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◆ Student government elections

Candidates debate campaign concerns

By Kristy Marriner
Staff Writer

Ways to fight the budget cuts, increasing student involvement and previous experiences were major issues during the candidates' debate sponsored by *The Maine Campus* last night.

The three tickets for student government president and vice president discussed their priorities and plans to improve the senate and the entire university. Approximately 30 students were in attendance.

Previous experience in general student senate and other areas became the most controversial topic of the night. Two of the tickets have vast differences in their level of previous experience with the senate. Their philosophies also differ over the importance of experience.

Bill Reed, candidate for presi-

dent, said experience is crucial to leadership and it is his and his running mate's, Rich Aldrich, strongest attribute.

"I think it is a distinct advantage to the students to have leadership that already knows how the system works and will be best able to work from inside it," Reed said. "It's very easy to stand on the outside and criticize, but I know there is a great advantage to have already worked with the people I will be working with."

Another presidential candidate, Collin Worster, said experience in the senate can be a hindrance. He said a "fresh face" is needed to bring in new ideas.

"We've had experienced leaders running student government for the last three years. What has student government done for you?"

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Aldrich, Reed, Worster, and Allen debated the issues last night in the Union. (Kiesow photo.)

◆ Post campaign trail

Ross Perot coming to campus tomorrow



The man who caused quite a stir in the last presidential election is coming to the University of Maine.

Former Independent presidential candidate Ross Perot will be speaking at the Maine Center for the Arts on Saturday, Feb. 6 at 1 p.m.

Perot, who gained the highest percentage of votes in Maine (30.4 percent) of any state in the nation, will be here to thank his supporters for their support and to talk about his newly founded organization "United We Stand America." The national membership drive for the group had its formal kickoff on Jan. 11.

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◆ Chemical leak update

Tests are negative for dangerous compound

Testing continues to rule out the possibility of a leak of a dangerous substance at the University of Maine's Hazardous Waste Storage Facility.

Tests for specific and generic compounds began Jan. 20 when two employees detected a chemical odor in one of the rooms of the concrete bunker in which various chemicals are stored.

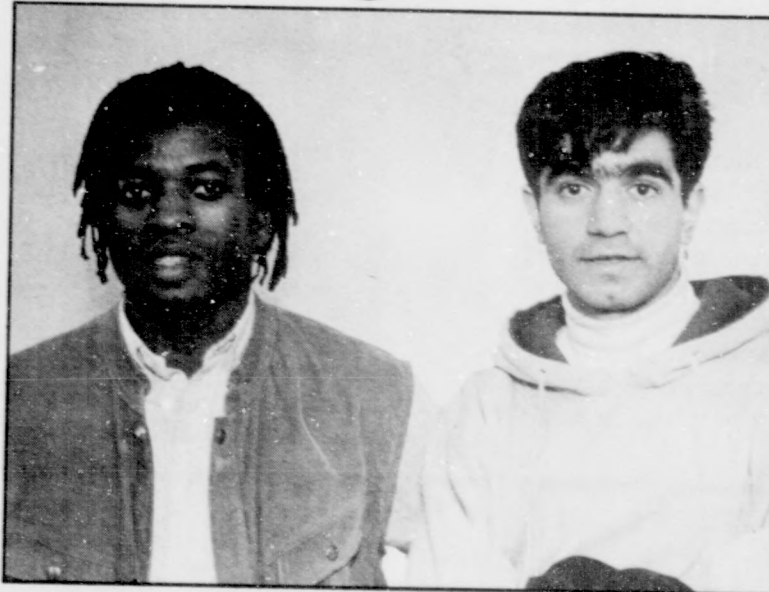
John Moriarty, UMaine's chemical laboratory and radiation

safety officer, said so far all tests have proved negative or below detectable limits. One person, who was evacuated from a farm house beside the facility, has been allowed to return.

The university is making every effort to dispose of the materials as soon as possible. It is working closely with area and state emergency agencies to implement full public safety procedures in monitoring the situation.

◆ Three choices on ballot

Third ticket enters race for student government offices



Angson Dhlakama and Amir Reza have announced their candidacy for student government. (Kiesow photo.)

By Kim Dineen
Staff Writer

A third ticket for the Student Government presidential elections declared their candidacy on Tuesday. In what may be a precedent-setting move, Angson C. Dhlakama and Amir Reza, both international students, will be running together for the offices of president and vice-president, respectively, as write-in candidates.

The election will take place on Tuesday, Feb. 9. Dhlakama and Reza's opponents are Bill Reed and Rich Aldrich, and Collin Worster and Annie Allen.

A native of Zimbabwe, Dhlakama

ma moved to the United States five years ago. He's lived in the Orono area for four years and is now a junior majoring in electrical engineering.

Amir moved from Iran seven years ago. He lived in Connecticut for a few years and went to high school there, then entered the University of Maine as a zoology-pre-med student and is now a sophomore.

According to Ruth Bentley, program coordinator for the International Students Office, she thinks this is the first time a pair of international students have run for these offices.

"To the best of my knowledge, this is a precedent," Bentley said. "I think it's great. It shows more

internationalization on campus and more diversity. International students are much more visible these days and it's an important part of their education abroad to be involved in campus activities."

Dhlakama and Reza are running for office largely out of their frustration with the current leadership in Student Government.

"We don't have enough discipline to sit back and watch what's happening while things fall apart," Dhlakama said. "I don't see Student Government as a strong government; since I've been here I've never seen them take a strong stand on anything and get the students involved, like with the tuition raise."

"I don't see cohesiveness within the government. If all the student groups were included in the government, it would include a lot more students. I think the Student Government should be really strong."

Neither Dhlakama or Reza have been involved with Student Government at UMaine before, but they view their detachment as an advantage.

"I don't think there's much contact between the Student Government and the student body. It seems like more students need to get involved, and it's not hard to get involved. That's what we want to show that you don't have to be the senate to run for president and that you don't have to have all this experience," Reza said.

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WorldBriefs

- German sitcom leaves people outraged or in stitches
- Pope to visit war-torn Sudan
- Airman to be charged with murder

◆ Comedy

German sitcom angers government

1 BONN, Germany (AP) — What's fat, foul-mouthed, and as bigoted as Archie Bunker?

Motzki, that's who, the main character in a new sitcom whose portrayal of the Ugly German has politicians hopping mad and viewers shifting in their seats — or laughing hysterically.

Motzki is a retired west Berlin driving instructor who blurts out bile about those lazy, whiny, backward east Germans. These prejudices are shared by many west Germans, who are unhappy over the tax hikes and recession that came with German unification. Motzki's also a bit of a racist.

When the first installment of "Motzki" ran Tuesday night on ARD television, it created an uproar. Critics called the show divisive, and 60 angry people phoned in to complain.

"I'm against all censorship. But my advice to the television powers is: stop Motzki immediately," said Klaus Rose, a conservative member of Parliament.

Motzki has hit a nerve in Germany, where television usually avoids the self-mockery that is the daily fare of TV in Britain and to a lesser extent, France.

Juergen Holtz, the well-known actor who plays the German bigot, thinks his countrymen are afraid of their reflection in the mirror.

"I swear to you that I have heard every one of these statements in one form or another. We didn't make them up," Holtz says of his role.

Conservative politicians bitterly attacked the show, but some Social Democrats from the east also loath it, saying it reinforces stereotypes about their homeland.

The show's creator, Wolfgang Menge, says outrage is precisely what he hopes to create. He views himself as a psychiatrist helping Germany come to grips with the troubles that have accompanied unification.

◆ Pope visit

Pope to bring message of peace to Sudan

3 PARAKOU, Benin (AP) — Pope John Paul II passed through two rows of chanting horsemen in flowing robes Thursday to enter this provincial city, where he told Muslim leaders to unite with Christians in the search for peace.

In what seemed a preview of his expected message when he stops next week in Sudan, where Christians are under attack by the Muslim fundamentalist-inspired government, the pope urged cooperation between the two religions.

"You allow me to evoke ... a domain in which Christians and Muslims can work hand in hand — the search for peace," the pontiff told about 100 Muslim clerics in a meeting hall.

As the pope flew to Benin from Rome Wednesday, he championed the rights of Christians in Africa.

"Our role is always to remind leaders of Muslim countries that Koranic law cannot be applied to people of other religions," he told reporters in an apparent reference to conflict between Sudan's government and Christians seeking autonomy in that country's south.

Most of Benin's 4.9 million people adhere to traditional religions. About a quarter of the population is Christian and 13 percent Muslim.

◆ Murder charges

Airman to face charges

TOKYO (AP) — The U.S. Navy said Wednesday it will bring murder charges against an apprentice airman accused of beating to death a homosexual sailor in a restroom near an American naval base in southwestern Japan.

In a case that has become a rallying point for gay rights groups, the Navy said a hearing similar to a grand jury investigation concluded murder charges should be brought against Airman Apprentice Terry Helvey, 21, of Westland, Mich. A court-martial will be held shortly.

The case involves the fatal beating of Allen Schindler, 22, of San Diego. Schindler was killed Oct. 27 in a public bathroom near a U.S. naval base in Sasebo, Japan, home port of his amphibious assault ship, the USS Belleau Wood.

His skull was crushed and face badly beaten, his genitals mutilated and most of his ribs broken, the autopsy report said.

Gay rights activists say the death illustrates the hostility toward homosexuals in the military at a time when the Clinton administration is seeking to lift a ban on homosexuals in the armed services.

◆ Cease-fire

US and UN forces to enforce cease-fire

2 MOGADISHU, Somalia (AP) — American and U.N. commanders moved yesterday to shore up a cease-fire and advance disarmament, demanding that Somalia's rival warlords hand over lists of all weapons and men under their control.

The request was made in a letter to 14 faction chiefs from Lt. Gen. Robert B. Johnston, commander of the U.S.-led military coalition in Somalia, and, for the United Nations, Gen. Imtiaz Shaheen of Pakistan.

The request came as U.N. spokesman Farouk Mawlawi said American and Belgian forces were "positioning themselves for a show of strength" against one of the faction warlords, known as Gen. Morgan.

Morgan, whose real name is Mohamed Said Hirsi, has been engaged in sporadic skirmishes for the past two weeks near the southern port of Kismayu with the forces of another warlord, Col. Omar Jess.

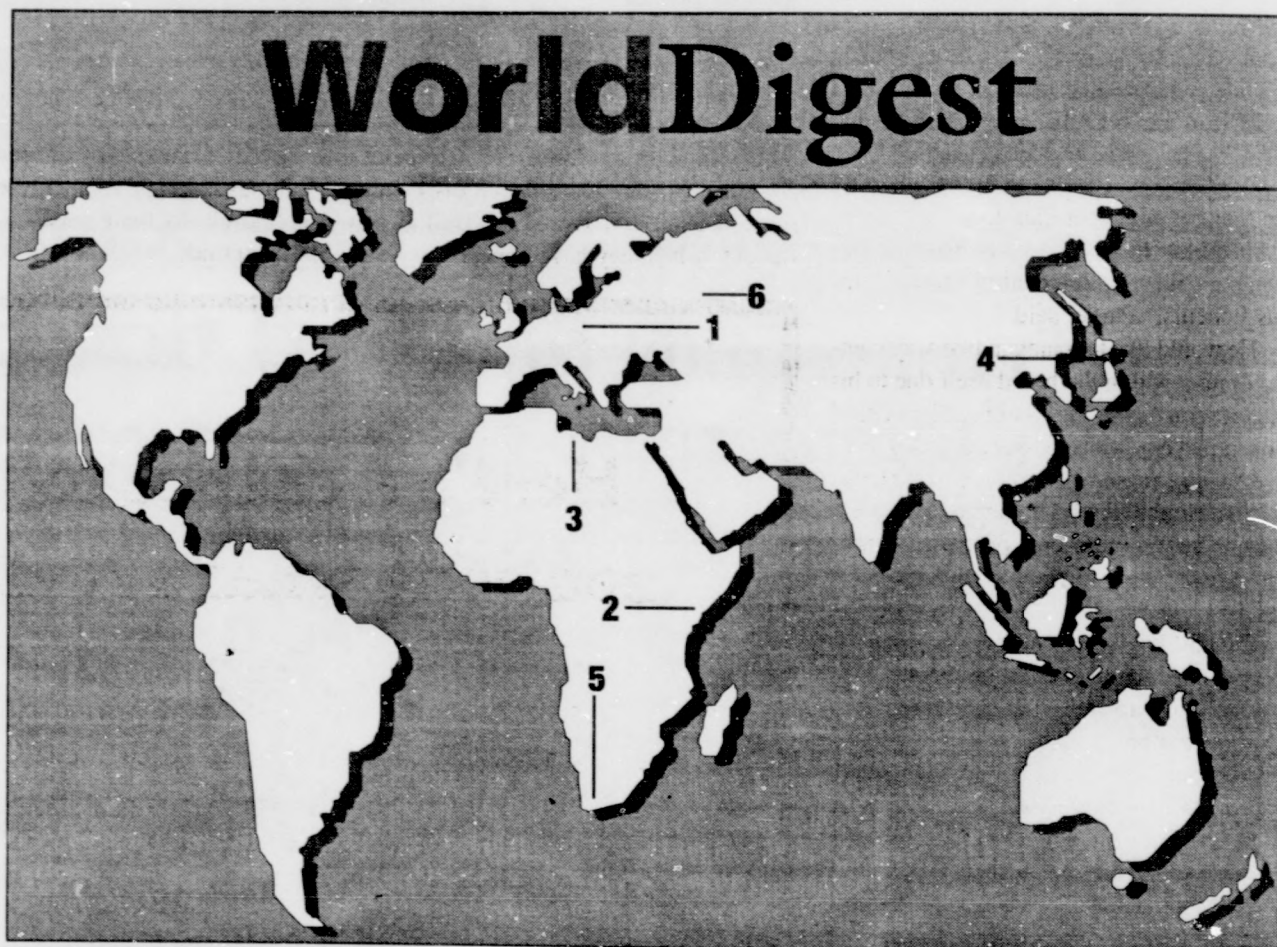
The fighting scuttled a round of preliminary peace talks that had been scheduled to start in Mogadishu on Monday. The country's leading warlord, Gen. Mohamed Farrah Aidid, accused Morgan of cease-fire violations.

All 14 factions, including Morgan's, agreed to a cease-fire and disarmament program as mandated by a U.N. Security Council resolution at a meeting in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, last month.

Morgan, a son-in-law of ousted president Mohammed Siad Barre, continued to fight after the dictator fled into exile two years ago. Jess is one of Aidid's principal allies.

American and Belgian forces have twice attacked Morgan's militia in the past two weeks, first on Jan. 25 and again on Monday, using helicopter gunships and armored personnel carriers.

The first attack came when Morgan ignored a warning to halt an advance toward Jess' position. The second was launched when a U.S. army Cobra gunship spotted one of Morgan's armed vehicles moving toward a Belgian army patrol.



◆ Riots

Taxi drivers clash with Johannesburg police

5 JOHANNESBURG, South Africa (AP) — Protesters set buses ablaze in the Soweto black township Wednesday, but Johannesburg was calm after two days of clashes between police and taxi drivers.

Police opened fire on a crowd that torched two buses near Soweto, according to news reports. A police spokesman said that one man was shot while trying to firebomb a bus and that several buses were attacked throughout Soweto. No other injuries were reported.

Some black commuters stayed home rather than travel by taxi van from their townships to the city. Most blacks depend on the taxis and public buses for transportation.

Protesting taxi drivers contend traffic police harass them and are demanding subsidies similar to what the government pays the Public Utility Transport Corp. bus company.

Taxi drivers are notorious for dangerous driving and often are involved in accidents.

◆ Space tech

Soviets test huge mirror for illuminating earth

6 MOSCOW (AP) — A huge experimental mirror was successfully unfurled in space Thursday and reflected sunlight to the Earth's dark side, tracing a weak 2 1/2 mile-wide beam across Europe, Russian space officials said.

Their six-minute experiment could be the first step in creating revolutionary space tools for illuminating large areas of the planet at night.

The cloth-backed mirror, 82 feet in diameter, was unfurled about 3:53 a.m. (7:53 p.m. EST Wednesday) from the unmanned Progress supply ship flying next to the orbiting Mir space station, said Viktor Blagov, director of the Russian space flight control center.

"Everything went exactly as we had planned," he said in a telephone interview from Kaliningrad, north of Moscow.

Scientists said they had expected the light to be too weak and moving too fast for anyone on Earth to see.

◆ OCB Election

Parker and Kitson run for Off Campus Board positions

By Renee Dolley
Staff Writer

This year's candidates for president and vice-president for Off Campus Board are Brian Parker and Edward Kitson respectively.

The OCB elections are scheduled to be on Tuesday, Feb. 9.

Brian Parker, a junior majoring in philosophy, would like to be president due to his goal to continue with the internal restructuring of the board itself.

This involves external concerns such as fulfilling the constitutional obligations.

Included among the restructuring are also the internal concerns such as drawing up a working budget, and reorganizing their offices.

Parker also hopes to maintain the branches of OCB which have been going well like the Ram's Horn and work on others such as the newsletter which have not been as successful.

The process of re-establishing the newsletter is already underway where OCB hopes to make their offerings more visible to off campus students.

Parker is already preparing for the presidency in other areas by working closely with the current OCB president.

One of Parker's main goals if elected president will be to attempt to provide more service to off campus students by connecting them with the community.

"I'd like the Off Campus Board to become the 'information central' for off campus students," Parker said.

He would like to maintain two-way communication within the board itself due to his desire to convert the board from a hierarchical structure to one which is more democratic.

"We are moving from an elitist hierarchical attitude which characterizes present student government and past off campus boards to a more open and democratic operation," Parker said.

Edward Kitson, a junior majoring in anthropology, would like to be elected vice president due to things which he believes needs to be done.

He would like to see OCB involved more with relations between itself and the student community as well as focus more on following the OCB constitution.

"In the past OCB hasn't fulfilled its mission implied in the OCB constitution and we intend to change that," he said.

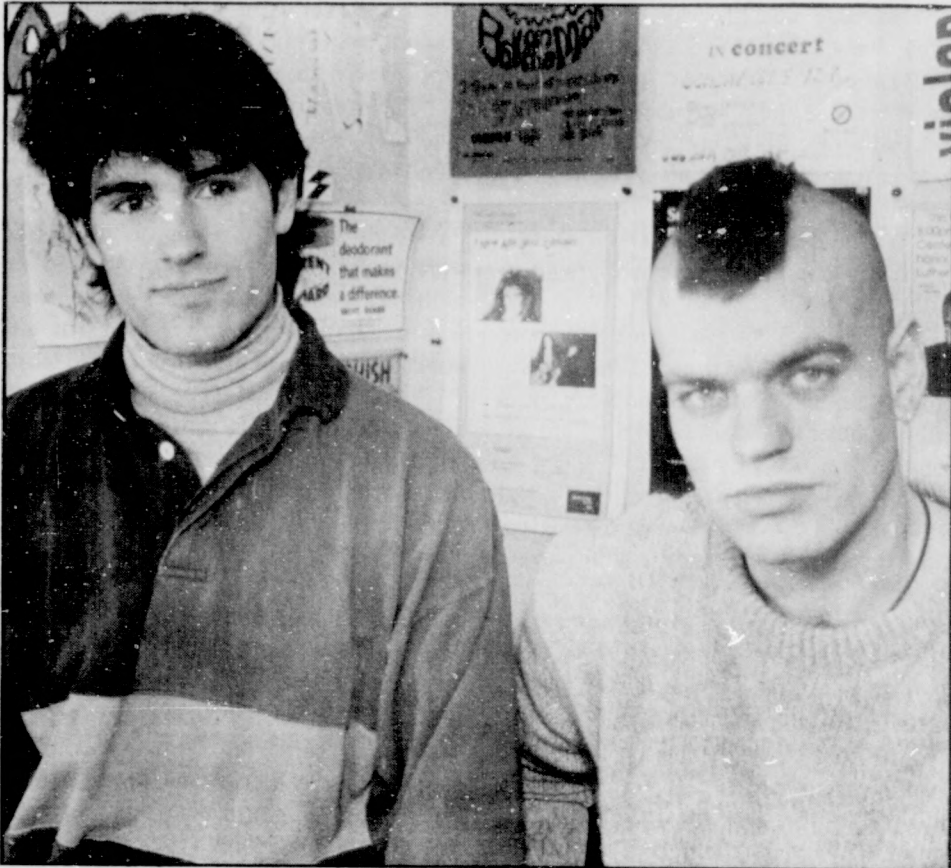
Kitson is also running for the vice presidency because last semester there was not as much happening in OCB as he would have liked.

◆ Southeast Asia

Talks held on MIA search

BANGKOK, Thailand (AP) — U.S. officials met with their Vietnamese counterparts in Hanoi today to plan new efforts to resolve the fates of 2,261 American servicemen missing from the Vietnam War.

The two sides have made 21 joint ground searches in Vietnam. The most recent, last month, completed preliminary investigations of 135 cases in which there was some evidence pointing to the survival of servicemen after their disappearances, a U.S. spokesman, Lt. Col. Dave Fredrikson, said in Bangkok.



Brian Parker and Edward Kitson campaign for OCB offices. (Kiesow photo.)

He also wants to convert OCB to being a provider for the link between off campus students and the university as well as help students when they have concerns.

"Off Campus Board exists for the off campus students. We'd like to make it more accessible to their needs and concerns," Kitson said.

◆ Faculty loss

Former theatre department chair dies

Al Cyrus, former chair of the theatre/dance department, passed away on Wednesday. Cyrus, who has been on sabbatical since 1991, was teaching theater at the American University in Bulgaria (AUBG).

"He was really very excited about his work in Bulgaria," Executive Director of Business and Finance Charles Rauch said. "When he and [Cyrus' wife] Sandy dropped in to see us, he was thrilled with how the students and faculty at AUBG had reacted to his production of 'Our Town.'"

Rauch said Cyrus told him the play, written by Thornton Wilder, had an excellent turnout and Cyrus himself had gotten a standing ovation as the director.

"He said they made him go up on stage to accept their applause," Rauch said.

Cyrus' biggest legacy to students is the Pavilion Theater, which originally was a barn for livestock judging. It was Cyrus' idea to have the Pavilion, which was only being used for storage, cleaned out and renovated so students could have another stage for smaller productions.

Cyrus got his bachelor of arts in 1958 at West Virginia University. He received his master of arts in 1960 from Western Reserve University.

Cyrus has been teaching theater at the University of Maine since 1960. In 1965 he took some time off and in 1966 he received his master of fine arts, also from RSU. In 1985 he was named chair of the department of theatre/dance.

He leaves his wife and four children.

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◆ Mainecard News

MaineCard usage may soon be expanded

By S. R. Judd
Staff Writer

With the University of Maine's steady interest into an expansion of the MaineCard, students may be able to use it for much more than food purchasing in the future.

Recently, members of the UMaine faculty and MaineCard system attended a presentation by a company called Harco Industries Inc., the third company to come here, showing additional capabilities the MaineCard can offer.

Eliot Estabrook, administrative systems coordinator at UMaine, said the MaineCard was originated with the intent to use it for many things and for many reasons.

"Access, authorization and identification are the ideas the MaineCard is based on," Estabrook said.

Estabrook said the card can be used for more than 50 different things like identification to enter a building, the purchasing of athletic tickets, admission to events, use in the bookstore, etc.

"We are just exploring the possibility of different vendors that offer services like the MaineCard system," he said.

The university has changed the MaineCard over from a charge to a debit system in the past because they were losing money.

"With the debit card you are spending money you already have rather than charging something and being assessed the interest," he said.

Estabrook explained that with the old credit system the university would lose money every time someone charged a large account and then decided not to pay their bill. With the debit system, people can't outspend themselves, and the university can actually gain money from the interest the MaineCard accounts generate from the mon-

ey they store in them.

"Instead of losing \$15,000, the university may gain \$3,000 or \$4,000," he said.

Estabrook said his responsibility is to implement the various policies to set up and the Business Services' job is trying to set up an effective-as-possible situation as they can. From there it is up to every area wanting to come onto the MaineCard system to do so or not.

"We are the custodians of the deposits. Its simply our job to keep everything in order," he said.

The first two companies the university has seen presentations from are the CBORD group, Inc. and Griffin Technology, both offering other variations on MaineCard expansion.

Jon Lewis, director of Dining Services at UMaine, said the MaineCard can be used for more than just food purposes in its current state.

"For the second year in a row we are offering Campus Funds — pay up front and the debit account you start can roll over from semester to semester," Lewis said.

Estabrook said the Campus Fund can be used to purchase transcripts, or an application for degree, and any member of the campus community can hold a Campus Funds account.

Convenience and security are the key factors in the idea of the MaineCard Lewis said.

On the convenience side, Lewis said when there are two vending machines; one with card acceptability and one without, chances are students will purchase the item from the card accessible machine because of the inconvenience that goes along with handling cash.

"People have to carry around five cards — meal card, ID card, library card, etc. With

the MaineCard it is only one," he said.

On the security aspect of the MaineCard, he said when a wallet is lost, the cash in it will be lost as well. With the card, the account can simply be canceled when the card is lost without any money lost.

"The more options you have with this kind of account, the more money you'll spend simply because its more convenient," he said.

Wendy Gavett, director of the Bookstore, said initially when the system moves to the bookstore it will be set up the same way as now, with the exception that the bookstore may have its own magnetic strip.

"On our end it would be simply accepting another debit," she said.

Dwight Rideout, dean of student activities, said the possibilities with the expansion of the MaineCard are exciting.

"When it comes aboard we will want to be a part of it," he said.

There has been success on other college campuses across the nation Estabrook said.

In the Feb. 3 issue of *The Chronicle of Higher Education*, the University of Miami saw the debit card bring in roughly \$300,000 last year just in sales from vending machines and interest on money in the student's accounts. Clemson and Duke University brought in roughly \$200,000 as well with their similar cards.

The Chronicle also said many colleges and universities that had issued credit cards to students are now switching over to the debit system so the students can get the money up front.

Lewis said the MaineCard first began with the computerization of meal tickets, possibly implemented by Griffin Technology in the past.

He said the MaineCard started as a simple identification card. Dining services

across the country began computerizing their meal cards and the first edition of what is now a sister to the MaineCard began around 1976.

Lewis said before computerization and even a short time after, students were confined to eat at a single commons. With the second generation of the card came the debit option in 1982 but it wasn't until approximately 1988 with the start of the Estabrook plan, that the debit system began to be used.

"This year was the first time we offered all the 'plus' plans to all students (on campus)," he said.

With these plus accounts, Lewis said everyone pays the same price and gets their choice of meals per week and the additional cash with them.

The second generation card is also used to show if a student has paid their activity fee or not in the gym, and for access to other recreational areas he said.

There is also a five percent discount when a student uses the MaineCard in the commons, the Den and the markets. He also said when someone pays cash in the commons it is a much higher rate than when paying with the card.

"If you are part of the campus community, i.e. students, faculty and staff, you should get the best deal," he said.

"The goal is to get cashless. If you get cash out of the picture your not worried about the security of the cash," Lewis said.

Estabrook said the more the MaineCard is used and the less cash is, the more the system will grow.

"The more availability there is to the MaineCard, the more convenient it will be for students and staff," he said.

"It would be nice to just carry one card around instead of carrying money," he said.

◆ Medical news

Lesbians have one-in-three risk of breast cancer

NEW YORK (AP) — Lesbians have a one-in-three lifetime risk of developing breast cancer, two to three times that of heterosexual women, according to a study by a National Cancer Institute researcher.

Suzanne G. Haynes, an epidemiologist, said Thursday her study is the first to esti-

mate breast cancer risks for lesbians.

"Most of the lesbian (medical) literature has focused on low access to health care, not on any specific cancer risk like this," Haynes said.

The study highlights the need for more research on breast cancer in lesbians and for programs to help cut the risk, she said.

Caitlin Ryan, a social worker and researcher who heads the AIDS office of the city of Washington, said Haynes' study is an important extension of a survey of lesbian health she and her colleagues published in 1987.

"It provides a level of interpretation we didn't have time to do," Ryan said. "Our hope is that perhaps with this analysis the federal government would include lesbians in research."

Haynes examined all available studies of the known risk factors that increase a woman's chances of having breast cancer. All of the risk factors she looked at were more common in lesbians than in heterosexual women.

"When I added up all the risks — and I don't think there's much overlap between these risks — I came up with between a two- and three-fold higher risk of developing breast cancer," Haynes said.

"They are terrifying figures," said Susan Hester, founder of the Mary-Helen Mautner Project for Lesbians with Cancer, a patient support group in Washington. "And

I believe them, because I lived through my partner's death from breast cancer."

Haynes did the study for the National Lesbian and Gay Health Foundation. She has not yet submitted it to a scientific journal for publication.

The National Cancer Institute estimates that about one in eight U.S. women will develop breast cancer. Lesbians face a lifetime risk of about one in three, Haynes said.

Among the risks that Haynes looked at was the rate of childbearing among lesbians. Having children cuts a woman's risk of breast cancer, but 70 percent of lesbians were childless, according to the data.

That alone makes lesbians 80 percent more likely to develop breast cancer and to die from it, Haynes said.

When she looked at alcohol use, another accepted risk factor, she found that 9.2 percent of lesbians over age 40 were heavy drinkers, compared with 2.4 percent of women in the general population. Lesbian women over 55 had three times the smoking rate of heterosexual women.

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◆ Ancient history revisited

Graetz sheds light on male domination and assertive attitudes during biblical times

By Wendy Fox
Volunteer Writer

Miriam, the sister of Moses in the Bible, was a victim of a male dominated society that praised motherhood and looked down upon the questioning of authority.

In the latest Women in the Curriculum lecture Naomi Graetz, faculty member of Ben Gurion University of the Negev in Israel, offered insight to male domination in biblical times and ancient rabbinic attitudes toward assertive women.

The program titled "Did Miriam talk too much?" focused on rabbi writings which shed a negative light toward women of their time.

"Rabbis felt that one (a woman) can stand for procreation as long as they don't attack the leader," Graetz said.

Graetz examined the role of Miriam, the sister of Moses and Aaron in the book of Numbers, in the Bible. She also cited examples of the interpretation in the Midrash, which includes commentaries and literary interpretations of the Bible.

In two specific instances, Graetz said Miriam was a target of discrimination.

In Numbers 12, Graetz said Miriam became ill with leprosy after questioning the authority of Moses, God's chosen leader.

Aaron, who questioned Moses as well, received no punishment.

Why was Miriam the only one to receive punishment? Graetz said it was because her crime was viewed as more serious than Aaron's. He was a passive observer while Miriam spoke out.

"Women in the biblical world were not supposed to be leading men," she said.

Graetz said a woman's only power during that time was lashon ha'ra, or the evil tongue.

"This lashon ha'ra marked women for generations to come," Graetz said.

Miriam was thought to have lashon ha'ra and in the Midrash, it states Miriam became ill with leprosy as an example to those who wished to be slanderous of authority she said.

Miriam was not being the right kind of role model rabbis wanted at that time.

"To be a positive role model, women had to be fruitful and multiply and encourage marriage," Graetz said.

She said ancient rabbis viewed women as greedy, inquisitive, envious and indolent.

"Rabbis believed in the power of the spoken word. Lashon ha'ra was prohibited even when remarks were true," she said.

Graetz said Rabbi Levi is quoted in the Midrash as saying, "Anyone who is so arrogant as to speak against one greater than

himself causes the plagues to attack him. And if you do not believe this, look to the pious Miriam as a warning to all slanderers."

In one place in the Bible, Miriam is praised for being assertive to her father, when she calls him a coward for leaving her mother due to the order of Pharaoh to kill all the first born sons in the country. After Miriam called her father a coward, he went back to his wife and ignored the Pharaoh.

Graetz said the reason why Miriam was praised in this instance and not in the other was because Pharaoh wasn't a chosen leader by God and she was asserting motherhood and marriage.

"To rabbis, Miriam is a perfect role model except for one thing- she is not married and has no children," she said.

Graetz said she disagreed with the view of a rabbi, Gunter Plaut, who feels Aaron also received punishment in a mental way from seeing Miriam disfigured.

"I'm campaigning for us to write Midrash. Only in that way can all voices be in partnership," Graetz said.

She said she felt there was some misogyny as far as rabbis are concerned when wives aren't acting as they are supposed to.

Peter Klebam, professor of physics, said the lecture was interesting though he felt Graetz's representation of the rabbis



Naomi Graetz at Wednesday's WIC luncheon. (Kiesow photo.)

was ambiguous.

"She illustrated how the Midrash was a way that rabbis expressed their negative feelings toward women," he said.

◆ Somalia

US chopper pilots enforce ceasefire

WITH BLACKJACK 15, Over Somalia (AP) — Blackjack 15 is skimming the treetops 25 feet from the ground, his observation helicopter whirling after the warlord, Gen. Morgan.

Blackjack 15, alias Mike Tucker, psychology major turned army pilot, is one of small band of pilots trying to enforce a cease-fire among Somalia's warring factions.

Morgan, whose real name is Mohamed Said Hirsi, has been attacking the forces of Col. Omar Jess for the past two weeks near the southern port of Kismayu, violating a cease-fire and delaying peace talks.

The Blackjacks are a half dozen OH-58 Scout observation helicopters and a half dozen AH-1 Cobra gunships flying in formations of two or more, with an observation helicopter in the lead and gunships trailing.

They are from Bravo Troop, 3rd Squadron, 17th Cavalry. The troop has been around since the turn of the century and so has its name, Blackjack. None of the pilots are sure how it was acquired.

All are too young to remember the general who led American troops in Europe in World War I, and later in a punitive mission against Pancho Villa in Mexico — John "Blackjack" Pershing.

This past Monday, the Blackjacks knocked out a 5-ton truck, first firing a warning shot to give the 20 Morgan troops aboard a chance to escape the fury of rockets and cannon. A week earlier, they wiped out seven vehicles and several artillery guns.

Their mission is to keep Morgan's forces in recognized neutral zones and to disarm his vehicles if they leave approved areas. Under the rules of engagement, the Black-

jacks must receive approval from a higher command to attack. Even then, warning shots are fired first.

Capt. John Poppie, 28, of Spokane, Wash., a business major and commander of Bravo Troop, and Tucker, a 29-year-old warrant officer from College Park, Md., briefed for their current mission Wednesday.

Pointing at coordinates on a map posted

on a large sheet of plywood in the middle of a field, Poppie told the pilots:

"Morgan forces are located to the west of Berxaani. Are you all familiar with what's been happening there? Morgan and Jess have been fighting it out on and off. They usually fight in the morning. By the time we get out there, they've disappeared into the wood-work. ..."

He notes that up to 100 men were spotted around a water hole. Morgan reportedly can mobilize up to 200 men at a time.

"During the day, they'll usually break down into five-man groups. It's very hard to see. You see them the first time, you're probably not going to see them the second time because they'll jump into bushes and stay out of the way."

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♦ Education

Peer educators organize PSM information session

By Karla Stansbury
Staff Writer

Premenstrual Syndrome (PMS) affects many women, if not all, and can bring with it many problems.

Kerry Twitchell, a junior nursing major, who works in the Women's Health Peer Educator Program, tried to organize an informal informational meeting and discussion for the second time on Wednesday night titled, "PMS, It's Not All In Your Head." Both times the meeting was cancelled because nobody came.

Twitchell did a presentation like this two years ago and said it was great, that there was a good turnout.

The meeting will be held again next Wednesday, Feb. 17 at 7 p.m. in the Women's Health Waiting Room in Cutler. Twitchell hopes it will work this time.

"I want to help women help themselves," Twitchell said. "There are a lot of tools, but you need to know what they are and where to get them."

Both Twitchell and Jean Anne Sturup, assistant of Women's Health at Cutler stressed that this is an informal meeting, so everyone can feel free to come and

talk or ask questions.

Sturup said a lot of women have gone to Cutler wanting to know more about PMS.

Some of the issues Twitchell wants to discuss are how nutrition and stress effect PMS, how relationships effect PMS, and vice versa.

According to *The New Our Bodies Our Selves* 1992, "Self-help remedies can work. Some women find that making changes in their diets or increasing exercise makes a significant difference."

"We welcome input on issues and concerns that women have, that they would like to know more about, and we would be really happy to put together some informal workshops and programs," Sturup said.

Both Twitchell and Sturup said they would be willing to come to dorms and sororities to give presentations, and want people to feel free to call if they want an educational program done.

"If we don't have the information, we'll find it and come," Sturup said.

If there is an interest, this may work into a weekly series on different health issues on things such as breast exams, annuals, STDs, etc.

♦ Money

German bank lowers interest rates to boost economic activity

BERLIN (AP) — Germany's central bank slightly lowered two key interest rates today, an action other European countries have been seeking for months in hopes of stabilizing currencies across the continent.

The United States and other nations also have been urging the Bundesbank to reduce rates to stimulate Germany's moribund economy, which would boost imports and invigorate global economic activity. Germany's economy is the third largest in the world after the United States and Japan.

But Germany's trading partners have been calling for bigger cuts than today's and pressure likely will continue for further reductions.

The Bundesbank, which has resisted lowering rates for fear of worsening inflation, cut its Lombard rate from 9.5 percent to 9 percent and the discount rate from 8.25 percent to 8 percent. Those are rates charged on loans to commercial banks and serve as bases for setting other interest rates.

Belgium's central bank later announced a 0.10-point reduction in a key lending rate to 8.3 percent.

Those levels are far above Japan's, where

earlier today the central bank chopped its discount rate by three-fourths of a point to 2.5 percent, matching an all-time low.

In reaction, the Dow Jones industrial average neared its record high today in heavy trading, up 20.26 points at 11 a.m. EST to 3,394.05. The Dow rose 45 points in New York on Wednesday.

The Bank of Japan wants to encourage more investment by corporations and spending by consumers to alleviate Japan's worst recession since the mid-1970s. European currencies have been in turmoil since summer, and Germany's high rates have been widely blamed for the problem.

The small cuts announced today, which take effect immediately, were about the same size as changes the Bundesbank made in September with little effect on the turbulence in currency markets.

Germany had resisted lowering its rates, arguing that would fuel inflation at a time when billions of dollars are being spent to pay for the cost of reunification of the two Germanys. The Bundesbank, an independent institution, is mandated by law to keep inflation low and the German mark strong.

♦ Bosnia

Thousands flee Bosnia, some die during escape

SARAJEVO, Bosnia-Herzegovina (AP) — Thousands of Muslims are fleeing eastern Bosnian towns in search of food, and some are reportedly dying en route to refugee centers, the United Nations said today.

The report came as international mediators prepared for new peace talks with leaders of the three rival Bosnian factions.

In another former Yugoslav republic, the battle for the Serb-held Krajina region in southern Croatia appeared to be heating up. Croats launched an offensive two weeks ago to regain control of some of the territory lost to Serb militants in the 1991 war over Croatia's secession.

A report from the U.N. High Commissioner for Refugees in the eastern Bosnian town of Tuzla said Serb forces were letting Muslims leave the area, thus "effecting another more simple method of 'ethnic cleansing.'"

"Due to the lack of food, people have been leaving the area of Cerska and Kamenica and making their way to Tuzla on foot," the statement said.

Cerska and Kamenica, two Muslim-held towns 20 miles south of Tuzla, have been under Serb siege for months.

The Bosnian war has killed at least 18,000 people and created 1 million refugees since Serbs, backed by Serb-dominated Yugoslavia, set out in March to crush Muslims and Croats who voted to secede from Yugoslavia. Some of the heaviest fighting has raged in the eastern region bordering Serbia.

The statement from the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees said 1,500 Muslims had arrived in Tuzla by Tuesday. It said 2,500 more had crossed the frontline between Serb- and Muslim-held areas east of Tuzla and 800 more refugees were expected by Friday, the report said.

In New York, international mediators Lord Owen and Cyrus Vance prepared for talks with all three warring factions in an attempt to push through a peace plan that would divide the republic into 10 largely autonomous regions.

Peace talks broke down Saturday in Geneva after Muslims and Serbs refused to approve the plan. Talks were to resume today at the United Nations, where Vance and Owen hope the Security Council will endorse their plan.

The Clinton administration feels the proposal gives too much to the Serbs.

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♦ Abortion

UMaine NARAL actively supporting right to choose

By Scott W. St. Clair
Staff Writer

Abortion is not only an issue being fought on a national or state level, it's also brought up at UMaine by the National Abortion Rights Action League (NARAL) in their campaign for choice.

This week, NARAL began one of its major events of this semester. In the Memorial Union, the organization is selling T-shirts for \$10 this week and also in the Women's Resource Center, NARAL's regular location.

The money raised from this project will create an ongoing fund to be used in support students who need financial assistance for abortions.

The UMaine chapter of NARAL currently has a mixed membership of several men and women. However, the group is still in the process of becoming an official UMaine organization, which requires approval from the General Student Senate. With GSS final approval, NARAL will be officially recognized and eligible for funding.

Several of the NARAL members have different opinions on how to achieve their objectives, but they all share the same goal.

"Abortion will never stop existing; the question is whether abortion will be done dangerously in back alleys, where thousands of women died, or whether it will be done safely by doctors. The bottom line is it's a woman's right to choose," Rose Foster said, a NARAL member. Foster is a sophomore political science major with a concentration in women's studies.

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Politically, NARAL supports Bill Clinton's removal of the gag order on abortions. However many members of the group believe pressure still needs to be applied to state and national officials; they believe the gag order created a false sense of security.

The Freedom of Choice Act is another major issue supported by NARAL. This act encompasses the principles of the 1973 landmark case - Roe v. Wade.

This act is supported by over 130 U. S. Representatives including Thomas Andrews, D-Maine and Olympia Snowe, R-Maine. It is sponsored by Don Edwards, D-Calif. In the Senate, the act is sponsored by Alan Cranston, D-Calif., and is also sponsored by 28 other Senators, including William Cohen, R-Maine.

On another political realm, NARAL is publicly endorsing Collin Worster and Annie Allen for president and vice-president of Student Government. The group based its endorsement decision on Worster and Allen's campaign platform.

Worster and Allen are supportive of NARAL, and their support could be important when the group seeks final approval from GSS next October.

"In my opinion, women need to be more involved in the senate," Polly Madson, a NARAL member, said. Madson is a senior social work major with a concentration in women's studies.

Some NARAL members also believe that Bill Reed and Rich Aldrich, another ticket for Student Government president and vice-president, would, if elected, carry



Polly Madson, center, at the NARAL table in the Union. (Kiesow photo.)

the tradition which has existed for the past three years in Student Government.

Student Government elections will be held on Tuesday, Feb. 9.

Members of the group urge people to get involved to support a woman's right to an abortion.

"I encourage people to get involved,"

Madson said.

"It's a choice a woman needs to make; I can't see it being banned, and I support it as something I believe in," Elham Khavari said, a sophomore child development major.

UMaine NARAL holds meetings in the Women's Resource Center on the first and third Tuesday of every month at 4:30 p.m.

♦ Corporate regulation

Family leave law may have minimal impact

NEW YORK (AP) — With family-leave legislation close to becoming law, TBC Corp. chairman Marvin E. Bruce is getting worried.

The Memphis tire and auto parts distributor has no formal guidelines for its 250 employees and could face future scheduling and financial problems if forced to provide extended leaves, Bruce said.

"It wouldn't be devastating. (But) there will be some financial hardship. We're gonna find a way to live with it," he said in a telephone interview Thursday. "A business even smaller than mine may have more problems."

While some small businesses like TBC could have a rough time ahead under proposed federal guidelines, many experts insisted there would be only minimal impact on corporate America in general.

The federal legislation would allow workers in companies with 50 or more employees to take up to 12 weeks of unpaid leave for the birth or adoption of a child; to care for a seriously ill family member; or if their own health condition made them unable to perform their jobs. The employers also would have to keep providing health-care benefits.

"Many big companies already go be-

yond the (proposed) federal guidelines," said Carol Sladek, a consultant on work and family issues for Hewitt Associates in Lincolnshire, Ill. "The IBMs and the AT&Ts are going to be yawning."

International Business Machines Corp., for instance, allows employees up to 162 weeks of unpaid leave for childbirth, while giving returning employees the option of flexible work schedules. American Telephone and Telegraph Co. offers up to a year in leave, along with flexible scheduling. Both provide adoption aid and limited medical disability.

Although programs vary nationwide, most mid- to large-size companies, those employing 500 or more workers, already have some type of employee-leave policy.

Family leave advocates say the federal legislation would help put all workers on a more even playing field, while addressing the problems confronting today's two-income families.

"We do a lot of talking about family values, but what we have to do is value our families," said Judsen Culbreth, editor of Working Mother magazine. "We're really like a Third World country in this regard."

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♦ Faculty

Whitaker's humanitarian efforts benefit UMaine

By Alex Kuli
Volunteer Writer

A series of posters hang on the wall in the office of Bill Whitaker, associate professor of social work at the University of Maine. Showing pictures of undernourished children from Africa and Latin America, the posters ask, "What do you want to be when you grow up?"

"Alive!" reads the answer.

Another poster of the Soviet Union commands the Russians to "Value your bread!"

Dozens of political buttons also adorn Whitaker's office walls. They sport messages from so many political movements Whitaker has supported that he jokes, "It's more of a resume than a collection."

A quick glance at this resume reveals a life dedicated to fighting hunger and deprivation.

For over three decades, Bill Whitaker has seen the faces, heard the voices and responded to the call of the hungry.

"He just cares a whole lot about those people. That's where his heart is, and that's where his ministry is," said Peggy Day, a former student of Whitaker's and director of the Salvation Army's Bangor soup kitchen. "He was like a mentor and still is," she said.

Whitaker has spent most of his adult life helping others. After graduation from Brandeis University's Florence Heller School for Advanced Study in Social Welfare in 1967, Whitaker spent eight years working with the underprivileged at South Side Settlement House in Columbus, Ohio.

Whitaker said, "I drew my energy from working shoulder to shoulder with these people, seeing them get the chance they deserve. The miracle is that despite the incredible obstacles they face, so many people stay on and keep fighting."

Whitaker recalls one night at the settlement house after a storm had passed when he awoke to see flashlights playing on the

wet sidewalk outside his window. He got up and went outside to investigate.

"People were picking up nightcrawlers from the sidewalk because the local bait store would buy them. They paid two dollars a quart, and it takes a hell of a lot of nightcrawlers to make a quart," he said.

"I asked them what they were going to do with the money. One woman said she would use it to buy tennis shoes for her daughter. Other people said similar kinds of things."

"When I think about the issue of hunger, I'm not speaking in the abstract. What is in my mind is real live people trying to make sense out of their lives and trying to do right for their kids," he said.

Whitaker said it is important to have "one foot in the classroom, one foot in the community." He is currently involved in a number of anti-hunger organizations.

In October 1992, Whitaker was elected to the board of directors of Bread for the World, an office which he will assume this month.

According to Whitaker, Bread for the World is a nationwide group of 44,000 people who seek to affect the U.S. government's hunger policy at home and abroad. He has been a member since 1978.

"We have members in every congressional district in the country," Whitaker said.

He said members lobby by calling and meeting with their congressional representatives. Whitaker has had important meetings with Senators George Mitchell and Bill Cohen as a member of Bread for the World.

In January 1991, Whitaker became a founding member of the Maine Coalition for Food Security (MCFS). This coalition consists of 65 anti-hunger organizations from Maine's education, religious and business communities.

"We are trying to replace hunger with food security," he said. "Food security means enough food for everyone, and people having access to food by buying it in a grocery store just like you and me."

Through the sponsorship of the Maine Nutrition Council and the Margaret Chase Smith Center for Public Policy, MCFS is conducting a landmark survey of 400 families from 31 communities in Maine to document the extent of childhood hunger.

The findings of this unprecedented study will be the basis of a two-year campaign to affect state and federal governments' policy towards food security issues.

Although the results of the study are not yet available, Whitaker said in his experience, "Hunger is everywhere - in all communities, at all times."

On Dec. 7, 1991, Whitaker met with hunger activists from all over the nation to devise the Medford Declaration to End Hunger in the United States. This manifesto recommends a number of anti-hunger programs to the U.S. government.

"If we fully implement these programs, hunger can be ended by 1995," he said.

"I really am hopeful," Whitaker said. "I think we have found that an increasing number of people throughout the country believe that hunger can be eliminated and they're willing to see the tax dollars spent to accomplish it."

Whitaker bases his optimism on a poll conducted by the Food Research Action Center, a national research organization.

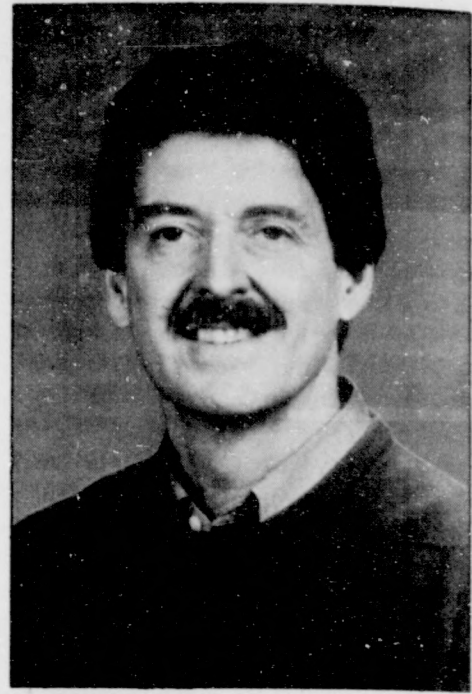
"We found that two-thirds of registered voters would be willing to spend \$100 in taxes every year to eliminate hunger," he said.

"That comes out to 10 to 11 billion dollars - enough to fully fund the programs to end the symptoms of hunger."

Whitaker hopes to affect the federal government's policy towards global hunger as well. He applauds the action of the U.S. military in Somalia.

"It is the first military operation sponsored by the U.S. that I could support. It felt very strange," he said with a wry grin.

However, he objects to the U.S. government's support of oppressive regimes in



Bill Whitaker. (Photo courtesy of PICS.)

the name of national security.

"These governments prevent their citizens from meeting their basic needs," he said. "We have contributed our tax dollars to the continuation of hunger in these nations." He cites the Philippines under Marcos and Nicaragua under Somoza as examples.

Whitaker urges students at UMaine to get involved in the community. He said, "I really believe in the mission of a land grant institution to help the people. That's why I've chosen to teach."

Whitaker suggests students write to government legislators. "Simply say, hunger is an unacceptable circumstance. We believe it's got to be ended, can be ended, and should be ended."

However, he stresses the most important thing students can do is "become the best informed citizen possible - become aware of the issues and take a part in the decision making process."

"We all need to be citizens as well as part of our professions," Whitaker said.

♦ Temp tents

Tent city re-established for hurricane victims

MIAMI (AP) — A new tent city will be opened after surveys found that as many as 5,000 people remain homeless in south Dade County more than five months after Hurricane Andrew.

"This is an outgrowth of the need we discovered in south Dade with people living in tents and camps and deplorable conditions," Andy Menendez, who coordinates county programs for the homeless, said Wednesday.

The county has been calling for the return of tent cities since the U.S. military-run camps were shut down in October. Opened shortly after the Aug. 24 hurricane, the five

camps housed 2,200 people made homeless by the hurricane.

Menendez said many of the families who will be moving into the tent city have lived in makeshift camps since the hurricane. Some are waiting for federal aid, while others have no resources.

The Federal Emergency Management Agency is donating the tents and the federal government has granted \$1 million for the program, which is expected to last six months.

The county will seek transition housing for families to move into when the six months are up.

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♦ Dump

Loring suggested site for radioactive waste

CARIBOU, Maine (AP) — A local landfill board member is suggesting Loring Air Force Base as a possible site for Maine to build a low-level radioactive waste dump.

Richard Fortier, a member of the Tri-Community Sanitary Landfill Board, said the military base should be considered as a way to give an economic boost to a community facing the loss of its biggest employer.

"What I have in mind is a way to lessen our property tax burden and find a use for Loring," said Fortier, who represents Caribou on the board. "I think we should talk with Maine Yankee, find out what they need and see if we can help them."

Maine officials are seeking a place to build a low-level waste facility in the state. Maine's target date for opening a state dump is early 1997, although that could be delayed. The Maine Yankee nuclear power plant is the state's largest low-level waste producer.

Storing the low-level waste would gen-

erate an income for a region facing an economic crisis, Fortier said.

"If they are willing to pay all of the property taxes in the host region, I can't think of a better economic gift than that," he said.

Board member Oscar Poitras of Limestone said he had discussed the issue with a member of the state's Low-Level Radioactive Waste Authority who agreed the Loring site should be considered.

"For 40 years, we were one of the three targets in the United States when we stored the atomic bombs made with plutonium," Fortier said. "If you can't store low-level waste in there, was it safe to store the bombs?"

Landfill board members have instructed Director Kenneth Hensler to write a letter to the Loring Readjustment Committee, expressing an interest in three sites at Loring, including the nuclear storage area, an unused secure landfill and a licensed asbestos landfill.

♦ Drowning

Divers locate body of missing snowmobiler in Lake

STRATTON, Maine (AP) — Divers braved freezing temperatures and wind chills Thursday to locate the body of a Stratton man whose snowmobile fell into a hole in Flagstaff Lake in western Maine.

Andre Brochu, 49, was with three other snowmobilers when his sled went through the ice Wednesday in the Dead River Township,

said Paul Fournier, spokesman for the Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife.

Two of the snowmobilers left to get help, Fournier said. The fourth man, Tom Lamont Jr. of the Stratton area, survived after falling into the hole and managing to escape to a cabin, where he built a fire, Fournier said.

♦ Auto law suit

GM found negligent in fiery pickup crash

ATLANTA (AP) — A jury today found General Motors negligent in the death of a teen-ager whose pickup truck burned after a 1989 crash.

It awarded his parents \$4.2 million for the value of his life and said they are due punitive damages. A hearing on how much that will be is to begin immediately.

The jury deliberated 19 hours over three days before returning the verdict this morning. It had heard four weeks of testimony in Fulton County State Court.

GM has been under criticism for the design of some pickup truck models that had fuel tanks placed outside the frame. Critics contended that this design made the trucks more likely to catch fire in some accidents.

GM was sued by the parents of 17-year-old Shannon Moseley of Snellville, who died after his 1985 GMC pickup was struck by a drunken driver in 1989.

Thomas and Elaine Moseley contended their son survived the crash but died from a fire

hastened by the placement of the fuel tank.

GM contended the youth died quickly from a head injury caused by the impact of the crash. The automaker also disputed that gasoline from a punctured fuel tank fed the flames.

The victim's parents smiled when the verdict was announced today, but there was no other visible reaction.

A key issue in the case was whether Moseley experienced pain and suffering before dying. Georgia law allows punitive damages in such a case only if pain and suffering can be proven.

The parents' attorney, James E. Butler, said GM has settled 120 similar suits, a figure the company denies.

Last year, the Center for Auto Safety, a consumer group, urged federal regulators to recall some 4.7 million full-size Chevrolet and GMC C-K series pickups made between 1973 and 1987. The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration is studying the issue.

♦ Socialist Marxist series

South-Asian relationships creating situation of unrest

By Dana Gray
Staff Writer

Religious and political relationships in South Asia are creating an environment of unrest as the governments are unable to please the religiously diversified population.

This idea was proposed yesterday by Doug Allen, University of Maine professor of philosophy, at the semester's first Socialist-Marxist Luncheon Series.

Allen, author of the book *Religion and Political Conflict in South Asia*, presented the series opener titled "Religious Political Conflict: The Rise in Militant Fundamentalism in South Asia". His knowledge of this topic is a result of several trips to India, with his latest one being last fall as a sabbatical.

During the last month of his latest four month stay in India, religious/political unrest reached a high point. On Dec. 6, the Muslim erected mosque, Babri Masjid, was torn down by 200,000 "holy workers", which are Hindu fundamentalists. They claimed that over 400 years ago a Hindu temple was located in the same spot and that the Muslims had destroyed it to build their mosque.

This sparked riots and bloody violence all across India. According to Allen, over 1200 people have died from the actions taken by the right-wing Hindu movement.

The government has become involved, but is indecisive in how they want to handle the situation between the Hindus and the Muslims.

"There are absolute positions on either

side," Allen said. "If this is the birthplace of God, what do you do?"

The head group of the Hindu fundamentalist movement is the Bharat Janata Party (BJP). It is the largest opposition party in India, controlling four state governments.

The central government took action against the BJP by imprisoning its leaders, but this seems to only have strengthened their power in society Allen said. He said they have become martyrs.

"Instead of posting bail, they stayed in jail and used this to their advantage," he said.

Central government in India was once committed to forming a democratic, secular system, but steadily over the past decade, the Hindu fundamentalists have gained support for their movement based on religious beliefs.

"The people are exhausted and confused in India, but there has a clear position in Hindu fundamentalism," Allen said.

Of the population against the fundamentalist movement, there is a feeling the government must exercise more control to keep politics and religion separate.

The economic ramifications of the Hindu power is evident when considering where the advocates of the movement come from.

"The middle to upper class are the backbone and the catalysts for this problem (BJP movement)," Allen said. Because of economic status, the majority of India's people are in a class struggle with the BJP elites.

Allen sees the problems facing India today as ones that "won't go away and will dominate events."

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Winter wonder what?



Bonnie Satterfield

Just when you thought it might be safe to put your boots in the back of the closet, we got a week of harsh, bitter temperatures and a few inches of snow.

I was fooled into thinking we might have a mild winter with even less snow accumulation than last year. Somehow, I always forget exactly how cold Maine is and was anxious for the first snowfall. Since we didn't really have enough snow during semester break to do any skiing, sledding, snowmobiling, or skating, I decided it would be alright if it didn't snow this year. Of course, this meant we would definitely have a storm soon.

Groundhog Day is such a meaningful holiday. Who dreamed up this celebration? Aren't there always six more weeks of winter in Maine? The groundhog doesn't care whether or not he sees his shadow. Somebody drags the animal from its den, people clap, the animal crawls back inside and sleeps. Exciting.

People become depressed when it's cold out. It's bad enough to adjust to only 10 hours of daylight. You feel like it's already too late to do anything constructive by five p.m. When you have to bundle up in long underwear and layers of clothing it doesn't seem worth the effort to venture outdoors. It's always deceptive to see the sun shining and think it may be above freezing outside only to run out and find yourself instantly frozen and your breath sucked away from cold shock.

Everyone has to plan extra time to walk to class when there's snow. Did you ever notice the plowed paths seem to wind around everything adding distance to the cheerful trek to class? I'm always thankful for the person who dares to jump the snowbanks and forge the short cuts across campus.

If you're a car owner, the winter is ever so much more fun. I've learned more about my car during this last cold snap than I ever cared to know. It's important to look out for your car when it snows. Otherwise, when you run out of toothpaste, or some other necessary item, you'll run out to find you may still need to scrape the snow, now permanently frozen to the car. When you pray to the ignition gods and turn the key, you may find they are displeased with your infrequent attention. I learned the hard way how necessary it is to start your car everyday. Two frustrating hours later, two sets of jumper cables, starter fluid, dry gas, and help from three other people, my car started. It was a screw driver wedged to keep the choke open that did the trick.

Make sure you check your tires, oil, water in your battery, and the level of washer fluid. Nothing will beat the time my roommate and I were following a friend to Boston and we ran out of washer fluid. It was an agonizing journey with traffic whizzing by and the streetlights glaring over the mud-coated windshield. We both had our noses pressed to the glass and I tried to drive close enough to the car ahead of mine in hopes it would spray enough mud so the wipers could slide the dried sludge enough to see through.

It's fun trying to drive on unplowed roads (a.k.a. most of the roads on campus, Orono and Old Town). There are other ways to find excitement during the winter than nitting your mailbox, skidding into other vehicles, or plowing pedestrians.

There is some hope spring will be here before May. Maybe we'll forget how numbingly chilly this winter has been. Until then we'll dream about the time we can complain it's too hot.

Bonnie Satterfield's current excuse is many of her brain cells have been frozen.

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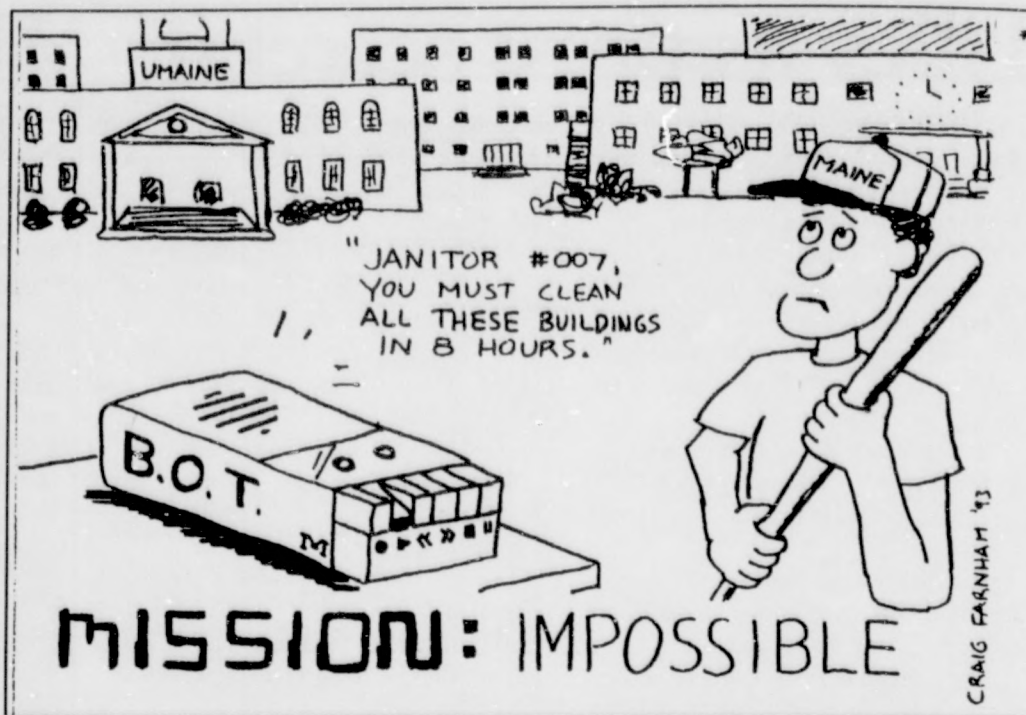
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◆ Cultural diversity

Musical chairs

It is amazing the stupid things people will fight over. A week ago, last Thursday, at the Bear's Den is a perfect example.

The Maple Brothers, a popular band which tours the bar scene around Maine, was playing at the Den just like they do every couple of months.

They started to play a country song and the crowd gave a mixed response. A thumbs up vs. thumbs down survey was quickly taken and the song was canned.

Instantly, tables of drunken college students began fighting over the decision. As if musical tastes weren't a good enough reason by itself to fight, observers and participants drew their battle lines along differences in clothing and personal ap-

pearance. It was the plaid flannels, sporting baseball hats, against the predominantly long-haired crunchy types.

The argument escalated to the point of disrupting the band, involving police, and putting a damper on the rest of the night as these two groups antagonized each other for hours.

We are suppose to be educated here at the university. Apparently, no one is learning tolerance and all the talk about cultural diversity is falling on deaf ears.

This fight at the Bear's Den between people locked into heavily stereotyped groups came a day before the end of Civil Rights Awareness Month.

We didn't learn anything. (DLP)

◆ Foreign languages

A whole new world

The students at this university all should learn at least two foreign languages before they are allowed to graduate.

In today's world their is absolutely no excuse for not knowing as much as possible about other cultures, especially if one plans to do something worthwhile with one's life. And after all, the purpose of a university education is to prepare one to do something worthwhile.

With the fall of the Berlin Wall and the Soviet empire, the rise of Japan and Europe as economic powers, and the less-dominant role America now has in world politics, knowledge of other lands is crucial if we are to be able to compete and make contributions on the world scene.

And there is simply no way one really can understand other nations without being able to understand their language.

An examination of another people's language can give insight into how they think; and if you know how people think,

you will be better prepared to do business with them.

Therefore, the university should expand its foreign language program. Currently, German, French, Spanish, Russian, and Latin are offered. Why no Oriental languages?

The Chinese have more people than any other nation in the world, and the Japanese are an economic superpower. Even the small nation of Vietnam beat us. We can learn from all of these people; we should be conversant in their languages.

Many years of ignorance by UMaine grads should come to an end; indeed, they must end. Students should be required to take at least one year of at least two foreign languages in order to receive their diplomas. If the university ever expands and offers Oriental languages, one such language should be among the two required.

Let's get UMaine education into the 20th century. It's about time. (RLR)

ResponsePage

◆ Student Government

Change is a commitment, not a campaign promise

To the Editor:

Recently student government president and vice presidential campaigns began on campus. Within these campaigns, one ticket, Worster/Allen, have announced that you should "Vote Change!"

It is in this context that I would like to quote our nation's first Black Congresswoman, Barbara Jordan, when she spoke at the Democratic National Convention stating, "Change...From What, To What...From What, To What."

During my years in student government I have seen a remarkable change in how the organization has been run. We have gone from an office that was a playground for personalities to a government advocating and defending student rights.

As many students know, I have been proud and honored to be one of our major advocates against university budget cuts during my term in student government. As chair of the senate's legislative liaison committee I helped organize the largest rally held on our campus in the last 20 years to fight cuts. This rally found close to 4000 students on the mall braving below freezing weather in December of 1990 to fight for their education. Through student government we have led lobbying trips to Augusta, petition drives, and state-wide media pleas to urge state leaders to fund education.

During our most recent budget problem, I personally travelled to Augusta four times to meet with lawmakers. The first trip found me in Augusta during finals week, the next during my Christmas vacation, and the last two on Monday and Thursday of our first

week of classes. I met with gubernatorial aides to urge their investment in our state's university system and I spoke before the Appropriations Committee to fight the Governor's proposed deferral. In a recent press conference, reported in *The Maine Campus*, I urged the state to stop using the university as a lending institution.

My work on budget cuts is what, as they noted, prompted *The Maine Campus* to endorse my ticket when I was elected vice president of student government in the Spring of 1991. Facts which the current ticket running on "vote change," and their supporters who write such letters as this, don't want you to know.

In addition I am very proud of what we have been able to accomplish during the last year. When I first entered student government

a handful of student groups were receiving large sums of money while the rest of our organization received little support. Under my administration we instituted a "caps" system, for which we were recognized on the national C-Span network this summer. Under this system student groups, who obtain approval from student senate, apply and receive near equal amounts of funding for their classification. Such changes have brought fairness back to a system that had become a process of who you know not who you are.

"Change From What, To What..." As president of student government I know what we have done during the last year. What will Worster/Allen do?

Brent Littlefield
President of Student Government

◆ Student Government

Choose the community's candidates

To the Editor:

I couldn't agree more with Geoff Belote's analysis of the problems with budget cuts and student government's determination to do nothing about them. Newly inaugurated President Hutchinson seems more than willing to fight for our education here, but Brent Littlefield's well-known personal vendetta against the man has sabotaged any cooperative effort between Hutchinson and the student body. I am thrilled that we finally have a real alternative to the usual brand of petty factional politics in the form of Collin Worster and Annie Allen. The sheer deceit and mean spiritedness which now dominates our student government is astounding.

ing. It is clear from Brent Littlefield's and Bill Reed's joint remarks following the Worster/Allen rally on Friday, Jan. 22 that they fully expect the leadership of student government to roll into the same crew's hands that have been mismanaging things here for as long as anyone can remember.

Anyone who knows Collin Worster or Annie Allen knows that they are of a different caliber entirely: optimistic, energetic, willing to fight for everyone's rights. They have already taken decisive and effective actions against the budget cuts in Augusta, while our current leaders have failed miserably. Collin and Annie are concerned about students, not future political careers. I urge

everyone to learn as much as possible about all the candidates for student government president and vice-president, what they have done in the past, and who they have been willing to work with.

Your choice then when voting on Feb. 9 is a clear one. You can cast a vote for the same old "not my fault" power-mongers: a vote for people with a clear contempt for the students. Or you can vote for a fresh change: a vote for Worster/Allen, an intelligent, outreaching, unifying force for our community.

Daniel R. Collins
Student Senator

◆ Student Government

The right choice is clear

To the Editor:

Bill Reed and Rich Aldrich, leaders among leaders is the best way I can describe these two individuals.

Bill Reed, a non-traditional student, has been involved with student government since returning to UMaine in 1990, after eight years in the Army. He was a key figure in fighting the budget cuts of 1991. He wrote the new Student Body Bill of Rights which brings up to date student government's discrimination policy. Bill has also chaired the Fair Elections Practice Commission and rewrote the new guidelines regarding elections and referendums. He has chaired the Student Legal Services Board and has worked to bring more services to the students. Bill has also been very active in community service through Alpha Phi Omega National Service Fraternity.

Rich Aldrich, currently the vice president for Financial Affairs of student government, has been involved with student government for four

years. He has held the position of Treasurer as well as V.P.F.A. and has worked very hard at simplifying the financial office, so students can know their activity fee is being used as efficiently as possible. He has rewritten policies concerning the funding and recognition of clubs to make these processes easier for the clubs. Rich has also held many offices in Alpha Phi Omega National Service fraternity including service vice president and president. During his time in the Brotherhood he has accumulated well over 700 hours of community service. As service vice president he oversaw the beginning of the Late Night Local under Alpha Phi Omega.

The list of accomplishments for these two goes on and on. The choice for President and vice president of student government is clear. To get the best representation of student needs as well as results, vote Reed/Aldrich for President and vice president of student government.

Brian Pike
Former Off-Campus Senator

◆ Vote

Status quo see ya later

To the Editor:

Please vote Tuesday, Feb. 9. If you want a change from the self-serving, ineffectual status quo, and want people in Student Government whose efforts are directed toward greater participation and ultimate empowerment of students in the democratic process, as opposed to a personal agenda of prestige — and resume-building, vote for Worster and Allen.

Don't let the torch of misrepresentation be passed to another generation of sycophants or knee-jerk conservatives. Vote on Tuesday.

Suzanne Duval
Alpha Lambda Delta

◆ Taco Bell

Don't feed the racism

To the Editor:

I am writing this letter in support of MPAC protesting the decision to bring Taco Bell to UMaine. PepsiCo, the parent company of Taco Bell, has monies invested in South Africa, and as South Africa continues its repressive Apartheid policies, supporting PepsiCo aids the continuation of institutionalized racism in South Africa.

The African National Congress requests that South Africa be boycotted until the government eliminates all vestiges of its Apartheid system. The university has an asset divestment policy in protest to the current practices of the South African government. By bringing Taco Bell onto campus, the university goes against the spirit of this divestment policy.

Why bring Taco Bell, with its Apartheid baggage, onto campus while other, more local enterprises, such as the P'nuts Co-op, have been vying for the same location? Why, after considerable opposition by MPAC, by members of the student senate, and by people throughout the campus community, is this happening?

Perhaps John Lewis, director of Dining Services, believes that fast-food Mecca in the Union will solve the red ink drowning the department. He might also think his plan will provide students with "great food" — as if there is some urgent need for more fast-food in the area.

Has he forgotten about the South Africa divestment policy? Has he run astray of his responsibility to ensure that students are provided the most nutritious food possible?

Indeed, does Lewis realize that the only arm of Food Services which is not running up a debt is the Soup Kitchen?

I see no valid reasons to have Taco Bell at UMaine, and I will oppose it by any respectable means necessary.

David Pyles

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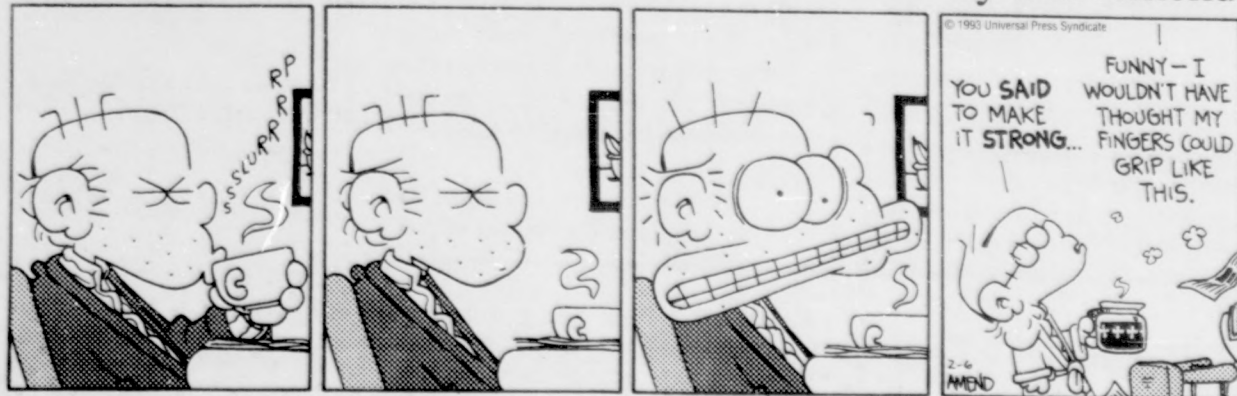
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IF TODAY IS YOUR BIRTHDAY:

You are capable of rising to great heights, but you must first learn your limitations. You're willing to go to almost any lengths to reach your goals, and your ambition will lead you through many changes. Success is assured if you learn to temper your aspirations with concern for the other guy.

ARIES (March 21 - April 19): Misguided actions may stall a work project, but it could be a blessing in disguise. Take the opportunity to reevaluate your actions up to this point and determine whether your course should be altered.

TAURUS (April 20 - May 20): An antagonistic influence is likely to put you in an oppositional position with a male relative. The focal point of your contention may seem trivial in retrospect, but it is hard to see that through your anger.

GEMINI (May 21 - June 20): Strong emotions of every variety lay close to the surface during this aspect, ready to burst forth at the slightest provocation. Allow the positive feelings to flow, but do your best to reign in negativity.

CANCER (June 21 - July 22): Gender differences are exaggerated during this period, causing a war between the sexes to break out unexpectedly. You see things from vastly different perspectives now, so keep the conversation light.

LEO (July 23 - Aug. 22): The great strength that you derive from emotional intimacy with your lover can help you weather many storms! If you are having personal troubles, discussing them with your mate can lighten the burden.

VIRGO (Aug. 23 - Sept. 22): Artistic endeavors are favored, helping you put the finishing touches on a creative project. You may need to sort out your feelings for a friend, or the spouse of a friend, after they surprise you with a romantic overture.

LIBRA (Sept. 23 - Oct. 22): An authority figure may let you down in some way, particularly at work, but it isn't in your best interest to embarrass them in front of others. Be gracious and let them off the hook this time.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23 - Nov. 21): An unsettling influence may have you feeling out of sorts all day. Although events seem to take a strange course, sudden changes that take place now have no real lasting power. Ride out the storm.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22 - Dec. 21): You may suffer from an appreciable dip in your energy level, but a sensual evening with your loved one will help to recharge your batteries! Don't allow distractions to detract from your pleasure.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22 - Jan. 19): Dealing with the incessant demands of lovers, friends, or roommates could leave you feeling wrung out. Find some time for a little solitude so that you can get proper rest.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20 - Feb. 18): Personal insecurities may be at the root of current problems with a loved one. Try not to project your own difficulties onto those you care most about, they only want to help.

PISCES (Feb. 19 - March 20): Love and creativity are fueled by an inspirational influence! Lovers experience heightened rapport and tenderness, while a surge in your artistic gifts helps you wrap up a creative project!

Your Daily Horoscope

By Carl Paul

For Saturday, February 6

IF TODAY IS YOUR BIRTHDAY:

Time consuming, unvarying work is the bane of your existence. You need a job that allows variety and change, and are especially well suited to work in the fields of communication or advertising. avoid jobs that tie you down or involve tedious routine, they're simply not right for you! You cultivate many marketable skills over the course of your life and have several entirely separate careers.

ARIES (March 21 - April 19): You are able to come to grips with recent events that have recently put a strain on loving relations during this conciliatory influence. Calmly discuss what has occurred so that you can learn from it.

TAURUS (April 20 - May 20): Differences with a loved one regarding an important issue may have emotions running high, but your determination and persistence eventually wears down resistance and brings your lover back into the fold.

GEMINI (May 21 - June 20): Open and honest communication is the key to a satisfactory resolution of a divisive issue, so don't let your temper get the best of you. Once the problem is behind you, you can relax and enjoy the day.

CANCER (June 21 - July 22): Plans for the future should be tempered with realism. The financial responsibilities should be examined realistically, as the conclusions you draw will have a lasting impact.

LEO (July 23 - Aug. 22): The end of a distasteful matter leaves you more at ease and restores some of the self-esteem that personal strife often robs of you. Close relations sparkle with affection and good humor!

VIRGO (Aug. 23 - Sept. 22): A secret comes to light that provides the missing piece to a frustrating puzzle. Tying up those loose ends allows you to get on with more productive endeavors.

LIBRA (Sept. 23 - Oct. 22): Children become the focal point now. If you've been trying to have a baby, you may receive some good news! Those who are considering the next step in a committed relationship feel the answer in their hearts.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23 - Nov. 21): The promise of a fresh start comes on the tail of an unfortunate event. Do your best to reconcile with those you've been at odds with and point toward a more constructive relationship in the future.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22 - Dec. 21): The emphasis on increasing your marketable skills may have you looking into furthering your education. Do some independent research into a subject that has always fascinated you.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22 - Jan. 19): Money is the main issue in divisive matters between lovers, and recognizing this can save a lot of time and aggravation. Be creative in your solutions and you can work things out.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20 - Feb. 18): A sense of relief overcomes you as a troubling matter is put to rest, allowing you to move on to other things. Lay the groundwork for a pet project so you'll be ready when the time is right.

PISCES (Feb. 19 - March 20): A health matter you've been ignoring may demand your attention. Listen to what your body is telling you and take precautions so that you can avoid greater problems down the road.

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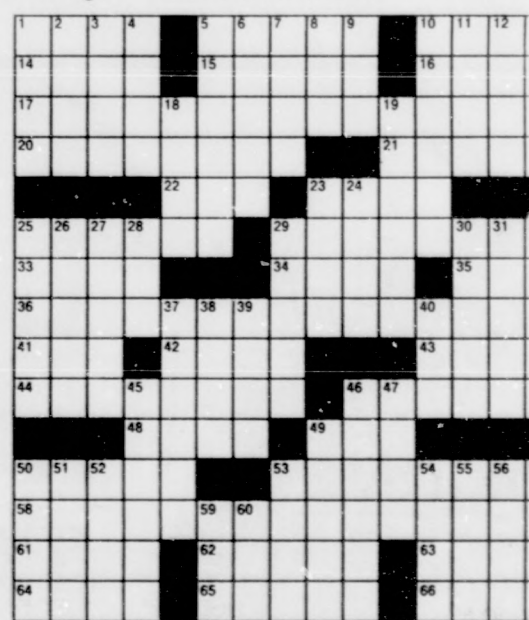
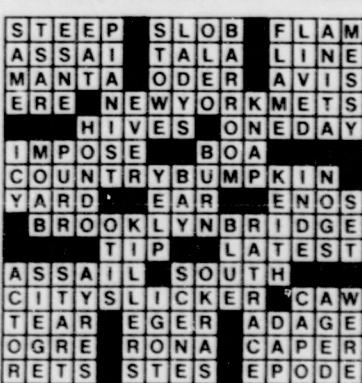
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◆ UMaine system

Bill proposes merge of UM Fort Kent and Presque Isle

FORT KENT, Maine (AP) — Given the state's budget woes, a legislative proposal to combine two state universities in Aroostook County comes as no surprise, says a spokesman for the University of Maine System.

But Kent Price indicated that the consolidation of the University of Maine at Fort Kent into the University of Maine at Presque Isle was not a good idea.

"We have chosen to reduce the budget in other ways than to reduce campuses. The Fort Kent university performs an extremely valuable service to the area and it would be

a very serious move to reduce those services," Price said.

A bill in Augusta spelling out the merger proposal has been referred to the Legislature's Education Committee.

"I guess if there are no sacred cows and everything is on the table, as President Clinton said in Washington, then everything should be on the table in Maine," said Sen. Dana C. Hanley, R-Oxford, a co-sponsor of the bill.

But Richard Dumont, president at the Fort Kent campus, said the campus has a vital role because 73 percent of its students

are from the St. John Valley and most couldn't afford to travel the 100 miles to Presque Isle.

The Fort Kent campus, the northernmost of the university system, started 115 years ago as a teacher training school for the French population. It now has 467 full-time and 174 part-time students.

Hanley noted that Aroostook, with about 80,000 people, has two university campuses while his home of Oxford County has no campus for its 50,000 residents.

Sen. Judy Paradis, D-Frenchville, said Hanley's bill reflects "a typical misunder-

standing of life in northern Maine."

"Our efforts to oppose this bill will simply be to inform southern and central legislators about the value of the two campuses. The best way to get our point across is to make them travel the roads we travel every day," Paradis said.

The Fort Kent campus in the smallest of the state university system with an annual budget of \$3.3 million, compared to \$8.6 million for the Presque Isle campus and its 1,577 students.

Price said the university system's total budget is \$215.7 million.

◆ Air base crash

Crash at base kills seven

MARIETTA, Ga. (AP) — A cargo plane used as a flying laboratory by Lockheed Corp. crashed and burned shortly after take-off, killing all seven Lockheed employees aboard and destroying an array of specialized electronic gear.

The L-100, a civilian version of the C-130 Hercules military transport, went down about 200 yards from the runway at Dobbins Air Force Base, where it had taken off. It clipped a Navy clinic, but no one on the ground was hurt.

Investigators with the National Transportation Safety Board worked through the night, combing through the wreckage, for clues to the cause of the crash.

The plane was called the L-100-20 High Technology Test Bed, a one-of-a-kind laboratory used to test improvements to Lockheed transport planes. It was equipped with

advanced data-gathering equipment.

Julius Alexander, a spokesman for the aircraft maker, said the plane had undergone extensive modifications to its wings and flight control systems. It was fitted with special navigation equipment and cockpit displays.

The plane, which had been in use for nine years, also had more powerful engines than the standard C-130, Alexander said.

"It was not an ordinary Hercules by any stretch of the imagination," he said.

It was designed to fly at much lower than normal speeds, mainly to test short-distance landing.

One of the crew members was identified as the flight test engineer, Troy Cleveland Castana, 33. The identities of the others were withheld until relatives could be notified.

◆ Heist

FBI calls heist an inside job

NEW YORK (AP) — A guard who had told the FBI he was tied up by gunmen in an \$8.2 million holdup at an armored car warehouse was arrested in the heist with three other men, and nearly all the cash was recovered, still in its wrapping.

The FBI knew the Dec. 27 heist on the Brooklyn waterfront was an inside job because the thieves got in easily, bypassed alarms and got out smoothly, James M. Fox, head of the bureau's New York office, said Wednesday.

"They had to have assistance from within the company," he said.

The thieves had been unable to dispose of the cash because the bills were sequentially numbered and could easily be traced, Fox said.

The theft at the Hudson Armored Car Co. was the second-largest cash heist in

New York City history.

Among those arrested Wednesday was the lone guard on duty the night of the heist, Juan Jose Serrano, 34, of Brooklyn.

Serrano had claimed that he had been watching TV in the command room when holdup men surprised him and tied him up. He said he did not get a good look at the intruders and freed himself in about 20 minutes.

"We felt we knew very early on who the felons were in this case," Fox said. He said the case was solved by putting pressure on the suspects.

Also arrested were Serrano's brother Robert, 28, also of Brooklyn; the alleged driver of the getaway car, Joseph James Santiago, 24, of Bethpage; and Raymond Malave, 20, of Kissimmee, Fla. He was arrested in Florida.



HEN'S TEETH AND HORSE'S TOES

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◆ Sex crime

Restaurateur indicted on new charges

ARUNDEL, Maine (AP) — A restaurateur charged last spring with drugging and sexually assaulting two teen-age boys was indicted this week on new charges that he sexually assaulted a third boy.

The indictment handed up Wednesday in York County Superior Court in Alfred charges George Begin, 32, with sexually assaulting a 10-year-old Biddeford boy between July 1989 and December 1989.

The boy is now 13 and lives outside the state.

Begin, contacted at his Blue Tree Restaurant on Route 111, said Thursday that he was unaware of any new charges. "I haven't seen my lawyer yet so I really can't talk," he said.

On Wednesday, the grand jury handed up 10 counts, including two counts of gross sexual assault, two counts of gross sexual misconduct and five counts of unlawful sexual contact.

York County District Attorney Michael Cantara said Thursday that Begin will be arraigned on the new charges within a month or so, and will go on trial sometime before spring.

Begin is free on bail while awaiting trial on 30 counts alleging he and a business partner lured teen-agers into their mobile home, then drugged them and sexually assaulted them.

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◆ Previews

Out on the Town World-travelling illusionist appears

The Andre Kole Magical Spectacular will materialize at the MCA on Thursday, Feb. 11, at 7 p.m.

In his performances, Kole illustrates the truth behind communicating with the dead, transcendental levitation, psychic phenomena and psychic surgery.

"As an illusionist, I do not waste my time trying to accomplish that which is possible, but rather I concentrate on that which is impossible," Kole said.

Kole is creative consultant for magicians David Copperfield and Doug Henning.

Tickets to see the psychic investigator and inventor of magical effects are



(File photo.)

Grammy duo plays UMaine

Classical and contemporary music will be on the program Saturday, Feb. 6, as works ranging from Bach to Beaser fill the air at the Maine Center for the Arts.

Guitarist Ed Fisk and flutist Paula Robinson, whose recent debut release was nominated for a Grammy, will present a concert beginning at 8 p.m.

The duo's repertoire includes such extremes as Haydn's Stephen Foster, and Beethoven's Heitor Villa-Lobos.

A new concert lecture by David Kloko, University of Maine musicologist, will follow the performance.



Saturday night (File photo.)

◆ MCA Review

Oh, those 'Sophisticated Ladies'

By Deanna L. Partridge
Staff Writer



With feathers, sequins, and a lot of flare, Duke Ellington's *Sophisticated Ladies* rocked the crowd at the Maine Center for the Arts Wednesday night.

The performance was a stop on the Broadway hit's 10th anniversary tour. Featuring a cast of 12 dancers and a complete jazz band, *Sophisticated Ladies* showcased two acts of Ellington's greatest works accompanied by dance numbers.

The whole performance was brightly colored, energetic, and true to the spirit of Ellington's music.

The costumes only helped to compliment the skill of the dancers. In one number, "The Moochie" (1929), Bruce Davis danced in a leopard unitard, accompanied by the female ensemble in bright green peacock-like outfits. The bras the ensemble wore had big googly eyes, which would have made Madonna jealous.

"It Don't Mean A Thing," "Take the 'A' Train," "Satin Doll," and "Moon Indigo" were just a few of the Ellington favorites that highlighted the performance. The audience welcomed each new act with enthusiastic applause.

Sexy and sultry were the key words for most of the night with such notable performances by Heike Kloss, Esther Pooser and Te Fraizer. There were soulful ballads and skillful scat, something for every taste.



Sophisticated Ladies shows off more than just singing ability. (Kiesow photo.)

The choreography was also something well-worth comment, with tap dancers acting as their own rhythm section, breathtaking gymnastic ability, and jazz to make you move in your seat.

"In My Solitude" featured the hauntingly beautiful voice of Esther Pooser and a deeply emotional ballet performance by Te Fraizer.

At on point, a taxi made of four men in elaborate, connected costumes crossed the stage with a Jan Mickens acting as the driver, singing "I'm Just a Lucky So-And-So."

It's amazing what someone can do with a pair of tap shoes. Mickens imitated the

sounds of a card game, shuffling, dealing and all with just variations of sounds he could create by moving his feet.

The orchestra, directed by pianist Eli Yamin, made a mark for itself, not only with the jazzy accompaniment that it provided to the two hour performance, but also with separate numbers of its own.

Hart Smith, trombonist, made "Take the 'A' Train" come alive on stage with his combination of straight and muted playing.

All in all, Duke Ellington's *Sophisticated Ladies* was one of those shows at the MCA that it's a shame to have missed.

◆ Art on campus

Linehan's work graces campus galleries

By Stacy Major
Volunteer Writer

James Linehan's art exhibit, "The Meaning of Travel," expresses the surge of emotions he experienced during travel.

Linehan, professor of art at the University of Maine, said the exhibit is a series of postcard illustrations and abstract impressions that represent both the objective and subjective experience of travel.

"I describe my work as being an eclectic mix of abstraction and realism," he said.

Linehan said the postcards show the objectivity in his travel experiences, and the different bright colors express the strong emotions he experienced or special memory he had during his travels around the world.

"The real meaning of travel is not how many places we've been, but how we digest it into our lives," he said.

Linehan began each of these paintings

by taping a postcard to the right side of the canvas. He then examined the postcards carefully to notice which colors were the most intriguing or drew the most attention.

The most brilliant colors and sharp realism of the postcards are set to the side of blank white paper with disorderly ver-

pieces of the postcards that bring a special point out to me," Linehan said. "Some of the postcards are not from places where I've been but from places where friends have visited."

The blank white area between the postcards and the strokes of color represents the separation of being in that area where a person actually is and the area the person wishes he could be.

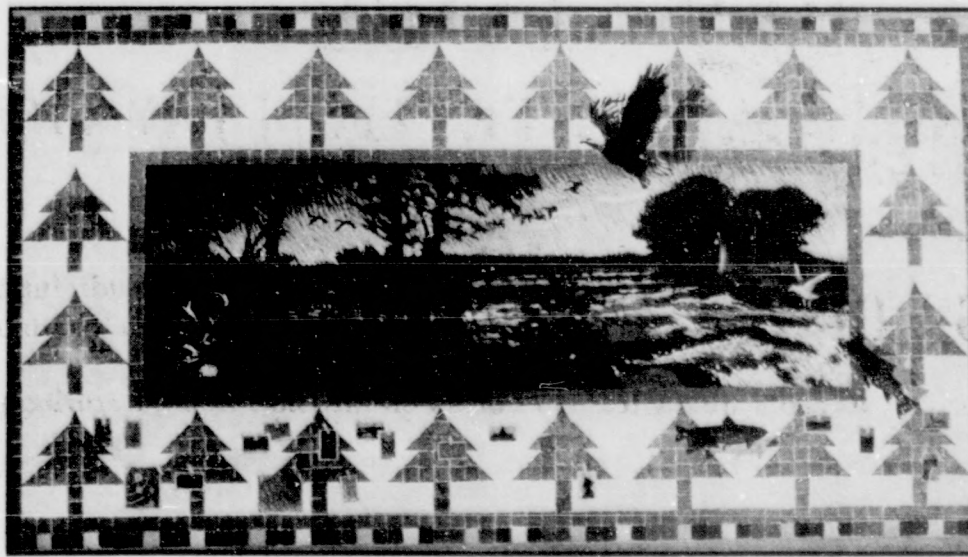
Charles Shepard, director and curator of the University Museum of Art, said anytime a person views Linehan's exhibits, something remarkable is interpreted about the painting.

Shepard said "The Meaning of Travel" exhibit hung in the Maine Center for the Arts

to celebrate both the recent inaugural events on campus, as well as the "A New Beginning for the Arts" gala.

"The inaugural events centered greatly

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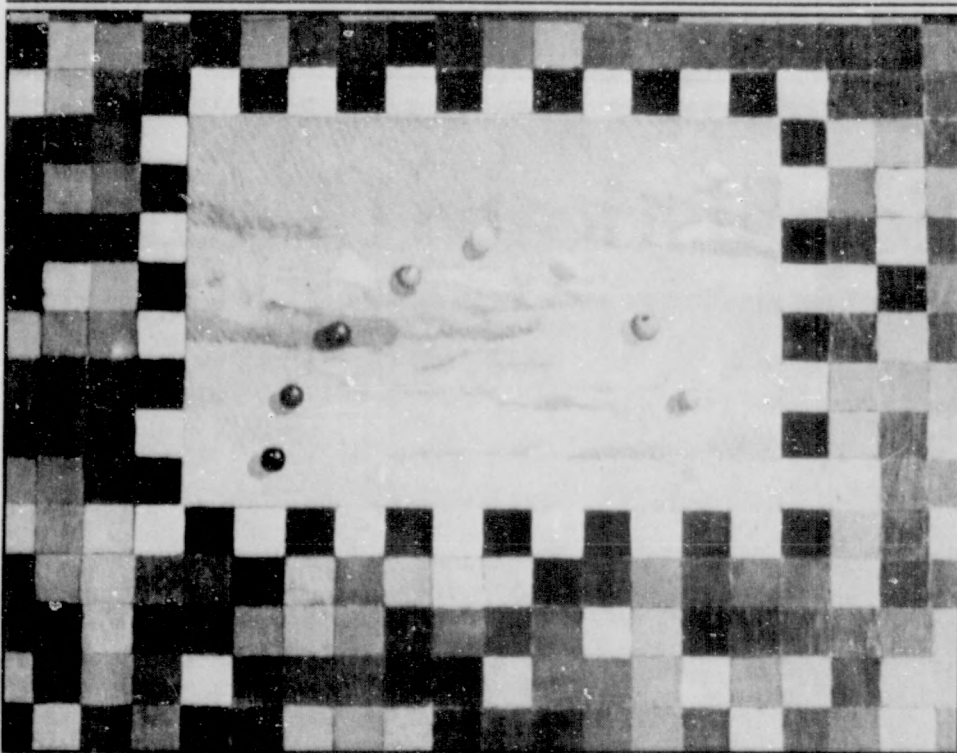
Along the river, a 1989 proposal for the Lincoln Elementary School, Augusta. Acrylic/paper. (Adams photo.)

tical strokes of bright colors set to the left. The colors, ranging from golden yellow to deep violet, represent the internal and personal recollection of the time and place of the area that was visited.

"I interpret the color according to certain

Linehan

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The Floating World, a 1988 proposal for the Windham Primary School, Windham. Acrylic/paper. (Adams photo.)

around the global and cultural exchange, so the emotion of Linehan's exhibit was great for that occasion," Shepard said.

He said since Linehan traveled to so many different places and collected postcards from the areas his friends visited, then the art obviously reflected on various cultures around the world. This was definitely an example of cultural exchange.

The exhibit includes postcard paintings from areas such as Stonington, Ireland, New Zealand, Rome, Egypt and Thailand.

"The Meaning of Travel" will hang in the Bodwell Dining Area of MCA through Feb. 11. There is no admission charge, and the exhibit is open to the public. Other works by Linehan can be seen in the Carnegie Galleries and throughout the Union.

◆ International exchange

School, Austrian style

By Randy Robinson
Staff Writer

Want to study science in Europe? Or a foreign language, perhaps? William Small, University of Maine professor of German and the director of the Salzburg program, is the man to talk to.

Small, who has headed the Salzburg program since the recent retirement of Joseph Roggenbauer, professor emeritus of German, considers studying overseas to be an adventure which "changes your life forever."

The program is officially called "The New England Study Abroad Program in Austria." First run by the University of New Hampshire in 1970, the program includes as members UMaine, University of Southern Maine, University of New Hampshire, University of Connecticut, University of Rhode Island, University of Vermont and Keene State College.

UMaine began running the program in 1984. Small said attendance by UMaine

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◆ Get the Picture

Female Trouble not worth the bother



By Brad Finch
Volunteer Writer

Filthy... repellent... beyond coherence, and so amateurish it looks like it was shot with a Brownie Inst-o-matic. Where do these people come from? Where do they go when the sun goes down? Isn't there a law or something? This compost heap is even dedicated to a member of the Charles Manson gang!

That is what Rex Reed, the strident, and always sarcastic film critic had to say about the film *Female Trouble* (1975, Dir. John Waters, Starring - Divine, Mink Stole, David Lochary, and Edith Massey) when it was released all but 20 years ago. (Maybe you remember Rex Reed from his years as a talent judge on that famous entertainment spectacle "The Gong Show?")

Following hard on the heels of *Pink Flamingoes* (1974), *Female Trouble* relates the saga of Dawn Davenport — an archetypal "bad girl" — from her beginnings as a "troubled teen," through to her execution as a mad-dog killer.

Dawn, played by the stunning, elephantine transvestite Divine, foreshadows her step onto her road to ruin, obsessively muttering about the "cha-cha heels" she is expecting to receive from her parents for Christmas. When all she receives are a pair of "sensible" flats, she goes berserk, roughing-up both parents, stomping on the presents and finally toppling the Christmas tree — trapping her mother underneath. Fleeing the house clothed in only her charreuse nightie, a wickedly teased-up hair-do, and a imitation-leather jacket, Dawn is reduced to hitchhiking on a lonely stretch on road. Dawn accepts a ride from an obese, leering guy (played also by Divine) who seduces her on a rotting mattress in a junkyard.

In keeping with the film's soap-opera melodramatic stylings, Dawn ends up pregnant and alone. She then gives birth, in a Baltimore flop-house, to her daughter Taffy — asserting her feral mother-hood by severing the umbilical cord with her teeth.

After Taffy's birth Dawn seeks her place in the working world, first as a waitress, then as a go-go dancer, as a prostitute, finally settling on a career of petty crime with her "girl-gang" (all in black, all with huge hair) rolling drunks and stealing televisions sets. Dawn's life is far from perfect though, Taffy — now a tantrum prone little girl — sends her mother into paroxysms of distraught motherhood, "I've done everything a mother can do. I've locked her in the closet, I beat her with the car aerial. Nothing changes her. It's hard being a loving mother. I give her free food, a bed, clean underpants... what does she expect?"

Dawn then becomes involved with Donald and Donna Dasher owners of the Lipstick Beauty Salon, an establishment catering solely to garish, teased-hair "B-Girls." Dawn falls in love with a slick and sleazy hair stylist - Gator. Gator's aunt, Ida, (as described in the film's press kit as a "leather clad militant fag hag") is constantly haranguing Gator to find himself a nice "queer-boy" and settle down. She whines "I worry that you'll work in an office, have children, celebrate wedding anniversaries. The world of the heterosexual is a sick and boring world." Needless to say, she is fit to be tied when Gator and Dawn hold their nuptials. Dawn attends the wedding wearing a mourning shawl, and in a fit of pique after the ceremony, pushes the priest down the church stairs.

Married life quickly turns sour for Dawn, catching Gator in *flagrante delicto* another woman. After being thrown out of the house by Dawn, Gator moves to Detroit to "find a place in the auto industry." Ida, heart-broken over Gator's departure, attacks Dawn, throwing acid in her face. The Dashes immediately take Dawn under their wing, grooming her to be a "fashion experiment," cultivating her criminality and getting her hooked on liquid eyeliner and promises of fame! The Dashes set Dawn up with her own night-club act. The act consists of Dawn jumping on a trampoline and groping herself, then cavorting in a playpen full of raw fish. The act climaxes when Dawn draws a gun and shouts "who wants to be famous? Who wants their picture in the paper tomorrow morning?" She then begins shooting into the crowd, downing a number of fleeing spectators. Dawn is convicted of murder and must face the electric chair. In her final moments, she gives what sounds like an academy award acceptance speech.

Released originally with an X rating *Female Trouble* also bore the following warning "While designated X, preview audiences have also indicated that *Female Trouble* includes scenes of extraordinary perversity and may be seen as morally and sexually offensive."

This reviewer suggests that considering the current media blitz of tabloid television (made-for-TV Amy Fisher docu-dramas, news reports of privately imprisoned children, sex scandals and cannibalism), *Female Trouble* seems almost like a light, nostalgic farce. This reviewer suggests, as well, that Water's *Female Trouble* is powerful parody of our own sensationalist hype-driven culture. The entire feature, from Dawn's TV sitcom origin to her True-Crime end, is laced with a perverse humor and biting social commentary. Though the film is grotesque, ill-acted and often just-plain-gross, it is worth taking the time to scrape back its sleazy skin to see the beating of its tinsel heart.

For more about John Waters and those of his ilk, this reviewer suggests *Midnight Movies* (1983, J. Hoberman and Jonathan Rosenbaum, Harper and Row: New York).

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By
Beverly Gabe
Staff Writer

Paul McCartney
Off The Ground

In the spirit of the early Beatles, Paul McCartney produces an album which is beautiful in its simplicity and poignant with its plain statements.

Perhaps the best way to understand why *Off The Ground* is so different from other albums being released at this time is to look at how it was recorded. Instead of recording each part separately and adding samples or shadowing, McCartney had the band play live and the end result is audible on each track. The songs are cohesive and each instrument balances the next. McCartney's band played a large part in shaping the development of the new material. Guitarists Hamish Stuart and Robbie McIntosh, Linda McCartney and Paul 'Wix' Wickens on keyboards and Blair Cunningham on drums added a harder edge to the tracks and have backed McCartney for the past three years.

The first single from *Off The Ground*, "Hope Of Deliverance," exhibits McCartney's trademark jangle-bangle pop song quality and the heartfelt message which accompanies it: "We need hope of deliverance from the darkness that surrounds us." Oooh Paaaah! He's such an honest prophet.

And it doesn't stop there folks. "Mistress and Maid" shines as a catchy tune unto itself. But this track also stands as a testimony to McCartney's ability to combine with

other artists such as Elvis Costello, his own wife Linda, who participated in Wings, and Wickens who was featured on The The's "Mindbomb." What's more, "Mistress and Maid" is a scalding rejection of male sexism and chauvinism. The song is sung from the point of view of an oppressed woman, looking at her sexist partner. Not only is McCartney a good musician with good skin who survived the '60s, but a poet.

The CD, cassette and vinyl copies of Paul McCartney's "Off The Ground" are due in stores on Feb. 9.

The Hair and Skin Trading Co.
Jo In Nine G Hell

Taking their name from a dilapidate factory in the dirty, rundown section of London known as Turnpike Lane, The Hair and Skin Trading Co. debut with an album that fulfills all the expectations set forth in the name.

Layering sound upon sound in a most unconventional way, HASTCo. triumphs on some tracks while tripping up on others. "Torque" displays their sampling talent, they made use of a rusty studio fan, and "Where's Gala" confused this listener with its chants and swirling contours.

HASTCo. developed from a hiatus of the band Loop. During Loop's break from recording and touring, Neil MacKay, John Wills and Nigel Webb formed to record "Jo In Nine G Hell," an album which displays



The Hair and Skin Trading Company unmoussed. (File photo.)

HASTCo.'s commitment to producing a different kind of sound.

Guitarist Nigel Webb talks about the slippery quality of their music and the HASTCo. philosophy, "Actually, the main reason we don't want to be pigeonholed is because we don't see ourselves sticking to any particular sound. We want to be allowed to be

schizophrenic without letting people down."

They have been described as many things and none of them truly do justice to HASTCo. They combine samples of George Bush, a la Ministry, Jane Jetson, rusty fans and doors opening and shutting with vocal chanting, screaming and whispering. HASTCo. defies categorization, yet begs for attention.

♦ Local bands

Winterfest, quite the party

By I. J. Lundy
Staff Writer

Two of the University of Maine's finest local bands took the stage in Lengyl Gym Saturday night along with the Yarmouth-based alternative band The Sense. The Psylicye Band and Every Poor Daughter's Son each played an inspired, one hour set before the small audience.

The evening's first performance came from the Psylicye Band who played, among others, the Allman Brothers' "In Memory of Elizabeth Reed" and Robert Palmer's "Sneakin' Sally Through the Alley;" also included was their original "Latino Jam."

"Improvisational technique, a rhythmic sound and teamwork provide the framework for musical exploration," keyboardist Dave LePage said when asked how the band describes its sound.

The Psylicye Band, consisting of guitarists Seth Weete and Mike Saskor, vocalist/saxophonist/harmonica player Scott Lane, conga player Adam Strouse, drummer Sean Byrne, bass player Mark Pipes and LePage, will be appearing at the Bear's Den on Feb. 11.

The second band of the night was Every Poor Daughter's Son whose set consisted of roughly half originals and half cover songs such as "Blitzkrieg Bop" by the Ramones.

Every Poor Daughter's Son, who took their name from a line in the Velvet Underground song "Lady Godiva's Operation," have been playing together for a year with their current line up of lead vocalist/guitarist Mike Bourassa, bass player Jeff Dolling and drummer Adam Doiron. They truly live up to the

title of power-trio.

EPDS, who are currently trying to raise money to pay for their first demo tape, will be appearing at the WMEB-sponsored band showcase on Feb. 20.

"Our demo should be out in about a week or two," Bourassa said. "We'll only be asking about two or three dollars for it."

The final act was Yarmouth's The Sense, a band who epitomized sell outs. While they were by far the most professional band to take the stage Saturday night, their pastel uniforms and top of the line equipment made them look more like a bad hair jell commercial than a starving group of musicians.

Their use of what sounded like timed vocal effects, used to enhance the singer's ability, showed they had definitely taken on more than they could handle by opening with a note-for-note version of Pearl Jam's "Jeremy."

While it seemed as though The Sense may have been an integral group of musicians at one time, their "After School Special" appearance caused most of the audience to depart soon after their set began.

"The Sense made no sense," student/musician Mark Hersey said. "They looked like they should have been on 'Star Search' or the house band for one of those Nickelodeon talk shows."

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From the Bookshelf

By Deanna L. Partridge
Staff Writer

American society glorifies youth, appreciates physical beauty and does not honor the wisdom and experience of its elders. There is an anthology of poetry which is changing those mores in its own special way.

When I Am An Old Woman I Shall Wear Purple is a collection of poetry, prose and pictures celebrating the beauty and courage of living one's later years.

The title of the anthology, edited by Sandra Martz, is taken from the first line of Jenny Joseph's "Warning," which has become somewhat of a battle cry for women of all ages seeking independence and self-actualization.

The 181-page book takes its reader through extremes of eager anticipation for the personal rewards age can bring to the fear of being old and physically incapable.

Prose, such as "Gracefully Afraid," by Mary Anne Ashley, examine the dynamics of relationships with the women of another generation and oneself. Often humorous, but with serious undercurrents of emotion,

this is writing with a meaning, prose with a point.

The collection contains regret of passing beauty, acceptance of body and shape, freedom from social constraints, dignity. Each piece carries a different emotion.

The black and white photography displayed in the book is also well-worth noting. Some of the pictures may remind you of your grandmother or the lady who lived down the street when you were a child. Other pictures are striking in the dignity they capture portrayed in the lines on a woman's face.

The works of Lori Burkhalter show women in a soft and graceful way, which highlights a sensuality often not thought of when remembering the elderly.

If pictures can truly express a thousands words, then the combination of photos and words make this anthology a multifaceted crystal cut to show as many sides of age as there are sides to a woman.

As inspiration or as a gift to a woman whom you love, *When I Am An Old Woman I Shall Wear Purple* is a treasure to be discovered and kept.



Grace, from the collection "When I Am An Old Woman I Shall Wear Purple."

Austria

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students has gone up "markedly" since then, with a high of 16 students during the 1991-92 school year. The first UMaine students went in 1971, a year after the program started.

Small said the program compares favorably with others in that profit is not the goal of participating schools; they more or less break even. Also, the opportunities for cultural experiences and for language and personal growth are stressed.

Small said some programs do not require as much language proficiency (usually two years training) as this program demands. As a result, students often go over without sufficient command of the language to be able to participate fully in classes and the culture.

Students are encouraged to live with Austrian students and to be as independent as possible, thereby enabling them to grow as people and as German speakers during

their time there.

Douglas Hall, UMaine professor of German since 1965, remembers one program which was running when he went to Germany as a Fulbright Scholar from UMaine in 1959.

Participants in that program, the name of which he did not remember, lived in a separate dorm in Vienna and took classes mostly from American professors. He described the program as, "two really pitiful photo-op semesters." He said it was also quite expensive.

Hall said his goal in life is to help people learn a language other than their own. He is perhaps proudest of having sent 50 percent of his accelerated German students to Austria one year.

Hall considers the accelerated program, in which students learn two years of German in two semesters, an excellent way to prepare students for studying in Austria. He tells his students about the opportunity on the first day of classes.

Hall said the accelerated program has advantages over the slower traditional program. It allows students to deal with the language every day instead of four days a week, and it keeps students who really like German from getting frustrated with the pace of learning.

Hall said he has regarded the Austrian program "as a blessing since its inception." He said students must be wary of not "getting into an English-speaking cocoon," but rather should try "to live your way into a foreign culture."

Hall said some skill in German is "absolutely essential" to a successful experience overseas. He strongly recommended UMaine's May Term German immersion

program at Owl's Head in Camden, which he said "greatly lessens the shock."

Small agreed, saying students who are unsure of their language skills should go to the May Term, University of Rhode Island's six-week summer program, or take a course at a Goethe Institute.

Two UMaine students found the year abroad so rewarding they went twice.

Tracey Graffam is a senior German major from Sanford went to the 1990 May Term and spent the 1990-91 and 1991-92 school years in Austria. She said the Austrians are eager to improve their English, but are "much easier to get along with if you can speak German."

Graffam said the toughest part of the whole experience for her was being away from home. She said the major area of improvement the program could make would be to make foreign students aware of the opportunities they have in Austria.

Graffam said studying abroad lets a person be him or herself without feeling the status-related pressure felt in America. She said she is "a big advocate of study abroad. We can't isolate ourselves today."

Graduate German student John Dearden, who has been to Austria as an undergraduate and in 1991-92, as a graduate student, said after talking to other visiting students in Austria, he has concluded the New England Consortium program is "by far the best."

From his perspective as both an American and a Jew, Dearden found the Austrians, "a little ethnocentric." He feels there is still far too much Anti-semitism and Neo-Nazi sentiment in Austria, citing harassment and vandalism by Neo-Nazis he encountered on his last visit to Austria.

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The Campus Sports Ticker

Women's Ice Hockey falls to Colby, 6-4

The University of Maine women's ice hockey team's record dropped to 8-6 Wednesday after a 6-4 loss to Colby College.

Stacey Rondeau had a hat trick and Heather Diller a goal in the contest for the Black Bears. UMaine goalie Carrie Bodwell made 40 saves in net.

The women are in action again Saturday when they take on the university of Vermont at 11:50 a.m. at Alfond.

Lind agrees to one-year deal with Royals

KANSAS CITY, Mo. (AP) — Second baseman Jose Lind agreed to a one-year contract with the Kansas City Royals, who acquired him in an offseason trade with Pittsburgh. Terms of the contract were not disclosed, but Lind received \$2 million from the Pirates last season and had asked the Royals for \$2.8 million this year. He was offered \$2.1 million in arbitration.

Chargers' G.M. gets three-year extension

SAN DIEGO (AP) — General manager Bobby Beathard, who helped turn the San Diego Chargers from perennial losers into a playoff team, signed a three-year contract. Beathard's original three-year contract expired in January.

Bookies strike it rich on Super Bowl

LAS VEGAS (AP) — Bettors wagered a record \$56.8 million on the Super Bowl in Nevada's 109 legal sports books, according to figures released by the Gaming Control Board. Bookmakers ended up keeping \$7.2 million of the money, thanks mainly to a betting public which favored Buffalo.

Santa Clara drops football

SANTA CLARA, Calif. (AP) — Santa Clara, a football power in the 1930s and '40s, is dropping the sport due to budget constraints. Santa Clara, which has played football since 1902, won major bowl games in 1937, 1938 and 1950.

Agassi eases past Pat McEnroe

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — Top-seeded Andre Agassi routed Patrick McEnroe 6-0, 6-2 and third-seeded Jaime Oncins of Brazil led Gary Muller of South Africa, 2-6, 6-4, 4-2 when Muller retired with a heel injury in the Volvo-San Francisco tournament.

◆ UMaine hockey

UMass-Lowell comes to Alfond

By Chad Finn
Sports Editor



Ho hum. Another weekend, and yet another hopeful challenger to the University of Maine hockey team's unbeaten record.

This week, the lucky contestant is the University of Massachusetts-Lowell, who have the unenviable burden of facing the

26-0-2 Black Bears on the Alfond Arena ice Friday and Saturday nights.

At 15-11-0, the Chiefs are one of the more surprising teams in Hockey East this season.

Headed by former UMaine assistant Bruce Crowder and playing a style similar to the Black Bears' fast-paced attack, UMass-Lowell appears on the verge of moving into the upper echelon of HE teams after posting a disappointing 11-19-4 record in 1991-92. A strong showing and perhaps even an upset

surely wouldn't hurt their cause.

"Everyone we play is shooting for us because we're No. 1, and I'm sure they will be no different," UMaine Coach Shawn Walsh said. "I know Bruce will have them ready."

The Chiefs are coming off of a pair of tough losses to No. 4 Boston University last weekend, but according to Crowder, are beginning to gain the confidence in themselves that young teams often don't have.

"I could see it against BU in Saturday's game (a 6-5 loss in overtime)," Crowder said. "The veterans showed a lot of leadership, and it seemed like we are beginning to jell as a team. Even though we lost (and blew a 5-4 lead with 3:08 left), I think that series will be a positive experience for us in the long run."

A trio of veterans, all juniors, will have to play important roles for Crowder's squad if the Chiefs are to have any amount of success versus UMaine.

Preseason All-HE center Mike Murray (16-26-42), high-scoring left wing Shane Henry (19-26-45) and workhorse goalie Dwayne Roloson (15-11, 3.68 GAA) all must come up with spectacular performances against a Black Bear team that has sparkled at every aspect of the game.

"One thing we don't get much credit for is our defense," Walsh said. "We have shut down our oppositions top players time and time again this season, but our offense still seems to get all of the attention."

And with all of the offensive fireworks the Black Bears have generated, its no wonder. Roloson undoubtedly will have his hand full with the likes of Cal Inghram (33-23-56), Paul Kariya (17-46-63) and HE Rookie of the Week Mike Latendresse (10-19-29).

"We certainly have to find some way to combat their explosiveness," Crowder said. "We have to keep them from getting any rebounds off their shots, especially Inghram, and we can't commit stupid penalties and dig ourselves a hole."

Black Bear Notes:

•Sports Illustrated is in the midst a feature on UMaine first-year marvel Paul Kariya and the Black Bear hockey program. Rumor says that it will appear in the infamous swimsuit issue later this month, so after glancing at Kathy, Elle and Co., be sure to give it a read.

•UMaine has outscored their opponents by a 188-63 margin this season, or by an

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University of Maine captain and all-time leading scorer Jim Montgomery leads the Black Bears versus UMass-Lowell Friday and Saturday nights. (Kiesaw photo.)

◆ Profile of Excellence

Briggs adjusting to new system just fine

By John Black
Volunteer Writer



If someone had told Heather Briggs four years ago she would become the first guard in UMaine women's basketball history to score

1,000 career points, she probably wouldn't have believed it.

Briggs, a senior tri-captain from Biddeford, recorded career point No. 1,000 in last Saturday's loss at Northeastern.

"When I came in as a (first-year player) that didn't even cross my mind that I'd score 1,000 points at the Division I level," Briggs said. "I look at being only the seventh player and that makes me feel really good."

The consummate team player, Briggs typically was more angry that the Black Bears lost the game than she was pleased

with the milestone.

"It was hard because we still lost the game," Briggs said. "I don't think I got as much enjoyment out of it as people expected."

UMaine's all-time leading scorer and current assistant coach Rachel Bouchard understands Briggs disappointment.

"I think that's a quality of a good ball-player, that it doesn't matter what you do

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◆ Boxing

Dokes looks for redemption in life and in the ring

By Ed Schuyler Jr.
AP Boxing Writer

NEW YORK (AP) — The face tells a story of fights in the ring and battles with drugs. Yet, Michael Dokes says, "I'm in the prime of my life."

So, while that face tells the truth about a past, it also tells a lie. Michael Dokes looks older than his 34 years.

By the calendar, Dokes is a young man. He also is an old fighter, a faded ex-champion, who suddenly is in the championship picture again.

Saturday night at Madison Square Garden, Dokes challenges heavyweight champion Riddick Bowe.

He is considered by many people in boxing to be the foil for the homecoming of the 25-year-old champion from Brooklyn, who will be making his first title defense.

Bowe is a 12 1/2-1 favorite.

Dokes, however, sees it as redemption for having continued his career.

"I always knew I could fight for the

heavyweight title again," said Dokes, while preparing to train at the Times Square Gym.

Most boxing observers thought Dokes' career was over after he was knocked cold by Razor Ruddock in the fourth round April 4, 1990, at the Garden. Dokes was on the canvas for more than five minutes and was given oxygen.

Dokes said he has never watched a tape of that fight.

"What good would that do?" he said.

While the loss did not end Dokes' career, his drug problems almost did.

The man who admitted snorting cocaine two or three days before losing the WBA title on a 10th-round knockout by Gerrie Coetzee in 1983, was arrested in 1991 on cocaine charges at Las Vegas, where he lives.

It was Dokes' third arrest on drug charges and he was given a suspended sentence and placed on five years' probation.

He also was warned by the judge that if he was caught doing drugs again, he would go to prison.

Athlete of the Week



Jill Hindley
Senior
500 meters
Women's track

Jill Hindley is the *University of Maine Athlete of the Week*.

The senior standout on the Black Bear women's track team placed first in the 500m event Saturday in her squad's meet at Bates.

The Black Bears finished third out of five teams in the meet. Hindley was one of four UMaine women to claim a first-place finish on the day, and was one of two Black Bears (Kristina Edgecomb was the other) to qualify for the

New England Championships on Feb. 27. Hindley's overall time in the 500m was 1:20.66.

A zoology major who hails from Chepachet, R.I., she was the recipient of the team's 1992 Coaches Award.

Hindley also specializes in the hurdles (400m and 600m), cross country and relays.

Other finalists this week included Mike Latendresse (ice hockey) and Kirk Carter (men's track).

Briggs

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individually, you still want to win," Bouchard said. "I'm sure she'd rather be winning than scoring her 1,000th point."

Briggs, the only senior on Coach Joanne Palombo's squad, struggled initially this season getting comfortable with all the new faces.

"I was so used to playing with the seniors that left I never really had any experience playing with anyone on my team right now, not even the returning juniors," Briggs said.

"I think it took me a really long time to get accustomed to their style of play."

"She's a good listener," Bouchard said. "With the different coaching style that we have incorporated this year, I think she really didn't know what to expect in the beginning. She was kind of waiting to feel things out instead of stepping up right away and taking the role she has now."

Palombo agrees that it took Briggs some time before she settled into her game.

"She had four new players around her," Palombo said. "Regardless of how much you prepare yourself for that I think it was really hard for her. She had her own personal transition to go through and I think that was part of the adjustment for her."

Briggs' overall statistics rank her first in scoring (12 points per game), first in rebounding (5.8 per game) and first in three-point field goal percentage (an impressive 42 percent). Each category has improved drastically in the latter stages of the season.

"I'm getting more comfortable out there and just relaxing more," Briggs said. "I think they (the younger players) look to me sometimes on the court, which I didn't show too much in the first twelve games."

Though the Black Bears are fighting through a trying season, 2-13 overall, Briggs welcomes the pleasant new atmosphere that Palombo and her staff have brought to the

program. It wasn't present under former UMaine Coach Trish Roberts.

"Personally in speaking on the sophomores and juniors behalf, I think its been a turnaround for us on the basketball court as well as off the court," Briggs said. "Coach Palombo is a much different coach than Coach Roberts was. You don't get down as much as you did with Coach Roberts. She's (Palombo) going to pick you up and tell you some positive things as well as negative things."

Meanwhile Briggs strives to improve over the last few games of her career.

"I'm happiest because I'm seeing myself improve on defense," Briggs said. "I'm the type of player when my defense is going well that's when my offense picks up."

The improvement has been showing. "She is much more relaxed," Bouchard said. "This year so far its taken her a little while but she's finally come into her own. She's starting to play like the Heather Briggs that played two and three years ago."

Though Palombo has only coached her for a year, she has been pleasantly surprised.

"Only the one year I've had with her and I'm really seeing her develop as a player and as a person," Palombo said. "When you that, it helps get by some of the losses."

Now that her four years at UMaine are

winding to a close Briggs will miss the team atmosphere.

"I definitely think the camaraderie of my teammates is what I'm going to miss most," Briggs said. "We hang out together when we're not playing basketball. I don't think you find that in a lot of teams."

Palombo cites Briggs 1,000 point milestone as a highlight.

"It's an exciting milestone," Palombo said. "It show consistency and it shows participation for all of her four years. I think that's a great thing to have done. She should have a lot of pride and really feel good about that."

Bouchard is more impressed with the 20-point effort, including the winning basket in overtime, Briggs put forth in a recent game against Dartmouth.

"The Dartmouth game is probably the best game I've seen her play this year," Bouchard said. "It wasn't only because of her offensive output but it was her defense. She was all over the floor."

There are no individual performances that stick out in Briggs mind when asked to recall some of her career highlights.

"Just a lot of good times," Briggs said. "You seem to forget a lot of the bad times. There were a lot of good times on and off the court."

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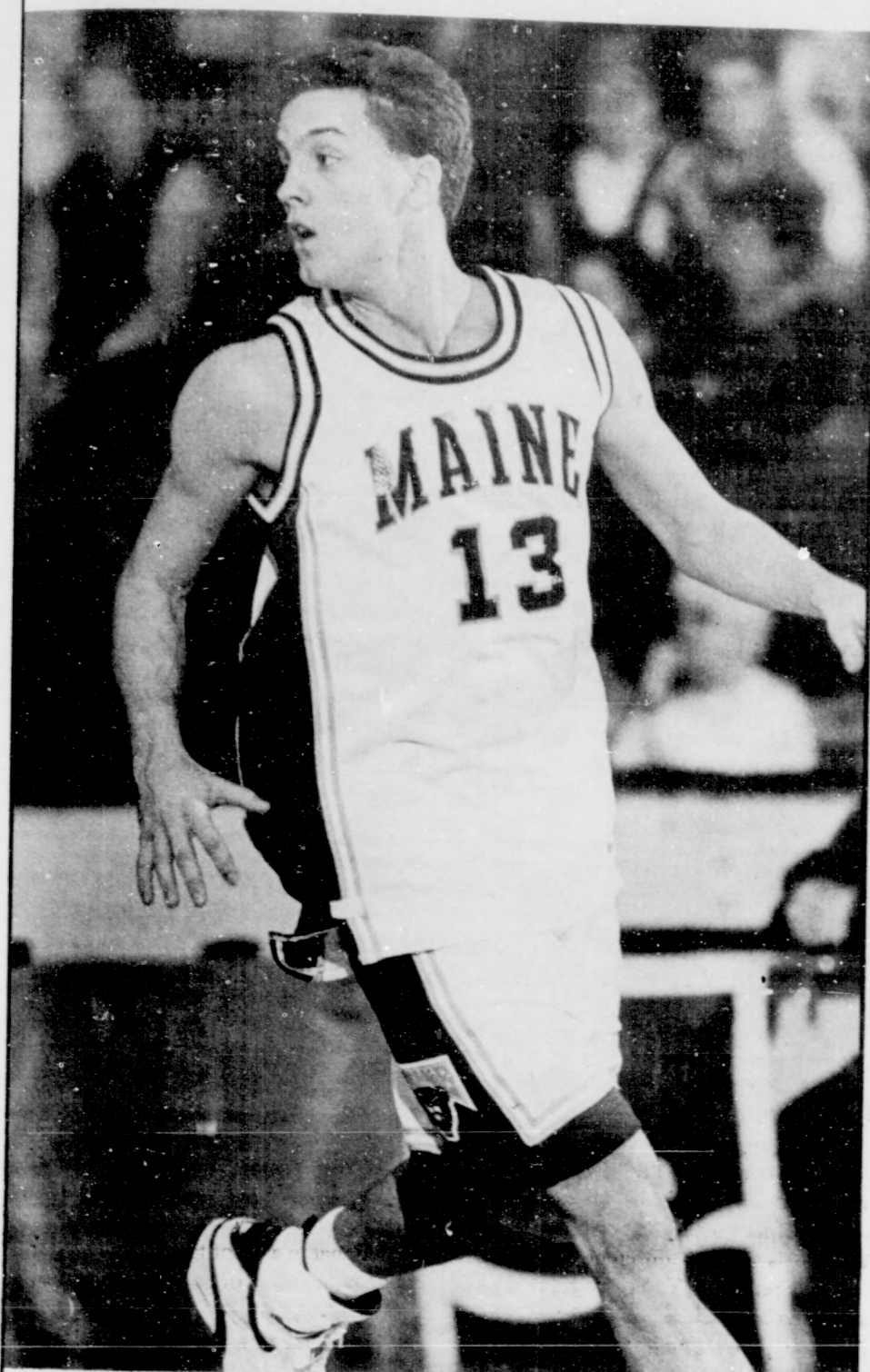
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Casey Arena and the University of Maine men's basketball team take on the University of New Hampshire Saturday in Durham. (Kiesow photo.)

◆ UMaine sports administration

Luxury boxes were crucial to the expansion of Alfond

By Ryan Shea
Volunteer Writer

As the success of the University of Maine hockey team grew with every season, and with the UMaine men's and women's basketball teams looking for a place to play on campus, something had to be done to increase the size of Alfond Arena.

Two years ago, Kevin White, the former Athletic Director at UMaine, came up with a reasonable plan for expansion. Most of the money had been raised but another \$2 million had to be found.

"Kevin came up with the idea of luxury boxes as a way of raising the final money for expansion," said Matt Bourque, the UMaine Sports Information Director.

With a price tag of \$120,000 per box the money was quickly found. A ten-year lease

comes with the purchase, as well as some other notable items; color T.V. with a remote, one small refrigerator, eight cushioned seats, four high chairs, enough space for 5-10 people, wall to wall carpet and a phone. And the boxes are by far the best seats in the house.

There are 11 boxes at one end of the multisport complex. They have their own special stairwell leading up to the boxes, as well as both a men's and women's bathroom and a campus phone.

Eight boxes are owned by businesses, two by individuals, and one by the University of Maine. Stephen and Tabitha King own one. So do Christopher and Sandra Hutchins.

The Hutchins family has been greatly

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◆ Pro Basketball

Miami's Rice 'Heats' up

By The Associated Press

Glen Rice was on, and all of a sudden the Miami Heat were gone.

Rice hit 17 of 22 shots from the floor and 10 of 11 from the free-throw line and scored 18 of his 45 points in the fourth quarter when the Heat outscored Atlanta 33-13 in a 116-96 victory Wednesday night.

"They could have cooked on his head, he was so hot," teammate Rony Seikaly said of Rice, who missed his career high by one point.

"When you've got a guy as hot as I was, you've got to get him the ball," Rice said.

The Heat did a good job of getting Rice the ball in the final quarter, when he hit all six of his shots and 5 of 6 free throws.

Atlanta hit just 4 of 22 shots in the final period, while Miami was 11 for 15. The Heat also claimed a 14-6 rebounding edge, with Rice grabbing five of his 14 rebounds in the quarter.

"It's just the flow of the game," Hawks coach Bob Weiss said. "Somebody gets hot and somebody gets cold. Boom, it's over."

After Duane Ferrell scored the opening basket of the fourth quarter to give the Hawks an 85-83 lead, Rice and Bimbo Coles each had six points during a 12-2 run.

With the score 96-90, Rice scored 12 more points as the Heat used a 18-4 spurt to pull ahead 114-94 with just over a minute to play.

Dominique Wilkins had 34 for Atlanta. **Suns 122, Timberwolves 102**

Phoenix won its 15th game without a loss to Minnesota and extended its home winning streak to 13.

Danny Ainge scored 19 points for the Suns, including a spectacular 3-pointer to end the first half. He put Phoenix ahead 61-37 as time expired, getting rid of the ball

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average of 6.7 to 2.3 goals per contest. Simply overpowering.

•In a Jan. 27 column titled "Three Black Bears have Hobey Hopes," I mistakenly identified Minnesota-Duluth star Derek

Plante. For some cosmic reason, I instead called him Dallas Drake, who in reality is a member of the NHL's Detroit Red Wings.

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Luxury Boxes

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involved with the university in the past. The Hutchins Concert Hall at the Maine Center for the Arts bears their name and they wanted to help out the university again.

"They wanted to help the university, as a donation, to contribute to University of Maine sports," said Sherry Garland, secretary for Alternative Energy, the Hutchins's company. "And they really enjoy going to hockey games."

This was the sentiment of most of the owners. Many said they really wanted to help out the university and what better way than to donate some money for expansion.

UMaine is almost unique in its approach to luxury boxes. Boston College is the only other Hockey East team to have luxury boxes in their rink.

"Most college hockey rinks don't have

the sky boxes," Bourque said.

In these times of budget cuts, it seems like any time a building is built or expanded, a major uproar is heard. But according to Bourque, that wasn't the case with the Alfond expansion.

"Usually people do voice their opinion," Bourque said. "But since all the money came from private donations, people relaxed a little."

No typical fans seats were removed from the arena, either, as more seats were added in on both sides of the rink.

So the next time you go watch a hockey game, look up and wave to Stephen King at the far right, or to Chris and Sandra Hutchins at the far left. They made going to games more fun for more people, and made helped make Alfond an even better place.

NBA Roundup

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with a twisting, shotput motion while falling out of bounds.

The Timberwolves were led by Christian Laettner and Luc Longley with 16 points each.

Jazz 100, Nuggets 96

Utah edged visiting Denver behind Karl Malone's 28 points, Jeff Malone's 25 and 22 by John Stockton, including the go-ahead basket with 40 seconds left and two free throws with 7.8 seconds remaining.

Stockton's pull-up jumper from 14 feet followed two missed shots and offensive

rebounds by Tyrone Corbin and Mark Eaton. The basket gave Utah, which trailed by as many as eight points in the fourth quarter, a 97-96 edge.

Bulls 107, Kings 88

Michael Jordan scored 36 points as Chicago continued the longest road trip in the NBA this season with a victory over Sacramento.

The Bulls, leading by 12 points, broke the game open late in the third quarter following a layup attempt by Mitch Rich-

mond. The Kings' guard and Sacramento coach Garry St. Jean were both called for technical fouls when they complained that no foul was called.

Jordan, who seconds earlier had a 35-foot 3-pointer, made both technical shots, and Chicago went on to build a 76-55 lead with 2:38 left in the third quarter.

Cavaliers 108, Bucks 100

Brad Daugherty scored 31 points and Craig Ehlo had seven in the final 3:22 as Cleveland won at Milwaukee.

Alvin Robertson scored 18 points for the Bucks, who trailed by seven entering the fourth quarter, rallied to lead by three points, and then couldn't hold it.

Rockets 119, Mavericks 102

Hakeem Olajuwon had 30 points, 18 rebounds and eight blocked shots, and scored 13 points in the fourth quarter of Houston's victory at Dallas.

Vernon Maxwell finished with 22 points for the Rockets, who won their 12th game in 14 starts.

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