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## • Interactive television

### Student describes ease of ITV cheating

By Michael L. Lane  
Staff Writer

A student at the University of Maine publicly admitted to cheating in televised classes, which were part of the Educational Network of Maine at the General Student Senate meeting Wednesday.

Moirá Armen, a sophomore from Houlton in a debate surrounding the virtues and vices of EdNet, declared to the General Student Senate Tuesday night that she had cheated in two EdNet classes.

"In both my classes, I cheated. It is very easy to cheat on the EdNet system. It's very easy to cheat without getting caught," she said.

Her remarks came in the context of senatorial debate criticizing the academic quality of the system.

Speaking only for the Bangor High School EdNet site, site coordinator Dick Madore said he did not think cheating could happen in EdNet classes there, due to the smaller

size of EdNet classes.

"We proctor these classes tighter than a regular classroom," he said.

Yet Executive Assistant to the President of EdNet Jane Russo reported that while cheating takes place in EdNet classes, she believed it didn't happen anymore frequently than in "live" classes.

EdNet classes are only proctored during exams and at the request of the professor teaching the class, Pamela MacBrayne, executive vice president of EdNet, said.

She too felt EdNet classes were no more susceptible to cheating than large classes at UMaine.

Armen, however, said that cheating was widespread in EdNet classes.

"I cheated because I figured I could, and everyone else was," she said.

Her first experience with EdNet came in the Fall 1992 when she took a psychology class in the Houlton Adult Education Center. She received an "A" and college credit for the

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## • Public Safety

### Crackdown on loose canines to start tomorrow

By Jason McIntosh  
Staff Writer

The Department of Public Safety will begin a more active enforcement of Maine's leash laws, including summoning the owners of dogs left unattended on campus, starting April 1.

Public Safety has always been enforcing this law, but will do so more zealously since one of its officers, Terry Walsh, received his certification as an animal control officer last winter.

Until now, the department only responded to complaints it received. Now Walsh will be in charge of actively seeking violations of this law, said Sgt. Laurie Sproul.

"We're going to be out there enforcing it more. We're going to be a lot more active with it," Sproul said.

The law, titled "Dogs not to run at large," which exists in the Maine



Unattended dogs will soon have no right to solicit food from strangers. (Geyerhahn Photo.)

Revised Statutes Annotated as chapter 719, title seven, section 3911, states: "It is unlawful for any dog, licensed or unlicensed, to run at large, except when used for hunting. The owner or keeper of any dog found running at large shall be subject to

the penalties provided in this chapter."

The law further defines "at large" as "off the premises of the owner and not under the control of any person whose personal presence and atten-

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## • Guest Lecture

### Author speaks on politics of identity

By Michelle M. Curtain  
Staff Writer

The great problem of the 21st century is how to hold the nation together. Competing and antagonistic ethnic and religious groups will not keep the county united, said author and historian Arthur M. Schlesinger Jr.

"The more people feel them-

selves cast adrift in the vast sea... the more they crave a politics and identity," said Schlesinger.

Schlesinger spoke Wednesday to a capacity crowd about his book "The Disuniting of America." Schlesinger's book is this year's class book.

Schlesinger is the recipient of two Pulitzer Prizes. He was associate professor of history at Harvard

University and later special adviser to President John F. Kennedy.

Schlesinger is a proponent of multiculturalism and affirmative action but also shared his discomfort with the concepts with respect to the notion of a threat to the American identity.

He said that with the advent of electronic mail, the fax machine and CNN, Americans are able to cross informational international boundaries. While advantageous, the network has left Americans feeling overwhelmed and lacking identity.

Americans may be turning to the ancient practice of tribalism in order to find their missing identity. Schlesinger said that with the death of fascism and communism, which in retrospect may cause the 20th century to appear a century of ideologies, comes a re-entry into racial and ethnic warfare.

He said that, for example, with communism dying, minorities in these affected areas will be victimized to a greater degree as people turn naturally towards tribal identities.

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Arthur M. Schlesinger Jr. speaks at Neville Hall Wednesday. (LeClair Photo.)

## • Hockey

### Bears claw way into NCAA finals

By Larry Rogers  
Sports Editor

Providence-Hollywood couldn't have written a more thrilling script. Thursday night's NCAA semi-final game between Maine and Michigan had all the makings of a classic.

In the end, after three overtimes and four and a half hours, Maine ended up on top and will play for the NCAA championship for the second time in three years.

Dan Shermerhorn's faceoff goal 28 seconds into the third extra session capped a thrilling 4-3 win over Michigan before 12,155 fans at the Providence Civic Center.

Shermerhorn's goal followed a faceoff play in which Reg Cardinal skated across the faceoff circle and picked the defenseman coming in. After Shermerhorn won the draw, the puck found its way to Cardinal's stick. Cardinal

slipped the puck through the legs of Michigan center Mike Legg to Shermerhorn, who then beat Wolverine goalie Marty Turco with a backhand.

"Reg just came across and picked the defenseman and then made a great pass to me," said Shermerhorn, who now has 25 goals. "It was an easy play for us."

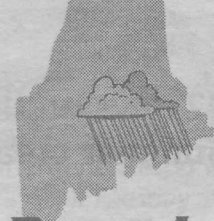
The game tested Maine's ability to come from behind early on. The Wolverines jumped out to a quick 2-0 lead just over four minutes into the game. The first goal came as a result of Maine goalie Blair Allison failing to cover up a centering pass by Warren Luhnig that deflected off his pads. Kevin Hilton poked the loose puck past him.

Matt Herr added another rebound goal for Red Berensen's Wolverines at the 4:16 mark to grab the 2-0 advantage.

It looked like Michigan might

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# World Briefs

## • Embargo

### France rejects U.S. bid for sanctions

**1** PARIS (AP) — France today rejected a U.S. bid to tighten the international embargo against Libya to include oil, and other countries heavily dependent on Libyan oil were also unlikely to agree with Washington.

The sanctions aim to pressure Tripoli into surrendering suspects in the 1988 bombing of Pan Am Flight 103, which killed 270 people.

The U.N. Security Council will re-examine the sanctions Friday.

"We can only support the task of fully ensuring the effectiveness of existing sanctions, which must be carried out and respected in their entirety," Foreign Ministry spokesman Richard Duque said. "France is strictly applying those sanctions."

Duque said U.S. officials have pressed for tighter sanctions in talks at U.N. headquarters in New York.

France rejected the push even though it has also been frustrated in its efforts to get Libya to cooperate with a probe into the 1989 bombing of a French UTA jetliner over Niger, in which 170 people died. A Libyan link has been suspected.

U.S. officials have acknowledged it would be difficult to persuade European allies to add oil to the list of banned trade items. An alternate proposal is to bar the sale of equipment to Libya for use in oil extraction and production, Clinton administration officials have said.

- France refuses oil sanctions against Libya
- Japanese top cop shot in subway
- Encyclical denounces "culture of death"

## • Ambush

### Subway poisoning investigator shot

**2** TOKYO (AP) — A masked assailant pumped four bullets today into Japan's top police official, the man heading the investigation of the deadly nerve-gas attack on the Tokyo subway.

The early-morning ambush, which left National Police Agency chief Takaji Kunimatsu hospitalized in serious condition, heightened fears of an escalating wave of violence targeting police and others.

The March 20 subway attack, which killed 10 people and sickened more than 5,500, was aimed at trains bound for the station just next to the headquarters of the national and city police.

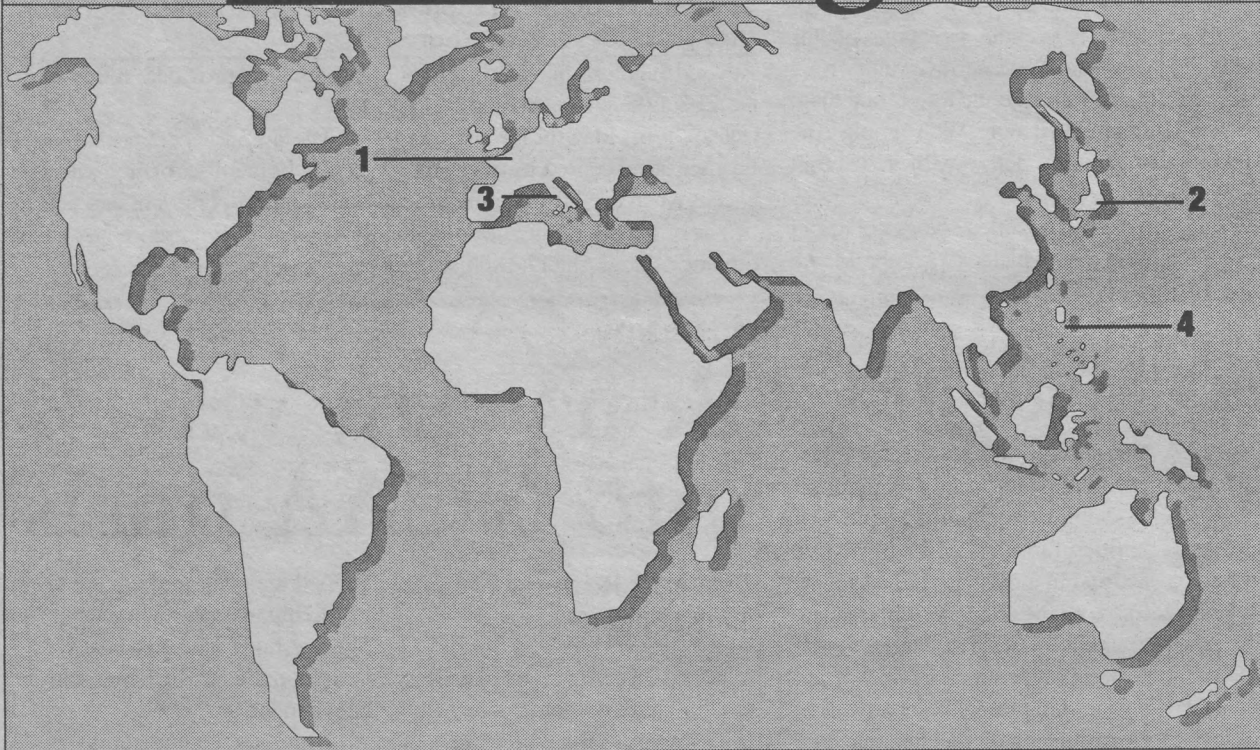
Shortly after the shooting, an anonymous caller telephoned several Japanese news organizations saying the chief of Tokyo Metropolitan Police would be the next target unless police stop raiding a doomsday sect suspected in the subway attack.

A spokesman for the Asahi television network said the caller, a man who refused to identify himself, said the city police chief "would be injured" unless the cult investigation stopped. The caller then hung up.

Tokyo police would not comment but the sect named Aum Shinri Kyo, or Supreme Truth, said it had nothing to do with the calls, the shooting or, as it has said all along, the subway attack.

The last 10 days have shaken Japan to its core, and the brazen shooting was the latest blow. Guns are strictly banned in Japan, and attacks on police are rare.

# World Digest



## • Catholics

### New tract condemns abortion

**3** VATICAN CITY (AP) — Pope John Paul II today denounced a spreading "culture of death" in an encyclical that represents the church's most forceful condemnation of abortion, euthanasia and capital punishment.

John Paul, addressing himself to politicians, declared that abortion and euthanasia are "crimes which no human law can claim to legitimize."

"Evangelium vitae," or "Gospel of Life," the 11th encyclical of John Paul's 16-year papacy, also refines the Church's stand on the death penalty, saying its justification is "very rare," if not "practically non-existent."

Cardinal Joseph Ratzinger, the Vatican's guardian of orthodoxy, said the encyclical goes beyond the 1992 revision of the Catechism in hardening the stance against capital punishment.

As for abortion and euthanasia, the encyclical is not a pronouncement of new doctrine, because the Church already condemned those practices, Cardinal Alfonso Lopez Trujillo said. Rather, he said, it is a "systematic defense, broader and stronger," of the fundamental right to life.

## • Terrorism

### Trade Center defendant charged with plane bombing

**4** MANILA, Philippines (AP) — The alleged mastermind of the World Trade Center bombing was charged with murder today in the bombing on board a Philippine jet in December.

Ramzi Yousef also was charged with attempted murder and "acts inimical to civil aviation" in the Dec. 11 explosion on a Philippine Airlines flight from Cebu to Tokyo.

The pilot managed to land the plane safely on Okinawa. One passenger was killed and 10 injured, all Japanese.

Yousef was arrested last month in Pakistan and deported to the United States, where he faces murder and other charges in the February 1993 World Trade Center bombing that killed six people and injured about 1,000.

Last week, Philippine police said Yousef boarded the Philippine Airlines flight in Manila under an assumed name and planted a nitroglycerine bomb under a seat.

He then got off the plane during a stop in Cebu, 350 miles south of Manila. Police said the bombing was a dress rehearsal for planned attacks on United Airlines jets between Los Angeles, Hong Kong and Singapore.

A few weeks after the bombing, the Federal Aviation Administration ordered stringent security measures on all U.S. carriers serving the Pacific. The measures, which remain in effect, include a ban on liquids and aerosols in hand-carried baggage.

# Weather

## The Local Forecast

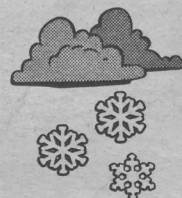
### Today's Weather

*Occasional light rain or mixed precipitation. High around 40.*



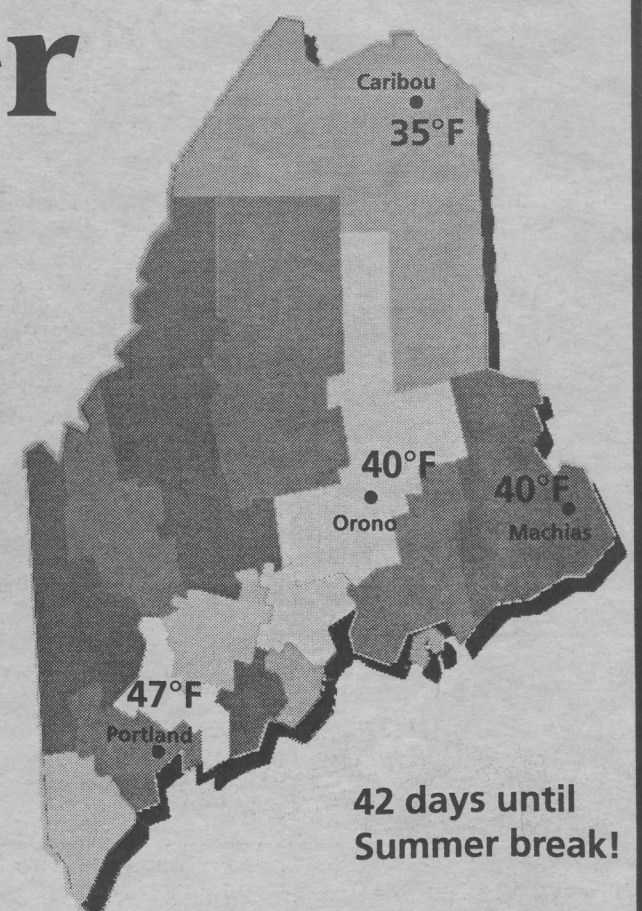
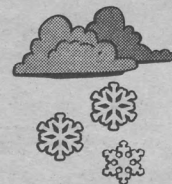
### Saturday's Outlook

*Chance of flurries, lows in the teens, highs in the mid 30s.*



### Extended Forecast

*Sunday, chance of flurries, lows in the upper teens, highs in the mid 30s... Monday, fair with lows in mid 20s, highs in upper 40s.*





## • Fees

# BOT raises comp fee for full-time students

By Yolanda Sly  
Staff Writer

The University of Maine System Board of Trustees has raised the Comprehensive Fee for full-time students at the University of Maine by \$45 a year.

The increase would be \$22.50 per semester for a full-time student, raising the semester Comprehensive Fee from the present \$167.50 to \$190 and the annual fee from \$335 to \$380. This is a 13.5 percent increase, according to Vice President of Business and Finance Charles Rauch.

Russ Smith, treasurer for the Board of Trustees, said that the increase resulted from the enrollment drop due to the loss of University College students. Those students are now part of the Community College System.

Rauch said that monies from the increase will go towards Cutler Health Center, the Athletic Department to help provide gender equity and to cover money that was lost due to the enrollment drop.

"It's hard to imagine that we would have to increase the Comprehensive Fee due to a cut in enrollment," Rauch said.

Rauch said that the breakdown of the \$45 increase as follows:

•Cutler Health Center: \$7.79 or 17.3 percent.

•Athletics: \$4.45 or 9.9 percent.

•Enrollment drop: \$32.76 or 72.8 percent.

"All activities which receive money from the Comprehensive Fee would have a 10 percent cut in the money they receive, except Cutler Health Center, which faced a 5 percent cut and athletics," Rauch said.

Rauch said that even though the health center is receiving a 5 percent cut, they will receive a \$95,000 increase.

"Dr. Jackson (Director of Cutler Health Center) came to me with legitimate reasons for an increase due to the rise of health costs and the increase of student use of the health center," Rauch said.

Jackson said the increase will be used to keep costs down and to restructure how

patients are seen. However, some increases will have to be made.

"We've received the increase, and we have the permission to increase charges," Jackson said adding "the increase should enable us to see more students."

Jackson said that the increases would effect X-rays with an increase in costs between \$5-\$10, a rise in lab fees of between \$2-\$4, and an increase in the cost of physicals of about \$30-\$45.

"I don't see an increase in Women's Health Center costs, and the annual exams are not considered physicals, therefore not receiving an increase in cost," Jackson said.

Jackson said that there are approximately 600 physical exams done, taking anywhere from 45 minutes to two hours each. Many of these are performed for ROTC members, employees, sports teams and those who travel.

"We can't eat the cost of the lab fees. We have to pass it on to the student, but we don't increase the fee to make a profit," Jackson said.

Jean-Anne Sturup, assistant to the Women's Health Center, said the annual exam costs \$10, because of the pap smear that is sent out to a lab, which charges the \$10. That charge is then passed on to the student.

Jackson said that there will still be free strep tests, mono tests and sexually transmitted disease tests. Students going into a health care provider at the health center or in women's health will receive no extra charge since it's included in the Comprehensive Fee.

Rauch said that the athletic department needs to keep up with inflation and progress towards gender equity. If they don't receive the increase, the department can not progress towards the required equity.

Dr. Suzanne Estler, director of Equal Opportunity, said gender equity is federal law that states institutions won't discriminate against athletes due to sex. Institutions must provide things such as equal facilities, scholarships, budgets and scheduling opportunities for all athletes.

## • Student Government

# GSS diverts third of surplus into Bumstock

By Michael Lane  
Staff Writer

At the meeting on March 28, the General Student Senate voted nearly unanimously to allocate \$10,000 to the Off-Campus Board for the expressed purpose of funding Bumstock.

The large allocation comes on the heels of the Student Government administration realizing a budget surplus of \$30,000.

The Executive Budgetary Committee of GSS sponsored the bill in the hopes of defraying the cost of Bumstock, the annual spring festival "which a plenitude of students look forward to and enjoy," they said.

Looking to capitalize on the windfall of funds, the OCB also submitted resolutions asking for an additional \$22,000. Twenty thousand of that would be slated for repairs and improving soundproofing at the Ram's Horn.

Dave Gagne, vice president for Financial Affairs, reported that he "found" the money due to discrepancies in the enrollment figures between Student Government and the Business Office. Student Govern-

ment estimates its budget on enrollment figures from the Business Office.

The Academic Affairs Committee of the GSS submitted a resolution calling for the body to "memorialize" State Sen. John O'Dea and State Rep. Kathleen Stevens. Intending to call on Sen. O'Dea and Rep. Stevens to continue their efforts to prevent the implementation of the Educational Network of Maine, GSS after considerable confusion passed the measure.

GSS also reconsidered the resolution dealt with last week concerning the referendum question to be sent to the students. At last week's meeting, the GSS failed to specify whether the referendum would pass with a plurality or a majority of the vote.

Citing concerns that a majority of students would not vote on the referendum, it now reads that a decision will be reached via plurality of the vote.

The referendum question was also amended to include the breakdown of the Communication Fee monies in the first section of the referendum.

Considerable debate was given to what some members of Senate felt was the Board of

Trustees snubbing of the student's and faculty's votes of no confidence against University of Maine Chancellor J. Michael Orenduff.

"The BOT listened to us and basically gave us the finger," said Sen. Andrew Weymouth.

Announcing the BOT's addition of a

meeting in April to discuss more effective lines of communication between the board and the universities, undergraduate student BOT representative Chris Leclerc defended the BOT's decision.

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## No tears over spill



An emergency response truck from the Orono Fire Dept. is parked outside Murray Hall Tuesday afternoon while a Hazmat team cleans up a minor spill of Diethyl Oxydiformate, an irritant. (Geyerhahn Photo.)



## Dogs

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tion would reasonably control the conduct of the animal."

Walsh said that the penalties mentioned in the law's wording would apply to UMaine students violating it as a fee ranging from \$25 to \$100, with the heavier fines levied upon repeat offenders.

Sproul warned that dog owners should not take the term "leash law" literally; a dog tied to a tree or post and left unattended is considered at large, as it may bark as loud and bite as hard as any untethered dog.

Similarly, Sproul said, a leashless dog is not at large so long as it remains in sight of its master and can respond to his or her voice commands.

Walsh said that his department saw a need to enforce this law because it has always

received complaints surrounding the less well behaved members of UMaine's canine community, and added that he felt that the onset of spring represents an appropriate time to introduce enforcement of the leash law.

"We've been getting more complaints. As the weather gets better, it gets worse," he said. "Pretty quick you'll get professors calling that they can't talk louder than the dogs are barking."

Walsh said that some people become frightened at the mere sight of a large dog without a human master nearby.

"Even if they come up with their tails wagging right off, they still scare them half to death," he said.

Student and dog owner Rebecca Kadish had mixed feelings about the impending enforcement.

Kadish acknowledged that while many of the university's roaming dogs, especially visible on nearly any good-weathered day on the mall and outside the Memorial Union and Fogler Library, are well-behaved, some can be bothersome and occasionally threatening to passers-by.

"There are a lot of dogs that cruise everywhere and get in the way," she said.

At the same time, Kadish was concerned for dogs who would have to spend time in a pound if their masters went unidentified.

"I don't want anyone putting her in a cell," she said, referring to her own dog, which she had adopted from a shelter.

Kadish said she felt some of the fault lies with those encouraging the creatures to misbehave, noting as an example that people on campus sometimes give food to dogs they don't know, training the animals to beg at strangers and become more of a nuisance.

She recalled how once her black labrador/greyhound mix, Sasha, ate an apparently rotten sandwich that someone had discarded in front of her, and became sick for days afterward.

Student Government President Ben

Meiklejohn said he felt disappointed that Public Safety chose to enforce the law without a more obvious warning to dog owners, because many students have grown used to the unofficial privilege of letting their dogs run unattended on campus.

"It's been a tradition for so many years that they (Public Safety) should at least put some signs up, and let everyone know," Meiklejohn said.

Public Safety will return dogs it seizes, along with a summons to pay a fine, to their respective owners when they claim their animals.

According to the written law, if nobody immediately claims a stray dog, it gets sent to a local animal shelter for holding. If it stays there for 6 more days without the owner showing up, it becomes property of that shelter.

Sproul added that a dog found without license and rabies tags would result in a pair of summonses for its owner, as lack of a license represents a violation in itself.

Also, a dog that bites a person must be quarantined in a shelter for ten days at cost to its owner, she said.

## ITV

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class, which was broadcast from the University of Southern Maine. Credit was awarded from UMaine at Presque Isle.

In that class, like many others, the professor began class with a short quiz. The quiz was collected by the professor, and then, the questions were discussed.

Not so in Armen's class. Here, she and three other students recorded their answers to the quiz following the discussion of the answers. Their class was not proctored, and it was up to the students to pass in the quizzes to an administrator at the off-campus site after class.

In her second EdNet class, a nutrition class taken at the Houlton center and originating from UMaine in Orono, she later said that she had not actually cheated, but that it would have been very easy to do so.

"The tests were proctored, but somebody wasn't always in the room," Armen said of the

class she and another woman took together.

Armen's disclosure comes at a time when the quality of the EdNet system is very much in question. She spoke to *The Maine Campus* in hopes of pointing out the faults of the system, which has been actively pursued by the University of Maine System Board of Trustees.

Since the formation of Interactive Television on Sept. 5, 1989, there have been three reported instances of cheating. Every semester 2,700 students take the televised classes at remote sites.

Two instances involved University of Maine at Augusta students. One student was found to have not committed the violation of the system-wide student conduct code, while the second student was found guilty and suspended from school.

A third instance of cheating happened only recently and is still under investigation.

## Speaker

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Schlesinger said that in the United States, multiculturalism has been around since the country's beginnings. People are free to express their own ethnic or religious beliefs. This concept is inherent in the country's governmental policy. However, he said multiculturalism is in danger of protecting special groups at the risk of destroying the national identity.

An audience member asked him what was an American. Schlesinger said simply one that is born in the United States. He stressed that United States' citizens are Americans first and foremost.

Earlier in the talk, a black man asked why he was referred to as an African-American and why Schlesinger, who is white, was referred to as an American.

"I don't like the term African-American," Schlesinger said, "and I don't use it. I believe we are all Americans."

Another audience member asked why high schools denied students teachings about their individual heritages.

"Personally, I'd be happy if the high schools in our countries could teach our kids how to read, write and calculate," he said,

receiving applause from the audience.

Another person pointed out that Schlesinger supported affirmative action in the '60s. Schlesinger said that while affirmative action has been vital in changing entrenched employment patterns, there is a time to phase out such programs.

"Affirmative action serves to be a transitional pattern...in the labor market," he said and not meant to be a permanent construct.

When asked if Americans would now be seen as equal if affirmative action programs were eliminated, Schlesinger did not give an illusory answer.

"Racism, I fear, is going to continue to be the disease that continues," he said.

He said that white males feel threatened since they have dropped from 98 percent to 95 percent in top executive jobs.

"The trouble with this country is the persistence of white racism," he said.

However, Schlesinger held an optimistic outlook that the United States will stay united as it has for the past 200 years.

"We care because we see this as a land of opportunity, and we want to share in that opportunity," he said.

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## • Disabilities

# Students discuss difficulties with equal access

By Christine Thurston  
Staff Writer

Students with disabilities ranging from people in wheelchairs to people with cerebral palsy shared their experiences and talents with the campus community during the past two days during an awareness program for accessibility in education.

"Our objective was to increase awareness and share information," said Regina Agrusa, assistant coordinator to Services for Students with Disabilities and staff associate of Equal Opportunity. "We feel good about what we have accomplished here."

Agrusa said the student-oriented programs worked the best and although they could pick apart what didn't work, that is to be expected with their first year.

A panel of disabled students kicked off the events with a discussion titled "I Want You To See Me, Hear Me and Know Me."

"The attitudes were good when I first came to the university," said Gordon Prahm. "The mechanics of being in a wheelchair were pretty scary, especially in the wintertime, but other than that, I'm a happy camper."

Prahm compared his want for an accessible bathroom in every building to the politician's "chicken in every pot," and said that it may be an impossibility.

"Maps say they (the buildings) are accessible, but they aren't," Prahm said. "So I guess that's what? A lie?"

Russ Witmer, who suffers from visu-

al, memory and mobility problems stemming from a stroke, said he first got some resistance from a professor that was reluctant to let him into his class.

"It was my responsibility to sell him on me and to get what I need," Witmer said. "I ended up getting an A in his class."

Roxanne Martin, who is learning disabled, regretted backing down from a professor who got frustrated when she approached him about her problem.

"We shouldn't be made to feel bad that they (professors) have to accommodate us," she said. "We are paying to come, learn and gain, but it gets reversed sometimes."

As a visually-impaired physical education student, Steve Coleman said he only had one person tell him "there isn't a superintendent in Maine that would hire you."

"I've worked with absolutely wonderful people that want to work together and do whatever they can," Coleman said. "Some professors don't want to break out of their structure, but that is a rarity."

"I will face problems wherever I go," said Peter Albee, who is also learning disabled. "I just wish this campus was more cultural and diversified, which is the essence of education."

All the students simply want others to treat them as human beings instead of as disabled people and have generally had good experiences here at the university.

Perhaps one of the more visually-stimulating events held was the Maine Roadrunners Quadriplegic Rugby Team, with



Mark Hughes (Left) and Gary Pelletier, members of the Maine Roadrunners, compete in a quadriplegic rugby game Wednesday night at the Memorial Gym. (Page Photo.)

a half-time freestyle bicycle show by an individual with cerebral palsy.

"The quad rugby was incredible," said Ann Smith, coordinator of Services for Students with Disabilities. "After the game, they offered able-bodied people their wheelchairs to try their hand at rugby. The women's field hockey team had a ball."

Both Smith and Agrusa agreed that the Disability Players, who performed skits about social attitudes towards the disabled, brought the issues up close and

personal and got their views across in a creative way.

"About 100 students and about 250 employees must have seen them perform," said Agrusa.

"Overall, we touched a lot of people," said Smith.

Other events included were movie presentations, a panel discussion on institutional challenges in providing access, art displays and information tables sponsored by the Maine Action Coalition and Learning Disabilities of Maine.

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# State News

## • Maine Yankee

### Canceled plant may help out troubled Yankee

WISCASSET (AP) — Steam generators mothballed for more than a decade at the canceled Seabrook 2 nuclear plant in New Hampshire appear to be a close match to those at Maine Yankee, says the state's nuclear inspector at the Wiscasset reactor.

Maine Yankee acknowledged Wednesday it is exploring the feasibility of replacing its degraded steam generators with unused ones from the Seabrook 2 unit that was canceled in 1984 before ever going on line.

Pat Dostie, state nuclear inspector, said he understood that the steam generators at Seabrook and Wiscasset were "a pretty darn close fit."

The Seabrook units, Dostie said, "are taller than the steam generators that we now have, taller by 10 feet. However, when you look at the bottom dimensions where the tubes are and the outside shell, it looks like almost an exact fit — within fractions of an inch."

Dostie said Maine Yankee's board of directors was exploring a range of options

in preparation for an April 7 meeting.

Maine Yankee spokesman Marshall Murphy said use of the steam generators stored at Seabrook was being studied as a potential option for dealing with cracks in steam-generator tubes that forced the Wiscasset reactor to close indefinitely.

Murphy said a study of whether the four steam generators stored at Seabrook 2 were compatible with the three older ones at Maine Yankee was under way.

"That's what we need to find out. The analysis of this is in its very early stages," Murphy said.

A spokesman at Seabrook Station confirmed that the unused steam generators from Seabrook 2 remain stored within the reactor containment, apparently in good condition and free of corrosion.

"They were in a preserve and protect mode," Rob Williams said.

Seabrook 2 was cancelled in 1984 amid cost overruns that led to the financial collapse of its lead utility, Public Service Company of New Hampshire. The first Seabrook unit went on line in 1990.

## • Augusta

### Panel leaning toward seat belt mandate

AUGUSTA (AP) — Adults who travel on Maine highways will find themselves buckling up if a legislative committee's majority persuades the House and Senate to pass a seat belt law.

Maine and New Hampshire are the only states still without comprehensive seat belt laws.

At least seven members of the Transportation Committee, and perhaps an eighth, favor a seat belt requirement. Three others favor the bill with a condition that car insurance companies reduce their rates by 5 percent for two years after the law takes effect. Two members oppose the bill.

The committee split means floor debate is likely.

Under current Maine law, children up to age 4 must use car safety seats and drivers and passengers from 4 to 18 must use seat belts. New Hampshire requires car seat use for children under 4 and seat belt use for other children under 12.

Maine has the lowest estimated use of seat belts in the country, about 35 percent,

compared to a national average of 66 percent.

The bill's sponsor, Sen. Joan Pendexter, said she is optimistic because the committee co-chairs both support the measure. The Scarborough Republican is also critical of efforts to link the bill to insurance rates.

"I just think they're trying to make it difficult to pass the bill," she said. "I have a serious problem with the Transportation Committee making banking and insurance policy."

But Rep. Charles Heino defended the insurance provision.

"I do think there is some money out there that can be saved if we pass this bill and it ought to be passed along to consumers," said the Boothbay Republican.

Pendexter sponsored a bill that was approved two years ago by the Legislature but vetoed by then-Gov. John McKernan. Independent Gov. Angus King has said he will sign a seat-belt bill if one reaches his desk.

## • Deadbeat dads

### License revocation plan gets mixed reviews

By Fred Bayles  
AP National Writer

NEW YORK CITY—The notice to Reynold Kennard was an attention-grabber: Pay up \$4,000, more than a year of child support, or lose your driver's license.

The threat to the livelihood of the Fort Fairfield, Maine, truck driver forced him to accept a payment plan within a week of getting the letter.

"We were devastated," said his current wife, Alice. "But how was he going to work if they took his license?"

Last week's bitter debate on Capitol Hill over welfare reform found one bit of common ground for Republicans and Democrats: a measure requiring states to revoke the driver, professional and sporting licenses of parents who owe child support.

President Clinton had proposed a similar measure. Health and Human Services Secretary Donna Shalala estimated it could recover as much as \$2.5 billion in delinquent payments over 10 years. And the House passed the amendment 426-5.

"Taking licenses away from deadbeats is one of the simplest, most effective and easy-to-understand tools we have," said Rep. Marge Roukema, the New Jersey Republican who sponsored the amendment.

While the example of Reynold Kennard points to the potential of such laws, the use of license revocation against child-support deadbeats has been far from simple or effective in many of the 19 states with such legislation already on the books.

While Maine got thousands of parents to ante up, other states rarely act on their regulations. The laws are so laden with court hearings and appeals that officials are loath to enforce them.

Iowa's year-old law targeting the commercial and occupational licenses of child-support delinquents has never been used.

"It's just too cumbersome," said Christina Martin, a spokeswoman for Gov. Terry Branstad. "There are too many lawyers involved."

Massachusetts sent out letters to 60,000 people, threatening to lift their licenses. But officials concede it's an empty threat. Just 2,000 people have responded; only nine licenses have been revoked.

"There are so many safeguards that it's nearly impossible to yank someone's license," said Brian Pedro, a spokesman for the Massachusetts Department of Revenue. "It's easier to pull someone's cable than it is to pull their license."

Nineteen states tie licensing restrictions to child-support payments. They are: Arkansas, Arizona, California, Florida, Illinois, Iowa,

Kansas, Kentucky, Maine, Massachusetts, Minnesota, Montana, Nevada, Oklahoma, Oregon, Pennsylvania, South Dakota, Vermont and Virginia.

The laws are aimed at professionals and tradesmen alike, affecting everyone from doctors and real estate agents to carpenters and plumbers. Hunting and fishing licenses are also affected.

There have been successes. California's practice of denying new commercial and occupational licenses to child-support delinquents netted \$10 million. South Dakota got promissory notes from 2,500 people threatened with the loss of their driver's licenses.

The use of the state's licensing power to force child-support payments has long been seen as a powerful tool.

"The No. 1 means of collection is wage withholding, but when you're dealing with people who are self-employed, their livelihood depends on occupational licenses and their cars," said Michael Kharfen, a spokesman for the HHS's Administration for Children and Families.

But laws were enacted with limited plans for enforcement; five states simply deny new or renewed licenses, giving delinquents an unofficial grace period of years.

Other states require so many procedural steps that revocation becomes nearly impossible.

A 1984 Minnesota law, the first to suspend the occupational licenses, required a court order directing the licensing board to hold a hearing. But obtaining such an order could itself involve hearings and appeals. The law has since been amended to eliminate the courts.

Proponents point to Maine as an example of how streamlined laws can work. Maine state agencies have the power to lift licenses in just 20 days. The quick revocation of 40 licenses got the attention of nearly 13,000 child-support delinquents who have paid back more than \$24 million.

## GSS

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Looking beyond the issues surrounding EdNet here in Maine, Student Government President Ben Meiklejohn said the whole nation is watching the possible accreditation of the system with great interest.

Bringing the debate back home, freshman Sen. Moira Armen told the senate about the ease with which she cheated in the EdNet classes she took.

"I took two. In both my classes, I cheated. It

is very easy to cheat on the EdNet system. It's very easy to cheat without getting caught," she said.

In other business the GSS gave final and funding approval to the Orchestra Club, Volleyball Team, American Society of Mechanical Engineers and the Student Organization for Natural Resources. The Nordic Ski Team was granted preliminary approval and the UMaine Vocals was granted final approval.

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# Arts & Entertainment

## • Good Spirits

### Moose Brown Ale a tough contender

By Robert Turkington  
Staff Writer

Shipyards Brewing Company has come out with a brand new brew — Moose Brown Ale. And of course, I wanted to give it a try. The question is, can it wedge its spot in an already tight marketplace like its big brother, Shipyard Ale?

I think so.

**Appearance** - Moose Brown Ale, attained a 1 inch head and a deep, chocolate brown color. The SRM (Standard Research Method) was around 20.

The carbonation is coarser than Newcastle or Samuel Smith's, but it is still well within acceptable limits. However, it did create a Brussels Lace around the edge of the glass, denoting a beer made from all-natural ingredients, with little, if any, adjuncts.

Moose Brown Ale had no detectable sediment in the brew or in the bottle and was very attractive.

Appearance -2 Scale 0 - 3

**Aroma** - The Shipyards Brewing Company's Moose Brown Ale is rich and dark with a pleasant and inviting aroma.

The hop nose and the bouquet from the hops are very inviting, adding to its overall appeal.

Moose Brown Ale's nutty overtones accent the brew, giving it a complex, but not overpowering aroma.

Overall, I found the aroma to be quite well-balanced and enjoyable.

Aroma - 4 Scale 1-4

**Taste** - Moose Brown Ale has a creamy and inviting taste, with a light, malty flavor and fresh nutty overtones.

The beer has a very rich and complex persona. While I found Moose Brown Ale lighter than the other Brown Ales I sampled, it was very enjoyable just the same.

However, Moose Brown Ale has something that sets it apart from the other samples - a bite.

This beer is not for the light of heart. If you don't like heavier beers, then you probably won't like Moose. But if you enjoy a heavier beer, there aren't many that are better.

Moose is a hearty American Brown Ale, reminiscent of its big brother Shipyard Ale. Moose is smoother and more drinkable than its big brother, without the strong finish of Shipyard Ale. The brew is more bitter than Newcastle or Samuel Smith's Brown Ale, catering to a slightly different audience.

Samuel Smith's and Newcastle, which come from Northern England, have been compared with porters, but the Moose Brown Ale is definitely an American Brown Ale, in a league of its own.

I found the Moose Brown Ale relatively dry, with a medium body. Quite an enjoyable brew.

Taste - 8 Scale 1 - 10

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## • Poetry

### Zone discovers the many faces of French



(Back row, L-R) Kathryn Slott, Robert Daigle, Jane Smith. (Front row, L-R) Valerie Akoa, Charlotte Weiss and Katherine Griffin read at the Poetry Free Zone. (Rotch Photo.)

By R. David Tibbetts  
Staff Writer

For the second time in as many weeks, the experiment went bilingual. Titled "World Music/World Poetry," Wednesday's Poetry Free Zone explored the French language as spoken in several different regions of the world.

When we think about the French language and the places where it is commonly spoken, the only two places we tend to think of are France and Quebec. But what about Senegal? What about Zaire? What about down South in Louisiana? What about our own Franco-American communities here in

Maine? Why are these centers of French culture—no less important than are Quebec and France—almost totally ignored?

Guest-hosted by French professor Kathryn Slott, the Zone brought together students to read poetry from several French-speaking countries and regions all around the world. The first reading, by Charlotte Weiss, took us to the North African country of Algeria.

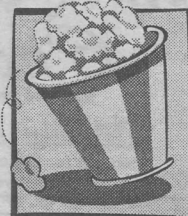
After telling us a little bit about the current political landscape of the strife-torn republic, Weiss read a poem by Isabelle Eberhardt titled "Le Parfum des Oasis" ("The Perfume of Oases"). "Pour Jamila," by Malek Haddad, was dedicated by Weiss to the

friends she had made in Algeria. She read both poems first in French and then in their English translations.

Next, we traveled to Zaire in central Africa with Kathryn Slott. Slott's contribution to the reading was a poem by Kama Kamanda titled "L'Inexorable" ("The Inevitable").

From Zaire, we moved up the western coast of Africa to Senegal where Valerie Akoa picked up. She read two poems by Leopold Sedar Senghor. The first was "Vacances" ("Vacation") and the second was "L'Homme et La Bête" ("Man and Beast").

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## ON THE SILVER SCREEN

• Dolores Claiborne

By Stephen Allan  
Staff Writer

Films adapted from Stephen King's writing usually are disappointing to his readers and just plain bad for every moviegoer, but the latest King film to hit the screens, "Dolores Claiborne," may bring back faith in adapted films.

Last fall "The Shawshank Redemption" was released and proved that poetry could be found in the films that were made from King's work. That film went on to be nominated for Best Picture in this past week's Oscars. "Dolores Claiborne" doesn't achieve the same emotions that "Shawshank" did in its audience, but it continues to show that horror isn't the only thing that will keep an audience's attention.

The story begins with the death of Claiborne's rich boss, who may or may not have been murdered by Dolores. What follows is a series of flashbacks of Claiborne's life with her

daughter, who arrives on the small Maine island of her youth after she receives a fax about the charges against her mother, and her abusive husband. Questions remain unanswered with their past, such as the causes for Claiborne's husband's death.

The movie is not a thriller in any sense of the word. Moviegoers who go to the film expecting a nail biting experience may be bored by the film's lack of suspense and deliberately slow pacing. "Dolores Claiborne" is a character study which is exceptionally done.

In the role of Claiborne, Kathy Bates gives a well rounded performance that captures the essence of a woman whose life has been incredibly harsh. Bates, who won the Best Actress Oscar for "Misery," another King adaptation, gives a more humanistic performance in this picture. She is able to portray all the misery and pain that Claiborne has inside of her with a silent and tough exterior that classifies a true Down

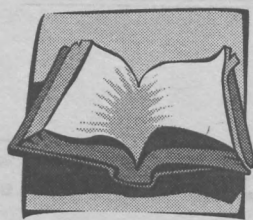
East characteristic.

As the daughter, Jennifer Jason Leigh gives one of her best performances to date. The role of Selina St. George allows Leigh to create a character that surpasses her work in such films as "Rush" and "Last Exit to Brooklyn." Like in both of those films, Leigh's character here is a complex and dark person, but she is able to reach the more tender insides of Selina.

As a character driven movie, "Dolores Claiborne" is a very good film, but as a plot driven picture, it fails to achieve any satisfaction. The story has no suspense, nor any mystery to it. Audiences can easily guess the outcome of the two deaths in the picture long before the filmmakers reveal the answers.

The climax is also disappointing. The ending seems to be drawn out. Instead of letting the characters solve all the questions of the picture in one climax, the film seems to have three little endings which doesn't have much of an impact.





## OFF THE SHELF

• The Days Are Just Packed

By Stephen Allan  
Staff Writer

The great thing about "Calvin and Hobbes" is that it gives readers the chance to visit the imagination of a child on a daily basis, and gives the horrific revelation that they were once like Calvin.

But that is the fun in reading about the young Hellion and his stuffed tiger, to remember we were that bad as children too. Day after busy day we can relax in the thoughts of this trouble maker and live precariously through him. If only we could get away with what Calvin does on a regular basis.

Calvin's creator Bill Waterson clearly loves his creations and furnishes them to the hilt. The latest collection "The Days Are Just Packed," is published in a oversized book that allows the comic strips inside to be seen in a much larger scale than those in the daily newspaper. The deliberately large colored comics are also given their full potential with this collection, something that many newspapers don't allow in their colored funnies where the strip is usually small. The only drawback of the oversizeness of the book is that it is cumbersome to read and to store, but that is only a minor complaint.

Waterson's purpose in the strip is to

allow his readers to live out some of their innermost desires to create mischief.

Calvin is an amalgom of every boy. His hair is uncombed, he dislikes girls (deathly afraid of catching girl germs from his neighbor Sally), and changes his whole world inside out using only his imagination. Perhaps the clue to the strip's success is that people can see their own childhood in Calvin, or at least remember someone like him.

But with anything that is readably available to people on a regular basis, the strip can be redundant at times. Giving the amount of time that Calvin and Hobbes have been around, the premise gets tiring for the reader after awhile. The idea is not as fresh as it once was and so the latest collection book suffers for it.

One of the best techniques that Waterson uses in trying to keep the comic fresh is to give the other characters some time in his panels. Some of the funniest strips involve Calvin's straight laced dad and his determination to help Calvin create a worthwhile life. His little character builders are great.

Though the storyline of the strip seems a little worn out, Calvin is still one of the best comic strips left. As more and more strips are retired, one hopes that Calvin will remain.



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### • Jeff's Great Outdoors

## The elusive coyote

By Jeff Teunisen  
Staff Writer

On my first hunting trip to my roommate's hunting camp this past November, I was told specifically to shoot any coyotes I may happen to come across.

"They kill deer," I was told. "They're a menace!"

I wasn't sure what to make of the advice given, mostly because of their doglike qualities.

Recently, a woman and her husband spotted a coyote, chased it across a frozen lake and ran it over with their snowmobile — an action that should not be applauded.

The coyote was not killed and the couple was fined for their actions. Unfortunately, the attitude of this couple is shared by many.

The Eastern coyote established itself in Maine about 30 years ago and now their numbers closely reach 15,000. As the coyote's presence grew, the deer population in Maine declined significantly.

Coyotes, however, were not the only factor contributing to the dwindling numbers of deer in The Pine Tree State.

Excessive logging took away from the deer's wintering habitat. Deer were then forced to find alternative formidable habitat for bedding. On the move, deer were no match for the coyote's keen eyesight and excellent sense of smell.

Coyotes often chase deer onto ice-covered lakes where the deer are no match for the sure-footed canines. Once on the ice, if the deer does not collapse due to its hooves' lack of traction, the coyotes then nip at their prey's hindquarters and tendons, making for a long, gruesome, suffering death.

But it is nature's way, a process that is natural.

While it is popular belief that coyotes prey only upon only old and weak deer, a study of 863 coyote-killed deer over a dozen winters contradicts that theory. The study shows that healthy deer are just as vulnerable.

Noticing the decline of deer populations, the state imposed doe restrictions on hunters. The result was an increase in the deer population which now stands at approximately 225,000.

The controversy over coyotes is as strong as ever among hunters in Maine. There is a proposal in the state legislature to put a bounty on coyotes, even though state biologists say it would be a waste of money. Western prairie states show that bounties on coyotes do not work.

The data available shows that coyote hunting is in fact needed to keep their numbers down. While coyotes also eat beavers, woodchucks, berries, rabbits, sheep and calves, they have also been witnessed killing household cats.

While coyotes' natural actions bring fear to many, the coyote should not be viewed as a threat to man. They act on instinct and are more scared of us than we are of them.

In other news, this year 1102 of 1200 moose tags were filled. The largest moose weighed in at 1060 pounds, field dressed.

Also, there is a new 64-page softcover book available for outdoor enthusiasts. "On Water, On Wings, In the Woods" is being sold by the Maine Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife for \$5.95. The book tells where you can see a variety of wild animals on public lands.

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## • Author

## Heirs on the road to Kerouac's

By Ellen Knickmeyer  
Associated Press Writer

SAN FRANCISCO (AP)—One of Jack Kerouac's last works was a letter to his 21-year-old nephew, written the day before he died, insisting his estate be left to his mother to keep it in the hands of his own flesh and blood.

"And not to leave a dingblasted ... thing to my wife's one hundred Greek relatives," Kerouac wrote Paul Blake Jr., on Oct. 20, 1969.

Twenty-five years later, in the midst of a resurgence in interest in Beat generation writers, Kerouac's estate is controlled by his wife's relatives. Now Blake has joined his blood kin in a long-deferred fight to get a share.

"I hope we can fully receive what is just ... even though I know a lot of damage has been done" to the collection, Blake said Monday, announcing he was joining a lawsuit filed last year by Kerouac's only child, Jan Kerouac.

In the typed letter, made public years ago, Kerouac expressly said he didn't want his estate to go to his third wife, Stella Sampas, who nursed him through the final stages of alcoholism. He also said he planned to divorce her or annul their marriage.

When Kerouac died in Florida at age 47, state law required him to leave a third of his estate to his wife. Everything else went to his mother, Gabrielle Kerouac. When she died, she left everything to Sampas, who had cared for her after Kerouac's death.

Kerouac's original will ignored Jan, his

daughter by his second wife. Kerouac only met her twice — including once for blood tests he demanded to prove his paternity.

Jan Kerouac decided to challenge the will left by her grandmother, which she claims is a fake. If her grandmother had died without a will, her estate would have gone to Jan Kerouac and Blake.

Sampas died in 1990. Her family, which controls the estate, claims Kerouac's letter to Blake is a fake.

While Kerouac's estate was only valued at about \$53,280 when he died, it now has millions in earning power.

At issue are the pocket spiral notebooks, teletype rolls and parchment scrolls on which Kerouac recorded his first rumblings about the disaffection, alienation and rebellion in America after World War II.

The rough manuscripts for "On the Road" and some other works that came to define the Beat generation currently are on loan from the estate to the New York Public Library; notebooks and other material remain in the private collection of the estate.

One estimate values the estate at \$10 million if sold piecemeal, which each side insists the other is intent on doing.

Ms. Kerouac and Blake note that the estate recently sold a Kerouac raincoat to actor Johnny Depp for \$50,000. They allege other deals for more important artifacts have been proposed.

Both sides say they intend to keep the collection intact in a single, public archive — although Kerouac's letter to Blake doesn't ask him to do so.

## Ale

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**Impressions** - While I enjoyed Moose Brown Ale thoroughly, it is a little expensive when compared with other brews available from local brewers. But if you like Nut Brown Ales, Porters, and the like, this should meet your expectations.

The packaging design is unique. It has a deranged moose surrounded by beer barrels. While I don't know what a deranged moose has to do with beer, he is certainly interesting to look at.

The Shipyard Brewing Company in Portland, has created a fine brew, of notable quality. I hope the trend of experimentation

continues with our local breweries; it can only be beneficial to the beer-drinking public.

Moose Brown Ale is definitely a Maine original. It has all the taste of Shipyard with a pleasant and more inviting finish. It is worth a try.

Impressions - 3 Scale 0 - 3

Final - 17 Scale 0 - 20

Robert Turkington is a Senior at the University of Maine

## Poetry

from page 7

As with Weiss and Slott before her, Akoa read them both in French and English.

We then crossed the Atlantic to the West Indies and a reading by Katherine Griffin. Griffin selected two works from Aime Cesaire: "Chanson de L' Hippocampe" ("Song of the sea horse") and "La Force de Regarder Demain" ("The Strength to Face Tomorrow.")

The next reading, by Jane Smith, brought us to the United States. More specifically, it brought us to Louisiana. The poem she chose was by Jean Arceneaux and was titled "Jeu d' Ete Entete" ("Stubborn Summer Game.") This poem poked fun at the summer tourists that travel down to Cajun country with preconceived notions of what they will find there.

The last stop on this global excursion was right in our own back yard in Acadia. Robert Daigle, a young man of Franco-American descent who lives in Fort Kent, delivered the final reading of the afternoon. After speaking for several minutes about the Franco-American culture, Daigle read a French translation of Henry Wadsworth

Longfellow's "Evangeline." Unlike the other readers, however, he did not read it again in the original English.

A poem from Quebec to be read by Kathryn Slott was omitted due to time constraints.

Here was a really great reading. Until now, I never had any idea just how pervasive the French language is. Being able to hear all of the different French dialects from all different parts of the world was enlightening. Interestingly, the one French-speaking country that was never touched upon was France itself.

Another thing that made this reading so much fun was the music that was played for the group. For each of the countries and regions that was represented, Slott played recordings of songs from those areas.

Next week, the Poetry Free Zone sticks close to home as it presents a reading of new poetry by UMaine English professors Burton Hatlen and Terrell Hunter. This will take place on Wednesday, April 5 at noon in the Thomson Honors Center.

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# Editorial Page

## • Journal

### I've a Queen in my pocket



Jason McIntosh

I often like to consider myself a loyal and stout-hearted United States citizen, but you wouldn't always know that from peeking into my pockets.

For there, amongst the cash whose presence identifies me as a functioning member of our fine capitalist society, glitters a number of objects of alien origin, strange foreign agents whose infiltration within my clothing remains unnoticed until I have to dig for exact change.

What I see, of course, is a handful of Canadian coins.

I know my own concerns about the proliferation of such change has been brought on by one too many nightmarish experiences, particularly where late-night hunger pangs concern themselves. What dorm-bound UMaine student has not faced a situation similar to this grim scene:

*The vending machine only spirals your desire for a snack higher as it shamelessly displays its array of treats and goodies. Eyeing the bag of Fynyuns or whatnot, you tear into your pocket and frantically paw through the coins on your palm, counting off twenty-five, thirty-five, forty cents; but where that final nickel should be instead lies cruel Queen Elizabeth II, looking at you sideways, hiding a wicked grin as she denies you relief.*

Tracy Snodden, an assistant professor of economics at UMaine who hails from Canada, said that the exotic change has established its presence here through both a sizable amount of Canadian students and visitors here, and a strong sense of good old American-style apathy.

"People don't view change very seriously," Snodden told me. "It's

such a minor thing."

Virginia Lemos, a retail food supervisor who can often be seen working the register up at the Hilltop Market, says she sees her share of the foreign coinage, but she does her best to avoid it nonetheless, feeding it as change right back to the next cash-paying customer once she receives it.

Like the professor I spoke with, Lemos noted that she didn't mind far-northern silver in exchange for small purchases, and none of her customers seemed to object to a couple such coins in every handful of return change.

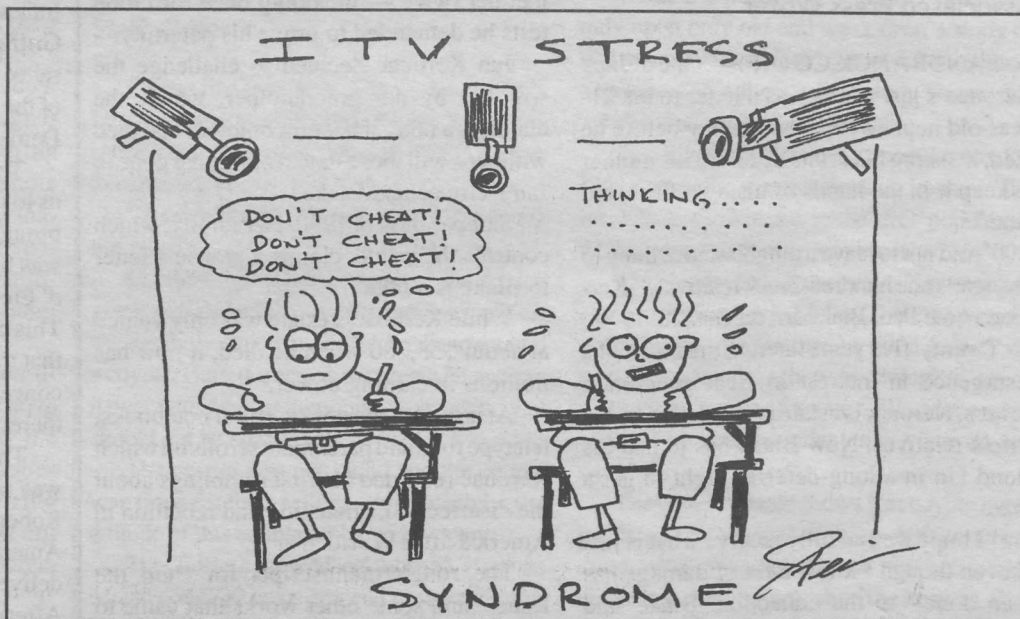
On that note, this relate to why the Susan B. Anthony silver dollar failed in this nation some fifteen years ago; not only did unobservant Americans continually mistake that coin for a quarter, but perhaps people here, trained to treat paper as more significant than metal, just wanted their dollars to come in paper only.

Prof. Snodden showed me how Canada overcame a similar situation when it first circulated a dollar coin in the late eighties: they gave it a gold color.

The coin also boasts one of the coolest names for anything any government has ever produced: the Loonie. It has a little depiction of a loon on its tail side, you see.

All this additionally suggests that Canadian coins, having the gumption to possess so much more suaveness than their U.S. counterparts, deserve a little bit of leeway in our purses.

So I may as well drop the subject, and chalk up our mixed-bag monies to multiculturalism. Let proud Monticello continue to clash in our coin purses with tiny silver bas reliefs of beavers. Either way, at least on this liberal-minded campus, you can buy and enjoy a cold Mr. Pibb and a warm international embrace all at once.



## • Editorial

### The land of the not-so-free

Proposed cutbacks in student aid through the Congressional rescission act will dramatically affect students in the University of Maine System. Nearly 70 percent of all students in the system receive some form of financial aid; of those, nearly 90 percent are residents of Maine, according to Chancellor J. Michael Orenduff in the *Bangor Daily News*.

If approved, the rescission act will renege funds that have already been awarded, forcing many students to leave school. It will also drastically cut funding from federal financial aid programs that many students depend on.

The obvious lack of good judgement on the part of Congress is best summed up by the then-House Budget Committee chair Leon Panetta: "Half of Congress doesn't understand what they're doing in terms of the consequences of the cuts." In one sweeping measure, Congress has proposed to deprive the nation's postsecondary students of \$12.9 billion in funds. Apparently, the consequences of this haphazard proposal have not been considered.

With the large amount of Maine students depending on at least some financial aid, the proposed rescissions in subsidized Stafford Loans, work-study programs, Perkins Loan subsidies, Pell Grants and Supplemental Education Opportunity Grants, which directly aid low-income students, will devastate students in the University of Maine System as well as other schools around the country.

In Maine alone, 80 percent of students depend on federal financial aid programs for part or all of their tuition payments, both at in-state or out-of-

state schools. Multiply this by 50 and we're left with 80 percent of America's future workforce out of money and, thus, out of school.

This is an outrage. The United States has always been the "land of opportunity." By cutting education programs and student aid, Congress is taking away that opportunity in one large chunk. With the ridiculously large costs of education still rising, without financial aid higher learning will become a possibility only for the wealthy, which goes against everything this country stands for.

It's understandable that the new Republican Congress feels the need to flex its muscle. After all, term limits failed and the Contract With America is slowly unravelling. However, the lack of direction from the White House is cause for concern. Clinton initially said that he would fight "every step of the way" against Congress' proposal to "cut investments in our future and increase the costs of student loans to our neediest students," according to the Postsecondary Education Network. However, an Education Department official said that many of the proposals in the rescission act had been submitted by Clinton.

This contradictory stance taken by President Clinton should be challenged. He should not try to enhance his image in the eyes of Congress at the expense of millions of college students.

Both Clinton and Congress need to take a step back and consider the repercussions of their proposed actions. The devastation to the nation's future that will result from these cuts cannot be taken as lightly as Congress has. Serious thought and planning must be made before consideration of such measures should take place.

## • GSS or nursery school?

To the Editor:

The General Student Senate is made up of several (around 35) representatives of the general student population here at the University of Maine. Most of us are at least 21 or 22 years of age. As a senator myself, I hope my fellow senators aren't direct representatives of the maturity level on this campus.

The maturity level I'm referring to (or lack thereof) is one I'm surrounded by every Tuesday night when I walk into 107 Corbett Business Building. A year ago I became a senator because I wanted to help make sure the residents of Somerset Hall weren't unrepresented in Student Government dealings. This past fall I fought to keep my seat, against a very tough opponent. At times I look around

during a meeting, and I wonder if it's even worth it.

One minute it's arguing, another minute it's name-calling. I believe the GSS is mostly a good body, with wonderful ideals. Unfortunately, most are drowned out by the baby-ish behavior of the few senators who won their way into the GSS only because they didn't have an opponent. It's these people who give the GSS its image: fairly decent one night, horrid the next.

Many senators feel a GSS meeting is their own personal forum for their own personal party. Let me say that this is not a party. It is a legislative meeting. It's not a place where we can be little kids and have our fun. It's business.

John Deetjen  
Student Senator, Somerset Hall

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# Editorial Page



## • Letters

### • Welfare mothers get a bad rap

To the Editor:

Wednesday's editorial page featured a cartoon portrait of a "welfare mother," a cruelly drawn woman watching television amidst a litter of junk food packages and beer cans, telling a man on the telephone she can't go out because she spent all her money on booze. She pauses to yell at her baby, on the floor and crying. Her T-shirt advertises "One in the oven." The television says, in obvious irony, "Welfare mothers have a bad rap."

Whether the artist agrees with those who oppose social reformation programs or is metafactively satirizing such sentiment with this harshly rendered picture and uninspired "joke," is perhaps irrelevant. The cartoon brilliantly captures, with its narrow focus, harsh and simplistic rendering and viscous exaggeration, the popular sentiment against welfare recipients.

The woman can be a single dastardly figure, or can represent the entirety of welfare mothers: alcoholic, irresponsible, lazy, and bad to her children. While few people would suppose that every single welfare mother was comparable to the woman in the cartoon, it doesn't matter. The anger and derision at this single woman, and the nagging suspicion that she is getting away with it, is a powerful enough emotion to sway many people against the program that permits and fosters her lifestyle.

A similar cartoon might feature a Mexican woman amidst Taco Bell wrappers and empty bottles of Sangria, complaining to a friend that she cannot go out, etc., pausing to abuse her child, while a televi-

sion announces that immigrants have a bad rap. Or perhaps a gay artist, among a pile of sex toys and squalor, complaining that he cannot go out, pausing to whip his child lover, the television announcing that the National Endowment for the Arts has a bad rap. In Nazi propaganda, it was typical to portray dirty, hook-nosed Jews in cartoons stamping babies into sausage makers with their big-nailed, calloused feet.

A cartoon has the power of creating its own reality, while maintaining such a low posture of authority that it does not have to claim responsibility for a lack of truth or compassion in its version of "reality." It can be derisive and mean, but it does not have to answer, like journalism, to its claims. The rhetoric of Limbaugh and Gingrich is in effect the same as this cartoon — boxed in, presenting its own distorted reality, playing on real anger and hate, but maintaining a goofy, clownish, quality that denies responsibility for its own expression.

If I were to recast this cartoon, I think I would draw a similar picture of a fat, spoiled air force general in a lawn chair beside his swimming pool, surrounded by buxom prostitutes and piles of taxpayer money, sucking down a martini. He would tell his friend on the phone he couldn't go out because he spent the last of his money on an airforce bomber, pausing to slap one of the women for expressing herself. I think I could defend this cartoon's social relevance.

Kurtis Scaletta  
Orono, Maine

### • Repairing the fractures

To the Editor:

Mr. Olesky is correct in his perception of campus. I myself have experienced the climate for which Mr. Olesky speaks of. However, this climate is not confined to the borders of UMaine Orono. It is also found on the Bangor Campus as well. I, being a split campus student, am subject to this environment everyday and recently have found it difficult to function within this environment. It is indeed very "scary". I often wonder if those with the comments were to be in my position, could they or would they handle it as well as I do. Prob-

bly not, since that kind of thing can only be learned through experience. I agree manners need to be different on campus, if not changed permanent fractures are created. Fractures, in which no one can get along. An event we now see in society at large. Fractures are underestimated by politicians, they are in fact deeply serious and when ignored feed on the evil in all of us. Only with work and compassion do they slowly erode and disappear. I wholeheartedly agree with Mr. Olesky's call to action.

Paul Christopher Johndro  
Dover-Foxcroft, Maine

## • Another View

### Play ball!

By Jeff Teunisen

Welcome to the ball game readers. Here's a little sarcastic rendition of a game many of us have grown up loving and unfortunately, recently, have come to hate. But look at it closely, it is, with all of its attributes, America's game.

In the voice of Roseanne: "...in the land of the free... and the home... of the... braaaaaave." She then proceeds to grab herself by the crotch. Her show is still as popular as ever.

"And the starting pitcher for tonight's game, after seven bans from baseball for the continued use of cocaine and an overturned lifelong ban, lefty, Steve Howe."

"I'll tell you Bob, Steve is looking great and he's making over \$2 million. He wanted more but the owners agreed \$2 million was enough to support his habit. They told Steve just to show up on time and not use the stuff before his urine tests, it looks like he's finally learning. What a guy!"

"Hey that's right Tommy, he's come a long way. Here comes Vince Coleman to the plate. Vince is batting .312 with 20 stolen bases."

"Hey, look at this, a standing ovation for Vince Coleman. You know his wife apologized for Vince when he threw a M-80 at a child who hoped to get a glimpse of the superstar."

"Yeah, she's a sweet-heart, Tommy. You know that kid was pretty shaken up from the blast. You know that youngster almost lost an eye due to Vince's prank. That Vince, he's something else... There's a single to right and Darryl Strawberry slowly picks up the ball and throws it in."

"You know Bob, Darryl's come a long way since the wife beatings, cocaine use and income tax troubles, and you know it's as if the fans have forgotten all about his history, they really love him."

"That's pretty obvious Tommy. The fans don't really give a hoot that this guy is a wife-beating drug user, they still put him up on a pedestal. You know, Americans have a short attention span and since drug use and violence are viewed as every-day occurrences, fans disregard a person's social ills if they can hit homers or throw some heat. Speaking of which, Darryl's good buddy Dwight Gooden's pitching tonight. Yeah,

that Dwight has failed more drug-tests than cops eat donuts, but hopefully he's clean tonight Tommy."

"Oh, I'm sure he is Bob. Dwight's a leader. He's pretty good about using nose candy on game nights. With Coleman on second after a stolen base, Otis Nixon comes to the plate... There's a gapper. The run will score as Nixon slides safely into second."

**"They told Steve just to show up on time and not use the stuff before his urine tests, it looks like he's finally learning. What a guy!"**

"That Nixon is something else Tommy, notice how he slides in head-first to protect the coke in his sock, what talent!"

"I'll tell you Bob, these players are always thinking, but Howe's having a tough time out there."

"That's right Tommy, out to the mound comes Keith Hernandez to talk to Howe. Yeah, Keith played around with coke a bit but that never stopped the Mets from acquiring him. How 'bout that Seinfeld episode!"

"At the end of one, its one to nothing, now here's a preview of tonight's boxing preview on the total sports network."

"And in this corner, weighing in at 220 pounds, ex-heavy weight of the woorrld, RAPIST... Mike Tyson."

"Ladies and gentlemen, this should be a great fight. Tyson really needs to perform in his debut to prove to the public that he still has what it takes. Mike looks ready to rumble; those THREE years in Jail for RAPING a woman seems to be what Mike needed to mature. Look at this place, the fans are going wild for the RAPIST, they love 'em!"

Jeff Teunisen is a Staff Writer at The Maine Campus.

## • Open your eyes

To the Editor:

The time has come to send a clear and unwavering message to the Board of Trustees of the University of Maine System. It's time to do away with the chancellor's office.

In a time of shrinking budgets and downsizing, the Board persists in having this redundant level of bureaucracy. And why? What does the chancellor's office do for you, the student? Almost nothing. Nothing except payroll services. Does a payroll service need a 15 million dollar budget? The University System could hire out a private contractor to do payroll. And save a whole lot of money to pay useful people like GASP! professors that teach classes you need

so you can graduate on time and not spend 5 years to get a 4-year degree. Or GASP! buy maintenance for buildings like North Stevens that has chunks of lead paint from the 1800s coming off the walls the size of a small boy.

Open your eyes student, this affects you. Attaching something like EdNet to the University of Maine only cheapens the value of your diploma. And guess what folks! You're paying for it! Doesn't that make you feel good that you are contributing your hard earned money to make yourself less marketable? Gives me a warm fuzzy too.

Aaron Burns  
Former Student Senator

## • Corrections

In the March 1, 1995 edition of *The Maine Campus*, Sandra Baker-Griffin was mistakenly labelled. She is the director of the Institute for Spiritual and Environmental Awareness.



# The Captain

By Kathleen Brennan  
Photos by Joel Page  
Maine Campus Staff

When people see Bill "Captain" Picard rolling confidently in his electric wheelchair to one of the three classes he attends at the University of Maine, they are greeted with a smile and a friendly "hi" as they pass.

"Most people are afraid of people with disabilities because they don't know what to think or say," Picard said. "If you grew up in a society where you had a couple of friends with disabilities, you'd be more apt to be comfortable around other individuals with disabilities, but most people haven't."

The "Captain", a nickname he received from a fraternity brother and Star Trek fan at his former university, has cerebral palsy. Although he has a disability, he is very able.

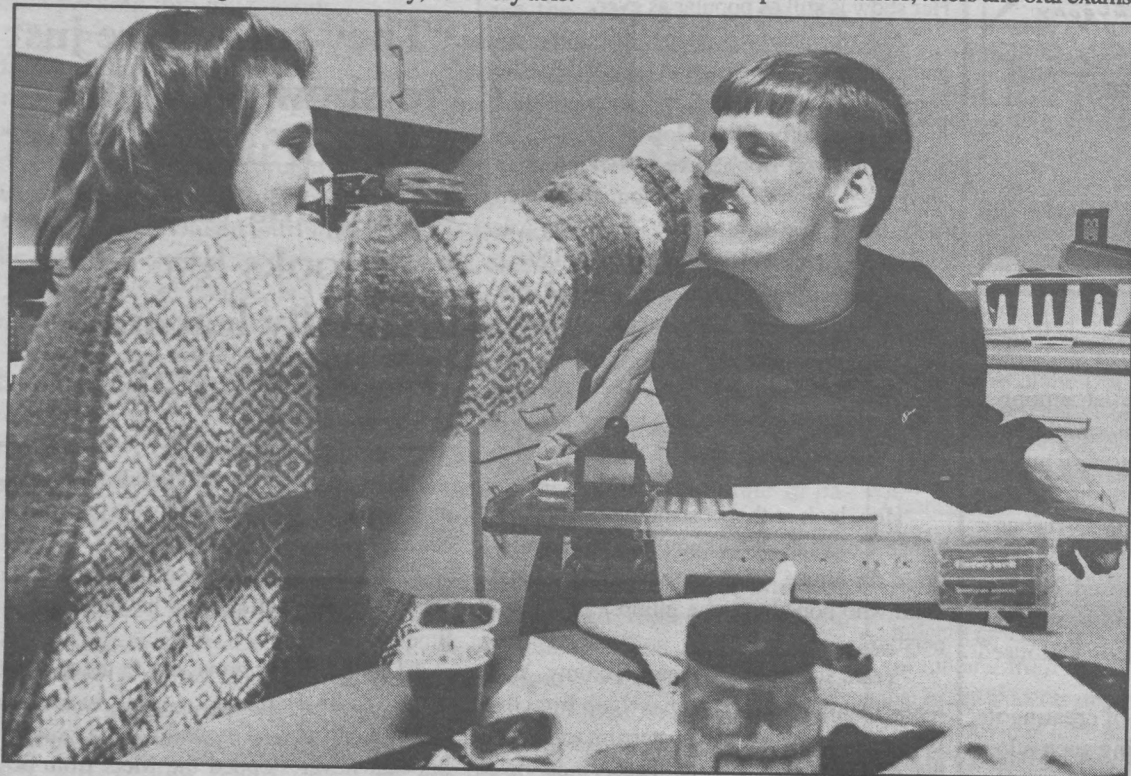
ulator, to assist him in speaking. He can speak many words, but it takes time to understand his way of speaking.

"The more you get to know me and spend time with me, the more you will understand my speaking," he said. "But if you don't try to talk to me or don't take the time to get to know me, you will have a hard time understanding what I say."

Picard said any questions about the way he speaks or about any aspect of his disability is better asked than kept to one's self.

"I hate it when people pretend to understand something I said even though I know they didn't. If you don't understand, just say so and I will repeat or say it in a different way until you do understand," he said.

Picard also has a tough time taking notes and tests, but with the help of note takers, tutors and oral exams,



Cerebral palsy, a condition that is caused by a lack of oxygen to the brain at birth, affects a person's muscles and speech. Picard, 24, is speech impaired and has some learning disabilities.

Picard, from the time he entered elementary school, has been placed in non-special education classes. He said most of his teachers have been supportive throughout his education, but a few have tried to hold him back. With the help of his friends and family, Picard graduated from high school in '91 and continued on the road to college.

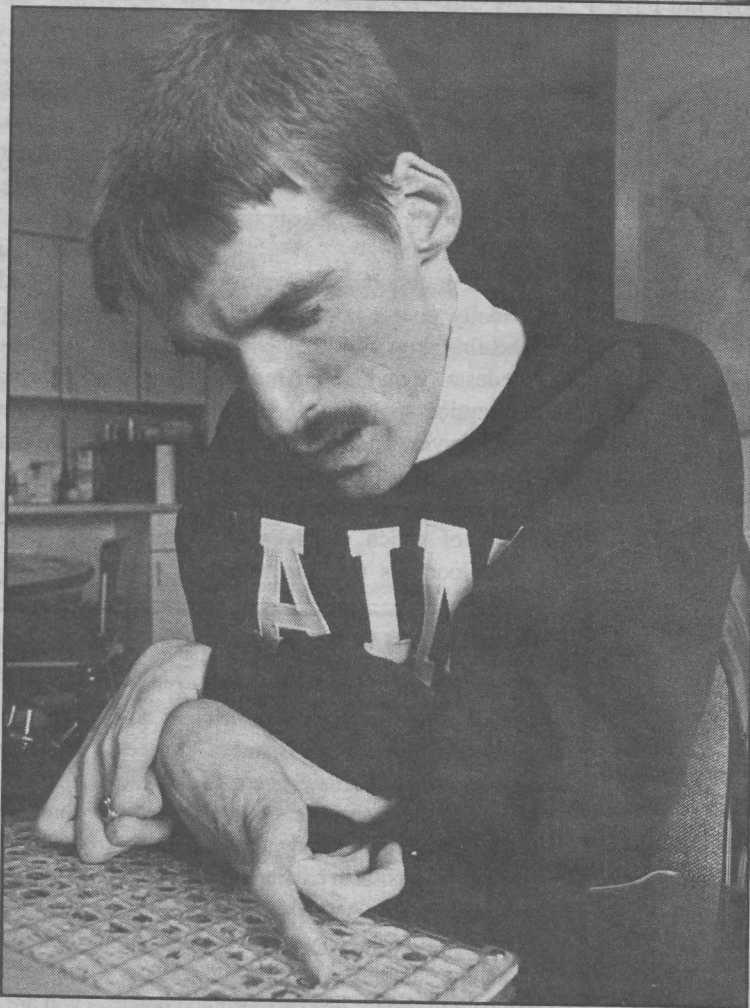
"The most important thing that they did for me was treating me like everybody else, and they didn't give me any special privileges either," Picard said. "I was just another kid who might need help once in a while to get through school."

Now a business management major at the UMaine, he receives help from students, professors, family and friends to do some everyday things needed for him to get an education.

When Picard transferred to UMaine from Edinboro University in Pennsylvania, he placed ads around campus and in the newspaper for people willing to assist him with his studies and personal care needs. Although Picard did get some quality responses from this ad, he still is in need of people willing to help.

Melissa Bucher, a sophomore nursing major, has worked for Picard all year. She assists him with getting ready in the morning, eating, shopping and other everyday necessities. Bucher said since she had never been in contact with a person with a disability, she was initially nervous to take the job. Once she met Bill, her fears were eliminated.

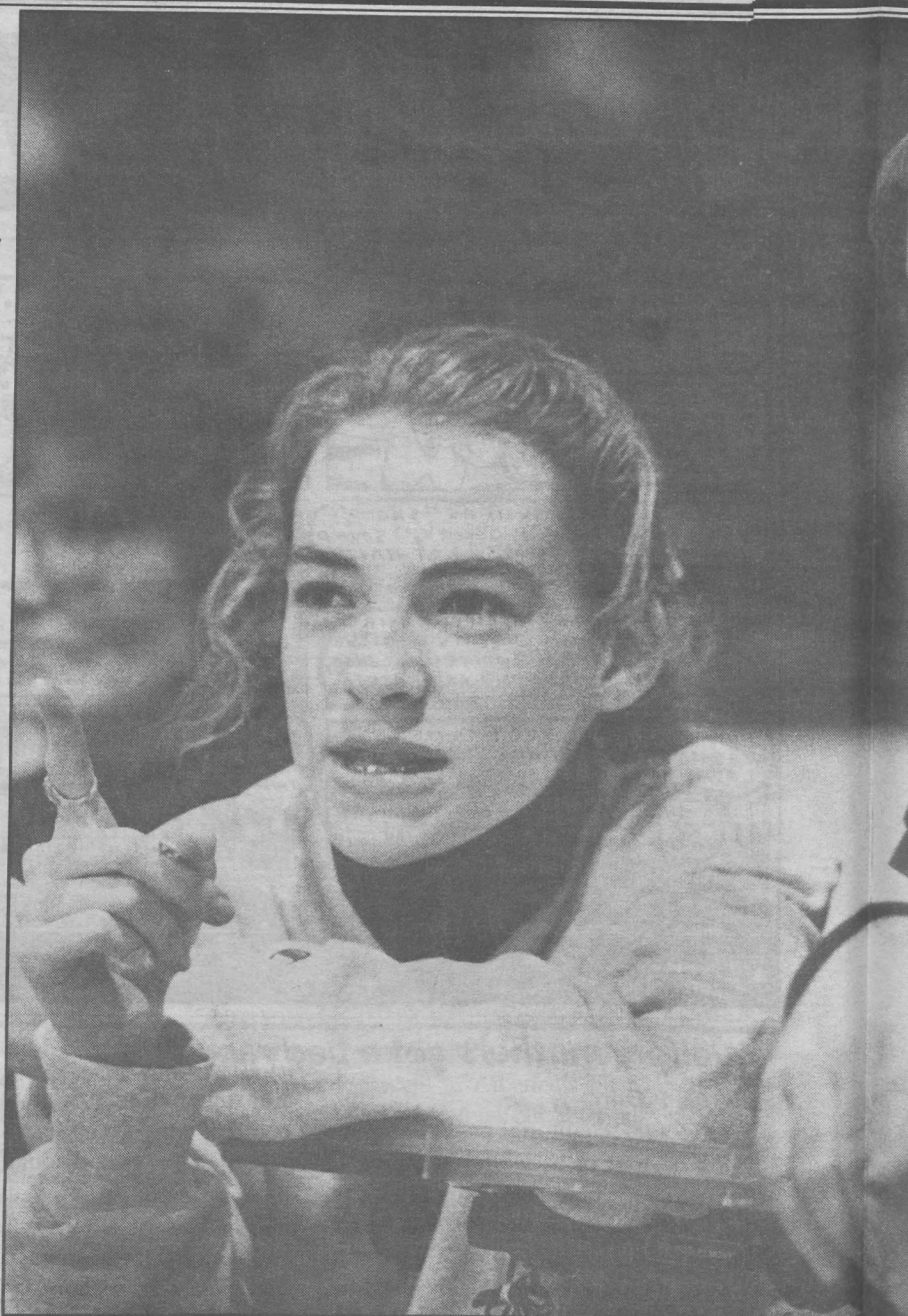
Picard uses a Touch Talker, a computerized voice sim-



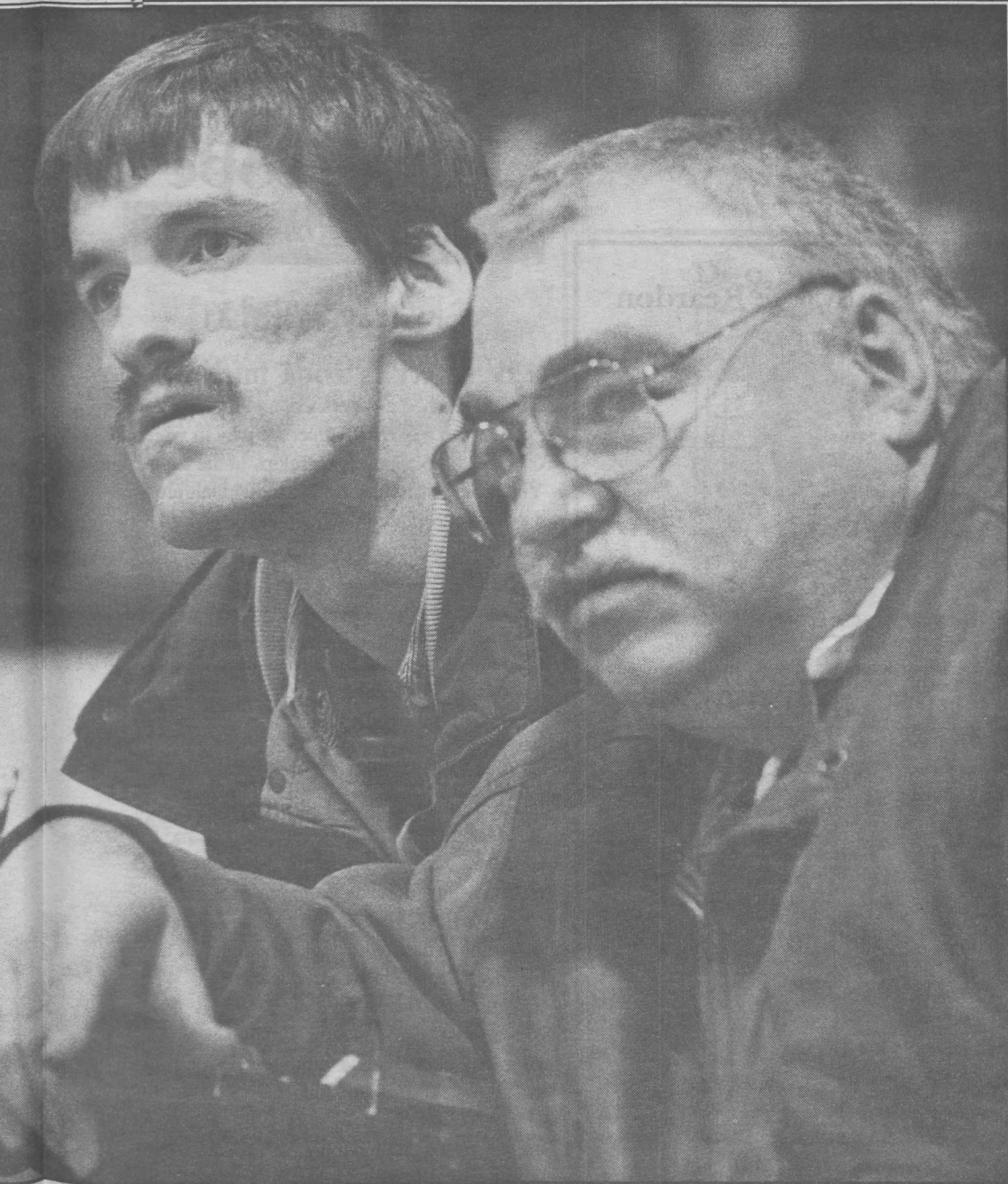
he is an excellent student.

He transferred to UMaine a year ago because he could not afford his former college. Picard said that he likes this university, but it has taken a lot of time to adjust here.

Picard has had to fight for many of the essential things he needs in order to live and attend school here. Picard has had to fight to live in Doris Twitchell Allen Village and to find accessible parking. He also has had a hard time trying to find people to assist him.







"At Edinboro, 95 percent of where you wanted to go, you could get in and get upstairs. Here, I'd say at most only 35 percent of the buildings on campus are fully accessible, but I like it here," Picard said.

At Edinboro, Picard was in a co-ed fraternity but decided not pledge a UMaine fraternity for the simple fact that they are not co-ed. Instead, Picard is involved in the Union Board, which plans some of the activities on campus.

Picard does not like to consider himself only a student, he also wants to be known as a fun guy. He enjoys dancing (in a walker), bowling, playing cards and watching movies. Picard attends most of the events he helps to plan through the Union Board. He especially enjoys the movies and the comedians.

Picard also enjoys watching sporting events. Picard, a faithful fan of UMaine's women's basketball, has attended every home game. Picard hopes to meet some of the members of the team someday, especially his and his family's favorite player Cindy

Blodgett.

Picard not only watches sporting events, he participates. One of Picard's greatest achievements is when, about 10 years ago, he went repelling down a cliff. His aunt tied him around her back, and they went down about 100 feet.

"I had the chance to try it, and it was fun," he said. "As you can see, I can do anything I choose to do with a little assistance."

Once Picard stops having such a great time in school and graduates, he hopes to open up a new business with his father. Picard stresses that he wants the same thing that everyone wants: a normal life with marriage, family and friends.

Picard said, "I'd like to be treated like everybody else because I am no different than anybody else. I might have a couple of physical differences, but I am like all of you in every other way. A lot of people forget that because they only judge a book by its cover."

• If anyone is interested in helping out with Bill's personal care or becoming one of his tutors, please call: 581-7170





# Entertainment

## Your Daily Horoscope

By Patric Walker

For Friday, March 31

**IF TODAY IS YOUR BIRTHDAY:** You've reached a watershed, and the decision you need to make will affect the way in which one special relationship develops in the future. You must be sure that certain individuals are in a position to provide the support you need to pursue a new direction in life.

**ARIES (March 21 - April 19):** All the planning and good intentions in the will amount to nothing unless you get down to business. You need to establish that your plans have at least a reasonable chance of success otherwise no amount of hard work will turn principals into profit.

**TAURUS (April 20 - May 20):** If you feel inclined to get things off your chest and tell a close companion how you feel, be prepared for some straight on their part, too. A few tears and tantrums are almost certainly on their way.

**GEMINI (May 21 - June 20):** A series of unsettling situations at work have left you feeling disillusioned with your lot in life. What transpires this week, however, is likely to remove most of the stumbling blocks, leaving your way clear to carve a new niche for yourself.

**CANCER (June 21 - July 22):** Planetary influences suggest you should be brimming over with ideas. Whether or not they're good is another matter. So choose the best, discard the rest and get down to work. And don't be afraid to fail.

**LEO (July 23 - Aug. 22):** You're approaching a crossroads in a longrunning inner battle between the pursuit of your career and your domestic commitment. The answer lies in striking a delicate balance between the two, whereby you can accommodate each without upsetting the other.

**VIRGO (Aug. 23 - Sept. 22):** If you continue to keep your emotions bottled up, you'll have no one but yourself to blame if your peace of mind begins to suffer. Self-control is good, but there are times when it's best to let your feelings out to close companions.

**LIBRA (Sept. 23 - Oct. 22):** Investments and joint arrangements are very much to the fore, and discussions or negotiations you enter now are likely to affect your finances for months to come. So, make the most of the Full Moon on the 18th to prove how resourceful you can be.

**SCORPIO (Oct. 23 - Nov. 21):** If a partner or business associate is acting out of character, refuse to be worried by the threat of being abandoned. Rarely have you been in a stronger position to demonstrate how ready, willing and able you are to go it alone if necessary.

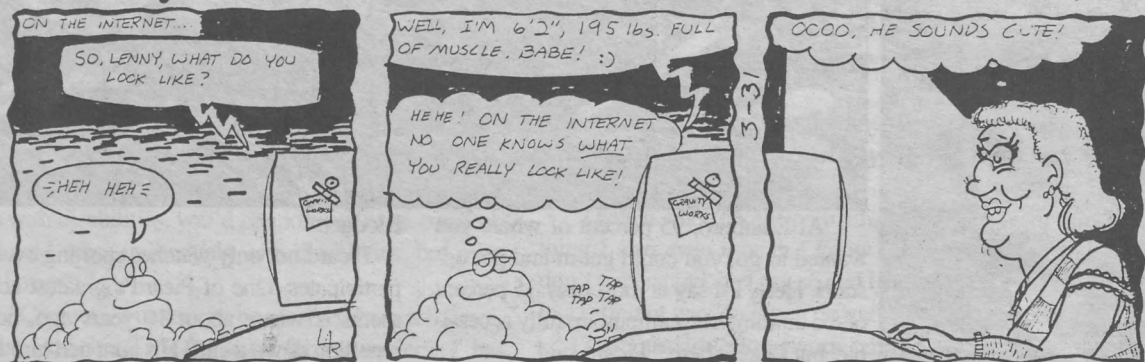
**SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22 - Dec. 21):** As long as you insist on looking for a hidden agenda in other people's actions, you will think you've found one - even if it's non-existent. The best business, therefore, is minding your own business and allowing colleagues to mind theirs, too.

**AQUARIUS (Jan. 20 - Feb. 18):** If your attitude toward work is considered unconventional, perhaps it's because colleagues are out of step with current thinking. Stick to your guns and don't allow your ideals and principles to be compromised.

**PISCES (Feb. 19 - March 20):** To achieve success you must be in the right place at the right time, and it looks as though the time has arrived. If reaching the right place involves making a move geographically or changing your stance emotionally or philosophically, then so be it.

### The Toy Box

By Lee Reardon



### Billy and Casandra

By Amy Tarr



### Calvin and Hobbes

by Bill Watterson



### Calvin and Hobbes

by Bill Watterson



### THE FUSCO BROTHERS

by J.C. Duffy





# Your Daily Horoscope

By Patric Walker

For Saturday, April 1

**IF TODAY IS YOUR BIRTHDAY:** The only danger in having the Sun so close to Jupiter on your birthday is that you mind suffer from an attack of overconfidence. If you temper you expansive ideas with common sense, the world can be yours.

**ARIES (March 21 - April 19):** Much depends on your determination to come to grips with problems relating to joint finances. There's no point in using delay tactics any longer, so make the most of magnificent aspects to bring everything out into the open.

**TAURUS (April 20 - May 20):** You have the opportunity to take a close look at relationship which have become strained and then set about repairing bridges. Focus on achieving what's best for all concerned.

**GEMINI (May 21 - June 20):** Your main priority should be to eradicate any lingering resentment at work. That's not an easy task, but you may find it possible to orchestrate a whole new approach and attitude for the future.

**CANCER (June 21 - July 22):** Planetary activity seems to have taken its toll on your emotions. But you don't have to tolerate situations which are hurtful. You know what needs to be done - now it's a matter of having the confidence to do it.

**LEO (July 23 - Aug. 22):** Having persuaded loved ones or colleagues that what you're proposing is to the benefit of all concerned, you must take the necessary action with out setting others on the war path.

**VIRGO (Aug. 23 - Sept. 22):** Now is the time to finalize travel plans or embark on ambitious negotiations; the tide of fortune is running in your favor. If you procrastinate, you run the risk of losing out in the long term by accepting what's given rather than taking what you need.

**LIBRA (Sept. 23 - Oct. 22):** Now is the time to show Doubting Thomases how confident and independent you can be regarding financial matters. You're free to forge without waiting for others to prove how committed they are to what you're doing.

**SCORPIO (Oct. 23 - Nov. 21):** Rarely have you been presented with such an opportunity to develop an idea into a major project. Magnificent aspects in your birth sign may provide the energy you need to achieve everything you set out to do.

**SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22 - Dec. 21):** If you make up your mind to put unreasonable fears and phobias behind you, a new wave of optimism will begin to take root. Current events are likely to set you straight - and then give you a hefty shove in the right direction.

**CAPRICORN (Dec. 22 - Jan. 19):** We all experience periods of despondency, but putting on a brave face isn't necessarily the answer. Sometimes it's more useful to accept the dark patches and wait until something brighter comes along - like the magnificent planetary setup which is about to replenish your confidence.

**AQUARIUS (Jan. 20 - Feb. 18):** You have the opportunity to move ahead. Planetary activity signifies that, professionally, anything is possible. Opening for advancement disappears all too quickly - so grab what is offered with both hands.

**PISCES (Feb. 19 - March 20):** You couldn't ask for a better time to lay your cards on the table. In fact, you should now be at your most clearheaded, direct and articulate, especially if you're seeking a new pathway to long-term happiness and success.

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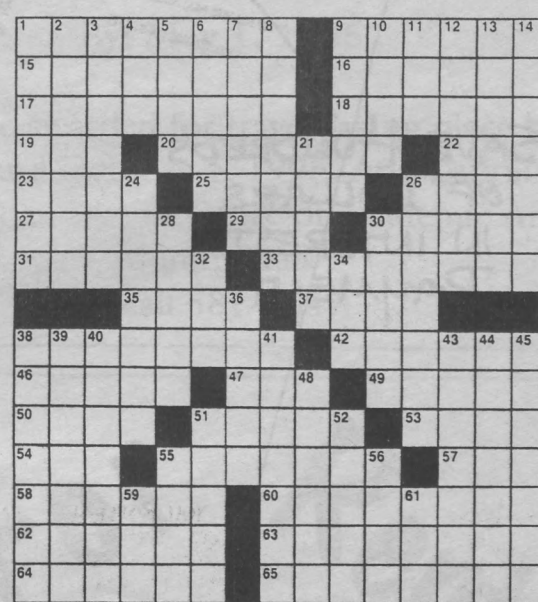
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Puzzle by Matt Gaffney

### ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE

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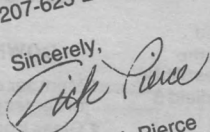
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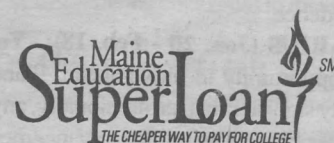
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# National News

## • Gay rights

### Federal judge rules against "don't ask" policy

NEW YORK (AP) — A federal judge today ruled against the Clinton administration's "don't ask, don't tell" policy on gays in the military, saying it was discriminatory and violated free speech rights.

U.S. District Judge Eugene Nickerson issued his ruling on a lawsuit challenging the policy that calls for the honorable discharge of service members who go public with their homosexuality.

"The policy of the act is not only inherently deceptive, it also offers powerful inducements to homosexuals to lie," he said, ruling in the first lawsuit to challenge the two-year policy.

The ruling applies only to the six gay members of the military who filed the lawsuit, said their attorney, David Braff. Because it wasn't a class-action lawsuit, he said, the "don't ask, don't tell" policy wasn't struck down.

"I'm absolutely thrilled to learn that my clients' constitutional rights have been upheld," he said.

The Justice Department will fight the ruling, spokesman Carl Stern said.

"We believe the challenged policy is constitutional and we remain committed to defending it," he said.

A presidential spokesman said the

White House would have no immediate comment. Defense Secretary William Perry said the Pentagon believes the policy is constitutional.

"It's too early to make any comments on what our actions are going to be at this point," Perry said.

All six plaintiffs remain on active duty. As a result of the ruling, the military would have to drop discharge proceedings against three of the six and would be barred from pursuing such action against the other three.

Nickerson said that even if the government intended that the law "prevent the commission of prohibited 'acts' or appease heterosexual prejudices," it had failed to make its case.

A key government argument was that the presence of homosexuals would damage "unit cohesion" and undermine the military's mission.

"Even if defendants do believe that heterosexual service members will be so upset by a co-worker's mere statement of homosexuality as not to work cooperatively in the unit, such a belief does not justify a discriminatory policy," he said.

Nickerson, appointed to the federal bench by former President Jimmy Carter in 1977, heard three days of argu-

ments on the issue earlier this month.

Congress adopted the so-called "don't ask, don't tell" rule in 1993. It allows gay men and women to serve in the military as long as their sexual orientation is not publicly known.

An estimated 200 service members have been discharged under the policy or are awaiting decisions. President Clinton, who made gays in the military a campaign issue in 1992, has said he thinks the policy is working.

In arguments before Nickerson, government lawyer Margaret Plank said the unique demands of military life — including tight living arrangements and a need for teamwork — required the exclusion of gays who openly acknowledge their homosexuality.

"Congress recognized that the military is an all-encompassing environment"

in which individuals gave up "time, liberty, privacy and possibly even life," she said.

Matthew Coles, a lawyer for the American Civil Liberties Union, said the law was based on prejudice and forced homosexuals to "choose between serving their country or living a lie."

He said it stemmed from lawmakers' fears that heterosexuals would have an "adverse reaction" to finding that some colleagues were gay or lesbian. There was no evidence that their presence disrupted "unit cohesion," Coles said.

Several experts, including two retired generals and a former top Pentagon official, testified for the plaintiffs. The government offered no witnesses but asked the court to review the record of hearings on the issue.

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## • Investigation

# Clinton orders probe into alleged CIA cover-up

TALLAHASSEE, Fla. (AP) — President Clinton has ordered an investigation into allegations of CIA involvement and cover-up in the deaths of American innkeeper in Guatemala and a Guatemalan guerrilla leader.

Clinton directed the Intelligence Oversight Board to conduct the review shortly after he arrived here Wednesday night, press secretary Mike McCurry said. He asked the board to consult with the CIA inspector general's investigation.

The press secretary said the review also will include fresh allegations, raised in a column in The New York Times today, of other American deaths in Guatemala. Samuel Blake, a consultant to the Pentagon,

wrote that his brother, who was a freelance journalist, and photographer Griffin Davis were shot by Guatemalan forces 10 years ago.

"The president is concerned about allegations surrounding these incidents," McCurry said.

The FBI was brought into the case to secure documents and determine if any had been shredded. "The necessary actions have been taken to make sure that the integrity of all documents would be preserved," Associate Attorney General John Schmidt said today.

And the Justice Department's inspector general also has joined the investigation. The Justice inspector general is cooperating

with the oversight board and "investigating whether there is any indication of wrongdoing by any Justice Department officials or any evidence beyond the Justice Department of violations of U.S. law," Schmidt told a news conference.

Justice spokesman Carl Stern said that work began Monday afternoon following a request by the CIA inspector general to determine whether there had been any contact between the CIA and the Justice Department.

ment, and what the substance such contact might have been, about the killings in Guatemala. Stern said he was unaware of any allegations against Justice Department employees.

McCurry said Clinton acted after Rep. Robert G. Torricelli, D-N.J., said Tuesday he had received an anonymous letter on National Security Agency stationery alleging efforts by U.S. intelligence officials to cover up their knowledge of the two deaths.

## • Crime

## Minister suspected of murder commits suicide

MOUNTAIN LAKES, N.J. (AP) — A minister suspected of bilking and killing a couple skipped a meeting with police, bought a 10-cent bookmark inscribed with the 23rd Psalm and killed himself by ramming his car into a bridge, police say.

The Rev. James S. Castria, 45, died Tuesday after slamming his car into a bridge abutment at 80 mph.

"The evidence ... would suggest it was a suicide," Sgt. Rick Antero said Wednesday.

It happened a few hours after Castria was due to meet with Pennsylvania police in connection with the slaying of Lowell Engel, 68, and his wife, Susan, 50, whose bludgeoned bodies were found March 23 in the woods of the Poconos mountains, near Stroudsburg, Pa. Authorities believe they had been killed several weeks earlier.

The Engels, who were married by Castria, disappeared from their home in the New York City borough of Staten Island in January after receiving an \$85,000 inheritance. Engel had shared a bank account with Castria.

Castria admitted to Pennsylvania state police that he stole \$40,000 from the Engels, the Staten Island Advance reported Wednesday.

day, citing unidentified police sources.

"He wouldn't admit to murder ... and nothing was proven. But he was the probable suspect" after being questioned on Saturday, a law enforcement source told the Advance.

The Advance quoted sources as saying that Mrs. Engel told at least two people that "Pastor Jimmy" was going to take them to Pennsylvania to see a friend of his, who would give the Engels \$1,000 as a small repayment of the money he had taken from them.

After skipping his meeting with police, Castria stopped at the Faithful Source Bookstore in Mountain Lakes, about 15 miles from his home in Clifton, and asked for a bookmark with the Lord's Prayer on it, Antero said.

"The clerk said, 'Will the 23rd Psalm do?' And he said, 'That'll do just fine,'" Antero said.

Castria walked out of the store with the bookmark reading "The Lord is my shepherd, I shall not want ...," got into his car and drove about 700 feet down the road, switching from lane to lane until he crashed into the abutment, Antero said.

Castria, pastor of the Faithful Gospel Church in Clifton, delivered their eulogies.

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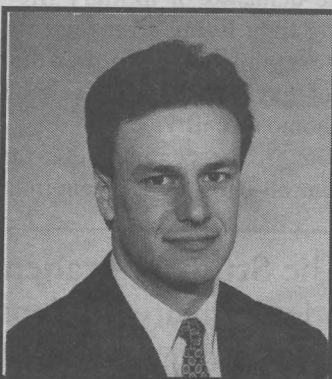
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## •Washington

# House defeats term limits - for now

WASHINGTON (AP) — The House threw itself into the path of a popular grass-roots movement and slowed the momentum of the new Republican majority by defeating a constitutional amendment to limit the years members of Congress may serve.

But 10 hours of politically charged debate and a historic first-time floor vote did nothing to put the issue to rest. The spectacle of lawmakers agonizing over their own fates and the intentions of the founding fathers promised to recur throughout the 104th Congress and influence the next election cycle.

"Term limits will be voted on as the first item in the new Congress if we are the majority," House Speaker Newt Gingrich vowed Wednesday night. "I can assure you it will be a major issue in the '96 campaign."

House Minority Leader Dick Gephardt, D-Mo., countered today that voters are far more concerned about jobs, wages, health care, education and crime. "They don't talk to me about term limits," he said. "I do not believe it is an issue that they live with every day."

The vote was 227-204 on the proposal

to limit lawmakers to 12 years' service in the House or Senate. That was more than 60 shy of the two-thirds majority necessary for passage.

The final roll call showed 189 of 230 Republicans voting for the measure, and only 38 of 204 Democrats. One Republican, Rep. Steve Stockman of Texas, voted present. He won his seat last fall by ousting a 21-term Democratic veteran.

The vote capped a long day of debate that produced expressions of profoundly differing views of government.

Freshman Rep. David McIntosh, R-Ind., noted the maxim that "power corrupts," and said he and other newly installed lawmakers must guard "against the possibility that this new majority would be corrupted by this power."

But Rep. Barney Frank, an eighth-term Democrat from Massachusetts, opposed the measure. "I believe in representative democracy untrammelled, unrestricted, unrestrained," he said. "Democracy is not simply what a given majority in a public opinion poll thinks at a given time."

Inclusion of term limits on last fall's

"Contract With America" was a reflection of the political popularity of the concept, particularly with disaffected voters like those who backed Ross Perot in the 1992 presidential election.

Previous Democratic majorities in the House had bottled up these measures, refusing to permit floor votes, and Republicans sought to capitalize on that point even as they headed for evident defeat Wednesday night.

In the final speech of the day, Gingrich sought to pin the blame for the amendment's defeat squarely on Democrats.

"My guess is tonight 60 to 65 percent of the Democratic party will vote against the American people and term limits," he said. If that's the case, he added, Republicans will use the issue as a campaign issue in 1996. If they reestablish their majority, he said, "term limits will be voted on as the first item in the new Congress." At a news conference moments after the vote, he added, "This issue is not going to go away."

None of the three top Democrats in the House, Minority Leader Richard Gephardt of Missouri; Minority Whip David Bonior of Michigan and Rep. Vic Fazio of California, spoke during the debate. All voted against the measure on final passage.

The vote marked the Republican-controlled House's first rejection of any of the items in the GOP "Contract With America," even though Republican leaders have been forced to make concessions on order to win approval for previous measures.

Another "Contract" item — a constitutional amendment requiring a balanced federal budget by the year 2002 — won passage in the House but failed by one vote to get the required two-thirds majority in the Senate.

Gingrich firmly rejected the suggestion that the term limits defeat marked the unravelling of the "Contract." He

and other top GOP leaders set a strategy meeting for later in the evening on assembling a majority to pass a package of tax and spending cuts scheduled to reach the floor next week.

Yet after closing ranks with remarkable discipline on earlier items in their campaign manifesto, House Republicans faced high-profile defections on term limits.

"I just can't be an accessory to the dumbing down of democracy," said Rep. Henry Hyde, the 11-term Illinois Republican who helped steer other "Contract With America" items to passage as Judiciary Committee chairman. "If this were a trial, I'd call as my first witnesses the Founding Fathers, who directly and unanimously rejected term limits."

On the other hand, one Republican, Rep. Mel Hancock of Missouri, used his time during debate to underscore that he was keeping the four-term pledge he made to voters when he first ran. "I will not be a candidate" for re-election this fall, he said.

Perhaps redundantly for a party that just lost its majority at the polls last fall, many Democrats said the amendment was unnecessary. "We've already got term limits," said Rep. Bill Richardson, D-N.M. "They're called elections."

In a long day on the floor, the House sifted through several rival versions of term limits.

The first proposal — a 12-year limit written by Democrats to apply retroactively — gained only 135 votes, with 297 opposed.

The second — limiting lawmakers to three two-year terms — received only 114 votes, with 316 against.

The third — providing a 12-year limit while permitting states to decide on less — gained 164, with 265 against.

The fourth version was the one failing on the final roll call of the night. It was silent on the issue of state prerogatives.

## •Mexico

## GOP blocks move to defeat rescue

WASHINGTON (AP) — House Republicans today defeated a movement within their ranks to bring to the House floor legislation blocking U.S. assistance to Mexico.

Freshman Rep. Steve Stockman, R-Texas, and Rep. Dan Burton, R-Ind., an International Relations subcommittee chairman, had wanted the House to cut off aid under the plan announced Jan. 31 by President Clinton.

Opponents of the \$20 billion credit line designed to shore up the value of the peso argue it's a waste of money and that Clinton exceeded his constitutional authority when he approved the credit line by executive order.

House Speaker Newt Gingrich, R-Ga., and Senate Majority Leader Bob Dole, R-Kan., had given their approval for the arrangement and a vote on the House floor would have embarrassed GOP leaders.

At a closed-door meeting of the GOP House caucus this morning, only about 60 lawmakers of the 230-member caucus sup-

ported a motion to have the full House vote on blocking assistance to Mexico, according to Burton.

"I understand. He (Gingrich) is our leader and the caucus wants to support him and make sure we have cohesiveness. However, I want to restate one more time that we're not talking about peanuts here," Burton said.

Gingrich told reporters after the meeting that the vote was a sign of maturity within the Republican Party and held out the possibility that the House could vote later this year on blocking the Mexico aid, after a series of investigatory hearings.

"You're going to see us want to have more knowledge and more hearings and look carefully at what's happening," he said. "We're not going to turn our back, walk off and say, 'This isn't something where we have a real responsibility to the country to watch our money.'"

"We should not preclude any action once we have more knowledge," he said.

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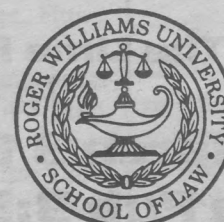
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## • Senate

## Glickman confirmed as agriculture secretary

WASHINGTON (AP) — Dan Glickman was handily confirmed Thursday as secretary of agriculture and pledged to get to work immediately on the 1995 farm bill.

The Kansas Democrat and 18-year veteran of the House Agriculture Committee promised to represent "all of America" and be an advocate for farmers and ranchers.

"The future of American agriculture is being debated right now, and I intend to be very active in that debate," said Glickman, 50, after the 94-0 Senate vote to confirm him. He was sworn in by Deputy Secretary Richard E. Rominger, who has been running the depart-

ment since Jan. 1.

Glickman replaces Mike Espy, who resigned last year because of favors he received from companies doing business with the department. Though nominated Dec. 28, Glickman had to wait for an exhaustive background check.

"It's good to be here — finally," Glickman told reporters, adding that he would take a common sense approach.

"Pragmatic solutions to farm problems is what will serve farmers, ranchers and consumers better," he said, but declined to give details about his farm policy plans.

## • Industry

## GM, Chrysler face strike deadlines

DETROIT (AP) — Strikes threatened Friday at automotive plants in Michigan and Indiana could shut down most of Chrysler Corp.'s assembly operations and put a big dent in General Motors Corp.'s ability to build pickup trucks.

United Auto Workers locals representing hourly employees at Chrysler's automatic transmission plant in Kokomo, Ind., and at GM's truck plant in Pontiac, Mich., set 10 a.m.

EST deadlines for agreements to head off walkouts.

The 5,700 workers at Kokomo want the company to commit to producing a new generation of truck transmissions at their plant. They believe hundreds of jobs will be lost if the new components are built at another Chrysler facility or by an outside contractor such as New Venture Gear, a Chrysler-GM joint venture that makes manual transmissions for Chryslers.

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## • Decision '96

## GOP candidate rakes in early campaign funds

WASHINGTON (AP) — Lamar Alexander will be paid more than \$500,000 while he runs for president, and he won't have to do much work to earn the money.

A Tennessee law firm already had agreed to pay the former Tennessee governor \$295,000 to advise a handful of clients while he seeks the Republican presidential nomination. Now, a defense contractor will pay him \$236,000 to step down from the board of directors of Martin Marietta Corp.

Alexander makes no apologies. At a news conference Wednesday in Baltimore, he said practicing law is how he earns a living. He added that he is entitled to the money from Lockheed Martin — the new company formed from the merger earlier this month of Lockheed and Martin Marietta — because he was under contract to serve on Martin Marietta's board until April 1996. Alexander and other Marietta directors will receive buyouts representing payments they would have received if they had served their full terms.

"Most of the people I talk with are delighted to learn I have experience in the private sector," Alexander said when asked about the payments.

Making money is not new for Alexander. In fact, the two payments are merely the latest in a string of windfalls that have come his way.

Admirers and critics disagree whether the financial successes are the result of good investment sense and great timing or savvy trading on his political connections. Either way, the deals have made him a millionaire.

In one deal, Alexander earned \$620,000 by selling newspaper stock he had obtained at no cost while governor of Tennessee.

In another, his wife, Honey, paid \$10,000 for stock in a communications company Alexander had worked with before becoming University of Tennessee president — Whittle Communications Inc. — then sold the stock back to the company's founder for \$330,000.

He also sold his house to an executive from the company for \$977,500 — \$407,500 more than he spent for it the previous year.

"I was a private citizen in all these cases," Alexander said. "This is the United States of America and if you start a company and it does well, you make mon-

ey. None of these involves doing business in government."

Public records, however, show Alexander was not a private citizen when the newspaper and Whittle deals were made.

The newspaper transaction occurred in 1981, when he was governor. Alexander, then-Tennessee Sen. Howard Baker and five others were given an option to buy The Knoxville Journal. Instead, business records show, the group brokered the sale of the newspaper to Gannett Co. for an estimated \$15 million.

As part of brokering the sale, Alexander got Journal stock at no cost. Then he and his partners received options to trade their Journal stock for more valuable Gannett stock.

During Senate hearings to confirm him as Education Secretary, Alexander said the transaction earned him \$620,000 in 1985.

The stock transaction involving his wife grew out of a 1987 consulting arrangement Alexander had with Christopher Whittle and Whittle Communications Inc. after he left the governor's office. As partial payment, Alexander was given the opportunity to buy four shares of the firm's stock for \$10,000.

In a 1991 disclosure report, Alexander said he assigned the stock rights to his wife, Honey, when he became University of Tennessee president in 1988, and that she later sold the stock while he held the college job.

Whittle has acknowledged he bought back the shares for \$330,000 — giving the Alexanders a \$320,000 profit. He said Mrs. Alexander received the same deal as other investors and that the profit was the result of rapid growth of the company's value.

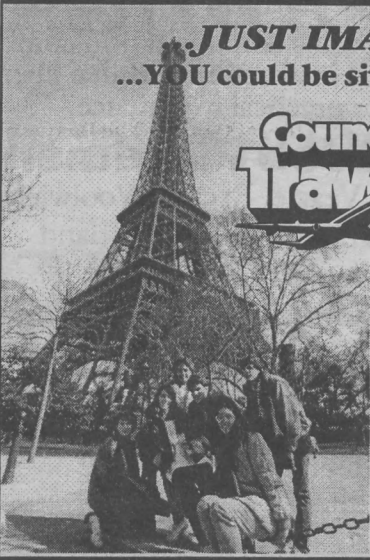
The house sale, to a Whittle executive, occurred after Alexander became Secretary of Education. During Senate confirmation hearings for the Bush administration job, he had promised to sever his ties to Whittle because the company worked in education.

The deals betray Alexander's portrayal of himself as an outsider because they are available only to the well connected, said Alex Benes, managing director of the Center for Public Integrity, a Washington ethics watchdog.

"You have to make allegiances to play the game. ... He's not an outsider," Benes said.

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## am sports

### Tyson's Back

Mike Tyson, saying he wanted to "associate myself with the biggest and the best," announced today he will return to boxing and that Don King will remain his promoter.

In his first public comments since being released from prison on Saturday, Tyson ended speculation of a rift between him and King. He did not take any questions after reading a brief statement at Gund Arena.

"Don is the greatest promoter in the world, as we know," Tyson said.

Tyson, the former undisputed heavyweight champion, said longtime friends John Horne and Rory Calhoun will manage him. He also said his fights will be on the Showtime cable network and that he has an agreement to fight at the MGM Grand in Las Vegas.

"I want to associate myself with the biggest and the best," Tyson said, "and I look forward to working with them and seeing you soon."

At the start of his statement, Tyson spoke briefly about how he spent his three years in prison on a rape conviction.

"For the past three years I've had a chance to reflect on my life and to develop my mind," Tyson said, "and I will continue my journey to making myself a better person so I can help others."

### Maxwell and Rockets sued

PORTLAND, Ore. (AP) — The Portland Trail Blazers fan punched in the face by Vernon Maxwell during a game last month filed a \$4.5 million lawsuit against Maxwell and the Houston Rockets.

Steve George contends Maxwell's actions at the Feb. 7 game were "willful, wanton, malicious, excessive, unlawful and done with total disregard to the safety" of George and other fans.

The lawsuit seeks \$1.4 million from Maxwell for throwing the punch and for the allegedly slanderous comments he made afterward. Another \$3.1 million is sought from the Rockets for failing to control the player.

### Seles' attacker retried

HAMBURG, Germany (AP) — Monica Seles, knocked out of world class tennis two years ago by an attacker who knifed her in the back, feels like a bird imprisoned in a cage, her psychologist testified at the retrial of her assailant.

Guenther Parche is being retried for jumping over a spectator's railing and stabbing Seles during a break in an April 1993 match.

Seles, 21, has not played pro tennis since the attack, although sports psychologist Jerry Russel May said, "She's doing everything possible to come back. She loves tennis."

Parche got a two-year suspended sentence for assault. He has said he wanted to injure the Yugoslavia-born Seles so German tennis star Steffi Graf could be No. 1.

### • Hockey

## Shermerhorn's goal wins it in triple O.T.

### Hockey

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dominate the game in the early stages, outthitting and outskating the underdog Black Bears.

"Early in the game we were hyper," said Maine head coach Shawn Walsh. "We were running to the puck. I think the physical play of Michigan caused us to be hyper."

Michigan's two goal lead held for about 14 minutes, before Jeff Tory's high slapshot from the right point beat Turco to his glove side. It was Tory's fourth goal in as many games.

Senior Captain Chris Imes pointed out the importance of Tory's goal which came with less than two minutes left in the opening stanza.

"That was a huge goal, it gave us some momentum," said Imes, who will be playing in his second NCAA national championship game. "If we were down 2-0 for much longer I don't think we would have come back the way we did."

Brad Purdie evened things up when he skated in from the neutral zone and beat Turco with a slapshot.

Maine took the lead for the first time after a great individual effort by Imes. The defenseman took a pass off the boards from Tory and skated in the right side weaving around a pair of defenders. His shot bounced off Turco's pads to

Shermerhorn's stick and Shermerhorn dumped the puck into the net for his first of two goals on the night.

"(Michigan) tried to clear the puck and I stopped it on the blueline," said Imes recalling the play. "I think some of their forwards got caught up the ice and things just kind of opened up for me."

The lead didn't hold for very long, as Michigan's Mike Knoble scored the equalizer 49 seconds later at the 14:51 juncture of the third period.

But little did either team know, the game was just beginning. Neither team managed to score over the next 45:35 as Allison and Turco took turns making unbelievable saves.

Allison finished with a season-high 47 saves, while his freshman counterpart, Turco, turned aside 52. Allison's most incredible save came when he picked a high shot by Mike Legg out of the air with his glove while lying on his back.

"Allison was a man tonight," said Berensen. "Until I see the game tape, as far as I'm concerned, he was the difference in the game."

Maine picked up win No. 32 with the victory and improved to 32-5-6. Michigan concluded an outstanding year with a 30-8-1 mark.

Walsh said that the game, which was the second longest in NCAA history, was a gut check for both teams.

"I hate to call it a test because that would mean somebody failed," said Walsh. "Nobody failed this test, what it was is a deep down check of your heart and both teams passed it with flying colors."

Michigan outshot Maine 11-6 in the first overtime, but Maine's offense heated up in the second overtime, holding a 17-8 shot advantage.

Maine now awaits the winner of the Boston University-Minnesota game which had not yet concluded at press time. The championship will be played Saturday at 1 p.m.

**Tournament notes:** Tory's goal was his 13th of the season, which ties the UMaine record for goals by a defenseman, shared by Jack Capuano and Dwight Montgomery. He is also two points shy of Keith Carney's record for points by a defenseman with 56.

...Maine is now 3-1 in NCAA tournament overtime games. Their record for the season improved to 2-0-6.

... Shermerhorn's game winner was his second this season in O.T. The other came on Nov. 27 against BU.



Fans at the Bear's Den celebrate the Black Bears' 4-3 victory over Michigan in triple overtime. (Geyerhahn Photo.)

### • Softball

## Black Bears to compete in Buzz Classic

By Tony Hallett  
Sports Writer

The University of Maine Black Bears finished last weekend's softball action at the .500 mark. The Bears split two with the University of Rhode Island, and then Boston College, bringing their non-conference record to 13-14.

"I didn't know much about either of the teams. I knew we'd have to play well in order to win," Coach Janet Anderson said. The 17-season veteran said she knew both teams had taken southern trips, and URI had been quite successful.

The Rams of Rhode Island showed their ability in the first game of Saturday's double-header. URI shut out UMaine 4-0. Cindy Harrington took the loss, and her team collected only three hits in seven innings.

"We got into the problem where our defense is great, but we can't score runs,

and we don't hit the ball," senior co-captain Kris Gorman said. Gorman is tied with Michelle Puls in batting average, hitting .279.

The Bears made adjustments in time for game two and defeated the Rams 4-3. Mary Persson earned her first collegiate victory in her six-hit performance. Melissa Creegan knocked in the winning run after Mary Wells and Puls reached on errors. Creegan, who is hitting .289, has smacked 24 hits in 26 games.

The Bears next did battle with the Boston College Eagles. BC took a 3-0 advantage in to the seventh, but the game was far from over. The Bears garnered five runs that inning to edge out the Eagles 5-3. Harrington earned her eleventh win, and dropped her ERA to 1.69, with 104 strikeouts.

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### • Women's hoops

## Women gain NIT bid

By Scott Martin  
Asst. Sports Editor

The University of Maine Women's Basketball team learned yesterday they have received an invitation to the pre-season women's National Invitational Tournament.

Maine joins 15 other teams in the NIT and will host play host to the UMass Nov. 15 in first round action.

The Black Bears tied the school record for wins in a season with 24 and went to their first-ever NCAA tournament where they lost to No. 1 seed, undefeated UConn.

Other schools taking part in the WNIT include: Arkansas, Colorado, Drake, Duke, Lamar, Memphis, N.W. State Louisiana, Ohio State, Oregon, Pittsburg, Texas A & M, Virginia Commonwealth and Utah.

The tournament is put on by Triple Crown Sports and will follow a single-elimination format.



## • He's back

## Jordan soars for 55 points

NEW YORK (AP) — Michael Jordan and the Chicago Bulls came into Madison Square Garden with so much to prove.

Inconsistent in the first four games of his comeback, could Michael have another Jordanesque Broadway show at the New York Knicks' expense?

And could the Bulls, who might meet the Knicks in the opening round of the playoffs, make a statement?

In Tuesday night's 113-111 victory over New York, Chicago provided the answers: Yes.

And, if one is to believe the principal performers, not really.

"I forgot how to make a statement," said Jordan, a twinkle in his eye and a smile on his face. "I'm just trying to get myself in a rhythm. I was shooting the ball well. I had a pretty good game."

Pretty good, indeed. Jordan scored 55 points on 21-of-37 shooting and assisted on Bill Wennington's winning dunk with 3.1 seconds to play.

"As far as a statement game, I wouldn't go so far as to say that. It's a statement that Michael is back to play basketball," Bulls coach Phil Jackson said. "But I don't know if it's a statement of how well we can play or how good a team we are."

Said Bulls guard B.J. Armstrong: "A couple of weeks from now, this will be just another win."

Whether he intended to make a statement or not, Jordan certainly proved that neither John Starks nor any other mere human can defend him one-on-one.

Asked if he thought the Knicks were similar to the team the Bulls beat en route to NBA titles in 1991, 1992 and 1993, Jordan said: "Starks looked a little bit different to me. I think he forgot how to play me. I got a lot of easy shots off him."

While it appeared Starks usually had his hands in Jordan's face, Starks actually was well away from the ball most of the time. And Jordan, who gets up extremely high for his jump shot, almost always had good looks at the basket.

Starks' inability to contain Jordan made Knicks coach Pat Riley resort to double-teaming the Bulls' star with center Patrick Ewing. Riley hates double-teaming anyone.

It worked a few times, with Ewing even blocking a couple of Jordan's shots. But Jordan capitalized in the closing seconds, feeding Ewing's man, Wennington, for the decisive jam. The Knicks' final chance to win or tie ended when Starks fumbled the ball after receiving the inbound pass.

"That's Michael Jordan. That's why he's the best," Starks said. "I tried to throw everything I had at him. It was a matter of time before he played one of those games like you're just not there."

The matchup gains significance in that the two may meet several more times this season — in the playoffs, when it really counts. The way the standings are now, the Knicks and Bulls would meet in a first-round series.

"Michael is the best player in the game and he proved it," Ewing said. "But it's not the biggest night of the year. That's yet to come."

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## Softball

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"We were able to put things together," Anderson said. "It was a very exciting finish to the game."

"We gave our coach a heart attack," Gorman said.

The last game of the weekend did not go as well. The Bears connected on just four pitches, and committed five bloopers. The Eagles did nothing wrong as they blew-out Maine 10-0 in five innings. Persson dropped number five and ended the trip with a 5.15 ERA.

This weekend, the women in blue and white will hit the road again. Maine will travel to Atlanta, Ga. to compete in the Georgia Tech Buzz Classics. Waiting for Maine will be Georgia Southern, Georgia Tech, UNC-Wilmington, and Bradley.

To be successful on the southern swing, the Bears will have to overcome sporadic hitting, and play consistently on both sides of the ball.

"It's a wait-and-see situation," Anderson said, adding she had not had a chance to scout the opposition. This does not discourage her.

"Half the fun is walking in and meeting the challenge head on. We're looking forward to it."

"One thing about southern schools is they're outside earlier. That's an advantage over us," Gorman said. The shortstop saw no reason why the Bears couldn't meet the challenge.

"If we jump on them quick, and keep the defense tight, we should be okay."

**Team notes:** Along with batting average, Gorman leads the team with a .359 slugging percentage and OBP of .342. The team is hitting .243. Kelly Harrington's 10 RBIs lead the team. Maine has been outscored 94-73, and the team ERA hovers at 2.68. Maine has stranded 150 base runners to opponents' 155.

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## • Strike update

## Opening day closing in

NEW YORK (AP) — Baseball players are mulling the owners' new offer and plan to make a counterproposal by the end of the week.

"I assume there's room for negotiation," union head Donald Fehr said Tuesday night before the union's executive board began a two-day meeting. "If there isn't, we're in trouble."

With the season scheduled to start in four days with replacement players, it appeared a final decision to begin play wouldn't be made until the weekend.

Fehr, who had a 90-minute meeting with acting commissioner Bud Selig, said the union will respond to owners Wednesday or Thursday, and he expected talks to resume then.

"Something's going to happen," Kansas City Royals pitcher David Cone said. "It's going to be real hairy the next few days."

Selig won't say whether opening day could be pushed back, but some teams — just in case — began planning for an extra three weeks of spring training.

Management's new proposal offered to keep the system of salary arbitration and free agency that was in effect during the expired collective bargaining agreement.

"I think it is fair to say that the series of suggestions we have received represents some movement by the clubs," Fehr said. "I think it would be incorrect of me to suggest that we thought it was substantial."

Management's plan called for a 50 percent luxury tax on the portions of payrolls above \$44 million, which was 108 percent of the average in 1994. The sides would play this season under the old rules and the tax would start in 1996 and continue through 2000, when the agreement would expire.

"This proposal is much less than the clubs hoped to achieve, and I'm sure it will not thrill you either," Selig said in a letter sent Tuesday to all major league

players. "But both the clubs and the players are at the point in this dispute where they must swallow hard and make an agreement. Otherwise, we will continue to do damage to this industry, which ultimately will cost the clubs and players far more than the amount at stake in this negotiating."

Fehr, who described the plan as "some good, some not so good," said it would result in "paying players less than they are worth" and called the 50 percent tax "whopping."

"In our view, a 50 percent tax rate, at the level that it kicks in, is very close to — if it does not constitute — an effective cap," he said.

"There's a little movement, but it isn't one that knocks your socks off," free agent outfielder Brett Butler said. "This is a moving-the-ball kind of offer."

Selig said he expected to hear from Fehr today. Fehr didn't promise players will make a counterproposal, but left the impression they would. Butler predicted the union will offer one by Friday.

The union's executive board was expected to pass a resolution today stating that players would end the 7 1/2-month strike if U.S. District Judge Sonia Sotomayor issues a preliminary injunction requested by the National Labor Relations Board. It would restore salary arbitration, free agent bidding and anti-collusion rules.

She has scheduled a hearing for Friday morning, but there's no indication when she will rule.

"I assume they will go back as soon as the injunction is granted," Fehr said of his players.

If players end the strike, owners may lock them out. But even hardline owners don't know if they can get the required 21 votes from among the 28 teams, and more management officials, speaking on the condition of anonymity, said they doubted owners would lock out the regular players.

## • Baseball

## Maine looks to hit stride

By Scott Martin  
Asst. Sports Editor

The University of Maine baseball team has gotten off to a slow start but they have a chance to get some momentum this weekend.

Maine (3-20, 1-3 NAC) heads to Pleasantville, N.Y. to face Pace University, Friday at 3 p.m. and then travels to Boston University to play a pair of double-headers Saturday and Sunday.

The Boston University series proves to be important for the Black Bears who need to pick up much needed wins in the North Atlantic Conference. The Terriers have struggled as well early on with a record of 0-12, 0-4 in the NAC.

B.U. is led by hot-hitting first baseman Joseph Spano. The sophomore enters this weekend's action with a .436 batting average and a .538 slugging percentage. As a team B.U. is hitting .241.

Maine will have a good chance to get their bats heated up this weekend facing a Terrier

pitching staff that has a combined earned run average of 11.67. The Black Bears have struggled at the plate and go into the game with a .233 batting average. Freshman centerfielder T.J. Sheedy leads the Black Bears in hitting with a .313 average, including two triples and 11 r.b.i.'s. Catcher Steve Puleo adds juice to the Black Bears lineup hitting .290, with a team-leading 15 r.b.i.'s and one homerun.

Last week, the Black Bear's offense showed signs of turning it on, hitting .325 while going 2-3. Puleo was on fire, batting .474 and knocking in eight runs over the five-game stretch.

Black Bear pitching has fared a little better than that of B.U. Maine pitching gives up an average of 7.59 runs a game. The bullpen has been the strength of the Black Bears and Garrett Quinn has lead the way, collecting two saves and recording seven strikeouts in 8.7 innings of work.

Pace is currently 8-1-1 and is coming off a 2-1 defeat of Army. Pace is not a member of the NAC.

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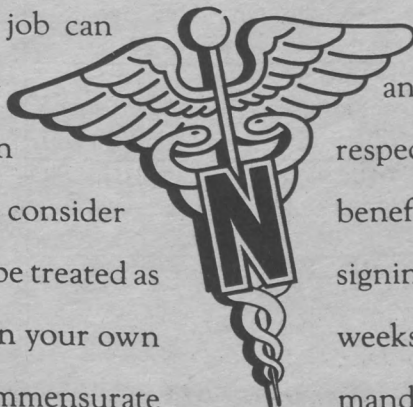
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## • NHL

# Jagr scores two; Shark trip up Jets

## Penguins 6, Islanders 3

Jaromir Jagr scored twice, giving him a league-leading 25 goals, and Pittsburgh extended New York's road winless streak to 13 games.

Jagr scored on a breakaway at 4:10 of the third period and added another goal at 12:48. Just 41 seconds later, he got a major penalty and a game misconduct for high-sticking Dennis Vaske.

## Sharks 6, Jets 5, OT

Jeff Friesen put his own rebound into the net with 32.3 seconds left in overtime as San Jose ended its eight-game home losing streak.

San Jose won for the first time in 14 games when trailing after two periods. The Sharks took a team-record 24 shots in the third period and scored three times for a 5-4 lead. The Jets, 0-5-1 in their last six games, tied it on Igor Korolev's goal with 47 seconds left in regulation.

## Bruins 5, Flyers 1

Adam Oates and Bryan Smolinski each scored two goals and Boston beat goaltender Dominic Roussel and Philadelphia.

The Flyers had been 9-1-1 in their last 11 games. Roussel had won five straight starts with a 1.98 goals against average.

Smolinski scored twice in the first

eight minutes. The host Bruins held down Eric Lindros, who went scoreless for only the sixth time in 31 games this season.

## Sabres 5, Nordiques 3

Pat LaFontaine scored one goal and had two assists as Buffalo ended Quebec's four-game winning streak.

The Nordiques, missing six injured players, lost goaltender Jocelyn Thibault just 4 1/2 minutes into the game when Buffalo's Wayne Presley fell on his arm.

## Red Wings 6, Mighty Ducks 4

Ray Sheppard's two goals helped Detroit improve to 8-1-1 in its last 10 games.

Steve Yzerman scored 2:43 into the

game, and the host Red Wings added three more goals in the first period. Anaheim goaltender Mikhail Shtalenkov was replaced by Guy Hebert to start the second period.

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**Anxious? Unintended pregnancy?** We'll Help. Free pregnancy test 942-1611

**Orono Thrift Shop** - WED 11-4 SAT 11-2. Take Pine St. off Main St., 2nd right off Pine (Birch).

**DO EUROPE \$169 anytime!** Carib/mex \$189 r/t \*\*FREE Brochure\*\* Cheap fares worldwide! **AIRHITCH (212)864-2000.**

### miscellaneous

**InLimbo DJ Service** - All request, exactly what you want. Over \$20,000 of music. 947-9173 Mike Laramie.

**Free Financial Aid!** Over \$6 billion in private sector grants & scholarships is now available. All students are eligible regardless of grades, income, or parents income. Let us help. Call Student Financial Services: 1-800-6495, ext. F50672.

**Dorm!** The revised video with printed cover is now available for sale. ONLY \$10.00. Contact Brett 866-3612.

**FREE FREE FREE FREE FREE FREE** May '95 graduates, don't forget to stop by Crossland Alumni Center by April 7 for your free membership.

**Sigma Nu and Chi Omega** pledge classes are sponsoring a car wash. Sunday, April 2 at Christy's in Orono.

### personals

**If you want an aesthetic place to live next year** - Colvin hall, call Ben at 581-6355 for rush contract.

**Jay Bird** - You're the sweetest woman in the world. Thank you for saving my life. I Love You Baby - **Andy**

**Living on-campus next year?** Check out Colvin Hall Co-Op. Food 24/7, 2 bedrooms & living room, fireplace.

**Jen, Sonny, & Annette** - The Cancun Banana Club wet t-shirt babes - I have a present for u. Call (515)852-4511.

**Scully** - I know you're lost now & u r skeptical - but I am a **true believer**, so please, open up your **stargate**, for I want to fly with you - far away together. **Love, Molder**

**Brown-Eyed Girl** - I'm excited to know you feel this way, don't worry, we'll do it the safe way! I'll bring the condoms - **Big Spender**

**AMY SKLAR!!!** Look! your very own ad! Have a great day (don't forget to go to work! **Guess who?**

To get your classified ad stop 107 Lord Hall, M-Th 9am-5pm and F 9am-4pm.

Cost is \$1 per line. (One line equals 35 characters including all spaces and punctuation.)

Take advantage of our FREE lost & Found ad and our 3 lines 3 days for \$3 special. Any questions? Call 581-1273.