, the University of Connecticut has hiked tuition 15 percent to compensate for the losses generated by the budget recession.

"UConn has had to cut five million dollars right off the bat," explained George Cashman, associate director of financing at UConn. "It seems that

every time we turn around, the state house asks us to cut a little more."

The share of costs covered by the tuition increases is not helping to bail out Connecticut's 24 public institutions.

As a matter of fact, students here have protested as well.

Wendy Derstine, a senior english major at UConn-Storrs explained why the students are upset.

"The administration has had to leave a lot of positions unfilled," she said. "The library has been closed, and then, they have upped a majority of our mandatory fees."

UConn raised its mandatory fee an additional \$300 per student over two years. Presently, the mandatory fee is determined by the number of credit hours each student has.

Tuition has risen 12 percent over the last two years and it is set to rise an additional 15 percent in the next academic year, student leaders explained recently.

Vermont legislators are scraping the barrel for scraps to give to the University of Vermont so they don't have to raise non-resident tuition any more.

The state's \$60 million education budget reflects a two-year gain rather than a loss.

But state spending has gone to farmers and other programs that have dwindled in the past decade, state officials have said.

The legislature has been forced to ask the university to cut back on three separate occasions. First, a 2 percent cut, or \$120 million; then a \$850,000 in program cuts, and in January of this year,

the state leaders asked for another half a percent cut in the total UVM budget.

The university's compensation has been roughed up by increases in the out of state tuition, which is already \$8,000 more than in-state tuition.

State appropriations cover just about one-quarter of the university's total budget, a financial statement of the university states.

UVM officials are planning another tuition increase.

"We are looking at a seven percent increase in both in-and-out-of state tuition," Christopher Loftus, a member of the UVM student government said. "The students can't believe it. In-state tuition isn't that bad. It's the out-of-state students who are going to be screwed in this deal."

Students in Vermont have been apathetic to the issue, though. Loftus and other leaders feel the legislature is tightening their grip on the university and more programs and good faculty are slipping through their fingers.

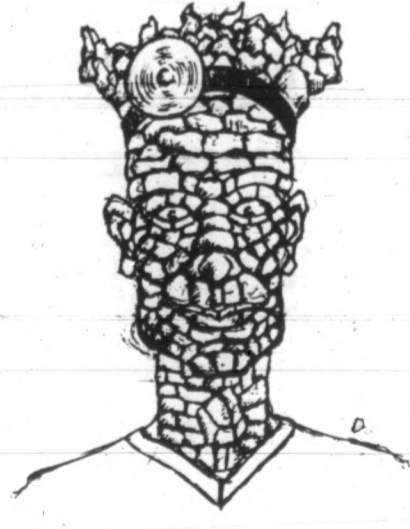
"The students here really aren't getting too riled up over this," he said. "I'm not sure they understand what is happening."

Loftus said he had heard about the protests at other New England schools, and remarked how ineffective even those demonstrations were proving to be.

"It's a sad thing, when the students all over New England are losing out on the excellence that is their education," he said. "Someday, we'll all realize that we're going to pay for it in the end."

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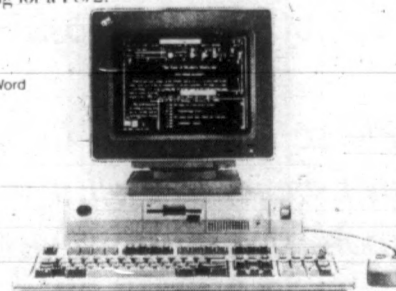
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Nikolais and Louis Dance unique

By Kandra Ayotte
Special to the Campus

The audience members at the Maine Center for the Arts were treated to an evening of multi-media art through modern dance Saturday by Nikolais and Louis Dance.

The basis for the performance was dance while the company utilized mirrors, ribbon-like bands of material, projected slides of color and designs onto the dancers, new wave music, and the beauty of the human body itself to create a performance of visual art.

The original founder of the company, Alwin Nikolais has been called "one of the most extraordinary theatrical wonders of the age," by the *Washington Post*, as well as "a supreme original of the American modern dance." The audience was treated to just that, an evening of unique theatrical innovation as dance being the form from which the expression was founded.

Nikolais is known for his unique use of innovative lighting, sound, and costuming. Everything is arranged by him.

One of his unique techniques, which was seen in the performance in the lighting design, was the use of various multi-color designs on slides that were projected onto the dancers' bodies up on stage.

The opening piece, "Crucible," entailed a mirror which spanned across most of the stage and was set on an incline in order for the dancers to hide

behind. This magical device allowed the double image of a part of the dancers body to appear.

Initially, one was introduced to the hands and arms with a rippling effect taking place as the dancers arms popped up like a "wave". Gradually the entire body was revealed and from there was expressed in various spacial views of the body.

The subtle, universal costuming for both the men and woman allowed for a physical artistry with the use of red lighting and projected slides onto the bodies. The unmodestly-clothed dancers allowed for the piece to be visually stimulating in regards to the reflections of the bodies onto the mirrors. Had there been more costuming, the artistic beauty would have been lost.

After the opening piece, "Blank on Blank" followed, creating a simplistic dance of childlike expression. The dancers appeared amused in the playfulness of their movements. It was a pleasurable light and entertaining piece with sometimes comedic moments.

Visually, this was a conservative piece for Nikolais with its all-white costuming of suits and dresses.

The dancers bounced energetically to the sound of dripping water, but then would abruptly stop in amusement to take a solid stare at the audience as if to see for whom this piece was really being performed. The brief pairing of the dancers into couples was innocent and short-lived, sometimes going into a sudden and precise drop to the floor in

surprise.

The piece of all pieces to close the first half of the program was one called "Tensile Involvement." This dance was not to be undone by the remaining second half of the program.

Stretching and relaxing as if having tension, as the title would suggest, this piece utilized 10 bands of ribbon-like material spanning from the floor of the stage to the ceiling where they were connected.

The bands of material were crossed and angled in designs, labeling the process an amazing one with no occurrence of entanglement.

The highlight that brought applause from the audience in the middle of the piece was the boxes in which each dancer framed themselves, forming a V-shape on the stage.

Again, the multiple colors of light that were used on the ribbon and dancers helped to make this so exciting and definitely the hit of the entire program.

This was one of the innovations that has brought the 70-year-old Nikolais great recognition and acclaim.

Ironically, the second half of the program did not meet the expectations established by the visually-innovative beginning.

The "Mechanical Organ" explored the physicality of the dancers, but only a few out of the seven pieces were technically up to par in regards to the quality of dance. With the first part of the program appearing to utilize the dancers as objects for abstract art, the last group of pieces served the purpose

of showcasing individual dancers.

The "Doll with the Broken Head" a solo by Sara Hook, was beautiful yet captivating at times as Hook seemed actually "broken." Unfortunately, the piece often broke out of the "broken" motif into straight dance movements, thus losing its value for the audience.

Praise goes to the two dancers in "Two Involved," Christopher Strauss and Demetrios Tryforos who showed incredible grace yet unfounded strength. The "involvement" of the two dancers made them appear as one with the intertwined athletic movements. They portrayed some interesting physical qualities possible in the human body.

The following contrast of "Two Not Yet Involved" was humorous at best. Two dancers entered and sat down on a bench, the lights came up, time passed with no movement made by the dancers, the lights went down, and the dancers exited. That was all.

Strangely enough, only a renowned choreographer and collaborator would be able to get away with something so simple.

To bring the program back to life, the "Jester" was performed by Edward Akio Taketa. It was a piece full of energy and passion which was much needed after the previous piece.

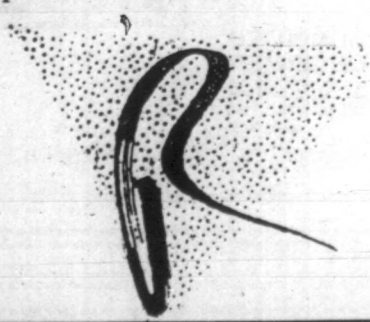
Nikolais and Louis Dance came and went and now it may be known why Alwin Nikolais is known as the genius responsible for dozens of visual masterpieces, but not for "giving a damn about dance," as he said in a lecture before the performance.

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Students warned against cheating

By Holly Hammack
Special to the Campus

It's the end of the year panic, too much work to do and not enough time to do it. Final exams week is rapidly closing in, and the thought of cheating crosses a lot of minds.

Before students act on that thought, Bill Kennedy, director for Judicial Affairs, warns them against it.

He makes it clear that if students are caught cheating there will be serious consequences.

According to Kennedy, the end of the school year brings an increase in student academic misconduct.

"From the complaints I've received from faculty members, I've noticed a trend," he said. "It (cheating) seems to go up, especially during finals

week."

The University of Maine defines cheating as "an act of deception by which a student misrepresents that he/she has mastered information on an academic exercise that he/she has not mastered."

Plagerism is on the rise at the end of the year too. It is defined as the presentation of someone else's words, ideas, or data as one's own work.

Students cheat for a variety of reasons, Kennedy said. "The most common reason for cheating is because students are not prepared. They start to panic.

If they're not sure of an answer, it's easy to start looking around."

When students are caught cheating, serious consequences can follow. The professor can handle the matter on their

own or report it to the Judicial Affairs office. If reported, the sanctions can range from counseling and community service to suspension and dismissal from the university.

Kennedy said the majority of students caught cheating are first-time offenders and receive a suspended suspension with some community service time added.

The repeat offenders are treated more severely. They are usually suspended from the university for a year. If they want to return after a year has passed, they must reapply for admission. Occasionally, the offender is dismissed from UMaine if the cheating is seen as serious enough.

Kennedy believes the university policy on cheating is successful.

"I think we have a good policy," he said. Students need to know what con-

stitutes cheating, and faculty need to know how to deal with it."

According to the Judicial Affairs office, there has been an increase in reported cases of cheating over the past year. During the 1988-1989 academic year, there were 17 cases reported.

From September to February of the 1989-1990 school year there were 23 cases reported.

Kennedy said there have been more since then. He attributes the increase to a heightened awareness of cheating among professors and proctors during the examination process.

While making it clear that academic misconduct is a serious issue, Kennedy said "Cheating and plagerism constitute a situation of undermining the very reason why we're here at the university—the search for truth."

Ethics to be subject of panel

ORONO, Maine - Michael Josephson, president and founding force behind the nationally recognized Josephson Institute for the Advancement of Ethics, will lead a panel of Maine business representatives, educators, theologians, lawyers and citizens in a roundtable discussion of ethics and public schools, 7:30 p.m., Tuesday, May 8, at the Maine Center for the Arts, University of Maine.

The forum is the third and final presentation in the 1989-1990 series of regional Public Forums on Educational Leadership, sponsored by the Bangor Daily News, the Bangor Theological Seminary, and Doug and Ana Brown.


The forums, free and open to the public, are designed to involve residents from the central, northern and Down East regions of Maine in challenging discussion of important school and community issues.

Josephson, described by the Christian Science Monitor in 1988 as "nobody's Mr. Goody-two-shoes," was a law professor for 20 years, at the University of Michigan, Wayne State, the University of California at Los Angeles, and Loyola Law School in Los Angeles. He sold a multimillion-dollar bar-review business a few years ago, dedicated \$1 million of the proceeds to his new institute, and now travels the country exploring questions of ethics in group seminars and workshops.

The number of clients that have begun to appreciate ethical decisionmaking is growing. Josephson has worked with the United States Conference of Mayors, the senior staff of the U.S. Senate, the National Association of Attorneys General, the Los Angeles Times, Bank of America, the Oregon Board of Police Standards, and the Delaware State Legislature. Later this spring he will lead seminars for the University of California at Berkeley School of Public Policy, the Michigan Municipal League and Knight-Ridder executives.

Joining Josephson in the roundtable discussions May 8 will be University of Maine President Dale W. Lick; Malcolm

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Default rate dips

(CPS) - U.S. Department of Education officials announced April 11 that the student loan default rate dipped slightly in 1988. They then admitted most of the decline was attributable to a change in the way the department figures the rate, not to any gust of student honesty.

During fiscal year 1988, which stretched from Oct. 1, 1987 through Sept. 30, 1988, 385,000 borrowers who were supposed to begin repaying defaulted on a total of \$1.07 billion in loans. The defaulters represented a default rate of 15.6 percent, down from the year before when 398,000 borrowers, or 17.8 percent of the total, defaulted.

The default rate in 1986 was 21 percent.

"We don't want to claim victory. We don't want anybody else to claim victory. We want to look at the data and see what they say," said Leonard Haynes III, assistant secretary for the department's postsecondary education branch.

The reductions occurred before a package of new regulations proposed by

Education Secretary Lauro Cavazos went into effect last May.

Haynes said changes in record keeping accounted for much of the reduction. In essence, the government no longer counts defaulters from schools with fewer than 30 borrowers, schools that no longer participate in federal aid programs and foreign colleges where U.S. students are enrolled when it computes its default rate.

Those types of institutions are not covered by the new regulations designed to reduce the default rate.

"There's a heightened sense across the country that defaults do matter," observed Dave Harmon, a regional vice president with the Great Lakes Higher Education Corp.

Like other companies, Great Lakes buys loans from banks so the banks themselves have more money to lend to students. When a student borrower fails to repay a loan, the Education Department repays whomever owns the loan - either the original bank that made the

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since November 1986, was released with the help of Syria.

Reed, 57, of Malden, Mass., is married to a Syrian Moslem woman.

Both statements were typewritten in Arabic. The later one contained a denial of news reports that the first communique promising Reed's release was signed by the Organization of Arab Revolutionary Cells-Omar Moukhtar Brigade, a shadowy group that had initially claimed Reed's abduction on Sept. 9, 1986.

The statements, which did not say what the message to Washington would contain, left President Bush and Reed's relatives hopeful but cautious.

"I just won't say anything," Bush said while golfing at Andrews Air Force Base outside Washington. "If that proves to be true, that's wonderful."

Leota Sprague, Reed's 91-year-old mother, said she has "to keep faith." "It's an awful thrust in your side when you find out these things aren't

true," she said from her home in Malden, Mass.

Bon Langston, Reed's son-in-law, said from his Malden home: "We're feeling cautious. It would be wonderful if this really happened. But there have been so many false alarms with the other hostages."

In Iran, the *Tehran Times* quoted the unidentified Iranian official as saying "extensive talks" were going on between the kidnapers and Iran and a release was expected by Tuesday night.

The English language newspaper, considered close to Iranian President Hashemi Rafsanjani, said in its Monday edition that Iran asked the kidnapers to free another captive.

The statements in Beirut were accompanied by the first two photographs of Reed to be released since his abduction.

The first communique was delivered around 6:30 p.m. (12:30 p.m. EDT), meaning that Reed would presumably be released by that time Tuesday.

The statement said: "We have decided to free American hostage Frank Reed within 48 hours. He will carry a message addressed to the American administration."

An-Nahar also received a color photograph of Reed in which he appeared neatly combed and clean shaven and wore a blue-and-white striped shirt.

The Western news agency received a black-and-white photo of Reed, showing him with a bushy grey beard. He wore a dark T-shirt and looked straight into the camera with slightly hunched shoulders. People who knew Reed said he never wore a beard while living in Beirut before the kidnapping, indicating the black-and-white photo was probably taken of him in captivity.

The later communique repeated the first message, claimed responsibility for the kidnapping and warned news media not to say he was being held by others.

The name given for the group, the Islamic Dawn, suggests the kidnapers are pro-Iranian Shiite Moslem zealots like those holding most of the 17 Westerners missing in Lebanon.

Reed, director of the Lebanese International School, was kidnapped near Beirut airport.

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loan, or the company to which it sold the loan.

Based on figures from the General Accounting Office, the Education Dept. made almost \$2 billion in default payments to lenders during fiscal 1989, an increase of 338 percent since 1983.

In 1989, such payments consumed almost half of the money Congress appropriated for student loans.

Of the 5,226 institutions the Education Dept. tracked, more than 70 percent had default rates under 20 percent.

An additional 382 schools have rates higher than 40 percent.

Under Cavazos' default reduction package, schools whose former students' default rates are above 20 percent must establish default management plans.

Education Dept. officials said 1,127 institutions had default rates between 20 and 40 percent. As mandated by the new regulations, the schools submitted plans to manage and collect past-due loans last year.

If the default rate gets higher at schools where students have bad repayment records, the government can force banks to wait 30 days before releasing loan money to first-time borrowers. It can also prorate tuition refunds so that students who drop out in midterm have money to repay their loans immediately.

Beginning in 1991, schools with default rates above 60 percent will be kicked out of the federal student loan program.

Last year, Congress also moved to lower the default rate by passing legislation banning students at schools with default rates above 30 percent from receiving Supplemental Student Loans.

The new regulations, said Harmon, "greatly increase the likelihood of another decrease (in the number of bad loans) next year."

Campus Comics

Lunch

by Steve Kurth



Roscoe

By Ted Sullivan



SHOE

by Jeff MacNelly



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Warford, president of the Bangor Theological Seminary; Eve Bither, commissioner of the Maine Department of Education and Cultural Services; Loren Ritchie, former Katahdin High School principal; David Roberts, Justice of the Maine Supreme Judicial Court; Tom Sawyer, president of Sawyer Environmental Recovery Facilities Inc.; Helen Dudman, president of Dudman Communications Corp.; Judy Lucarelli, superintendent of schools, CSD -13, Stonington; James Mullen, Key Bank of Maine president; Victoria Kornfield, Bangor High School English teacher; Arthur Davis Jr., manufacturing excellence program manager with Digital Equipment Corp.; Elizabeth Beardsley, Blue Hill Consolidated School principal; and George Isaacson, Lewiston attorney.

"This mix of Maine community leaders, with Michael Josephson as catalyst, ought to spark a first-rate debate," says Julia Watkins, president of the Bangor Education Foundation Board of Directors. "What do we mean when we speak of ethics and public schools? Can we teach ethics? Should we teach ethics?"

Calvin and Hobbes

by Bill Watterson



Editorial

Keep the spirit of Earth Day alive

Ecology and the environment were brought into Maine's public eye last week, as thousands of individuals from cities and towns throughout the state took part in the 20th anniversary of Earth Day.

Parks were cleaned, trees were planted, and a variety of environmentally conscious activities were undertaken as part of an all-out global effort to preserve our most important natural resource.

In keeping with the momentum of Earth Day, University of Maine students, faculty, and staff members celebrated Maine Day '90 three days later, and a thorough and widespread grooming of campus ensued.

The actions taken, and the energetic way in which they were performed, seemed to signal a collective change of heart within the state.

The people of Maine were finally rallying together, creating a strong stance against pollution while they did so. The beauty of their state would remain intact.

While very positive in their results, Earth Day and Maine Day '90 were counterbalanced last week by the ramifications of a state experiencing a severe economic shortfall.

The Bureau of Parks and Recreation announced last week that due to "a tight budget, rising garbage disposal costs, and a growing sense that people should clean up after themselves," they would begin removing trash barrels from Maine's numerous state parks.

Such a decision conjurs up images of the destruction of the state's natural beauty, even though plans have been made to combat littering through a new "carry-in, carry-out" policy.

The funds greatly needed to preserve Maine's state parks will not be available. That's a given. The responsibility to keep them clean, therefore, is now going to be placed upon both the residents and millions of tourists expected to frequent the parks following Memorial Day weekend.

If visitors take the five minutes needed to dispose of their garbage, we can guarantee that the beauty of the parks remain for many years to come.

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Poking fun at farewells

It's taken four years, but graduation's finally here.

That's the sentiment of a lot of seniors, but for seniors who are *journalism majors*, it's a time to write the ritual farewell column.

I've always hated these types of columns. They seemed to be a waste of space, having meaning only for the author and a select few.

For example, they would often contain:

— indecipherable inside jokes to other people that read like a personal ad:

"...and to Joe in 236: fishboddles! ...fire trucks are red — watch out for beer schleemidges! pigs, go home! PBj 1236 35-!!!!"

— final slams to some administrator or professor-type:

"To Dale: (of course after four years of covering the guy, they had a right to call him by his first name) Get a clue! I always liked you...not! You remind me of a television evangelist who's...etc., etc."

— sappy apologies:

"To Dawn: sorry I never came and visited you in Aroostook in four years of college! I'll make it up to you! Have a great life, anyway!"

— "it's been fun's":

"Jeff: it's been fun! All those times we had puking in the hall of 6-I Stillwater after your parties while the sober people stepped on us! Getting arrested was a special bonus, wasn't it?"

— awkward goodbyes:

"Goodbye Muffy-buff! The next time I'll see you will be at our 50th reunion when you're bald and fat and old. Oops! What I mean is..."

— regrets:

"I always wanted to open my textbooks and see what the



Jonathan Bach

author had to say. I guess that's why my grades were so bad. I figure I've passed by Fogler Library 3,000 times in four years, I always meant to go inside."

— multiple and polyunsaturated 'thank-you's:

"Thanks to Mom and Dad and Sis and Bobby and Uncle Schminke and Aunt Schminke and Bo and Liz and Jabba and Little Andy and especially President Lick for always being there when I needed him."

— some much-too-personal memories:

"I'll never forget the time when I met Mary Lou Miffy on top of Shibles Hall during my freshman semester! We made a new name for that hall that night, that's for sure! But it was ok because we used a latex condom and..."

— "Miss America" wishes:

"I hope we continue to strive as a people for world peace, an end to hunger, and saving the earth. I'm doing my part by getting along with my friends, eating less, and using white stationery instead of the blue stuff with the gold seal and embossed letterhead..."

— Last Will and Testaments:

"I leave my class notes to the

ground, where I just threw them. I leave my checks to the university...through the business office. I leave my graduation cap under the stands where the wind blew it after I threw it in the air at graduation. I leave my urine on the trees between Geddy's and Pat's..."

Farewell columns. They're certainly interesting pieces of literature.

I can understand the motivation for all these types of inclusions, but there must be a better way to say these things instead of using perfectly good newsprint read by thousands of people who couldn't give a damn.

I can easily understand that writing a final column is a difficult chore. It's hard to think of an appropriate subject to end and summarize four or more years of experiences at the University of Maine.

There's this tendency to simultaneously say thanks and sorry and to reflect and be existential and summarize and assess and express hope and apprehension of the real world and say goodbye and feel proud and exhausted and relieved and have the last word.

The primary purpose of the column (communication and entertainment) understandably gets pushed aside.

That's natural, I guess. I have those tendencies, and it's interesting to write about detesting them.

But if I could give one parting sentiment, it would be this:

Thanks to all you readers of the *Maine Campus*, my anonymous audience, who criticized and sympathized, hazed and praised, and made other interesting suggestions about my writing during the past four years as a journalism major.

I did it all for you.

Response

Student argues speeding ticket

To the editor:

I apologize if this letter sounds like personal bitterness. And in the shadow of all the other police/student confrontations in the past month, this case is probably small and pointless. nevertheless, I feel I must vent my frustrations and the *Maine Campus* seems to be the best ventilation available at UMaine.

I consider myself a good person. And aside from my freshman law-breaking days, have been an upstanding citizen. I work hard and I am about to do something that is becoming harder to do—graduate in four years.

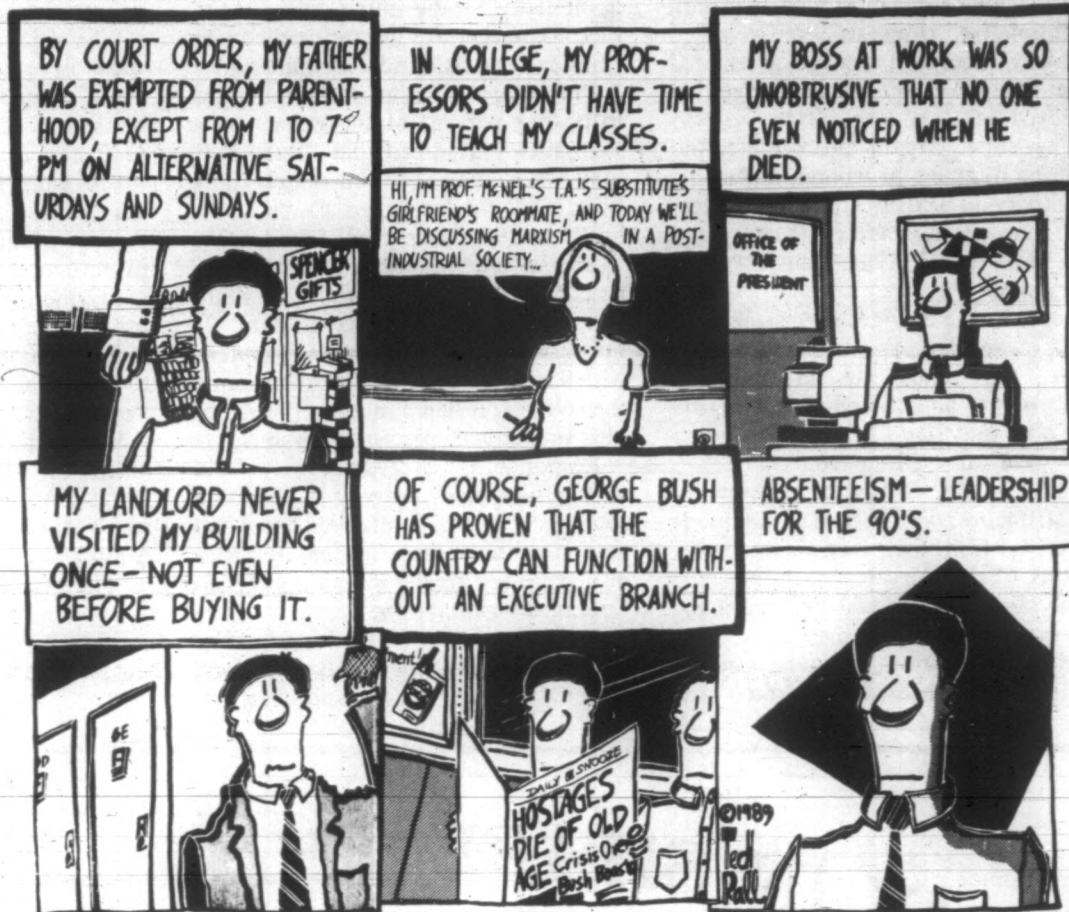
So now, I'm driving to school from Old Town on a beautiful Monday morning at 8 a.m. to go to my early morning job, which I hold to make some money to survive. My attitude is a mixture of Arrogance (being a senior and about to graduate from this institution) and Cynicism (being a senior and wondering whether my college money could have been better spent). Anyway, I'm cruising along at the death-defying speed of 41 MPH down college avenue. Hell, I know the speed limit is 25, or maybe it's 35...whatever. I know I'm "speeding". Well, my beautiful day is shot when an officer of the law stops me for speeding. The communication skills of these trained professionals are staggering. Aside from the standard, "license and registration" incomplete sentence, I also received some memorized bull about a "court date, should I choose to appear." This line was presented along with my ticket, which both of us knew I would receive even before the blue lights went on. "Court date?" Please...Like

I'd actually get a fair shake in court. Almost as much of a chance as I'd get at a UMaine public safety hearing concerning a parking ticket. Besides, I know I was going 41 MPH. I also know that in order to go 25 MPH on any of these roads, one would need a vehicle missing one wheel and two gears.

The bottom line is that I'm broke. College students understand the word "broke." I am taking 19 credits so that I can graduate in May. I am working 10 to 20 hours a week, above normal class-attending and studying, so that I can buy Velvetta slices rather than Shop-n-Save. I'm also in the process of sending my resume to all corners of the country (except Maine). So now, after all of my hard work and after all my effort in trying to do the right things, I have a speeding ticket that will probably run me 50 or 60 unaffordable dollars. I guess my question today is, "Where is the compassion?" I can understand pulling me over. It is their job. But did I even have the chance for a warning, being a college student? I'm sorry I was speeding. It was early morning. I was daydreaming. I was on my way to school to start a 12 hour day on campus. He was on his way to Dunkin Donuts. So why slap me with a ticket? Why not a warning? I wonder if he kicked the neighbor's dog on his way to work today, too.

The only thing that soothes the frustration of knowing that my four year sentence at this school is expiring and I will be going far away from here, while he will probably be here for the rest of his life. No...I'm not bitter.

Vinnie Stravinski
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Thoughts on bowling, by Miami Herald's Dave Barry

If you're looking for a sport that offers both of the Surgeon General's Two Recommended Key Elements of Athletic Activity, namely (1) rental shoes, and (2) beer, then you definitely want to take up bowling.

I love to bowl. I even belong to a bowling team, the Pin Worms.

How good are we? I don't wish to brag, but we happen to be ranked, in the World Bowling Association standings, under the heading "Severely Impaired." Modern science has been baffled in its efforts to predict what will happen to a given ball that has been released by a Pin Worm.

The Strategic Air Command routinely tracks our bowling balls on radar in case one of them threatens a major population center and has to be destroyed with missiles.

But the thing is, we have fun. That's what I like about bowling: You can have fun even if you stink, unlike in, say, tennis. Every decade or so I attempt to play tennis, and it always consists of 37 seconds of actually hitting the ball, and two hours of yelling "Where did the ball go?" "Over that condominium!" etc.

Whereas with bowling, once you let go of the ball, it's no longer your legal responsibility. They have these wonderful machines that find it for you and send it right back. Some of these machines can also keep score for you.

In the Bowling Alley of Tomorrow, there will even be machines that wear rental shoes and throw the ball for you. Your

sole function will be to drink beer.

Besides convenience, bowling offers drama. I recently witnessed an extremely dramatic shot by a young person named Madeline, age 3, who is cute as a button but much smaller.

We were in the 10th frame, and Madeline had frankly not had a good game in the sense of knocking down any of the pins or even getting the ball to go all the way to the end of the lane without stopping.

So on her last turn, she got up there, and her daddy put the ball down in front of her, and she pushed it with both hands. Nothing appeared to happen, but if you examined the ball with sensitive scientific instruments, you could determine that it was actually rolling.

We all watched it anxiously. Time passed. The ball kept rolling.

Neighboring bowlers stopped to watch.

The ball kept rolling. Spectators started drifting in off the street. TV news crews arrived. A half-dozen communist governments fell. Still Madeline's ball kept rolling. Finally, incredibly, it reached the pins and, in the world's first live slow-motion replay, knocked them all down. Of course by then Madeline had children of her own, but it was still very exciting.

For real bowling excitement, however, you can't beat Ponch, the bowling dog. I'm not making Ponch up; he holds the rank of German shepherd in the Miami Police Department, and he bowls in charity tournaments. He uses a special ramp built by his partner, K-9

Officer Bill Martin. Bill puts the ball on the ramp, then Ponch jumps up and knocks the ball down the ramp with his teeth. It looks very painful, but Ponch loves it.

He loves it so much that as soon as the ball starts rolling, he wants to get it back, so he starts sprinting down the lane after it, barking, his feet flailing wildly around, cartoon-style, on the slick wood (this is a violation of the rules, but nobody is brave enough to tell Ponch).

When Ponch is about halfway down the lane, he suddenly sees his ball disappear into the machinery, so he whirls around and flails his way back to the ball-return tunnel, where he sticks his head DOWN INTO THE HOLE, barking furiously, knowing that his ball is in there somewhere, demanding that it be returned IMMEDIATELY, and then suddenly WHAM there it is, hitting Ponch directly in the face at approximately 40 miles per hour, and HE COULD NOT BE HAPPIER.

He is OVERJOYED to see his ball again, because that means Officer Bill's going to put it on the ramp and Ponch can hit it with his teeth again! Hurrah!

Not only is Ponch a lot of fun to watch, but he's also very naive about scoring, so you can cheat. "Sorry Ponch," you can say. "I scored 5,490 in that last game, so you owe me a million dollars." He'll just wag his tail.

Money means nothing to him. But touch his ball and he'll rip out your throat.



Study shows beauty just average

NEW YORK (AP) - American women increasingly believe most men are mean, manipulative, oversexed, self-centered and lazy, according to a survey released Wednesday. And the women are getting annoyed.

The Roper Organization poll found growing numbers of women expressing sensitivity to sexism and unhappiness with men on many issues. It compared data from identical questions asked 20 years ago.

Some of the changes were sizable. In 1970, for example, two-thirds of women agreed that "most men are basically kind, gentle and thoughtful." In the new poll, only half of the 3,000 women who were surveyed agreed.

The reason? "Women's growing dissatisfaction with men is undoubtedly derived from their own rising expectations," the survey's authors said. "The more independent women of today expect more from men."

Those expectations apparently are going unfulfilled. Most women rated men

negatively on their egos, libidos and domesticity. Sizable minorities went further: 42 percent, for instance, called men "basically selfish and self-centered."

Prudence took a particular pounding. Fifty-four percent of the women who were surveyed agreed that "most men look at a woman and immediately think how it would be to go to bed with her." In 1970, 41 percent had agreed.

The survey, financed by Philip Morris USA in the name of its Virginia Slims cigarettes, was conducted July 22 through Aug. 12 by in-person interviews with a random sample of women across the country. It had a margin of error of plus or minus 2 percentage-points.

Respondents overwhelmingly said women have made progress in obtaining job opportunities, equitable salaries and acceptance as political leaders. But they also expressed greater awareness of continuing discrimination.

Moreover, six in 10 working women said juggling jobs and families put them under "a lot of stress," and nearly as

many felt guilty about time they spend at work and away from their families.

The second-greatest cause of resentment in survey respondents' lives was their mates' failure to help with household chores, cited by 52 percent. Only money was a greater cause of woe.

"As women contribute more to family income, they expect a more equitable division of the household responsibilities in return," the survey said. While many men acknowledge responsibility for household work, it added, "Women indicate that men are failing to live up to this ideal, and that their failure is a major source of irritation."

But diapers and dishes are by no means the sole problem: Many women in the survey expressed negative views of men's attitudes as well as their behavior. Among the findings:

• Fifty-eight percent of women agreed that "most men think only their own opinions about the world are important." That was up from 50 percent in 1970.

• Fifty-three percent agreed that "most men aren't interested in their work and life outside the home and don't pay much attention to things going on at home." That was up from 39 percent in 1970.

The poll found similar increases in sensitivity to sexism. Fifty-three percent said they were annoyed by "jokes about women drivers, mothers-in-law or dumb blondes," up from 32 percent in 1970. Sixty-one percent were annoyed by pictures of nude women in men's magazines, up from 43 percent.

Eighty percent resented a woman being looked upon "as a sex symbol instead of as having sense in her head," up from 66 percent in 1970. And 53 percent were annoyed by men referring to them as a "girl" rather than a "woman." In 1970, just 31 percent of the women objected.

All men's failings aside, the poll indicated they must have some redeeming factors: More than nine in 10 women said marriage is better than living alone.

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Teenagers escorted in mall

OMAHA, Neb. (AP) - Shoppers are welcome to browse at the downtown ParkFair Mall, but teen-age buyers beware - because of rowdy behavior, the mall has banned unescorted youths on weekday afternoons.

The three-tiered mall has been the site of recent, after-school brawls.

Teen-agers assaulted two police officers trying to break up two fights March-30. More than 100 youths were dispersed and four teen-agers were arrested.

"I was here that day and I was scared," a woman who refused to give her name said last week. "It was getting rather treacherous with the kids."

The often bustling mall was relatively quiet that day. Tables at the ground floor fast-food restaurants were largely empty.

"Our business is down," said one fast-food clerk, Naem Muhammad. "But the theory is when we get this cleaned up other people will come down."

Some patrons and shop clerks questioned whether banning an entire group of people from the mall between 2:30 p.m. and 4:30 p.m. was the answer.

"They can come in here and act like ladies and gentlemen," said Rose Shaffer, 52, who goes to the mall three or four times a week. "They shouldn't punish them all."

One 16-year-old turned away from the mall when he didn't produce any identification said the policy was aimed at blacks.

"They ain't sweatin' it for whites," said Ed Young. "This whole dilemma is strictly racial."

Police are frustrated by lack of cooperation when trouble occurs.

"We have kids coming out...yelling racism and police brutality and that stuff," Sgt. Garry Gerhardt said while on foot patrol around the mall.

"I think basically the problem is you got 10 percent of the kids causing problems for everybody."

Bush declines to sanction Japan

WASHINGTON (AP) - The Bush administration is resisting heavy pressure to place Japan on a trade "hit list," but members of Congress are threatening to block approval of other trade agreements unless there is a change of heart.

U.S. Trade Representative Carla Hills gave strong indications Wednesday that Japan will not be targeted a second time as a country deemed to have erected the most onerous barriers against sales of American products.

The administration a year ago targeted Japan, Brazil and India under a tough section of the 1988 trade law that provides for economic retaliation against countries that fail to remove objectionable trade barriers.

The provision of the law, known as Super 301, was written with Japan in mind. Several members of the Senate Finance Committee let Hills know Wednesday that they believe Japan should be targeted again.

However, Hills objected that the Super 301 designation was not appropriate in current circumstances and called on Congress to give her more negotiating flexibility.

She lavished praise on Japan and the government of Prime Minister Toshiki Kaifu, saying the Japanese had made significant strides in the past month to reduce trade tensions between the two countries.

"We have witnessed a remarkable transformation in Japanese public attitudes about its protectionist trade policy," Hills said, praising Kaifu's

government as "responsive and decisive."

She announced to the committee a last-minute agreement in which Japan met American demands to remove bar-

mistake if it failed to cite Japan. He contended that the country has a poor record in honoring its market-opening commitments.

Bentsen and Sen. John Danforth, R-

"If the administration ignores a trade law that Congress has constitutionally enacted, I am concerned it may poison the well for the consideration of those agreements."

Sen. Lloyd Bentsen, D-Texas

riers blocking sales of U.S. forest products. She said the pact, which lowers tariffs and revises Japanese building code standards, should boost sales of U.S. wood products by more than \$1 billion in the next year.

The forest products issue was one of three raised in last year's Super 301 cases against Japan. The other issues- expanding sales of U.S. supercomputers and satellites- were resolved in recent weeks as Japanese officials rushed to make concessions in hopes of heading off designation again as a country with unfair trade barriers.

Despite the concessions, many U.S. industry groups and members of Congress are calling on the administration to target Japan again to keep pressure on a country that accounts for nearly half of America's overall trade deficit.

Senate Finance Committee Chairman Lloyd Bentsen, D-Texas, said the administration would be making a serious

negotiated as part of global round of trade liberalization talks.

"If the administration ignores a trade law that Congress has constitutionally enacted, I am concerned it may poison the well for the consideration of those agreements," Bentsen told Hills.

Some in the administration have argued that no country should be cited this year for fear that it would be wrong to antagonize other nations when the United States is seeking their help to conclude trade liberalization talks under the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade, which regulates world trade.

But Sen. John Heinz, R-Pa., said failure to cite Japan and other countries would send a "dangerous and inaccurate" message that the administration is not serious about protecting the interests of U.S. businesses.

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Poll: women unhappy with men

NEW YORK (AP) - Paul Newman's eyes or Sophia Loren's cheekbones may make your heart throb, but a new study suggests that attractive faces are basically, well, just average.

"Averageness is probably a necessary condition for attractiveness," said researcher Judith Langlois of the University of Texas at Austin.

She and a colleague used a computer to blend pictures of faces into composites, mathematically averaging out the features. Then undergraduate students rated the attractiveness of the individual and composite faces, without knowing which was which.

Composites of 16 or 32 faces were judged significantly more attractive than individual faces, for both male and female images. In fact, the composites became more and more attractive as more faces were added into them, essentially making them more average.

But if averageness is so attractive, why don't we see more handsome and

beautiful faces on the street?

The answer, Langlois said, is that there are "probably not that many faces that are exactly average" in the way her study defined it: having average nose length, chin prominence and so on, for a given population.

Although other factors probably make movie stars more handsome or beautiful than the rest of us, "I'll bet their faces have the fundamental attribute of averageness," Langlois said Wednesday. "And without that they would not be very attractive."

"We don't know yet about all the other components of attractiveness, but I would say this is a major one, and it's a required one."

Langlois presents the study in the March issue of the journal *Psychological Science* with Lori Roggman, who is now at the University of Arkansas in Fayetteville.

"I think the research is absolutely fascinating," commented University of Minnesota psychologist Ellen

Berscheid. "I would say this is about the first time anyone has even begun to unravel what the standards of beauty are."

But she cautioned that the experiment involved faces of white, college-age students and said similar work must be tried with faces from other racial and age groups to see if the results still apply.

If the principle does apply generally, Langlois said, it might help dentists and surgeons in reconstructing faces shattered by accidents or disfigured by abnormalities. The average face for a person of the patient's age and race could be used as a guide for the reconstruction, she said.

Langlois said the appeal of an average face might be explained by evolution. Individuals best exhibiting the central tendencies of a population might be preferred for mating because their genes might be less likely to contain harmful mutations, she suggested.

Another possible explanation is that, in a sense, average faces might be the

most face-like. If humans evolved to respond to faces to get social information, they may respond most strongly to the most face-like faces they see, the researchers wrote.

Previous studies show that even infants prefer faces that adults consider more attractive, Langlois said.

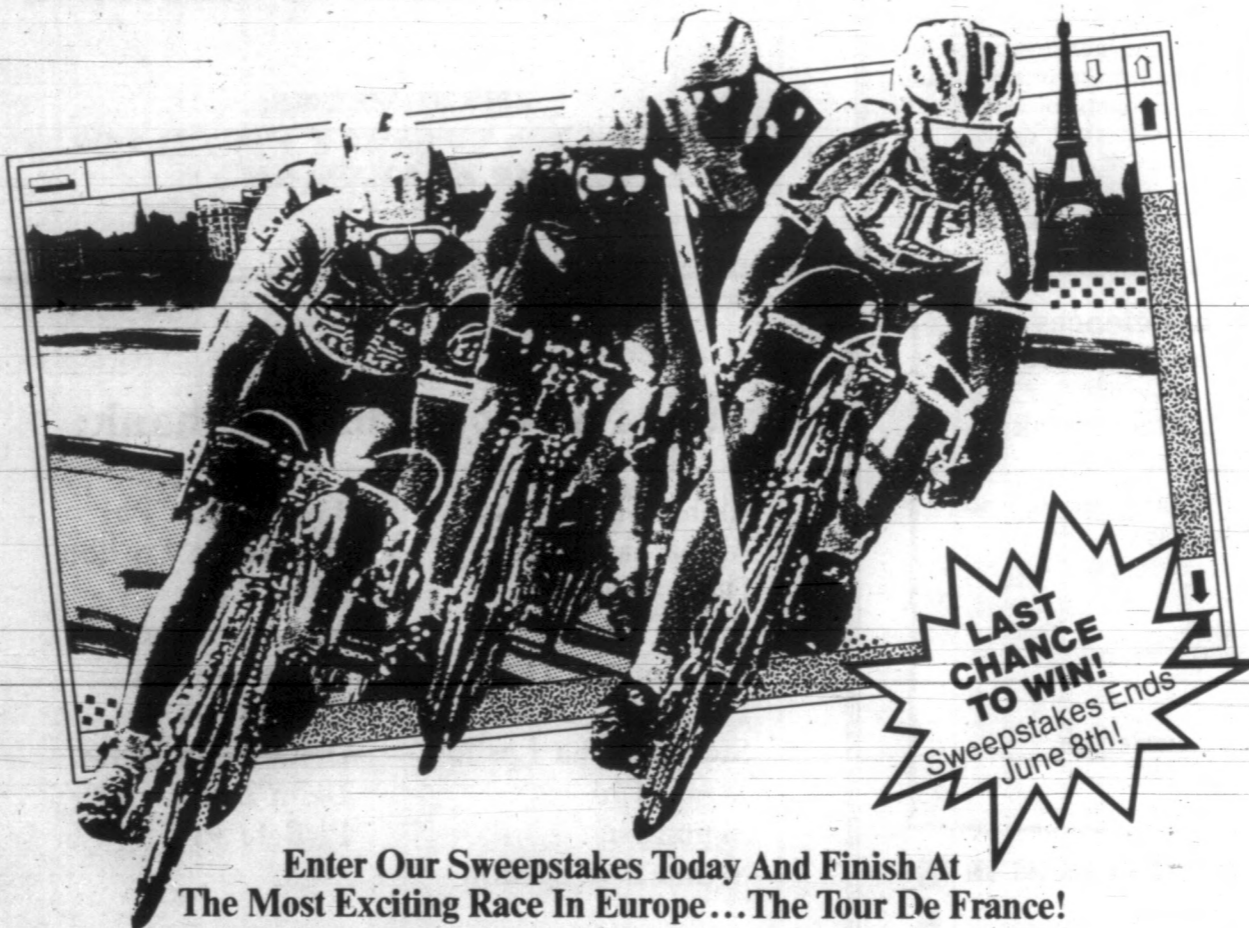
The study used faces of 192 undergraduate psychology students at the Texas university, plus the composites.

For each sex, a computer built composite photos that blended two, four, eight, 16 or 32 faces.

Attractiveness was judged by a different group of 300 students using a scale of one to five, with five being the most attractive.

Male individual faces averaged a rating of 2.51, compared to 3.27 for composites of 32 male faces. For females, individual faces averaged 2.43, compared to 3.25 for 32-face composites.

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Cup given to San Diego club

ALBANY, N.Y. (AP)—New York's top court last week awarded the America's Cup, yacht racing's most coveted prize, to the San Diego Yacht Club.

Possession of the trophy is worth millions of dollars to the host community during cup defenses.

The 5-2 ruling by New York's Court of Appeals apparently ends a legal battle for the 139-year-old silver trophy that began even before the San Diego Yacht Club's speedy catamaran trounced the huge monohull from New Zealand's Mercury Bay Club in September 1988.

"In racing a catamaran, San Diego complied with the terms of the deed of gift," said Judge Fritz Alexander, writing for the court majority. "Any question as to sportsmanship and fairness, such as the propriety of races between monohull and multihull vessels... are not questions suitable for judicial resolution."

According to the America's Cup Deed of Trust, the New York Court of Appeals is the final arbiter of cup disputes.

The catamaran "Stars and Stripes," captained by Dennis Connor, easily defeated Mercury Bay's yacht "New Zealand" in two match races in the Pacific Ocean just off San Diego.

New Zealander Michael Fay, the challenger, had complained that by using the faster, twin hulled catamaran, San Diego made a farce of the race and broke rules of sportsmanship. A catamaran had never before been used in the America's Cup.

In fact, the disparity between the two crafts was so large that Chief Judge Sol Wachtler, during court arguments in February, said racing a monohull against a catamaran was "Like putting a New York City bus against a Ferrari."

And Robert Fisk, Mercury Bay's lawyer, said using a catamaran in the America's Cup was like showing up to an archery contest with a gun.

While there have been disputes over the America's Cup in the past, this was the first to reach New York's highest court.

Hikes

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was cutting state funding to URI by \$9 million, thus forcing another 9 percent tuition jump for next year.

More ominously, a group called STRIKE (Students Rebuilding for Knowledge and Education) claimed to have caused an April 7 firebombing that wrecked the office of Wesleyan University President William Chace. In an April 11 letter, the group said it hoped to put a "premium on thinking and learning, as opposed to politics and earning."

A few days after that, activists met at Oberlin college in Ohio to try to fashion a national effort to slow down tuition increases everywhere.

"Just one school can't buck the trend," said Robin Templeton, a member of the group that sponsored the April 13-15 Conference on Educational Access and Equality at Oberlin. She and others at the conference hoped that the sheer strength in numbers from the coalition would force administrators and legislators to notice students' growing financial hardships.

"I used to see tuition increases as inevitable, but it has reached the point where it has become ridiculous," said organizer Eric Haag, a student at Oberlin.

"People used to assume that if tuition increased, then financial aid would too, so it was no big deal when tuition went up," he added.

That attitude changed when Oberlin announced a 9 percent tuition increase for the 1990-91 year - to \$22,076 - and a freeze on the portion of the student body that could receive financial aid at

41 percent. As a result, a number of otherwise qualified students won't be able to afford to continue at the small private college.

Templeton is one of those students. Because she transferred from another college, she is not eligible for financial aid under Oberlin's new policy. Next year, she won't be returning.

But those who set the prices argue they don't arbitrarily raise tuition.

"Universities don't raise (tuition) just to raise it," said Sharon Coomes, who works in the budget and finance office at the University of Nevada-Las Vegas. "We try to depend on legislative funds, which are never enough."

Arthur Hauptman, who authored a tuition report for the American Council on Education and the College Board, concurred. "Schools aren't going out and raising prices just for the hell of it," he said.

Carol Frances, an economist commissioned by the American Association of State Colleges and Universities (AASCU) to write a study called "What Factors Affect College Tuition," says tuition is increased only to balance a school's budget.

"When other sources of revenue increase at rates slower than the rates of increase in costs, colleges require students to pay a larger share of the costs of education," she said.

Campuses, Frances explained, can get money from just a few sources: federal and state appropriations, research grants and contracts, private donations, earnings from endowment funds, auxiliary sales (such as bookstores) and, of course,

students (in the form of tuition).

Ironically, student resistance is growing at a time when tuition supposedly is rising at the slowest rate in years.

In January, Frances predicted tuition nationwide would do up 6-to-8 percent, in contrast to the annual 10 percent annual jumps of the mid-eighties.

During February, March and April, however, individual schools' announcements of their prices for 1990-91 often have represented even bigger increases than predicted in Frances' report.

The same day Rhode Island students were booing their governor, for instance, Fairfield University in neighboring Connecticut unveiled a 13 percent price hike for next year.

Other students facing increases bigger than expected include those at the universities of Oklahoma (12.5 percent) and Miami (9.4 percent), Youngstown State (9.4 percent) and Creighton (11 percent) universities, and Gettysburg (10.7 percent) and Hope (9.2 percent) colleges.

It was in response to such an-

nouncements that students went to Oberlin to try to start a national price resistance movement.

Julianne Marley, president of the United States Student Association (USSA), along with Leonard Minsky, executive director of the National

Coalition for Universities in the Public Interest (NCUPI), gave the opening speech on "Race, Class and Gender in Higher Education."

Just 10 years ago, Marley noted, 80 percent of financial aid was granted to students, meaning they would not have to repay it. Today, less than 40 percent is granted. The rest is loaned.

About 30 students from Howard, Bowling Green and Kent State universities, the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, and the universities of Ohio and Texas at Austin joined the Oberlin students.

"We're not working to build just one organization, but a movement where all the groups can get involved," said NCUPI's Rich Cowan.

Law

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students, Shimer explained, "like to live in houses because it's easier to keep the rent down by bringing in more people."

Landlords say a change proposed by County Councilman Jim Herl, who sponsored the new law, to have them pay \$250 for a county license if they want to rent to students, would raise rents even

more. The fee would pay for three more county inspectors, who would be needed to enforce the new student housing law.

Shimer said early reports indicate rent is already going up for next fall, but she said it won't be until August that students will feel the full effect of the new law.



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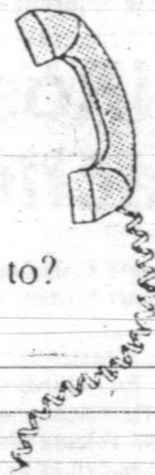
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Sports

Softball winless in own invitational



UMaine shortstop Esther Letteney attempts to complete the double play as University of Southern Maine's Karen Roach slides into second. USM defeated the Black Bears 1-0 in Saturday's invitational.

Playing at home didn't prove to be an advantage for the 7-39 University of Maine softball team.

The Black Bears dropped all four of their contests in the Maine Invitational Tournament held at Lengyel Field Saturday and Sunday.

Saturday the injury-plagued squad dropped games to Eastern Connecticut (5-0) and to the University of Southern Maine (1-0).

EC's Denise LaMontagne rapped two doubles and two singles (one RBI) to lead the 11-hit Warrior attack. First-year hurler Pearla Bridges of Bucksport got the win in a three-hit, four-strikeout performance. Bridges went to 4-2 on the year, while EC moved to 21-2 on the season.

UMaine's Mary Campbell took the loss.

The Black Bears' Sherri Bridges pitched a three-hitter of her own in the second game of Saturday's doubleheader, but USM took a 1-0 win.

USM scored the lone run of the game in the third inning. Kim Shaw singled, winning pitcher Tracey Roberts sacrificed her to second, and Bonny Brown doubled her in.

UMaine's shortstop Kelly Callahan singled twice for the Black Bears, while Heather Bernier and Nikki Lovell both added singles.

Sunday UMaine lost both ends of a doubleheader with Central Connecticut State University.

In the first game CCSU routed the

Black Bears 10-2. The Blue Devils erupted for 15 hits and seven stolen bases.

UMaine managed four hits on the day.

Co-captain Mel Harris, Heather Bernier, Nikki Lovell, and Tam Doliber all singled.

Both UMaine runs came in the fourth. Kelly Callahan drew a base on balls, and stole second and third. Bernier delivered a base hit to right field, driving in Callahan. Lovell then singled, sending Bernier to third.

On the throw to second on an ensuing double steal, Bernier took home.

Winning pitcher for CCSU was Lori Fredrick and Campbell was the loser.

In the second game, the Blue Devils were victors by the score of 4-1.

UMaine scored its run in the fourth. Bernier reached by error and advanced to second on a walk to first baseman Lovell. First-year right fielder Doliber then drove Bernier to the plate with a single.

For the Black Bears, Harris had three singles.

Michelle Bedard earned the win for CCSU, giving up eight hits in seven innings.

Sherri Bridges took the pitching loss for UMaine. The sophomore righty allowed five hits and struck out one in the contest.

UMaine will look to gain revenge of Saturday's 1-0 loss to USM, as the Black Bears travel to Gorham Wednesday.

DelRosso, Capriotti impress coaches in blue-white game

By Jeff Pinkham
Staff Writer

Some questions were answered for University of Maine's first-year football coach Kirk Ferentz Saturday afternoon, but there are a few questions that still remain.

UMaine's new starting quarterback Jeff DelRosso showed some signs of what the future could be, as he completed 13 of 18 passes for 148 yards and two touchdowns and led the Blue team to a 28-0 win over the White in the annual spring intra-squad scrimmage. "DelRosso has been impressive all spring," Ferentz said. "He had a pretty nice game today and we've been happy with his performance."

The situation surrounding DelRosso's backup at the quarterback position, however, is a little more cloudy.

"We felt there was a tremendous imbalance between Jeff and the rest of the guys and we wanted to get that closer this spring," said UMaine offensive coordinator Jack Cosgrove.

Dan DiGravio, the number two man on the depth chart, completed 4 of 13 passes for 42 yards while splitting his time between the two squads.

DiGravio played better while

playing for Blue—made up of players expected to start in the fall—as he threw an eight-yard touchdown pass to freshman split-end Tony Szydlowski.

The other quarterback that saw action was Rob Harby who completed 3 of 3 passes for 39 yards. Freshmen Dave Manning and David Turner played for White but didn't complete a pass.

Cosgrove said the White team quarterbacks were going up against the starting defense which made their job tougher.

"It was the second team offense against the first team defense," Cosgrove said. "We didn't even change formations once today which made it easier for the defense."

One of the more pleasant additions to the Black Bear squad this spring has been sophomore tailback Paul Capriotti.

The transfer from Army carried the ball 27 times for 111 yards, including a 12-yard touchdown run.

UMaine offensive guard and co-captain Tom Rogers pointed out Capriotti's hard running style and how it improves his game.

"He makes me a better player," Rogers said. "I'll be on the ground after making a block and he'll come popping

out of the pile."

Capriotti said the game went well but things were tough to start out.

"The first seven or eight carries were a little rough, but after that it went well."

Capriotti also mentioned how his running style differs from UMaine All-American Carl Smith, who didn't play as he was dismissed from spring practice to run track.

"I don't have the outside speed of Carl so I have to rely on cutting ability and toughness."

Ferentz has also been impressed with Capriotti in the spring practice season.

"He's been impressive this spring and he gives us more depth in the backfield," he said.

Ferentz was also pleased with the play of his defense.

"The defense showed some good signs and I've been impressed with their attitude, toughness and work ethic."

"The defensive backs came on pretty strong today," Rogers said. "But the timing of the offense is always behind the defense and hopefully we'll get our timing down in the fall."



Andy Bean

UMaine should look before it jumps

Why can't the University of Maine be like the University of Vermont? That question has been asked by some members of the Board of Trustees and others who are considering solutions to the university's financial crisis.

The root of the comparison revolves around football. It's the \$1 million question.

BOT member Thomas Monaghan suggested last week that the UMaine athletic department drop football in the face of budget cuts and increasing costs.

His reasoning: Vermont did it without suffering, why can't UMaine. But one of mom's logical lessons is forgotten here. "If your friends jumped off a bridge, would you jump too?"

It won't work. Simply put, UMaine is not UVM. UMaine would suffer with the elimination of football. Vermont dropped its foot-

ball program after the 1974 season, and with a little luck, was able to sell the school as a "Public Ivy." Enrollment has remained strong and the university has a strong academic reputation.

But UVM's success is a result of the atmosphere surrounding the school, not the institution itself. I've lived in Burlington all my life, excluding my four enjoyable years at UMaine. When school is in session, Burlington is a perfect example of a college party town.

Vermont's drinking age was 18 until 1986, when it was raised to 21 with a grandfather clause. That has allowed more than 50 bars in the city to prosper during the school year.

Students consider the number of social activities a university community offers as a determining factor when choosing a school.

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Academics are important, but only to the point that the school offers the student's major. For the most part students don't meet with professors and look at job placement rates when deciding on a college.

This may be a sad fact, but prospective students don't really ask those academic questions. They look at the social activities and judge a school's academics only by its reputation. And that reputation could be a false one.

Orono isn't Burlington. That's not bad, it's just that UMaine has to sell its package differently to students. UMaine's academics are solid, and in many instances may be comparable with UVM's. But the academic reputation is not there yet. Academics cannot sell UMaine.

Orono's night life does not compare to Burlington. And the size of the town does not lend itself to loud obnoxious students running through the downtown streets every weekend.

UMaine needs to provide its own activities to entertain students. Football is one of those activities that is noticed by prospective students. UMaine depends on publicity to build its reputation and a Division I-AA football program that competes on the national level is an effective method.

While in Burlington, it was not uncommon for someone to comment to me that, "UMaine is a good school." I would reply, "Yeah it is—how did you know?" Their response was usually,

"Well, you've got a real good football team, or a great hockey team."

That publicity, although it does not directly improve academics, does put the school's name in people's minds and eventually it will make being accepted to the university more competitive.

If UMaine wants to be UVM here's a checklist:

- Drop football.
- Add 40 bars to Orono and take away the police officer's billy clubs.
- Raise in-state tuition and room and board to about \$8,000.
- Raise out-of-state costs to about \$16,000.
- Accept more out-of-state students (who can afford it) and forget the responsibility the land grant university has to its residents.
- Add a nationally competitive ski program and some mountains.

But better yet why doesn't UMaine stop comparing and continue to follow its own path.

Compromises and changes are going to have to be made for the University of Maine to survive as an institution.

But following a school's example that is so different in nature is foolish. Jumping off the bridge could be very painful.

What happened to the philosophy I was sold on four years ago? It's time to remember "The Maine Difference" again.

Andy Bean is a senior journalism major from Burlington, Vermont.

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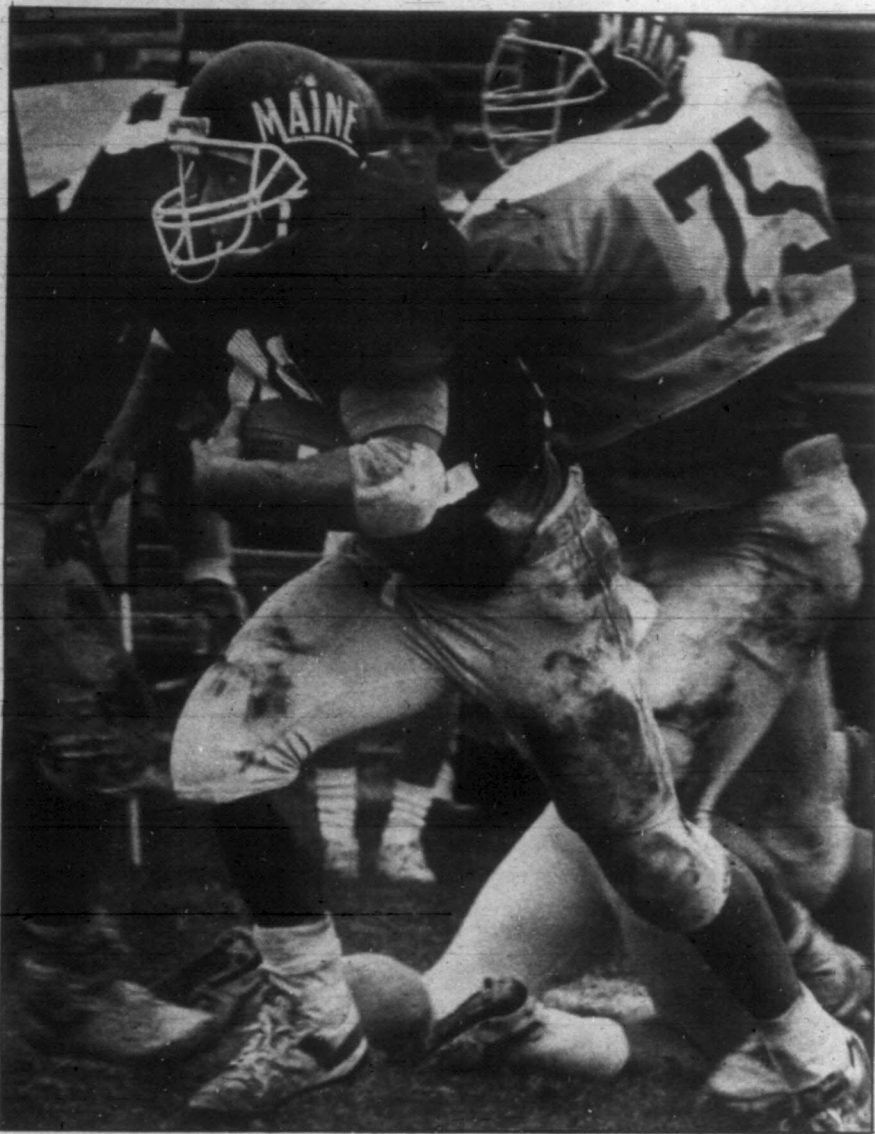
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Intense



Paul Capriotti, a sophomore transfer from Army, led the Blue team to a 28-0 victory with 111 yards on 27 carries Saturday afternoon at Alumni field. Story page 14.
photo by Scott LeClair

Langston pitches 4-3 victory for California

NEW YORK (AP)—Mark Langston allowed two runs in six-plus innings for his second victory with California as the Angels held off the New York Yankees 4-3 Sunday to snap a three-game losing streak.

Steve Balboni flied out with the bases loaded to end the game as California stopped a seven-game losing streak at Yankee Stadium. The only time New York won more consecutive games from the Angels at home was during the 1961-62 seasons.

Langston (2-1) breezed through six innings, allowing only one run and four hits as the Angels took a 4-1 lead. But the game was delayed by rain for 18 minutes in the top of the seventh and it seemed to take a toll on the left-hander.

California took advantage of some sloppy defense to score three runs in the second inning off Dave LaPoint (1-2).

White Sox 10, Blue Jays 3

CHICAGO (AP)—Sammy Sosa, who hit his first major-league home run the previous night, connected for a three-run shot Sunday, leading the Chicago White Sox to a 10-3 victory over Toronto and their first three-game sweep of the Blue Jays since 1979.

The Blue Jays, who had not been swept in three games by the White Sox since April 1979 in Toronto, have lost four straight. They were 11-1 versus Chicago last season.

Sosa drove in four runs and Carlos

Martinez, who also homered, and Ozzie Guillen each got three of Chicago's 15 hits.

Eric King (1-0) gave up three runs and eight hits in five innings. Wayne Edwards finished with hitless relief for his first major-league save.

The White Sox scored four times in their half against Jimmy Key (2-1) on Martinez's second homer of the season and Sosa's two-out drive to left field.

Expos 6 Reds 3

CINCINNATI (AP)—Tim Wallach and Mike Fitzgerald homered as the Montreal Expos beat Cincinnati 6-3 Sunday and ended the Reds' three-game winning streak.

The defeat was a double setback for the Reds, who lost starter Danny Jackson in the first inning with a bruised arm.

Montreal starter Kevin Gross (2-1) lost his shutout in the eighth when Herm Winningham drove in two runs with a one-out, bases-loaded single. Reliever Tim Burke got out of the jam and finished the game for his sixth save.

Jackson made only four pitches before being hit by a comeback grounder by Junior Noboa. The injury was diagnosed as a severe burise just below the left elbow, which could force him to miss his next start.

Jackson was relieved by Ron Robinson (0-1), who allowed two fifth-inning runs in his first appearance of the season.

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