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◆ UMaine sports

UMaine athletics run into more NCAA problems

Five graduate student athletes declared ineligible

By Chris DeBeck
Sports Writer

In a year fraught with violations, the University of Maine athletic department has once again run afoul of National Collegiate Athletic Association eligibility requirements.

Five graduate student/athletes — ice hockey player Patrice Tardif, Kerry Brothers from the cross country team, Gretchen Lahey of the field hockey squad, Allyson Lowell of indoor track and football player Fred Harner — did not have enough graduate credits to be eligible under NCAA guidelines.

University of Maine Athletic Director Mike Ploszek said in a Thursday press conference that Linwood Carville, UMaine's compliance officer, gave the student-athletes wrong information about

how many credits were necessary. Carville advised the athletes that six graduate credits were necessary.

According to NCAA Bylaw 14.1.6.2.2b, graduate students who have a year of eligibility remaining need a minimum of eight graduate credits to participate in NCAA sports.

As a result of the misinformation, the athletes have been declared ineligible and their respective teams may have to forfeit all games they participated in during this academic year.

"On behalf of the institution and on behalf of the athletic department, I deeply regret the impact on student-athletes involved directly or indirectly," Ploszek said.

Carville, who is eligible to retire this summer, has been relieved

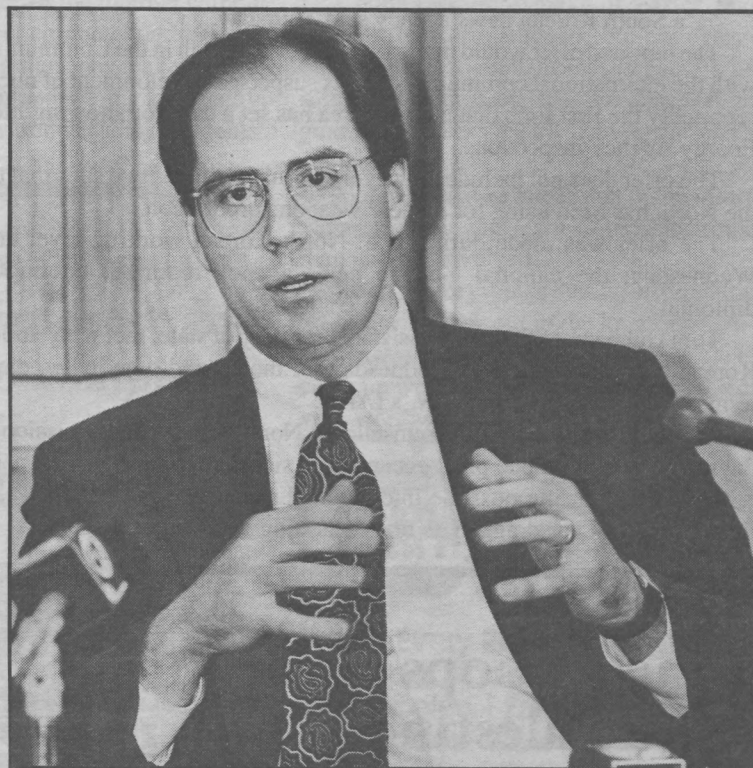
of his compliance duties and will be reassigned within the university. Robert Whelan, an assistant to Hutchinson, will assume Carville's position.

UMaine President Fred Hutchinson, in a prepared statement, said he hoped Carville's mistakes wouldn't detract from his contributions to the university.

"He has been a friend and valued member of the university community for many years," Hutchinson said in the statement. "I know very well how much he regrets the mistakes that have been made that have led to this series of events."

"I sincerely hope that these incidents, as painful and consequential as they are, do not overshadow his fine and illustrious career," the statement also said.

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Athletic Director Mike Ploszek speaks at a press conference yesterday (Boyd photo.)

◆ OCB

Nelson victorious in election



Off campus students voting in the OCB election on Wednesday at the Memorial Union. (Page photo.)

By Chris DeBeck
Staff Writer

It has been a strange trip for Off-Campus Board interim president Christopher "Norm" Nelson.

Within the space of 48 hours, Nelson went from not being on the ballot to becoming president-elect of OCB, to winning Wednesday's election.

Nelson and his vice presidential running mate, Deborah Blease, earned 150 votes in gaining OCB's top two spots. Todd Glasson and Amy Hennenberry finished second with 95 votes, and Eric Tietje, running alone, ended third with 21 votes.

All results will remain unofficial until 3:30 p.m. today, the deadline for election com-

plaints.

"I'm relieved, surprised actually," Nelson said of his election. Monday evening, Nelson/Blease and Tietje were disqualified for not turning in expense reports by the 3 p.m. Monday deadline, as required by the Fair Election Practices Commission Committee guidelines.

At Tuesday's General Student Senate meeting, former president and newly-appointed senator Stavros Mendros sponsored a resolution reinstating the tickets, requiring Student Government Vice President Charles Allen's vote to break the tie and put the tickets back on the ballot.

"I knew the FEPC guidelines pretty well, and this isn't what I expected at all," Nelson said. "I'm

more surprised that Stavros sponsored the resolution."

Despite efforts to reach more students, FEPC Chairman Todd Alley bluntly termed the voter turnout "poor." Only 266 off-campus students, of approximately 8,000 eligible students, cast a vote.

"If I could think of a clean word (to describe the turnout), I would use it," Nelson said.

Alley said FEPC decided to add two hours for voting in the evening, closing the Memorial Union polling place at 8 p.m. It was hoped, he added, that more students, particularly non-traditional students, would take advantage.

The publication of a new newspaper by OCB, Alley added, was another factor which might have increased voter turnout.

"I was really shocked," Alley said. "I thought the controversy with Zot would get people out and involved."

The lack of turnout of eligible voters sent another powerful message, Alley said.

"Every person who says they want to get involved complains that other groups are over-involved," Alley said. "I don't see these groups going out to change it."

Despite the low turnout, Nelson will hit the ground running. One area he said he will work on immediately is the reestablishment of a tenant's union, which would concentrate on relationships be-

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◆ Educational outreach

Engineers spark interest of high school students

By Malcolm Smith
Staff Writer

As National Engineers' Week draws to a close, engineers from the University of Maine and other parts of the state are planning to speak to approximately 200 Maine high schools next week.

"The kids are very interested and they relate very well," Wayne Hamilton, associate dean of the College of Engineering and Sciences said Thursday about the upcoming presentations.

Visiting engineers show a videotaped presentation that introduces engineering to the students, and relates the subject to the students' math and science classes.

The tape is donated to the school at the end of the presentation.

This is the eighth year in a row that UMaine has participated in this educational outreach.

Dean of the UMaine College of Engineering and Science, Norman Smith, wrote in a letter to high schools: "Though many students will not pursue technological careers, all will use the results and products of engineering and all are affected by the social benefits and problems of the industrial age in which we live."

On Feb. 19, the UMaine Society of Women Engineers sponsored a free presentation by James

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◆ ROTC

Cadet commander serves as role model for many

By Dana Gray
Staff writer

Lt. Col. Michael Rosebush calls her a "hummingbird with a hammer." Sally Mckinnon, staff coordinator of the University Volunteer Ambulance Corps, said she is "very hard working" and has a "good reputation within UVAC and the town of Orono." Captain Kenneth Burgess said she is always happy, and he enjoys her spirit. The object of their praise — Cadet Commander Karey Dufour.

She is a senior nursing student, the University of Maine Air Force ROTC's Corps Commander, a worker in UVAC, and a member of All Maine Women.

Rosebush attributes the reason for her busy life to her character, which was determined through a personality inventory test. The results of this test concluded that Dufour is a "hummingbird with a hammer."

This characterization, accord-

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WorldBriefs

- North Korea sets date for nuclear inspections
- Negotiations in Mexico reach tentative agreement
- Peres says Israeli troops will leave Palestine

◆ IAEA

Inspections to start March 1

1 SEOUL, South Korea (AP) — North Korea has offered to let in a U.N. team for some nuclear inspections March 1 and the United States has accepted the proposal, a South Korean news agency said Thursday.

The reported offer would mark a small breakthrough in the Communist North's standoff with the international community over its suspected development of nuclear weapons. It is reportedly the first time that North Korea has set a date for allowing International Atomic Energy Agency inspections.

The offer does not include, however, the inspection of two sites that the IAEA suspects the North has been using for nuclear weapons production.

The offer was made during U.S.-North Korean working-level talks in New York Wednesday, the national Yonhap news agency reported, quoting a North Korean diplomat.

Tom Hubbard, U.S. deputy assistant secretary of state, met with Ho Jong, deputy North Korean U.N. mission chief, Wednesday for the second time in two days to work out the terms of inspections by the U.N.'s IAEA.

Quoting Han Sung Yul, a counsellor at North Korea's U.N. mission, Yonhap said two days of York talks made progress and both sides are to meet again on Thursday.

The North, facing possible international sanctions, agreed last week to accept some inspections, but has dragged its feet on issuing visas to the inspectors.

◆ Withdrawal

Israeli troops agree to leave Palestine

3 JERUSALEM (AP) — Israeli troops will start leaving the Palestinian autonomy zones the minute a full agreement on self-rule is sealed, Foreign Minister Shimon Peres said Wednesday.

Peres also echoed the chief Palestinian negotiator, Nabil Shaath, who said in Egypt that an agreement on security and civilian government issues could probably be reached within three weeks.

In Paris, negotiators ran into difficulties in talks on economic relations between Israel and the autonomy zones planned for the occupied Gaza Strip and West Bank region around Jericho.

Israel's finance minister hurriedly left for Paris, claiming the Palestinians were backing out of an agreement to integrate the economies of Israel and the self-rule areas. Palestinians denied any such accord.

Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin has stressed that Israel will not begin the self-rule experiment until it has reached a detailed accord on all aspects of autonomy.

Environment Minister Yossi Sarid told The Associated Press he doubted the economic problems would hold up overall agreement.

◆ State of the nation

Yeltsin says crime reform is top priority

4 MOSCOW (AP) — Russia must launch a crash effort to combat crime in 1994 and make free-market reforms less painful, President Boris Yeltsin told parliament Thursday in his first annual State of the Nation address.

"The problem of the year is curbing crime," Yeltsin told both houses of parliament, meeting together for the first time in the Kremlin. "Organized crime ... is trying to take the country by the throat."

Looking healthy and speaking energetically, the 63-year-old Russian president said free-market reforms must continue, but the government should help the poor and make economic changes bearable for ordinary citizens.

"Our task is to find a reasonable balance between the pace of reform and the social cost," he said.

Although the speech focused on domestic issues, Yeltsin indicated that military spending would rise and said Russia would no longer make "unilateral concessions" in foreign policy.

"Russia has the right to be tough and firm when it is necessary to protect its national interests," he said.

Some lawmakers complained afterward that the 50-minute speech was long on rhetoric but short on specific proposals. "We need more concrete and decisive actions," said ultranationalist Vladimir Zhirinovskiy.

◆ Breakthrough

Negotiations are far from over

2 SANCRISTOBAL DELAS CASAS, Mexico (AP) — Rebels and the government have reached tentative agreement on the insurgents' demands for better conditions in Indian communities. But the rebels say the peace talks are far from over.

After three days of negotiations, the rebel spokesman, Subcomandante Marcos, told a news conference Wednesday that the two sides had agreed on "several fundamental points."

He did not elaborate except to say the agreements dealt with health, housing, education and "respect and dignity" for Indians in Chiapas, Mexico's impoverished, southernmost state.

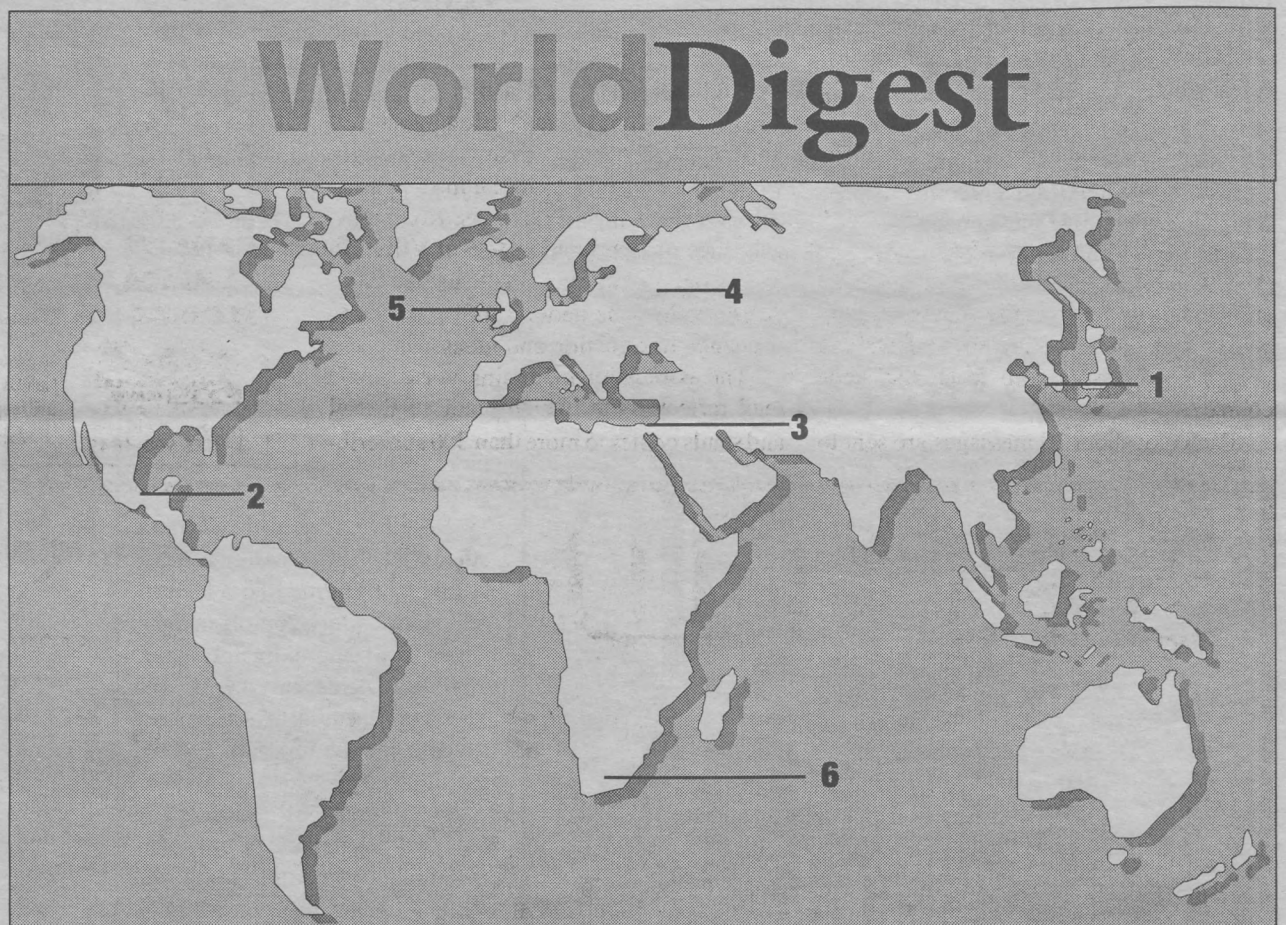
Marcos warned reporters they could be in for a long stay in San Cristobal.

He said the talks had covered only about a quarter of the issues the guerrillas of the Zapatista National Liberation Army want negotiated before they will disarm. And any agreement will have to be approved by any Indian communities they affect, he said.

The Zapatistas seized San Cristobal and other towns in Chiapas on Jan. 1, then withdrew into the jungle. The government declared a cease-fire on Jan. 12 after more than 100 people had died.

The peace talks, taking place in a cathedral in this southern town, began Monday, making any agreement at all lightning progress by the standards of Central American rebellions, some of which have dragged on for decades.

"The talks are giving their first results," said government negotiator Manuel Camacho Solis. Although "the work has been very complex," the negotiations were moving at a "greater speed than I had hoped," he added.



◆ Stealth

Jane's believes US has developed new aircraft

5 LONDON (AP) — The U.S. Air Force apparently has developed a new stealth aircraft capable of spying or bombing, an authoritative British defense journal reported Wednesday.

Jane's International Defense Review published a drawing of the diamond-shaped plane, which strongly resembles a smaller version of the B-2 stealth bomber.

The unidentified aircraft has been seen in flight in several places across the southwestern United States and was captured on two videotapes, one made near Groom Lake Air Force Base in Nevada, the magazine said in its March issue.

The Air Force "is not in a position to comment on the story, one way or another," according to spokesman, Col. Doug Kennet, in Washington.

American aviation writer Bill Sweetman, who wrote the report, said he believes the plane is a superior, all-weather successor to the F-117 stealth fighter, the world's first radar-evading warplane.

The new aircraft flies at medium or low altitude at over 500 mph, said Clifford Beal, the magazine's features editor who viewed the videotapes.

◆ Mudslide

Death toll rises to 13 in South Africa

6 VIRGINIA, South Africa (AP) — Rescue workers trudging through waist-high sludge pulled the body of a small child from the wreckage of a home Thursday, bringing to 13 the number of people killed in a mud slide.

More than 80 people remained missing after the wall of mud tore through a middle-class neighborhood, uprooting trees, crumbling walls and carrying cars and furniture into the streets.

Searching in the sludge with prodding sticks and dogs was painstakingly slow. Rain on Wednesday left the mud too soft for heavy vehicles. The sun came out today, creating dust but hardening the ground enough to allow the use of bulldozers and large trucks.

Thirty-six hours after the disaster, rescue workers still were reporting just 13 dead, despite the destruction of at least 80 homes.

At No. 7, Gencor Crescent, they discovered the body of the toddler, who appeared to be about 3 years old.

After wrapping the body in a pink and white bedspread, they set it gently in the shovel of a bulldozer.

The mud slide occurred after a dam, used to hold material discarded by the nearby Harmony Gold Mine, broke under the pressure of torrential rains Wednesday night. Hundreds of tons of waste poured into a complex of stucco homes housing mine workers.

◆ Information super highway

Student governments using computer networks as forum

By Ryan Robbins
Staff Writer

When student apathy showed no signs of improving, University of Maine Association of Graduate Students President Hugo Volkaert decided to do something about it. Volkaert contacted Computing and Data Processing Services and asked for a newsgroup to be created for the UMaine local Usenet feed.

The newsgroup, Volkaert said, is a forum for graduate students to discuss issues that affect them. The newsgroup is also a bulletin board for minutes of AGS meetings, grant information and other items of interest to graduate students.

"In a way it's making representatives obsolete," Volkaert said.

James Harrod, president of the class of 1996 at Skidmore College in Saratoga Springs, N.Y., said he has been posting information on his school's electronic bulletin board system in an effort to generate interest in student government.

"I feel that this posting is often a very effective way to reach disenfranchised students who often feel either alienated by SGA or see it as a social elite clique which is simply concerned with the inflation of our own egos," Harrod said.

University of Tennessee, Knoxville, Director of Student Services Matthew Gregory said his student government puts its senate bills on-line and is in the midst of putting course syllabuses on-line so students can compare professors who teach the same courses.

Each day about 30 messages are sent to

a complaint and suggestion bulletin board, Gregory said. Out of 26,000 students Tennessee's BBS covers, Gregory estimates there are about 100 consistent readers.

"Student reaction has been very positive," Gregory said. "Students are happy that they are able to have direct input to SGA without having to come up to the office."

Not only are computers being used by student governments to communicate with their constituents, they are also being used by governments to communicate with each other.

Anthony Rosati is the information ex-

ers. The association also maintains a file transfer site where Internet users can copy files about graduate and professional students to their computers. Rosati said NAGPS will have a Gopher server next month. Developed at the University of Minnesota, Gopher is a program that allows Internet users to "tunnel" across the Internet without having to remember computer addresses.

But while computers may make it easier for student governments to tackle apathy, they must still overcome some students' fears of computers.

Harrod said, "I find that electronic information is a very effective way of stirring interest and advertising things. But due to computer phobia, it does not always reach a majority of the campus."

Volkaert said, "Not everybody's listening and that's the problem."

Computers may make it easier and quicker to inform students, but not everyone has an account to access to E-mail, he said. Newsletters are still the only way to guarantee access to all students but it's expensive.

Volkaert said he hopes that in the future more students will learn to use electronic mail and get involved.

Still, Gregory thinks putting information on-line will work out in the long run.

"In this age of students not being able to catch up with each other, I find this project very worthwhile," he said.

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change coordinator and a member of the board of directors of the National Association of Graduate-Professional Students, which represents about half a million graduate and professional students. Rosati said that since its inception in 1986, the NAGPS has encouraged its members to use the Internet, a world-wide network of networks, to exchange information and ideas.

The association maintains an electronic mail reflector site, which receives E-mail and sends copies to more than 300 subscrib-

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◆ State of the Judiciary

Wathen appeals for court funds in annual speech

AUGUSTA, (AP) — Maine's courts are asked to do too much with too little, Chief Justice Daniel E. Wathen told lawmakers Thursday in a bluntly worded appeal for more money.

"The court system is a complex, \$30 million business, stretched thin over 50 branch locations scattered throughout Maine, and we are expected to run it like a mom and pop store," Wathen said in his annual State of the Judiciary speech to the Legislature.

The judiciary's still-pending emergency request for an additional \$5 million this year and as much again next year amounts to little more than crisis management, he said.

"We are only talking about surviving and keeping the courthouse door from slamming shut," he said. "We will still be struggling to provide a first-class court system with a third-class budget."

Flanked by fellow members of the Maine Supreme Judicial Court and representatives of the Superior and District courts, Wathen said the state's court system generated nearly \$23 million in state revenue last year, but remains one of the most understaffed and underfunded in the nation.

Maine has the fewest trial judges per capita in the country, and its court budget typically lags the averages for both New England and the nation, he said. The result, he said, is a system that rations justice to citizens.

"We must stop budgeting at a level that produces a crisis every six months and undermines any opportunity to better serve our citizens."

Wathen cited domestic violence and child abuse as an example of the increasing pressures on the judiciary.

A decade ago, he said, district judges managed to deal with 1,500 petitions per

year during breaks in their regular schedules with little disruption. Last year, 5,500 petitions were filed on behalf of abused women and children, and judges now are routinely forced to postpone other cases to deal promptly with the complicated and emotionally charged abuse cases.

Still, judges have risen to the challenge, Wathen said.

Chief District Judge Susan Calkins and a team of people involved in abuse cases have produced a manual for victims seeking help. Judges and Department of Human Service workers joined in an unprecedented conference on abuse last fall. And local projects aimed at helping abuse victims also are under way.

Wathen said Maine is now the only state whose courts lack an automated legal research system. Although planning was begun with a \$500,000 appropriation last year, the courts now may be forced to

divert much of that money to pay for constitutionally guaranteed legal representation for people who cannot afford to hire their own attorneys, he said.

Training for judges and their staffs also is inadequate, the chief justice said. Maine ranks 49th in resources devoted to judicial education, and half of the state's judges have never attended any course at the National Judicial College, of which Wathen is a director, he said.

"Judges and court staff are like everyone else; they need training and technological support, and occasionally they need a pat on the back and a little encouragement."

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tween landlords and tenants.

As far as programming, Nelson said he won't interfere with those already working on events such as Bumstock.

"Programming, and things like Bumstock, I'll let them do their own thing," he said.

Nelson said he hopes to hold forums for off-campus students to talk about the direction OCB will take.

"We hope to open up communication," he said. "We tried to do that through *Zot*, but a lot of people were turned off."

Hopeful that the results count, he said that he's eager to get going.

"I hope to make it stick," Nelson said. "I hope I can work with people to get some things accomplished."

Engineers

Newman, a NASA astronaut and mission specialist in the Space Shuttle Discovery in 1993. He was in the area to speak to a meeting of the 20 different Maine engineering societies, and agreed to speak at UMaine.

"We were just lucky to have him here on campus," SWE President Sue Wyman said Wednesday.

Speaking about education, Wyman said

the motto that some engineers teach elementary kids is that "engineers make stuff into things."

"We design about all the appliances and everything else in your home," she said.

Getting the message out about the importance of engineers and their role in society is one of the purposes of this week, Hamilton said. He added that society comes

to engineers with problems to solve, and engineers try to use available resources to come up with solutions.

Hamilton said that people do not think of the impact engineers make on their everyday lives. He said when people hear the alarm clock in the morning, brew a pot of coffee, and drive over the roads to school, they do not realize the contributions that engineers have made to make those activities possible.

"We take it for granted, don't we?" he said.

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◆ Home education

House votes no US licensing of home teaching

WASHINGTON (AP) — Stunned by a campaign that flooded Capitol switchboards, the House attempted Thursday to reassure Americans the federal government will not try to license parents who teach their children at home.

Opening debate on reauthorization of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act, the House, by a 424-1 vote, approved an amendment that says nothing in the bill applies to home schools.

The amendment, sponsored by Rep. William Ford, D-Mich., stripped from the bill a requirement that school districts certify that full-time teachers are qualified to teach their assigned subjects.

"It's an unnecessary solution to a non-existing problem," said Ford, chairman of the House Education and Labor Committee.

The lone dissenter was Rep. George Miller, D-Calif., who saw his language stripped from the bill. He called the vote a "tragic ending to this story" and said it

would result in children being taught by unqualified teachers.

Miller's spokesman, Daniel Weiss, said the congressman would have accepted language stating explicitly that the certification requirement applied only to public schools.

House members were pressed into action by thousands of phone calls, letters and faxes from those who feared the federal government was trying to assert its control over home schooling. Religious broadcasters and some talk shows picked up on the message.

The House also approved, 374-53, an amendment by Rep. Dick Armey, R-Texas, that goes even further than Ford's. It states that "nothing in this act shall be construed to permit, allow, encourage, or authorize any federal control over any aspect of any private, religious or home school." It said the language "shall not be construed to bar private, religious or home schools from participation in programs or services under this act."

"We had real reason to be afraid," said Mike Farris, president of the Home School Legal Defense Association.

"If they meant all public schools, all they had to say was all public schools. If they meant all schools that receive federal funds, all they had to say was all schools that receive federal funds."

Farris, who estimated that 600,000 to 1 million children are taught at home by parents, said the House action "shows that vague language in Congress is never going to be used to run over people if they stand up and speak their minds."

The amendments were offered to a bill reauthorizing for six years the Elementary and Secondary Education Act, the federal government's largest investment in education from kindergarten through the 12th grade.

Standing in support of the Armey amendment, Rep. Spencer Bachus, R-Ala., said, "Parental rights must not be sacrificed. There is no need or justification for greater federal

intrusion into their homes."

Rep. Dale Kildee, D-Mich., said he feared that approval of the Armey amendment would inadvertently restrict the religious and private schools from participating in federal programs authorized by the legislation.

"It is important that the solution should not create another problem," he said.

Calling Armey's proposal a "mischievous amendment," Rep. Patsy Mink, D-Hawaii, said there already are carefully constructed procedures by which private and parochial schools can receive and spend federal funds.

Armey said his amendment was necessary because 17 states consider home schools as private schools.

Rep. Roscoe Bartlett, R-Md., said the proposal merely "makes explicit what some may feel is implicit. It prevents the federal government from reaching into private schools."

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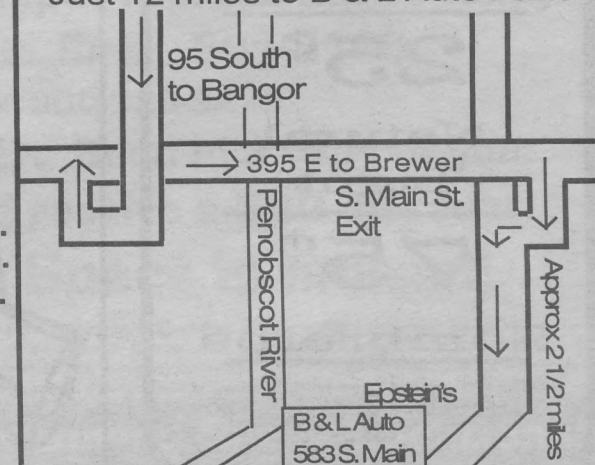
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◆ Smoking

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WASHINGTON (AP) — Surgeon General Joycelyn Elders labeled smoking an adolescent addiction Thursday and accused the tobacco industry of trying to convince teen-agers that cigarettes will make them sexy and successful.

Elders, unveiling the latest surgeon general's report on smoking, also urged the Federal Trade Commission to draw the curtain on RJR Tobacco's Joe Camel cartoon ads, which have just added a Josephine Camel to the cast of characters.

"Smoking is not just an adult habit. It is an adolescent addiction," said Elders, whose 314-page report was devoted entirely to the topic of why adolescents smoke, the harm it does and how it can be prevented.

The report also chronicled the marketing practices of the tobacco industry, from the chocolate cigarettes of yore to the Marlboro man to sponsoring race cars and peddling lighters, T-shirts, beach blankets and camping gear emblazoned with tobacco brands.

Elders said teen-agers who smoke run higher risks of experimenting with alcohol and drugs, doing poorly in school, fighting, engaging in unsafe sex and even attempting

suicide.

Her report, compiled by government scientists and academic researchers, said the average age when smokers tried their first cigarette is 14.5 years, and more than 70 percent of those who become daily smokers acquired that habit by age 18.

In Augusta, the director of the American Lung Association of Maine said state statistics on teen-age smoking follow the national trends.

"Less than 5 percent of new smokers are over the age of 18," and nearly one-quarter of all high-school seniors in Maine smoke, said Edward F. Miller.

Miller said the figures underscore the need to enforce existing bans of cigarette sales to minors and to take other steps, such as forbidding smoking on school property and at all youth-oriented activities.

"We know what needs to be done," Miller said, "and we just don't have, in some cases, the political will to do it."

Elders said the nearly \$4 billion the tobacco industry spends on advertising and promotions helps convince kids they are joining "the 5-S club — that they're slim, they're

sexy, they're sociable, they're sophisticated, and successful."

"The teen-ager gets an image, the tobacco companies get an addict," said Elders. "We must fight back."

The Tobacco Institute agreed that young people should not smoke, but spokesman Thomas Lauria said, "there's little in this report that would substantiate the allegation that we're trying to hook kids." Cigarette ads are "aimed at the 46 million to 50 million American adults who smoke," he added.

The surgeon general's report on smoking — the 23rd since the late Dr. Luther Terry fired the first salvo in 1964 — concluded that if teen-agers stay smoke-free until high school graduation, "most will stay that way forever."

"Most adolescent smokers are addicted to nicotine and report that they want to quit but are unable to do so," it said. They suffer relapses and withdrawal symptoms just like adults.

A third to a half of young people who try cigarettes become daily smokers, Elders said.

The report said at least 3.1 million adolescents ages 12-18 smoke cigarettes — 13 percent — and 1 million use smokeless tobacco. More than a quarter of high school seniors smoke.

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ROTC

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ing to Rosebush, "fits her to a T." "She is so involved, so assertive and won't take no for an answer," he said.

As a hammer, she is very direct and forceful, dictating responsibilities to the 10 cadets for whom she is responsible. As a hummingbird, she is constantly in motion with nursing clinical rotations, ROTC work, All Maine Women obligations, UVAC work and classes.

Dufour's role as corps commander is to act as the liaison between the 10 cadets and the cadre, which includes Rosebush and Burgess.

"I'm the eyes and ears of all cadets," Dufour said. She accepts her responsibility as overseer of the cadets and said she has wanted this position ever since her first year.

According to Dufour, she became involved with ROTC to see what it was all about. Now, in her fourth year of ROTC involvement, all related requirements within the corps will be fulfilled.

Selected last year as corps commander, her responsibilities in this position

score. In all of these areas Dufour is responsible for making sure the cadets fulfill a certain ability level. "She is the corporate director. She's like the CEO," Burgess said.

Amid her requirements within ROTC, Dufour said she also works nearly 40 hours a week on the UVAC. She has been a part of this ambulance service for three years. During this time, she has been elected to positions within the service as secretary, scheduling maintenance officer and training officer. Sally McKinnon said that in this job, Dufour has earned the confidence of her peers.

Last year, as a junior, Dufour was recognized as one of the top 1 percent in her class by being selected as a member of All Maine Women. She is responsible this year, as a member, to uphold the standards she met to be selected. Dufour is the honor society's treasurer. All Maine Women serve as a service organization for university and non-university events.

Rosebush said that, with her initiative, Dufour serves as a role model for



Cadet Commander Karey Dufour (center) discusses Air Force ROTC matters with her cadets at the detachment building. (Boyd photo.)

shooter" attitude of Dufour's has potential of making her come off as someone who will not listen to other people's viewpoints. But, he said she is open to all input.

UMaine's Air Force ROTC utilizes the production technique of Total Quality Management, which calls for opinions from all levels of people. As the main proponent of this technique, Colonel Rosebush said, "The whole philosophy is everyone brings info to the table. She (Karey Dufour) has embraced this philosophy hook, line and

sinker."

Every week Dufour conducts the leadership lab, where ROTC business is presented. All cadets assume responsibilities within the corps, and Dufour is given the task of making sure that total quality is managed and maintained.

Using her medical training, she is also planning a CPR instructional course for all cadets and members of the ROTC detachment.

In May 1995, Karey will graduate and then continue her nursing goals as an officer in the Air Force.

"She is so involved, so assertive and won't take no for an answer." Lt. Col. Michael Rosebush

involve maintaining a high proficiency on the Operational Readiness Board. This board maps out the cadet's abilities in their GPAs, their Physical Fitness Training, a 1.5 mile run and a war

cadets and All Maine Women. "She is one of those people who gets enthusiastic about life," he said.

Within the ROTC, Rosebush stated that the danger of this type of "straight

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◆ Crackdown

Portland High to use alcohol tests at functions

PORTLAND(AP) — Local high schools plan to crack down on alcohol use among students by screening on-campus events with a portable breathalyzer-type device.

School officials believe the mere presence of the devices, which measure alcohol when a person speaks into them, will discourage alcohol consumption among teen-agers.

But some students, resentful of the prospect, say the tests could backfire.

"There would be a percentage of students

who say, 'Here's another challenge to conquer. Let's see if I can go out, get drunk, go to the game, not get caught,'" said Andrew Novick, vice president of the Deering High School student council.

Cheverus, Portland, McAuley and Deering high schools plan to take delivery next month of the devices donated by a local organization that promotes responsible use of alcohol.

Project Portland bought the devices worth \$765 each. Deering and Portland highs will

each get a detector, and Cheverus and McAuley will share one.

Jay M. Hibbard, director of Project Portland, got the idea from sensors being used in Eugene, Ore. Schools in California, Denver, North Carolina and Florida also use the devices.

The devices are not highly accurate and have a margin of error of 20 percent. As a result, the findings aren't usable as evidence in court, said an official with Life-Loc, the manufacturer.

Students who fail the test could be suspended, but that could raise legal questions.

If students are to be suspended, then the schools should develop a procedure that gives students an opportunity to contest the test results, said Sally A. Sutton, executive director of the Maine Civil Liberties Union.

Jan Patton, Deering principal, said she will consult with students, parents, faculty and staff and develop a policy covering use of the devices, called "passive breathalyzers."

◆ Home invasion

Man gets 30 years for botched drug hoist

PORTLAND(AP) — A New Hampshire man who crashed into a Cornish home two years ago in a botched drug hoist has been sentenced to 30 years in federal prison.

David Piper, 50, of Manchester, N.H., was sentenced Wednesday on charges of conspiracy to possess and distribute marijuana and use of a firearm during a drug trafficking crime. He pleaded guilty last September.

Piper, who faced a maximum 32 years in jail under federal "career criminal" guidelines, will not be eligible for parole. He has twice been convicted of felony drug charges and has convictions dating back to the early

1970s.

Piper's attorney, Peter Clifford of Kennebunk, immediately filed an appeal, claiming that the sentence was excessive.

But Assistant U.S. Attorney Thimi Mina described Piper as a "threat to society" who committed a "commando-style raid" that terrorized an innocent family.

Piper and six others stormed the home of Eric Archambault on Oct. 13, 1992, while Archambault, his wife and 8-month-old daughter were asleep. The family was not injured.

Authorities said that Piper and the other

◆ Tire dump

Dead man leaves millions of tires behind

DURHAM(AP) — John Emerson, who owned a huge tire dump in Durham, died this week, leaving behind millions of old tires and a cleanup bill estimated at \$2 million.

After years of pitting his rights as a landowner against the public's right to clean air and water, Emerson died of cancer Sunday at the age of 78.

Last summer, just after the state chained the gates to his 15-acre dump, Emerson shuffled through giant black mounds of radials, white-walls and retreads, cursing "the environmental."

"When they come picking on me, they're picking on a hard tack," he said.

There still isn't an answer to the question this grizzled old man posed in the black heat of his tire pile last summer: "If I cleaned them up, where do I put them?"

Back in the early 1970s, as Emerson's modest tire piles slowly grew from personal dumping ground to giant tire mound, the state passed a law barring the unlicensed expansion of landfills. Emerson kept on taking tires.

In the 1980s, he filled five acres with buildings demolished as part of Boston's urban renewal program.

In the 1990s, he was ordered to clean up his dump. Emerson took in more tires. He was fined \$2,000 and received a 60-day suspended jail sentence. Eventually, the state seized his \$16,000 retirement savings.

Emerson took in more tires.

Tires, he explained, were his living.

He would charge \$100 a truckload to take in tires. He'd sell the good ones and squeeze the bad ones right off their rims, which he'd sell as scrap metal for \$60 a ton.

That's exactly the same price per ton it will cost to haul off the tires at his dump.

Terry McGovern, a solid waste specialist with the state Department of Environmental Protection, estimates there are between 2 million and 5 million tires.

"Mr. Emerson died leaving a multi-million tab for the taxpayers," McGovern said. "Things were very amicable between me and John. He was just old school and believed nobody can tell me what I can and can't do with my land."

What he did with his land was create a fire hazard that could, if ignited, release 300,000 gallons of oil into the ground and 3,000 tons of contaminants into the atmosphere.

It would be Maine's worst environmental catastrophe in recent memory, McGovern said.

The state used his \$16,000 to minimize the risk. About two dozen state prison inmates spent two weeks last summer clearing roads and fire breaks, making nine smaller mounds out of the single mountain.

Then the Maine National Guard came in with heavy equipment to shore up the job and clear access roads around the perimeter of the dump.

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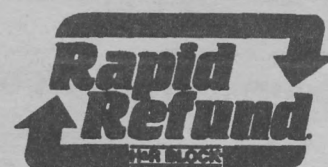
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◆ Radiation

Hearings to focus on nuclear tests from Marshall Islands

WASHINGTON (AP)—The government plans to declassify documents about the 1954 "Bravo Shot" hydrogen bomb test at Bikini atoll — the biggest American above-ground nuclear explosion, says Rep. George Miller.

Miller said on ABC's Nightline Wednesday night that it was time "to end the cover-ups."

Recently uncovered federal documents indicate that radioactive clouds loosed by nuclear tests over the Marshall Islands in 1954 may have spread hundred of miles beyond their expected range, officials said.

Miller, chairman of the House Natural Resources Committee, has called a hearing to review the reports from federal archives, according to a report in The Washington Post.

"We'll require declassification of all documents pertaining to the Bravo blast," Miller, D-Calif., said on Nightline, adding that Energy Secretary Hazel O'Leary had notified him on Monday that she would begin declassifying documents about the nuclear tests.

The hearing comes amid heightened concern about Cold War-era radiation tests in which people were unwittingly subjected to radiation.

"We have clearly done a great deal of damage to the Marshall Islands and the people who live there," Miller told the Post. "The U.S. government owes those people first of all full disclosure of what happened and what the fallout was. We have never given them that. But we also owe them compensation for their suffering."

In a January letter to Clinton and O'Leary, Miller cited Dr. Thomas Hamilton, who examined 7,000 Marshall Islanders, as saying: "This was exposure without consent, a black-and-white situation in which whole islands were evaporated."

The Marshall Islands has the highest rate of thyroid tumors in the world, apparently as a result of exposure to lingering radiation. Miller said in his letter that the rates on the islands may be 100 times higher than normal.

Jonathan Weisgall, a Washington lawyer writing a book on the Pacific tests, contends that on March 1, 1954, U.S. scientists knew six hours in advance of the Bravo test of a wind shift that would carry fallout toward Rongelap atoll.

◆ Escape

Feds capture man convicted of murder

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — A convicted murderer who escaped in a mass 1983 prison breakout in Northern Ireland was arrested, finally, after slipping past federal agents nearly two years ago.

Terence Damien Kirby, 37, was captured at his suburban home in Concord on Wednesday, and jailed to await extradition proceedings along with three other fugitives from the Maze prison near Belfast.

Kirby, who was serving a life sentence for a bombing-murder, was among 38 escapees in the largest breakout in British history.

Kirby went by the name Paul Kerr when he was questioned and released by agents who arrested fellow escapee James Joseph Smyth in June 1992 in San Francisco. A later fingerprint check revealed his true identity.

His wife of six years, Colleen Dolan, said the man she knew as Kerr was a gentle painter and construction worker.

"Anyone that knew him wouldn't think of him as a violent person," said Dolan, 33, who is due to give birth to their first child in June.

Kevin Barry Artt and Paul Brennan, other Maze escapees, also await extradition from California.

◆ Human rights violations

Jury awards \$12 billion in Marcos case

HONOLULU (AP) — About 10,000 Filipinos who were tortured during the regime of former Philippine President Ferdinand Marcos were awarded \$1.2 billion in damages from his estate by a federal jury.

The same jury ruled in 1992 that Marcos was liable for human rights violations in his country between 1972, when he declared martial law, until 1986, when he was overthrown. Marcos died in Hawaii in 1989.

"Let this be a lesson to all dictators living today who think they will escape from justice that this will not be tolerated," said attorney Melvin Belli, who filed the original lawsuit on behalf of 21 plaintiffs in 1986.

Defense attorney William Johnson said the estate abhors torture and called the allegation that Marcos ordered abuses "incredible."

Robert Swift, lead attorney in the class-action case, was confident his clients would collect at least some of the money.

"We obtained an injunction in November 1991 that froze Marcos assets worldwide, and we know there are \$410 million in assets in Switzerland," he said.

However, the Philippine government wants the same money, which it claims Marcos looted from the country's treasury.

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Editorial Page

◆ Column

Collegiate break-ups



Karla Stansbury

Yesterday all our hopes that spring was close to being here ended as the weather decided to snow all over us. It is ironic that I chose to write my column about spring break.

That's right, our two week break is almost upon us, only one week away. I know I need a vacation.

I keep hearing people talk about going to Florida, the Bahamas, Cancun and wherever else. Well, to all of you who are going away, have a great time.

Then there are those people like myself who are too poor to go anywhere nice and sunny. But, we can hope that after this storm, we are through with the snow. What are the chances?

Even though I am not fortunate enough to be flying to Florida I am planning a fun break. First I am going home, which is in this state, to see my parents and friends. Then I am venturing oh-so-far away to New Hampshire to see my sisters. Last on my traveling list is a trip to Rhode Island to see my best friend. At least I have two weeks off, her vacation is in April, and I think it's only one week. And last, but highly important, I am going to spend time with my boyfriend, when he is not working.

So, what is my point in telling you all of this? My point is that even though I have no money, I am highly optimistic that I am going to have a blast. I am also planning on doing some homework and going searching for a summer job. Hopefully, I will at least have a couple of productive days, where I really do open a book as opposed to just thinking that I should.

Anyway, to all of my roommates, even though we are not really doing anything major for break, we will have fun. Someday we will go on the trip of our dreams.

Speaking of roommates and friends, all that stuff you hear in high school about making your closest friends in college, I am realizing that is true. Don't get me wrong, I went to high school with my best friend, but I have also made some very close friends in college, and thankfully, a good portion of them are still going to be here next year.

Unfortunately, there are those friends of mine who are leaving this semester. Personally, I don't think it's fair of them to leave before I turn 21, but I guess they have to leave sometime. However, you know who you are, and I'm holding you to coming back to go to Geddy's with me next semester, when I am finally legal.

It's a little early to be talking about graduation, but it seems like the realization that a lot of people I know are leaving this semester has all of a sudden hit me.

So, even though we may not be able to go away to the tropics for spring break, we can still appreciate our family and friends and enjoy our limited time together. After all, who knows where we will be after graduation, and even though it seems like an eternity away for some of us, it will be here sooner than we think.

Although I am going to be in the wintery state of Maine for a good portion of break, I am truly looking forward to it. My parents probably never thought when I was a kid that I would put into print that I miss them, but I do. Also, my friend from Rhode Island called last night and although I write to her an average of once every six months, I'm looking forward to seeing her too.

So, next time you have the poor person blues, focus on the positive and you will have fun.

Karla would like to say "Good-bye and good luck" to Jill.

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◆ UMaine athletics

Nobody sits the bench this time

If you happened to flick on any of the local news channels last night, chances are you saw what has become a very familiar sight on our TV screens as of late.

There, staring back at us, was the familiar image of University of Maine Athletic Director Mike Ploszek, looking like he had just seen a ghost as he attempted to explain to the camera what major crisis was haunting one of UMaine's sports teams this time.

The occasion for Ploszek's appearance on the tube yesterday was to inform us that five UMaine graduate student/athletes had been declared ineligible for participating in athletic competition while not carrying enough credits under NCAA guidelines.

Yep. Another UMaine sports screw-up.

That was only the tip of the proverbial iceberg, however. Ploszek also announced that it was likely that the respective teams these five athletes played for would have to forfeit all of the games each athlete played in.

In other words, the valuable contributions of ice hockey player Pat Tardif, field hockey standout Gretchen Lahey and football end Fred Harner went all for naught; chances are the NCAA will render those teams (as well as the indoor track and cross-country teams) 0-for-1993/94.

Heck, Tardif has even packed his bags, choosing to head off for a pro career in mid-season rather than stick around and watch the athletic office do its best Three Stooges imitation while the UMaine sports scene crumbles around them.

After all, this incident was just the latest — and undoubtedly, the biggest — mishap in this season of UMaine athletic bungling under Ploszek's direction.

First came the Cal Ingraham suspension in October. Then was the Jeff Tory dilemma in November, followed

by the suspension of hockey coach Shawn Walsh in December. January was error-free — probably because we were away from school for most of that month and missed it.

But Moe Ploszek, Curly Carville and their collection of Larry administrators made up for it in February, initially with the UMaine women's basketball team's problems with its schedule. And now this.

And to think we have four more days left in the month — what else is going to happen?

Fortunately, some forms of prevention finally were set into motion yesterday.

Woody Carville, the compliance officer in charge of understanding the NCAA rulebook and making sure it is followed appropriately, was relieved of his duties and reassigned within the university. It was about time.

Carville is by all accounts a wonderful man, truly dedicated to the good of UMaine sports. But he was responsible for this mistake, as well as the one that cost hockey All-American Ingraham a 14-game suspension earlier this season.

His reassignment was the correct move. For whatever reason, Carville wasn't doing his job.

Neither was Ploszek, though the blame doesn't fall precisely at his feet. Individuals under his leadership — like Carville, or Walsh, or women's basketball coach Joanne Palombo — were at fault in all of the previously mentioned cases. Not Ploszek. He can't be solely identified as the one person who messed up.

Yet, he is the A.D., and it is his job to make sure those below him are doing their jobs correctly. Hence, his one-week suspension without pay is clearly warranted.

Let's hope he uses the time off to figure out some way to keep from appearing on our TV screens once every month. The future of UMaine sports hinges on it.

ResponsePage

◆ Passamaquoddy casino

Gambling is not the criminal act

To the Editor:

I have to laugh whenever I hear the words "criminal element," when it pertains to the proposed casino in Calais, by the Passamaquoddy Tribe.

I remember when, during the initial proceedings of the Indian Land Claims around 1978, some of the reactions seemed pretty criminal to me. For example, one so-called lawmaker in Augusta vented his wrath on the members of then President Carter's Work Group, by declaring that "someone should shoot those bastards," meaning the Indians. A state senator from the proposed claim area, announced that he was going to "invest heavily in Winchesters and Remingtons."

Judge Gunter, a 57-year-old Supreme Court Justice from Georgia, who was about ready to retire, was assigned by President Carter to evaluate the claims, tried to have the Indian's claims dismissed out of hand by recommending that if the tribes refused to accept his ludicrous offers, that Congress immediately extinguish their aboriginal claims and titles to the lands in question. According to Sen. Abourezk, this

would amount to Congress arbitrarily taking away the legal rights of the tribes. Judge Gunter's take-it-or-leave-it threats to wipe out the claims and rights of the Indian flies in the face of everything that the Constitution guaranteed! Furthermore, what Gunter was proposing was that if the two tribes refused to accept his deal, that the government should retroactively validate all grossly unfair and highly illegal transactions by which Maine and Massachusetts have ripped off millions of acres of the Indians' aboriginal lands, in direct violation of the Nonintercourse Act. It seems pretty "criminal" to me.

Again, James Longley, then governor of Maine, after learning that tribal lawyer Tom Tureen had enlisted the advice of Professor Archibald Cox, of the Harvard Law School, announced that he had retained Edward Bennett Williams to represent him and Maine in the dealings with the White House. Talk about criminal element! Here's an attorney with close ties to the likes of Meyer Lansky, Robert Maheu (formerly of Waterville, Me. and Intertel), Jimmy Hoffa, Carmine Bellino, J. Edgar Hoover and so on. He was the president of

the Washington Redskins, and was a member of the Foreign Intelligence Advisory Board, had associations with the then outgoing CIA Director, Richard Helms, dealings with Robert Vesco, an inside track to the Watergate goings on, and, well, you get the picture.

It is a highly prejudiced theory of law that has been brought to North America by Europeans, who have apparently taken the position that they can terminate any tribe's aboriginal title, and violate treaties, which used to be considered the "Supreme Law of the Land." To just what extent will the State of Maine and Federal Government go, when it comes to honoring their own laws and their treaty obligations to the tribes, remains to be seen. In the meantime, let the Passamaquoddys build their casino; it just might turn out to be a boon and a blessing for the people of Maine. And let's not hear any more wringing of the hands about a "criminal element." I think that concept has been pretty much defined.

Richard Dyer
Micmac First Nation
Estabrooke Hall

◆ Controversial comic

An offensive step taken

To the Editor:

I am writing to respond to the Feb. 16 edition of *Step Up to the Mike* in *The Maine Campus*. Mike Smith writes "According to the Censorship gods, making fun of retards in a comic strip is not OK." This is true, it is not OK. By writing this, he shows his total lack of etiquette and his complete stupidity. Normally the *Step Up to the Mike* comics are unhumorous and a complete waste of ink and newspaper space. The Feb. 16 issue was not only this, but also truly offensive.

By publishing this comic, *The Maine Campus* also shows an extreme amount of bad taste. Mr. Smith should find a dictionary, look up the words compassion and respect, and incorporate them into his bigoted lifestyle.

Tasha Jamerson
Student

◆ AGS attendance policy

Present rule relaxing objective was omitted

To the Editor:

This is in response to "Graduate Students React to Proposed Fines" written by staff writer, Ryan Robbins, and published in the Feb. 4 edition of *The Maine Campus*. It is the opinion of Hugo Volkaert, President of the Association of Graduate Students (AGS) and Joan Gass, Grants Officer, that the aforementioned article misrepresents the intentions of the proposed attendance policy and hence of ourselves.

The article, and the very title itself, would have one believe that we want to institute punishments for departments that show lack of participation at AGS board meetings. In fact, there has been a far more stringent rule in place for a number of years. We are presently attempting to relax that rule by finding an appropriate com-

promise. By omitting that the new policy is a relaxation of old rules, Mr. Robbins did not tell a true story to his readers.

In the past, AGS attendance policy has allowed one excused absence at regular board meetings per semester per department. Beyond this, departments were completely disqualified from applying for any grants for the given semester. Last semester, there was considerable dissatisfaction with this policy. Hugo and I therefore worked out what we hoped would be a fair compromise. Rather than completely disqualify departments, we proposed an attendance policy by which 10 percent of the amount awarded to an individual would be deducted for each meeting missed by her or his department. For example, a department that misses three meetings will have 30 percent (3 meetings x 10%) deducted from the amount awarded to each

applicant from that department. This stands in contrast to the previous attendance policy that would have completely disqualified the department in question. In fact, a department may miss all nine meetings this semester and still apply for grants. Hence, under this new policy, no department can be completely disqualified.

Part of this proposed compromise is an attempt to do away with the fact that grants have always been tied to attendance. Until further structural changes are made, however, AGS cannot entirely abolish the attendance policy. The new policy is a move toward this end while still requiring that departments demonstrate some interest in the many, ongoing events in which AGS is involved. We are working toward revitalizing AGS by making some necessary changes. This process takes time and is done in small increments and in ways that

seek to benefit students. The new attendance policy is an attempt to relax the previous, more stringent one, not to punish students.

It is unfortunate when for the sake of attention, the media chooses to word things in such a way as to misrepresent people and organizations. The title, "Graduate Students React to Proposed Fines" is quite provocative. In reality, however, the article could just as easily, and more correctly, have been "The Association of Graduate Students Attempts Compromise on Attendance Policy." Hence this title for the article would more appropriately and more accurately defines the present objectives of the new AGS attendance policy and those involved.

Hugo Volkaert, AGS President
Joan Gass, AGS Grants Officer

◆ Campus recreation

Input needed to raise the percentage

To the Editor:

This is in response to Dan Pilver's letter regarding a "low percentage of fun on campus." Would you like some cheese with that whine? It seems to me that there are people on this campus who love to complain but do not care to do anything about it.

My organization has tried hard to diversify the type of entertainment it offers. Unfortunately, without a diverse

membership it is close to impossible to make things any better. Forgive us for not being able to read UMaine's mind. Next time we will try harder, but do not expect miracles.

There are a lot of things I would like to see on campus that are not here, but without the human bodies to make things work, we are lost. One might say "Oh yeah? Three years ago there was tons of things to do!" Yes, and three years ago the students were nowhere near as apa-

thetic as they are now. It is too bad that people care enough to complain, but they don't care enough to create solutions. Mr. Pilver, I challenge you to join one of the many programming boards on campus. To anyone else who is tired of sitting on the fence, the Union Board meetings are Wednesday nights at 6:30 in our office, or just call 1-1735 for more info.

Heath D. McKay
President of The Union Board

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Entertainment Pages

Your Daily Horoscope

By Patric Walker

For Friday, February 25

IF TODAY IS YOUR BIRTHDAY: Although you may have an escape route, the right course now seems to be to stand your ground with courage, determination and confidence. You have much to look forward to in 1994, but you won't enjoy it if you're too busy running away.

ARIES (March 21-April 19): Many see you as a determined and dynamic individual when, in fact, there are times when you secretly lose confidence. You are now right to have second thoughts, so don't make any sudden moves.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): All your instincts should now be telling you to give your temper time to cool down. Partnerships and affairs of the heart are under difficult influences.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Make your presence felt, but under no circumstances get involved in any intrigue or trickery. Current aspects demand absolute integrity if you are to avoid a collision with those in power.

CANCER (June 21-July 22): You appear unwilling to set your sights too high in case you fail to live up to your own expectations. The higher you aim, the more you can accomplish.

LEO (July 23-August 22): You must try not to allow financial or business wrangles involving loved ones to cloud your judgment. The worse-deluded are the self-deluded.

VIRGO (August 23-September 22): Stick to your guns and refuse to live a lie. What happens over the next few days should teach you that those who consider themselves perfect demand little of themselves.

LIBRA (September 23-October 22): With so many challenging planetary aspects now in operation you may find it hard to keep your emotions in check. It is time to take initiative in both personal and career issues.

SCORPIO (October 23-November 21): It may well have become clear during the early months of 1994 that a joint arrangement simply isn't working out the way you had hoped. Try to cleanly disentangle yourself.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22-December 21): Take stock and then try to be more objective about work and financial issues, as well as your long-term career prospects. There comes a time when it's wiser to cut one's losses and move on.

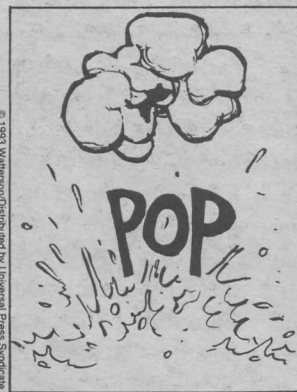
CAPRICORN (December 22-January 19): Although you prefer to avoid conflicts, this is one of those times when it is necessary to be more dominant, even domineering. Others are just waiting for you to take the lead.

AQUARIUS (January 20-February 18): You look on the bright side and prefer to give others the benefit of the doubt. But the next few days will reveal that someone has been cutting corners. You have the right to demand that everyone play by the same rules.

PISCES (February 19-March 20): So much is now coming to a head, especially where work is concerned, that you may be desperate for some peace and quiet. But soon you will be able to relax and unwind.

Calvin and Hobbes

by Bill Watterson



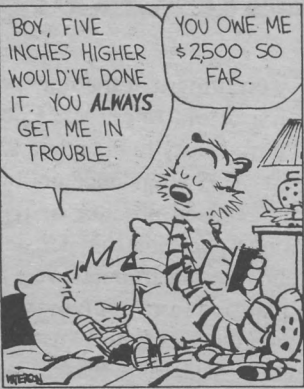
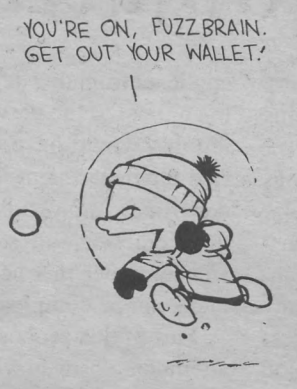
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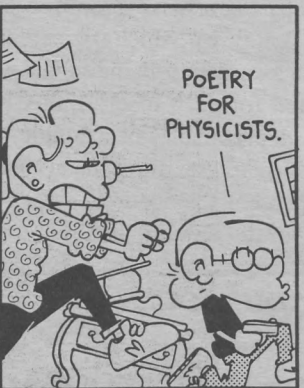
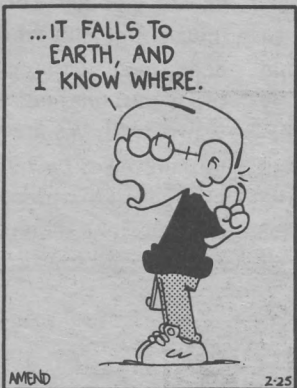
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• Hey, sorry about Headspins-it just didn't fit. No promises but it probably won't show up until Wednesday.

What's new on the arts scene?

In The Near Future:

Hypnotist: "Performance by Ronny Romm," offered by the Union Board, 8 p.m., Friday, Feb. 25, Hauck Auditorium, Union. Admission.

Movie: "Malice," 6:30 and 9:15 p.m., Saturday, Feb. 26, Hauck Auditorium, Union. Admission.

African Music: "African Heritage Tour 1993/94," 8 p.m., Saturday, Feb. 26, Maine Center for the Arts. Admission. Pre-performance lecture by David Klocko, 7 p.m. Bodwell Lounge, MCA. Free.

Misc.: "Open Mike Night," 8 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 26, Damn Yankee, Union. Call 581-1734 for details.

Concert: "Faculty Recital by Pianist Baycka Voronietzky and Friends," 8 p.m., Saturday, Feb. 26, 120 Lord Hall. Free.

Film: "The Last Butterfly," part of the Not at the Mall Film Series, 3 and 7 p.m., Sunday, Feb. 27, Hauck Auditorium, Union. Admission.

On-Going Arts and Entertainment: **Daniel Farber: Photographs,** a UMaine Museum of Art exhibit, Feb. 11-March 28, Graphics Gallery, Union.

At Home and Abroad, an exhibition of sketches by Arline Thomson, Feb. 23-April 2, Old Town Public Library, Reception 5-7 p.m., Wednesday, Feb. 23.

Unity in Variety: Annual UMaine Faculty Exhibition, a UMaine Museum of Art exhibit, Feb. 25-March 31, 1938 and Carnegie galleries, Carnegie Hall.

Candace LeClair: Recent Work, a UMaine Museum of Art exhibit, March 3-May 9, Hole in the Wall Gallery, Union.

Paul Knaut: Maine Photographer, a UMaine Museum of Art exhibit, Jan. 26-March 20, Hauck Gallery, Union.

Sacred Buddhist Art from Tibet, a Hudson Museum exhibit of contemporary paintings from Tibet through March 11, Maine Center for the Arts.

Inuit Images: Their Life Through Their Art, a Hudson Museum exhibit of contemporary Inuit prints and carvings through March 13, Maine Center for the Arts.

Movie and Live Music, every Thursday night at the Ram's Horn, 7:30 p.m. Call 581-1734.

Thursday Night at the Bear's Den, featuring live music, 9 p.m. Call 581-1734.

Movies from India, every Monday, 6:30 p.m., 101 Neville. Call 581-1734.

International Folk Dancing, every Monday, 7 p.m., Call 581-1734.

Peace Studies Lecture Series, every Monday, 12:15-1:30 p.m., Bangor Lounge, Memorial Union.

Maine Review Poetry Readings, first Tuesday of every month, Ram's Horn, Call 581-8707.

◆ MCA review

Music a part of our history

By Jeoff Tardif
Staff Writer

On Wednesday, the Maine Center For the Arts was host to the sounds of Guy Lombardo's Royal Canadians. This traveling show is a revival of the Big Band sounds made popular in the '20s and '30s. The people who remember the '20s and '30s were the only people who took advantage of the show.

Upon entering the venue, I felt a peculiar sensation wash over me. The MCA seemed to be surrounded in history. As I walked in the door I discovered what the feeling was. I was among the three people under the age of 45 in the audience. On this I am not embellishing.

I took my seat and there before me lay the largest sea of gray and white hair I had ever laid eyes on. I had entered another world and the audience was transported back to 1934.

Quicker than one can say "Wunnerful, wunnerful," the ballroom and lounge style of Lawrence Welk sounds came pouring out of the 11-member band and didn't end until two hours later.

The Royal Canadians are currently led by conductor Al Pierson who also doubles as part-time singer and piano player for the band.

The band also consisted of a drummer, bass player, a second piano player, and seven trumpet and saxophone players.

Performing for about an hour, the band played selected hits from popular radio of the past. Some of the titles performed included, "Boo Hoo," "It Seems Like Old Times," "Sentimental Journey," and even a Cole Porter song called "Begin the Begin," was covered.

Most songs were light in nature and reminded one of the grand ballrooms of yesteryear where our grandparents frolicked and danced in the pre-depression era. Great

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Hey, where are the bubbles? Shouldn't there be bubbles? (Boyd photo.)

◆ Theater

'The F-word' stands for funny

By Bonnie Simcock
Staff Writer

With the use of humor, hard messages can be slid into someone's consciousness without pain—except tired stomach muscles from too much giggling.

Success with comedy is not easy; especially when dealing with socio-political issues of feminism, sexism, racism and homophobia. The performers of "The F-Word," made it look simple and were successful in motivating thought and reaction.

To a surprisingly large audience for a mid-week production, Sleeveless Theatre, a troupe based in Northampton, Mass., performed satirical, political comedy that attacked Operation Rescue, Hollywood, American education and advertisements.

With only four female performers, more than 10 energetic skits tickled and educated the crowd made up of both men and women

in 101 Neville Hall on Tuesday night at the University of Maine.

The production opened with "The Wizard of Oz, Take Two," in which Dorothy was snoozing in History 101 while being taught women's history with only Betsy Ross. Dorothy is whisked away to Retroland along with her trusty doll, Barbie. She's asked by Gloria, the good witch of the left, "Are you a good feminist or a bad feminist?"

Dorothy must figure out a way to defeat the bad witch of the right, Phyllis, on her way down the feminist path which is filled with senators, frat boys and bosses oh, my!

Dorothy learns about women's suffrage, World War II propaganda, and the ERA. She realizes she must continue the fight, and she destroys Phyllis with a dose of testosterone.

There were brief commercials between skits sponsored by Retromarketing whose slogan was "You can always go back." They advocated corsets, full-time homemaking and

Freudian psychology.

The new "Sandra Day Equalizer" is a product that allows women access to locker room talk, boardroom meetings, etc. It was a huge cucumber that could be worn anywhere, from the most obvious position to a shoulder pad.

In another skit, Susan B. Anthony, Sarah Good and Joan of Arc said they were persecuted because they were all women who spoke their minds.

Good said, "If I were alive, Rush Limbaugh would have such a hex on his private parts."

Tug-O-Woman featured a pregnant woman being pulled on ropes between the church, the courts and a right-wing organization. The institutions later play hot potato with the baby, none wanting the responsibility of raising it.

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New out on tape



By Mark Dehmlow
Staff Writer

During the past three weeks I have had a lucky streak because I have found films that all had redeeming qualities. This weekend followed that same trend of cinematographic exceptions I have been running into.

Saturday night I swooped up a copy of "The Man Without a Face," more appropriately titled "Mel Without a Gun." My expectations were high, but they were pleasantly met and I left my living room a happy camper.

"The Man Without a Face" is set and shot in Maine. It is about a grotesquely

disfigured man (Mel Gibson) who lives a quiet life in a cottage that rests in the Maine woods. There is much lore that follows him due to his infliction and his reclusiveness.

One day a boy who needs help with his academics so he can go to a military school, approaches Gibson and asks for his help so he can pass the entrance exam which is both rigorous and difficult. Mel reluctantly decides to help the boy with a seemingly questionable method at first, but one that is clearly defined later on.

He soon befriends the boy and they spend the summer together, both of them learning and growing until the boy's mother and the rest of the community discover the relation-

ship between the two and distort it to the view that the society wants to see.

This film was excellent. The screenplay was both poetic and inspirational with flairs of clear novelty and brilliance. This movie is about the human spirit and the bond between friendships that seems unbreakable. It teaches about the ignorance and presumptions that we as a society tend to have. It's time to open our minds and let our eyes perceive what they see and not what they presumable think they see. It's time to look beyond the physical and see what is really there. This film's message is important for anytime, now, the future, and yes, it could have been useful in our past.

Gibson was more than excellent, both as director and actor. He is proving still to the public that he is more capable than mere "Lethal Weapon" performances and can take on something enrichingly dramatic and difficult characterization. From Hamlet to this; he is heading in a seriously credential career direction that proves him to be a power in Hollywood and not just because he has a gun.

This film is wonderful. Every aspect of it pleased me. It is a drama with a bite. It is both funny and poignant. It is a spirit that shouldn't be missed. So if you'd like something in the spirit of "Dead Poet's Society" that has as much vigor, pull yourself out to the video store and pick up "The Man Without a Face."

◆ Soon to be in theaters

Romeo, Romeo, where art thou Romeo?

Film noir, as it was later called, flourished in the 1940s and '50s with its clever cynicism and lifelike quality, a welcome antidote to the overglamorized Hollywood product of the era.

Studios favored the films because they could be made on the cheap, by hiring one major star (Humphrey Bogart, Robert Mitchum, Dick Powell, etc.) and shooting on the streets of Los Angeles.

"Romeo Is Bleeding" continues the trend of modern manifestations of the film noir. It has the basic elements: crooked cop, lethal female, vicious gang boss, tawdry locales, bloody corpses. Everything,

in fact, but style.

Gary Oldman is a man on the edge, leading a double life as a cop assigned to protect witnesses and as informer for the mob. He also is juggling his personal life, his off-duty hours divided between his suburban wife, Annabella Sciorra, and a young, oversexed waitress, Juliette Lewis.

Oldman continues his felonious ways, stashing his mob booty in a backyard hole. Then he is assigned to guard an international supercrook, Lena Olin.

Deftly crafting the film's most outrageous character, Miss Olin exudes carnality and evil. Equally adept at seduction or

garroting, she delights in her deeds, cackling triumphantly as an enemy is buried alive.

Oldman is no match for such an ingenious criminal. Onscreen or voice-over most of the time, the accomplished actor is unable to bring much life to the hapless policeman. Sympathy is out of the question. His task is further hindered by such lines as, "You don't own love; love owns you."

Hilary Henkin's meandering script is rife with pseudopoetic dialogue as well as false leads and incongruities. The director, Peter Medak, adds to the overkill with

garish effects and ample gore. To heighten the suspense, he inserts subway rumbles or helicopter noise at the end of scenes.

Led by Lena Olin's bravura performances, the women fare best in "Romeo Is Bleeding." Juliette Lewis, impressive in her "Cape Fear" debut, portrays the insecure sex kitten to perfection. Annabella Sciorra lends surprising depth to the wronged-wife role. She is the one who earns the final revenge in the arty epilogue.

A Gramercy Pictures release, "Romeo Is Bleeding" was produced by Paul Webster. Rated R, excessive violence, language, sexual content, low moral tone.

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F-word

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The troupe performed two parts of "The Condensed History of American Feminism," that told of early fights for voting rights, protesting and discriminations of the middle-class white woman's movement.

This was followed by a rap performed by Tapioca Pudding, Wonder Bread, Fluff and Miracle Whip called "Why Are We So White?" who sung, "white guilt, carry the shame like a red hot flame."

"The Adventures of Feminist Undercover" took a West Side Story spin with the L.I.B.s, Ladies-in-Backlash, refusing to obey police order to kill feminism.

One L.I.B. was sentenced to the "Man-Made Woman Sketch," surgery that included larger than life razors, mascara, eyebrow pencil (after tweezers), hair spray, powder, paints, implants, bra, tutu, nail treatment, liposuction and the finale—high heels.

The audience was told that there are only three roles for women in "Hollywood Does the Klassix." There's the C.B. (crazy bitch)—sometimes the C.B.B. (crazy bisexual bitch), wifey—a subservient whimp, and Victim.

The production came to an end with "The Feminist Olympics" that chronicled the struggles from the '70s and '80s and now the '90s who, personified, has slowly accepted responsibility in the feminist movement.

The production was conceived, written and performed by Lisa Channer, Maureen Futtner, K.D. Halpin and Kate Nugent. Props were designed by Tonia Orlando who is also stage manager. Road manager is Kaz Reed.

The event was cosponsored by the Women's Resource Center, Women in the Curriculum and the Cultural Affairs/ Distinguished Lecture Series Committee. Technical support was given by the UMaine theatre/dance department.



"The Adventures of Feminists Undercover" features LIBS (Ladies-in-Backlash) as performed by Sleeveless Theatre. (Conely photo.)

Big band

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dance songs of the past is what the evening was about.

Nowadays this music would be placed in the category of lounge music, usually played by a solo pianist. With the backing of an entire band however, the songs become lively and more impressive.

After intermission, Guy Lombardo's Royal Canadians were joined on stage by a singing group called The Pied Pipers. This group consisted of: Bobbie Boyle, lead singer; Dick Castle, tenor; Jay Meyer, top tenor; and Joe Eich, baritone.

The singers added a new dimension to the songs by layering the tunes with rich vocal harmonies. The vocalists' traded vocal

rounds on some parts and harmonized together on other parts within the songs.

The audience was then treated to the raspy vocals of Gary Crosby, who is the son of famous singer Bing Crosby. Bearing a resemblance to his father in sight, the younger Crosby does not have the same range or richness of vocal tone that his dad did. Still, the audience gave Crosby their complete attention throughout the performance.

Finally, Crosby was joined on-stage once again by the four members of The Pied Pipers for the grand finale. The evening ended with a hearty round of applause from the audience and good wishes from the performers.

As I exited the concert, I was transported back into the reality of the 1990s. I had traveled back in time for two hours and touched a piece of history with my ears and my mind. During the performance, one got the feeling of the weight of history with so many memories associated touched by the music.

How many children were born because of these songs? How many people went through the crash of the stock market listening to Guy Lombardo? What memories did these 300-plus people in attendance have with this music?

For two hours the past was present and

old memories were renewed. For those too young to remember the music the show was history, but for those who lived through the era these songs were part of, the music were feelings, emotions and memory.

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Another embarrassment for Black Bear athletics

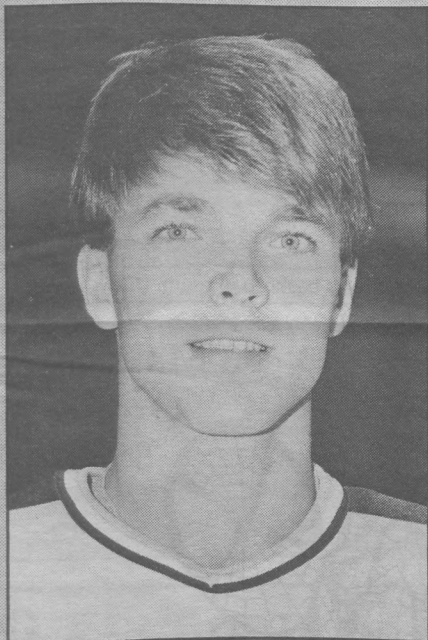
Pat Tardif to turn professional immediately

By Chad Finn
Sports Editor

Pat Tardif, one of five University of Maine graduate student/athletes declared ineligible Thursday, will sign a professional hockey contract as early as today.

"It's the only thing I can do," said Tardif, a 6'2, 200 lb. right wing. "I have no other choice but to sign now."

Tardif, who graduated last May, took just 3 1/2 years to complete his bachelor's degree in accounting. A 1990 third-round draft choice of the NHL's St. Louis Blues, he decided to return for his senior season



Pat Tardif hopes to sign with NHL's St. Louis Blues soon.

at UMaine and take graduate courses rather than turn pro after the 1992-93 season.

"They (the Blues) felt I could use an extra season at the college level," Tardif explained. "They didn't think I was ready. Hopefully, they do now."

Tardif had been having an excellent senior season. He leads UMaine with 17 goals, including five in the Black Bears' last six contests, and ranks second on the team with 31 points.

The Blues have been monitoring his progress, frequently talking to him about signing after the season. But due to Thursday's developments, their time scale has seemingly been moved up—Tardif hopes to have a deal worked out by the end of today.

"I've been in contact with the Blues every couple of weeks, and they've shown interest," Tardif said. "I'll talk to them (Friday) and see if we can get something worked out as soon as possible."

Black Bear coach Shawn Walsh, who found out in a meeting with UMaine Athletic Director Mike Ploszek Thursday morning that Tardif would become his third player declared ineligible this season, expressed a mix of sadness and

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Thursday's announcement fifth major incident of '93-94



A distraught Mike Ploszek prepares to meet the press Thursday. Ploszek announced more problems surrounding the UMaine athletic department. (Boyd photo.)

By John Black
Sports Writer

In what has become an all too familiar occurrence, the University of Maine athletic department held a press conference Thursday afternoon to announce more improprieties.

This time, it was to announce five UMaine graduate student/athletes had been declared ineligible due to insufficient academic credits.

It marks the latest in a series of mishaps dating back to Oct. 27 of last year, when the UMaine hockey team learned that senior right wing Cal Ingraham would be ineligible for the first 14 games of the season. UMaine also forfeited all games in which Ingraham played during the 1991-92 season.

That suspension was attributed to UMaine compliance officer Woody Carville's misinterpretation of Ingraham's transcript.

Ingraham was incorrectly listed as an internal transfer from University College rather than an external from the Air Force Academy, where he had previously played.

Thursday afternoon Carville was relieved of his compliance officer responsibilities after his latest oversight.

UMaine Athletic Director Mike Ploszek said Carville would be reassigned within the university.

"Each of these failures reflects either poor judgment or inattention to detail," Ploszek said. "There was no malicious intent behind them. However, these mistakes hurt the students and undermine the integrity of the programs, the department, and the university. Action has to be taken to make sure they cannot and will not continue."

Ploszek was reprimanded by UMaine President Fred Hutchinson. Effective Sunday Feb.

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Athletes

According to Ploszek, this year was the first time inaccurate information was given regarding the proper number of credits for graduate student-athletes.

"I have no idea, I really don't," Ploszek said about the error. "We can only do what we have to do."

The review started, Ploszek said, when a UMaine coach inquired about the eligibility status of an athlete. During the inquiry, he added, the NCAA bylaw was uncovered.

Ploszek did not escape the situation unscathed, however. After meeting with Hutchinson and Carville last week, Ploszek was suspended for one week without pay, effective Feb. 27.

"The fact of the matter is, I am accountable for this department, I'm accountable for every single person in this department," Ploszek said.

"I'm looking very forward to getting back here," Ploszek added. "I want every-

one to clearly understand that after next week, I'll be back. We will get this straightened out."

In Ploszek's absence, Charles Rauch, vice president for business and finance, becomes acting athletic director.

The decision has potential far-reaching effects on some UMaine sports.

Ploszek said that he will fax his report to the NCAA office in Overland Park, Kan. One possible action, he said, is that UMaine teams may have to forfeit games in which the five athletes participated.

For example, the ice hockey team could forfeit all 11 current victories, after already forfeiting three games due to the ineligibility of Jeff Tory. Their record, should the games be forfeited, would be 0-30. Tardif, Ploszek said, was removed from the Black Bears when the error was detected.

The field hockey team would also forfeit 11 wins, giving them a 0-18 record official-

Carville out, Whelan in in athletic reshuffling

By Chris DeBeck
Sports Writer

A long-standing association between Linwood Carville and the University of Maine athletic department has been severed with the announcement that Carville has been relieved of his duties as compliance officer.

Carville will be reassigned within the university, according to UMaine President Frederick Hutchinson, due to the ineligibility of five graduate student athletes.

Attempts to reach Carville in his office and his home were unsuccessful.

In Carville's absence, Robert Whelan, currently the administrative assistant to Hutchinson, assumes Carville's duties as interim compliance director.

A national search will be conducted to find a permanent replacement for Carville's job.

Hutchinson approached Whelan to step in.

"During the discussion, (Hutchinson) asked me if I was willing to do this on an interim basis, and I said yes," Whelan said.

Whelan said he will continue his functions in the president's office in addition to his compliance role, although he said he is "going to spend a lot of time at the compliance office."

With the sudden announcement, Whelan hasn't had much time to acquaint himself with the compliance office staff. He added that he will have a better feel of what his role will be by next week.

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ly. They could also give up the team's first North Atlantic Conference tournament appearance. UMaine football could also be forced to give up its three wins this past season.

Ploszek said that he hasn't yet been in contact with Hockey East Commissioner Bob DeGregorio or NAC Commissioner Stu Haskell regarding possible forfeits.

"The NCAA response will drive a lot of these kinds of questions," he said.

Despite the suspension and the related events, Ploszek said he remains optimistic that the UMaine athletic department is headed in the right direction.

"To get up and bail at this point doesn't make much sense," he said. "I've put too much effort into this place to leave."

Ploszek said he will continue to work with the NAC to make the women's basketball team eligible for the conference post-season tournament during his hiatus.

◆ Profile of excellence

Buetow channels positive energy into court success

By Jeannie Blancq
Volunteer Writer

Positive energy.

That's how Cyndi Buetow, the senior center for the UMaine women's basketball team, describes her team experience. Those around Buetow describe her the same way.

Coming from a small high school in Cologne, Minn., Buetow chose UMaine because of the great sense of community pride. She said it's very similar to the support she got back home.

Starting her freshman year at UMaine, Buetow experienced many adjustments including a change in position.

"When I came in my coach put me smack dab in the middle where I was used to being more of a forward," Buetow said.

Buetow learned to like the position but it took time for her to adjust to the more physical position. She said she feels this season she is the strongest she has ever been as center and feels she can now compete physically.

Buetow is really enthused about working with assistant coach, Kay Abrahamson, who works with the post players and forwards. Buetow says she is very smart about the game technique.

UMaine coach Joanne Palombo said Buetow has become a very steady player.

"Coming off the bench she knows what is expected," Palombo said. "Cyndi can be counted on. It gave her a chance to watch the game

and know it mentally. She was able to relax as she played the game."

Palombo says Cyndi contributes as much on the court as off the court. Not only are Buetow's communication skills and understanding of the game strong, but so is her physical game.

Another improvement in her game, according to Palombo, is she sees the floor well. This enables her to obtain more rebounds, be more precise with her passing and more accurate with her defense.

"Cyndi does each thing well," Palombo said. "Her skill is extremely balanced."

This year has been one of major improvement for Buetow. She came in behind Rachel Bouchard, a UMaine great, who she said was her mentor.

"You can definitely look back at my freshman year and say, 'yes there is a huge difference,'" Buetow said.

Palombo recalls three recent games in which Buetow performed extremely well.

"At Dartmouth she practically won the game for us," Palombo said. "At Delaware she came off the bench when we really needed her and scored 12 points. Playing Vermont at home she performed well both offensively and defensively."

Buetow says it is easy for her to communicate with the team due to an outright sense of highly positive energy. From the running to the lifting to the swim workouts, Buetow said she feels highly motivated.

"We're never thinking of it as hard work but

what it's going to be used for, how it will help us improve our game," Buetow said.

Improve is what they've done. Going 0-10 to begin last season, Buetow sees the improvement as a result of the whole team and the positive energy that emerged from the new coaching staff.

"It takes a while to mesh and to gel together as a team with a new coaching staff and of course we were going to struggle a little last year but coach kept right on us every game," Buetow said. "It was the same thing: focus and concentrate on this opportunity."

Senior captain Chrissy Strong said Buetow's communication and her self-confidence have greatly improved and benefited the team.

"She wants to play, she knows she can play, it's just a matter of getting out there and doing it," Strong said.

When asked about what she'll do next year without Palombo and her teammates Buetow admits it will be hard to adapt.

"These girls have been like my sisters," Buetow said. "That's one thing I'll never forget. You take something from each person and grow with that."



Senior Cyndi Buetow: a valuable role player for the women's basketball team. (file photo.)

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◆ Spring training

Surprise, surprise: Cy Young winner McDowell to pitch Sox opener

By The Associated Press

In the event you hadn't already guessed, the Chicago White Sox will open the season with Cy Young Award winner Jack McDowell on the mound.

"I kind of left it up to Jack," manager Gene Lamont said Thursday in Sarasota,

Fla. "Jack said he would rather start the game in Toronto."

McDowell, a 22-game winner who lost twice to the Blue Jays during the regular season and twice in the American League playoffs, had a choice. He could have waited until Chicago's home open-

er April 8 against the Boston Red Sox or started the opener at Toronto on April 4.

"He's the ace of our staff," said Lamont. "The matchups I wanted down the line a couple of series weren't good if Jack had pitched in Chicago instead of Toronto."

When cleanup hitter Kevin Mitchell walked into the Cincinnati Reds clubhouse at Plant City, Fla., he was asked about his weight.

"I don't know how much I lost, but I

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27 he will begin serving a one-week suspension without pay.

It marks the second such suspension handed down by Hutchinson in two months.

UMaine hockey coach Shawn Walsh was suspended, without pay, from Dec. 10 until January 1 after withholding information regarding the eligibility status of freshman defenseman Jeff Tory.

"The information Coach Walsh received was critical to the credibility and position the university was taking with the NCAA in defense of our interpretation of the rules," Hutchinson said at a Dec. 9 press conference.

Tory was deemed ineligible Dec. 6 by the National Collegiate Athletic Association for failing to meet the minimum eligibility requirements for college freshman athletes.

UMaine learned on Feb. 7 that they would

have to forfeit the three games in which Tory played. Tory also lost another year of eligibility, making him a junior athletically, beginning in the fall of 1994.

Thursday, senior right wing Patrice Tardif became the latest hockey casualty. He has since left the team and is looking to sign a professional contract.

UMaine must now forfeit all games in which Tardif played, which would drop its record from 11-15-4 to 0-30.

Tardif is one of five UMaine graduate student athletes affected by Thursday's ruling. The five athletes were taking six graduate course credit hours. NCAA rules require no less than eight credit hours.

Thursday's press conference comes on the heels of the UMaine women's basketball team and their banishment from the North Atlantic

Conference postseason tournament.

Ploszek has spent the past two days on the phone with the NAC trying to get a reversal of the Feb. 14 ruling. A decision is forthcoming on Monday and Ploszek said he will continue to deal with the issue during his suspension.

"I will ask Fred for the conference call to be placed to my home on Monday so I can continue to carry the ball on that," Ploszek said.

He doesn't anticipate Thursday's events to have factor into the NAC's decision.

"It should be no effect, this is a separate situation," Ploszek said. "We've worked very hard on the women's basketball issue and I see

no impact whatsoever."

Ploszek is already looking forward to rectifying the athletic department situation.

"I want everyone to clearly understand that after next week I'm going to be back here and I will guarantee you we are going to get this thing straightened out," a humbled Ploszek said. "Make no mistake about that. We have a lot of good things going for us. We have a great group of people and we're going to get this thing squared away, and we're going to get it done. It's that simple."

Judging from how things have gone for the UMaine athletic department this year, nothing is simple.

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"I've had a short meeting with the folks who work down there," Whelan said. "In the next few days, we have to figure out what we need to do, get a foundation and set some goals for the next two months."

The endeavor would be the first time Whelan has served in an athletic capacity at UMaine.

"This is a challenge," Whelan said,

"one I must say I'm looking forward to. It keeps me young."

"It should be an interesting few months," he added.

In a related move, Charles Rauch, UMaine's vice president for business and finance, was named acting athletic director during Athletic Director Mike Ploszek's suspension.

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frustration.

"I really feel for Pat Tardif," said Walsh, sitting rinkside after the Black Bears had completed their first practice without Tardif. "He had eight people coming for this weekend's series, his final home weekend series (of his career). He's a wonderful kid, a three-point-plus GPA student who graduated early. He and all of the other kids in this case are the one's who lose the most."

Walsh paused for a moment, his face

flush with anger. Then he continued.

"It's pretty obvious we need to strengthen our compliance," Walsh said. "It's a shame that Pat Tardif, the hockey program, the football team, (UMaine field hockey coach) Terry Kix, you know, (UMaine football coach) Jack Cosgrove, have to take the hits for this."

"When a team loses a kid like Pat Tardif over a stupid mistake like this, you know there is something wrong."

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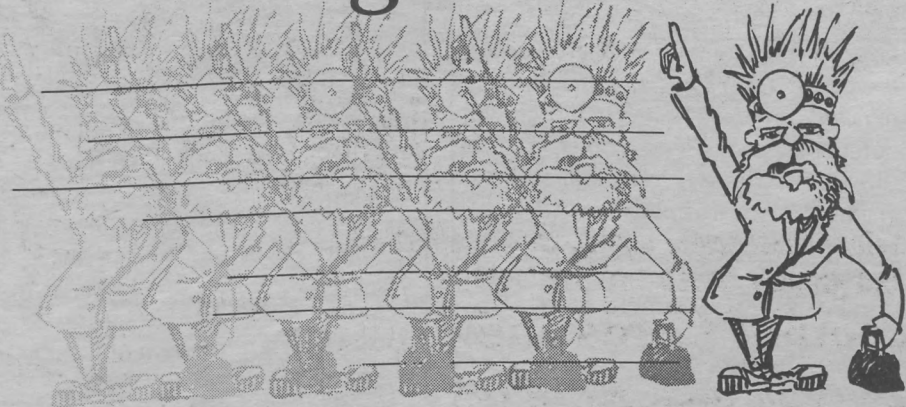


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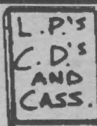


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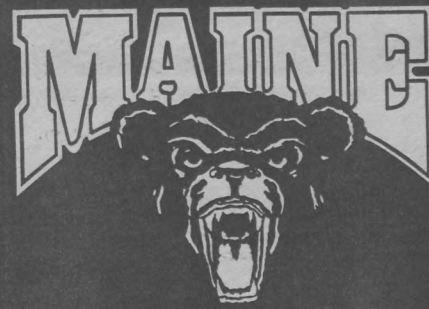


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feel pretty good about myself this year," said Mitchell, listed at 244 pounds. "My weight doesn't make any difference at all to me.

"As long as I can swing the bat and do the job the way it's supposed to be done and drive in runs, I don't think my weight is a problem."

Despite missing nearly half of last season to injuries, Mitchell hit .341 with 19 homers and 64 RBIs.

Saying he wanted to "go out and have fun and put Oakland back on the charts," Rickey Henderson reported to the Athletics spring training camp in Scottsdale, Ariz.

It was the first on-time spring arrival for baseball's career base-stealing champion since his early years with the A's.

"I can't remember the last time when I came to camp in February," Henderson said. "It would have to have been when I was a kid."

Chan Ho Park, trying to become the first Korean to play in the major leagues, displayed his 95-mph fastball to impressed teammates during batting practice at Vero Beach, Fla.

"He looks like he's in midseason

form," said third baseman Dave Hansen, one of the Los Angeles Dodgers who faced Park. "If he's not in midseason form, I'd hate to see him when he is."

Boston signed pitchers Nate Minchey and Cory Bailey to one-year contracts.

General manager Dan Duquette also said a meeting has been set Sunday with the agent for Mike Greenwell. The outfielder is in the final season of a four-year contract, and is seeking an extension of four or five years.

The Detroit Tigers signed third baseman Scott Livingstone and pitcher John Doherty to one-year contracts.

Right-handed reliever Mark Wohlers agreed to a one-year contract with the Atlanta Braves. Wohlers, 24, was 6-2 with a 4.50 ERA last season. Rookie first baseman-outfielder Ryan Klesko remains the only unsigned Brave.

Catcher Todd Pratt came to terms with Philadelphia on a one-year deal, leaving seven Phillies unsigned.

The San Diego Padres signed pitchers Andy Ashby and Jose Martinez, and outfielders Archi Cianfrocco and Melvin Nieves to one-year deals. Five players remain unsigned.

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UMaine Weekend Athletic Schedule

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Hockey: Merrimack @ UMaine 7 p.m.

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UMaine men @ Drexel 1:30

Hockey: Merrimack @ UMaine 7 p.m.



Cal Ingraham and the University of Maine hockey team take on Merrimack in the Black Bear final home series of the season Saturday and Sunday nights at Alford Arena. (Boyd photo.)

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