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• GSS

Separate independent candidates stir debate

By Jared Bruce
Staff Writer

For the first time in the history of the University of Maine's Student Government, two separate independent candidates will be running for the offices of student body president and vice president, according to the chair of the Fair Election Practices Committee.

The announcement stirred heated debate about how to handle the situation. The FEPC's guidelines clearly state that people are allowed to run for office without a running mate. They do not, however, provide a detailed procedure that examines the specifics of the process.

"This is good because it makes us look over our guidelines and makes us realize that we have to amend them for the next election," FEPC chair Chris Barstow said.

The current president of student government, Ben Meiklejohn, is running for re-election as an independent. Dusty Doherty, longtime chair of the Ram's Horn Board, is running for vice president.

"For all intents and purposes, Dusty and I might as well be running

with each other," Meiklejohn said. "But if students want to rest well on their conscience, they have the opportunity to vote for just one of us if they don't want both of us."

"With independents you have a choice, and you get to see people as individuals with individual goals," Doherty said.

The ticket of James LeBlond for president and Scott Morelli for vice president voiced concern that the new ballot and voting procedure may cause concern, which could lead to a lower voter turnout.

On the revised ballot, voters will have the opportunity to vote for either one ticket or two individual candidates. If Meiklejohn and Doherty win as separate independent candidates, they will win the election.

Running as a ticket, LeBlond and Morelli must get more votes than both Meiklejohn and Doherty. If Doherty receives more votes than any of the other candidates, Meiklejohn will be president.

A thick line will run down the middle of the ballot separating the ticket-runners from the independents. Instruction explaining the procedures will be seen atop the ballot.



The ticket of James LeBlond (right) for president and Scott Morelli expressed concern about lower voter turnout. (Lachowski Photo.)

"We want to make this as idiot-proof as possible," Barstow said.

Still, as Barstow read the guidelines to the candidates Monday evening in the Totman lounge, Morelli shook his head in disgust.

"I don't see how a person with a small amount of votes can become VP and still call that the will of the people," he said.

"I think the best and easiest way to have it be all tickets or all independents," Barstow said. "We need to take a fresh look after the election is over and improve on it."

Elections for president and vice president will be held Feb. 13. On-campus students can vote in their dining commons during meal hours. Off-campus students can vote in the Memorial Union from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

• Smooches

KISS OFF

Record-breaking kisses?

By Kathryn Ritchie
Staff Writer

Two weeks from today the Alford Arena will be filled with lots of smacking — and it won't be from a hockey game. It'll be an attempt to break the Guinness Book record of the largest number of people kissing in the same place, at the same time.

The event was dreamed up years ago by Associate Professor Sandra Caron when she heard that Oregon State University broke the record in 1990 with 2,000 people, or 1,000 kisses. She thought UMaine could easily break that. So while on sabbatical in London last semester, Caron contacted the Guinness office and approached them about breaking the record.

"I just think it's going to be great," Caron said. "The whole idea of it's Valentine's Day, and we all need a little affection in our lives."

In order to be official with the Guinness office, the event must have two witnesses, local or national news clippings and photographs. Caron decided to have witnesses representing each medium, so she invited Jeanne Curran from The Bangor Daily News, Tim Throckmorton from Channel 5 and Dan White from Kiss 94.5.

Kiss 94.5 is also co-sponsoring the event, and will be promoting it on-air in the weeks to come. White will be emceeing the event, leading people into the kiss.

Participants are being asked to arrive at the Alford at 9:30 p.m. to allow time for accurate counts and setting up.

The kiss will be led by three couples on a red carpet on the ice. They are President Frederick E. Hutchinson and his wife Dionne, Bananas the Bear and a cheerleader, and President of Stu-

• Crime watch

Public Safety

On-campus resident awakened by intruder

By Christine Thurston
Staff Writer

A woman student was jolted awake by an unknown man climbing into her bed at Somerset Hall on Saturday at about 2:30 a.m., according to Public Safety Investigator William Laughlin.

"She made an excuse to get out of the room and then reported to her RD (resident director)," Laughlin said. "By the time we got there, the intruder was gone."

This incident appears to be unrelated to a similar occurrence last semester, Laughlin said. The alleged perpetrator in those cases

was Seong Chon.

"He (Chon) is pending disposition," Laughlin said. "He's not even around here now."

Laughlin said that no touching was involved and that no one heard or saw anything.

"The door to the room was unlocked," Laughlin said. "Stu-

dents should always lock their doors. The university is not a sanctuary. It is visited by many people."

Laughlin said the intruder was a white male with dark hair, wearing a white T-shirt and jeans and would have been charged with criminal trespass had he been caught.

Laughlin said he didn't believe the woman had a roommate, but the room wasn't a single.

"Maybe she (the roommate) was home for the weekend or something," Laughlin said.

"We have a rather limited report. The victim couldn't make an identification," Laughlin said. "We're relying on the campus community to help."

Public Safety has issued a

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Nice ride man!



Corey Kotz (left), Lorin Martin, and Buck Clukey (right), put the finishing touches on their concrete hand-made toboggan before shipping it to Winnipeg for the February concrete toboggan competition. (Newell Photo.)

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World Briefs

• Scandal

Columbian president linked to drug cartel

1 BOGOTA, Colombia (AP) — President Ernesto Samper clung to power Tuesday, convening a special session in Congress to try to rally support. Opposition lawmakers accused him of trying to dodge justice.

Samper is defying demands that he step down over mounting evidence that he won office with drug money, casting Colombia into a crisis severely testing its democratic institutions.

The president denies he solicited millions of dollars from the Cali drug cartel during his 1994 campaign, and called Congress back from a three-month recess to speak to lawmakers on the issue.

"We'll take part in a trial, but not a debate that leads to nothing," said Sen. Jaime Arias, president of the opposition Conservative Party.

A panel loaded with political supporters absolved Samper in December, saying there was not enough evidence to prove the charges. A new probe could be opened if government prosecutors provide new evidence.

That evidence likely would come largely from the former campaign manager, Fernando Botero, who brought on the crisis last week by saying Samper knew about the contributions from the world's biggest cocaine gang.

• Threat

Greek concerns prompt naval buildup

2 ATHENS, Greece (AP) — Warships massed in the eastern Aegean Sea on Tuesday, as Greece and Turkey threatened to do battle over the right to raise the flag on a rocky outcropping that is home only to a few goats.

The crisis, the worst since the NATO allies nearly went to war in 1987 over Aegean seabed mineral rights, has been fueled by news reports in both countries that make possession of the islet a matter of national honor.

"The islet of Imia is Greek," Defense Minister Gerasimos Arsenis insisted Tuesday. "It is the responsibility of the armed forces to defend Greek territory, and they are in a position to defend it."

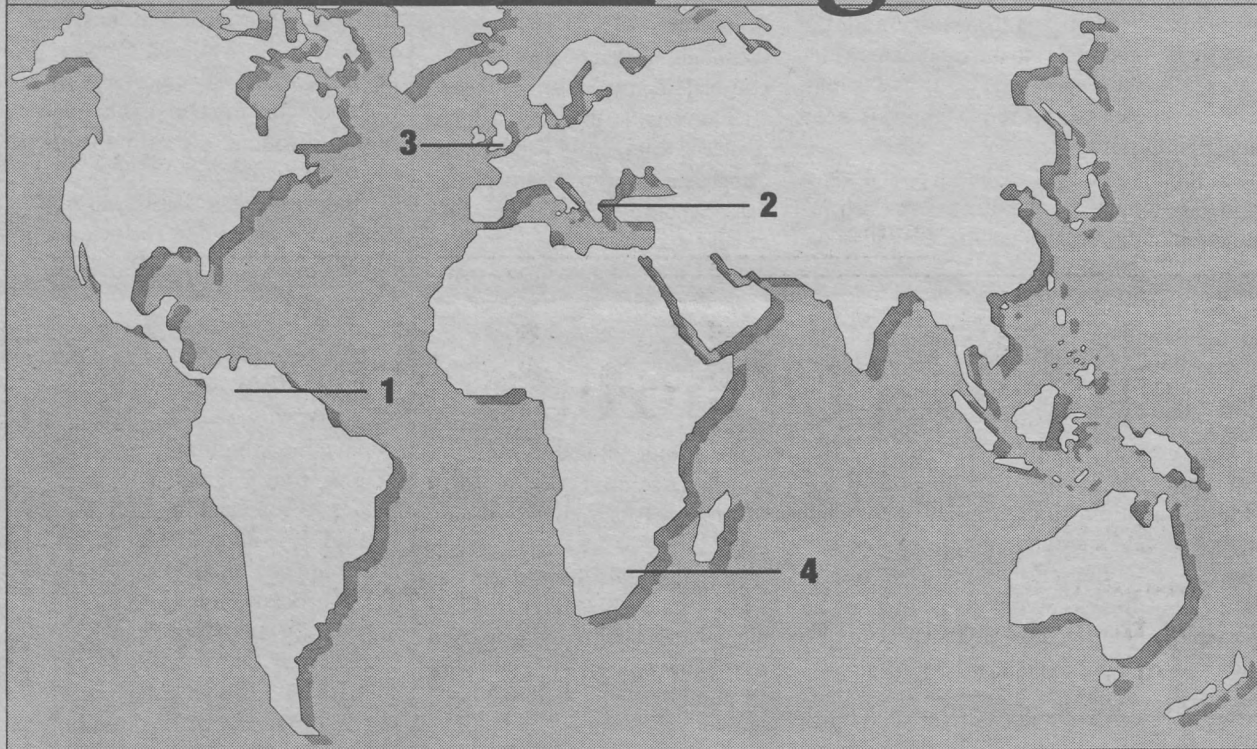
"We favor peace, but ... this country doesn't have a single piece of stone to cede to other countries," countered Premier Tansu Ciller of Turkey.

Greece has sent seven ships to shadow a seven-vessel Turkish force at the 10-acre islet inhabited only by a small herd of goats.

Turkish and Greek fighter jets skirmished in the sky over the rocks Tuesday, twice engaging in air duels meant to chase out the opponent, said Nikos Kouris, Greece's deputy defense minister.

Any actual armed conflict between the two neighbors could prove disastrous. They are the most heavily armed countries in the region.

World Digest



• Privacy

Hi-tech eavesdropper listens to prince's calls

3 LONDON (AP) — Prince Philip appears to be the latest royal to have a telephone call intercepted and recorded by electronic eavesdroppers.

The Sun newspaper reported Tuesday that a 17-minute conversation between Philip, Queen Elizabeth II's husband, and an unidentified woman was taped by a man with a radio scanner last month while the royal family was at its Sandringham estate.

The Sun didn't reveal details of the conversation, but said it concerned "sensitive issues" and allegedly took place the day news broke of the queen's call for Prince Charles and Princess Diana to bring their troubled marriage to a swift end.

But the story says several VIPs are mentioned, including the Queen Mother Elizabeth, Prime Minister John Major, Prince Charles and his friend Camilla Parker Bowles.

It said Philip, even in casual, private conversation, retained proper respect for his wife, referring to her always as the queen — just as members of the family do in public.

Buckingham Palace would not confirm that Philip, the Duke of Edinburgh, was overheard, but did comment on the report.

• Deaths

South African AP reporter dies of stroke

4 JOHANNESBURG, South Africa (AP) — John Edlin, a former Associated Press correspondent who covered Africa for decades and opened The AP's first bureau in Rhodesia, died Tuesday following a stroke.

Edlin, 50, was receiving treatment in Johannesburg after collapsing in Dakar, Senegal.

He had worked in Senegal for the last year, training journalists with the Pan African News Agency under a program sponsored by the Washington-based Center for Foreign Journalists and the U.S. Knight Foundation.

His brash lifestyle inspired fictional accounts by South African author Tom Sharpe and British writer David Pownall. In Pownall's "The Raining Tree War," set in the swamps of Zambia, Edlin appears thinly disguised as John Pyper, an irreverent reporter and adventurer from New Zealand.

In truth, he was arrested in Zambia while covering the aftermath of a riot in which 15 people were killed while protesting food shortages. His detention prompted media protests and he was freed after about a week.

Born in Invercargill, New Zealand, Edlin moved to Africa in 1963, working for the Rhodesia Herald and Bulawayo Chronicle newspapers in what was then called Rhodesia, now Zimbabwe. He covered the Congolese crisis in the 1960s and the role of notorious white mercenaries in what is now Zaire.

Weather

The Local Forecast

Today's Weather

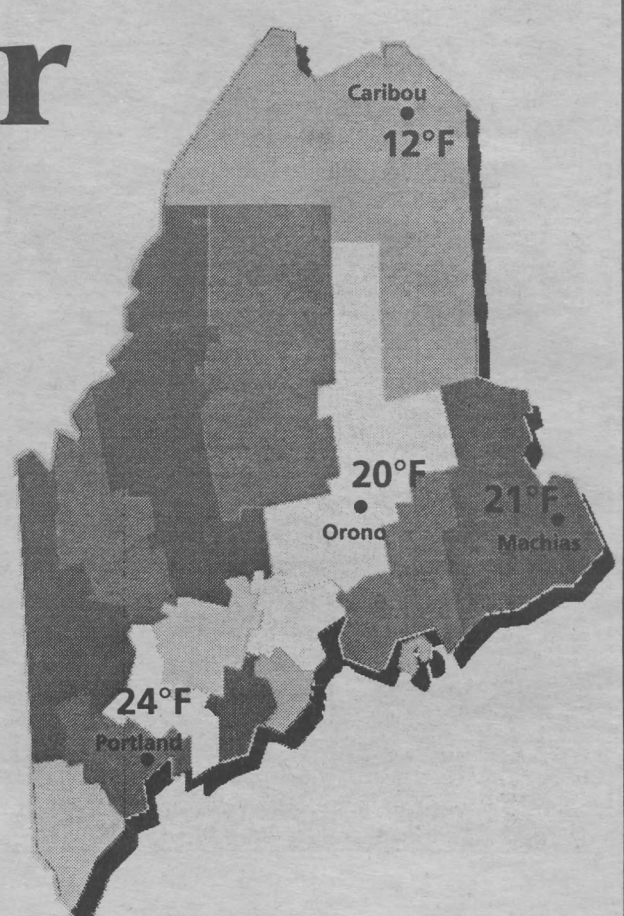
Partly sunny with scattered flurries. High around 20.

Thursday's Outlook

Chance of flurries north and mountains. Fair south. Lows 5 to 15 below north and 0 to 10 above south. Highs from the teens north to 20s south.

Extended Forecast

Chance of flurries north and mountains. Fair south. Lows 10 to 20 below north and 5 below to 5 above south. Highs from the teens north to 20s south.



• Women in curriculum

Athletics, Women's / Panel Discussion

Tyler says women are gaining respect in sports

By Kathleen Brennan
Staff Writer

Women used to have to hide the fact that they were athletes in order to get respect. Today, women are gaining respect from being athletes, the University of Maine's athletic director said.

"At that time, they were apologetic for being athletes," Suzanne Tyler said. "It's getting better. We see more women in athletics now and a better perception of women in sports."

Tyler, who spoke at the Women In Curriculum Luncheon Series yesterday in the Union, went on to say today's women athletes are different than the ones she studied while getting her master's degree at Penn State. During her "Recent Research on Women In Sport" speech, she described to the audience some of the research she conducted.

She said that although most of the research being done at the time compared a male's body to a female's, she was interested in the psychological and social role sports played in women's lives.

Since Tyler saw that many men at the time, the 1970s, gained self-confidence through sports, she thought the case would be the same with women. By studying women's varsity softball and lacrosse, she found some interesting differences between men and women.

"By studying these women, I found they had two personalities: a sports life and a personal life," Tyler said.

She added that today's research shows that a woman can be a woman athlete, not just a woman and athlete. She credits this to more modern and accepting attitudes.

Today's research also shows:

- Women's bodies make them better gymnasts and long distance runners than men.

- Women athletes are less likely to become pregnant than women students that are not involved in athletic programs.

- 80 percent women who are leaders of Fortune 500 companies were women athletes.

- 66 percent of intercollegiate sports are played by males.

- 25 percent of athletic funding is spent on women.

- One out of four colleges have no women in their athletic administration.

"I had a better chance of being a university president than a woman athletic director," Tyler added.

Some audience members suggested a new varsity sport should be brought to the athletic program. Tyler said that a decision on which sport will become varsity has not been made, but that women's ice hockey is being considered.

Another concern expressed was the future of women in athletics. While men can look to major leagues or the NBA, women's athletic careers end at the college level.

"I like it that they are not playing for something else," Tyler said. "There is no hope for a professional team, so their drive comes from within ... something we are trying to bring to the men's teams."

Tyler added some women are not giving up hope for professional careers. She said Cindy Blogett has a dream that by the time she graduates there will be a professional women's basketball team.

"The future will be better," Tyler said. "We have Cindy, and that shows progress."

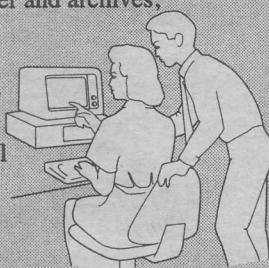


Suzanne Tyler, UMaine's athletic director, discusses women athletes. (Page Photo.)

Networking Assistant

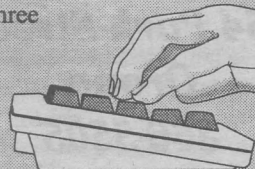
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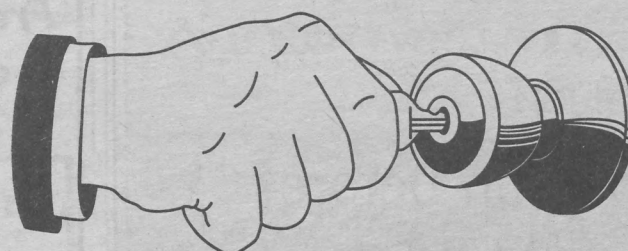
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• **Police blotter**

Friday, Jan. 26

5:53 p.m. Theft of keg of beer from rear of vehicle at 14 Washburn Place.
6:50 p.m. Complaint of motorcyclist riding around and around Senior Citizen Center Building on Birch Street.

Saturday, Jan. 27

12:30 a.m. Geddy's - person wanted out.

Sunday, Jan. 28

11:26 p.m. Female subject walking eastbound on Kelly Road - offered a ride - refused.
11:43 p.m. Customer upset with gas pump.

Monday, Jan. 29

1:49 a.m. Male subject on bridge.
4:05 p.m. Theft of gas at Christy's.

Crime

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crime alert, warning students and calling on anyone who may have seen the intruder.

"Students need to be careful," Laughlin said. "Other students can get a lot of alcohol on board and start checking doors or whatever. They do the darndest things."

Donna Seppy, the resident director of Somerset Hall, declined to comment.

In other news, on Jan. 28, two male Gannett Hall residents were sent to the conduct office for trying to push over the Oxford Hall sign.

On Jan. 27, Zack Devenish, 21, of Androscoggin Hall was arrested on a third district court warrant for failure to appear in court on a theft charge.

On Jan. 26, James P. McEwen, 19, of Guilford was arrested on Rangely Road and charged with OUI. He was taken to the Penobscot County Jail. McEwen's court date is scheduled for March 1.

On Jan. 27, Douglas Turgon, 19, of Oxford Hall was summoned to third district court for criminal mischief. His court date is scheduled for March 1, 1996.

Laughlin said that Turgon became irritated at the noise blaring from the Knox Hall fire alarm and attempted to pull the alarm out of the wall.

On Jan. 29, Joseph Montgomery, 21, of Orono was summoned to third district court for criminal mischief.

Laughlin said Montgomery had allegedly broken a window and that alcohol was a factor.

On Jan. 29, Officer Deb Mitchell was called to Androscoggin Hall for a domestic problem. Laughlin said the male and female involved had ongoing problems and were told to stay away from each other.

On Jan. 29, Officer Thomas Murphy was called to the fieldhouse from an emergency telephone about a fight in progress.

Laughlin said the subjects had left the area before Murphy arrived, but a witness said things had become heated over a basketball game.

The Department of Public Safety responded to 91 calls from Friday morning to Sunday evening, Laughlin said.

• **Burned beard****Student injured in Colvin Hall explosion**

A University of Maine student was injured by a sudden gas explosion in the basement of Colvin Hall Tuesday afternoon.

Jeffrey Depress, 18, of Colvin Hall attempted to light an industrial gas stove in the basement of Colvin when it ignited burning his arm and singeing his hair and beard.

Depress was treated by emergency medical technicians for minor burns but refused to be taken to the hospital.

Depress did not wish to comment on the incident.

According to Captain Norman Webb of the Orono Fire department, a female resi-

dent of Colvin Hall smelled gas in the basement. She shut the stove off and alerted Facilities Management.

Webb said that the female student, whose name was not released failed to inform other residents of the gas leak.

Bowd Brown, cooperative director of Colvin, said that this was the first problem they have had with the Viking industrial gas stove.

Brown said that Facilities Management responded quickly to the incident and were working quickly to rectify the situation.

Facilities Management failed to return Campus calls regarding the matter by press time.

Kiss

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dent Government Ben Meiklejohn and a date.

"I think it's great for the community," Meiklejohn said. "The good press across the country may alleviate some of the negative press we've received from athletics."

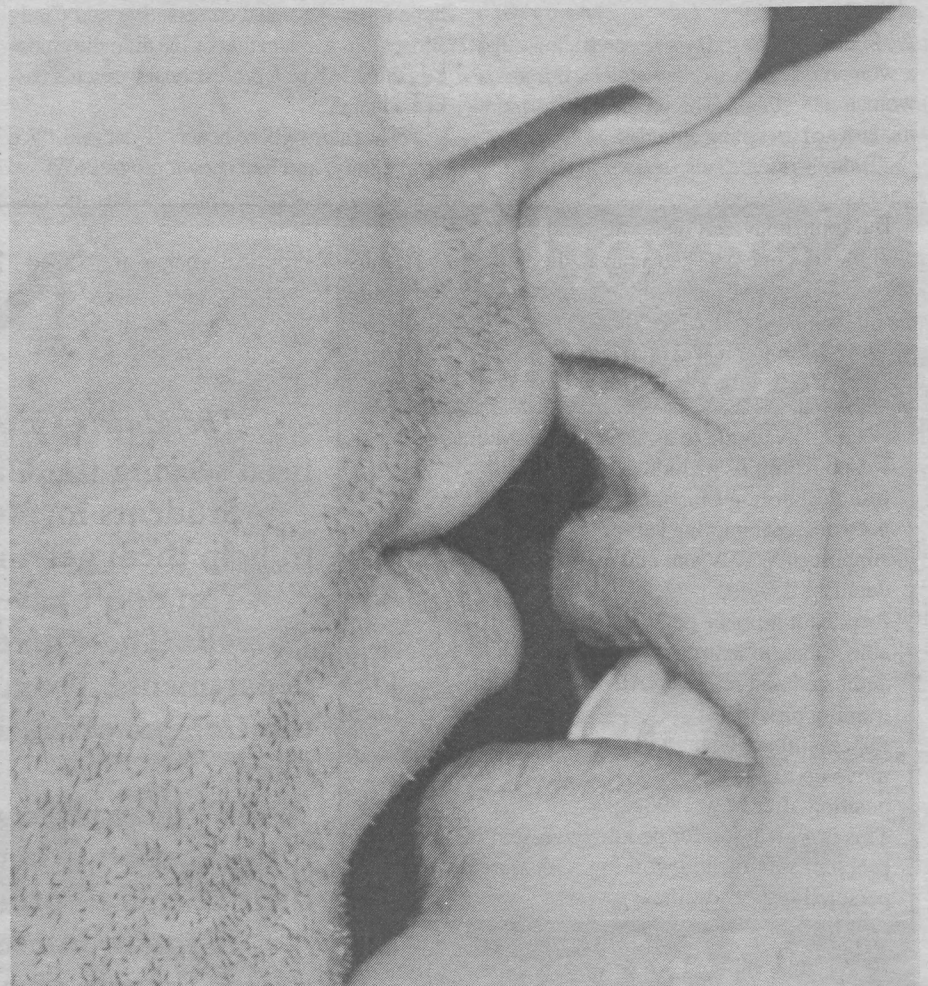
Caron urges everyone to bring someone to kiss, as kissers will not be provided. She also said that people don't have to kiss on the lips; cheek kisses are fine. The kiss will be counted down on the scoreboard

and has to last 10 seconds, just long enough for a few pictures to be taken.

The event will be free to the public, but donations will be excepted by the Eastern Maine Aids Network and the American Heart Association.

There will also be raffle drawings of gift certificates from 20 restaurants.

"It'll be nice," Caron said. "Not many people have the chance to break a world's record."



A kiss is just a kiss, unless you break a record. (Photo illustration.)

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State News

• Nun slayings

Phone troubles prevented family from seeking help

PORTLAND (AP) — Mark Bechard's parents knew he needed help and were trying to contact mental health officials on the day he attacked four nuns, killing two of them, a family friend said Tuesday.

An ice storm knocked out phone service at the home of Bechard's parents on Saturday and they were unable to contact the Kennebec Mental Health Center in Waterville, said Malcolm Wilson of Sidney.

Mark Bechard attacked the nuns after breaking into the Servants of the Blessed Sacrament shortly before 6 p.m.

"They were trying to get through," Wilson said in a telephone interview. "Then everything went to pieces."

Bechard, 37, who has a long history of mental illness, is charged with two counts of murder and two counts of attempted murder

in the attack Saturday night at the convent in Waterville.

He allegedly stabbed and beat the nuns. He was hitting one of them with a statue of the Virgin Mary when police intervened.

Bechard, battered and bruised from banging his head against the wall in his jail cell, was under observation Tuesday at the Augusta Mental Health Institute, said Michaela Murphy, Bechard's lawyer.

Bechard's eyes were swollen and four stitches were needed to close a cut on his head, Murphy said.

"He smashed his face and head against the wall numerous times. He at one point tried to gouge his eye with his toe. He is very, very ill right now, needless to say," Murphy said.

Murphy said Bechard was treated more

than 10 times at state and private hospitals for mental illness before the attack. She said there would be no attempt to contest what happened during the attack.

"There's no dispute about what he did at the convent. The only legal dispute that I anticipate will be surrounding the mental state that he was in," said Murphy, who will be assisted by Walter Hanstein III, a Farmington lawyer experienced in psychiatric defense.

After his arraignment Monday, Bechard was taken back to the Augusta Mental Health Institute, where he was back on medication and under observation as doctors began a court-ordered competency evaluation, Murphy said.

Murphy said Bechard has been diagnosed at different times as suffering from manic depressive illness and schizophrenia.

She said she expects the evaluation to be completed in a couple of weeks. If Bechard is found competent to stand trial — and Murphy doesn't contest the findings — then the case would go to a grand jury, she said.

If Bechard is found incompetent to stand trial, then he would be treated at AMHI and re-evaluated later, she said.

While Bechard was being evaluated, two of his victims remained hospitalized Tuesday. Sister Mary Anna DiGiacomo, 72, was in serious condition, and Sister Patricia Keane, 68, was in good condition.

Mother Superior Edna Mary Cardozo, 68, and Sister Marie Julien Fortin, 67, died from head injuries suffered during the attack.

Before the attack, Bechard had been admitted at least nine times to AMHI, and he had been treated at the psychiatric unit of the Mid-Maine Medical Center in Waterville, Murphy said.

Recently, Bechard had been receiving treatment from the Kennebec Valley Mental Health Center in Waterville, Malcolm Wilson said.

Bechard's parents, Julian and Diane Bechard, knew their son was in trouble on Saturday but couldn't contact the health center because their phone was out of service, Wilson said.

"I know that they tried. That's all that you can say. They tried and there was no way they could get through," said Wilson, who has spoken to the family twice since the tragedy.

John Shaw, executive director of the Kennebec Valley Mental Health Center, did not immediately return a call.

Wilson said he met the Bechards through a support group for families of the mentally ill. He said the Bechards did all they could to provide for the special needs of their son.

The Bechards could not be reached at their Waterville home on Tuesday. "All I can say to you is we're very sorry, and there's nothing more we can say," Diane Bechard said Monday.

• Money

New equipment should speed up tax processing

AUGUSTA (AP) — In what resemble dusty stacks of an old library, a large room in the State Office Building is filled with rows of shelves crammed floor-to-ceiling with manila envelopes containing 60 income tax forms each.

But soon, images of the filings, and thousands of older ones stashed away in the state archives, will be stored on optical discs in a machine about the size of a refrigerator.

New automation displayed Tuesday in the state Bureau of Taxation will speed up the processing of forms, reduce errors and free up huge amounts of space now needed to store old paper tax forms.

The new equipment "uses some of the most advanced technologies" developed by IBM, said Bob Samson, the company's vice president for state and local government.

"It's one of the most aggressive implementations of this technology in any state," Samson said.

The \$2.7 million worth of improvements will pay for themselves within the two-year budget cycle by cutting the time spent processing and storing forms and digging up old ones for taxpayers, said state Tax Assessor Brian Mahany.

They will also improve services for taxpayers.

For example, taxpayers who call with questions face delays while clerks go to the storage room to dig up the old paper forms.

"They would inevitably be told someone will have to get back to you," said Mahany.

But now, with the push of a few buttons, tax officials can call up images of old forms immediately on computer screens and answer queries.

The new system includes two parts.

New electronic scanners read forms, photograph them and send the numbers to a computer where they are processed. Each scanner reads 90 forms a minute, bypassing data-entry by humans, who need a minute to punch in each form.

The state is now also storing images of Maine tax forms on optical discs, which are similar to CD-ROM discs but enclosed in

plastic cases. Each disc holds images of 15,000 tax forms, and 32 discs can hold a year's worth of individual income tax forms.

The first "juke box," or optical disc storage unit, purchased by the state holds a total of 188 discs, or "platters" as the tax technicians call them.

Because the optical images are considered official records, the state will eventually be able to throw out and recycle all of the old paper forms, making more space available in tax headquarters.

So far, only individual income tax forms are being fed into the scanner, but by the end of the year, all 2 million individual, corporate, sales, withholding and other tax forms filed per year will be electronically stored. About 585,000 individual income tax forms are filed in Maine per year.

The high-tech improvements, similar to those made in Maryland, Georgia, Wisconsin and Vermont, are the latest in the state's push to speed up service and get rid of paperwork.

Thousands of taxpayers who normally file short forms have filed through the "Maine TeleFile" system, through which people can file via telephone 24 hours a day on 48 incoming lines.

Mahany said the Bureau of Taxation will try next year to launch a new system enabling taxpayers to file using their personal computers. The state's first stab at electronic filing for 1994 filings was not a huge success.

The state last year reduced the time needed to process forms from 8-10 weeks to just under a month, said Mahany.

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• Shipbuilding

Bath Iron Works: commercial goals unrealistic

BATH (AP) — Bath Iron Works has concluded after spending \$10 million to study commercial shipbuilding that its goal of becoming commercially competitive was unrealistic.

Duane Fitzgerald, president and chief executive officer, said the two-year study opened the eyes of BIW executives.

"The extent of our ignorance was profound. Thank God we didn't invest millions of dollars based on our ignorance," said Fitzgerald, who had estimated the cost of overhauling the shipyard to become commercially competitive at \$100 million.

There was great hoopla surrounding the Navy shipbuilder's announcement three years ago of its five-year plan for breaking into the commercial shipbuilding market.

The plan, developed relying heavily on taxpayer dollars, called for designing and building car carriers that could be used by the Navy as transports during time of war.

But the shipyard ultimately decided that commercial shipbuilding is not feasible because it would be too difficult.

Fitzgerald will not go so far as to say that he has abandoned the idea of commercial work, but his shipyard is no longer counting on any significant income from it.

The strategy is in line with that of General Dynamics, Bath's parent company. General Dynamics decided several years ago to abandon its commercial ventures and focus on defense work.

General Dynamics officials say a number of defense contractors, including their Falls Church, Va.-based company, tried to diversify in the past and lost millions of dollars in the effort.

But opinion in the Navy shipbuilding industry is far from unanimous. Other U.S. shipbuilders are spending millions of dollars in the pursuit of commercial work.

Louisiana-based Avondale, with which BIW joined forces to pursue a new line of amphibious warships for the Navy, invested \$20 million in a new steel processing plant; Atlantic Marine Holding Company has invested \$90 million in buying and retooling an old shipyard in Mobile, Ala.

Ingalls Shipbuilding of Mississippi — BIW's chief rival for Navy contracts — plans to market barges and cruise ships.

And Tenneco, the parent company of Newport News Shipbuilding in Virginia, invested more than \$70 million to diversify from the nuclear-powered aircraft carriers and submarines it builds for the Navy.

In 1994, Newport News won a contract to build four double-hulled tankers for a Greek shipping company. But Newport News lost \$14 million in the third quarter of 1995 on the venture.

"There's no question that you're going to have a learning curve when you start things up for the first time," said Edward Waryas, director of commercial marketing at Newport News.

Navy shipbuilders have been scrambling to supplement their defense work since spending began declining around 1990. BIW reached its peak peacetime employment of 12,000 workers in 1990; it now employs about 8,000.

BIW's commercial study was launched after the shipyard won a \$4.9 million federal

matching grant in 1993.

A year later, BIW finished a contract to build fuel and lubrication systems for turbine engines for General Electric in September. But other projects languished. A 10,000 megawatt power barge, which BIW was hoping to design and market overseas by January 1995, ran more than a year behind schedule. BIW designed a car carrier, but it's unlikely the shipyard could deliver because it requires four times more steel than Aegis destroyers currently built at Bath.

A key problem is that commercial ships are not as labor-intensive as complex Navy warships. An Aegis destroyer can take more than seven times more labor hours to build than a

car carrier.

Fitzgerald also said that the commercial shipbuilding market cannot accommodate BIW. This year, the world market is 40 percent over capacity; by 2000, the figure will be 65 percent.

Fitzgerald said he is confident BIW has made the right choice.

The Navy's Aegis destroyer program calls for the last of 57 vessels to be delivered in 2008, and BIW is aggressively pursuing the Navy's new line of amphibious transport vessel, the LPD-17.

"One LPD-17 is worth multiple commercial ships," he said. "They are bigger ships (than destroyers) and require more labor hours."

• New England

Number of women-owned businesses shoots up

CONCORD, N.H. (AP) — The number of women-owned, smaller businesses in Northern New England increased 45 percent from 1987 to 1992 — slightly better than the national average, the U.S. Census Bureau reported Monday.

Vermont led the region with a 52-percent change, while Maine reported a 47-percent increase. New Hampshire's numbers were up almost 39 percent.

The national increase was 43 percent. In 1992, women in the three states owned 87,785 businesses, up 45 percent from the 60,437 in 1987.

The dollar value of receipts collected

by the businesses jumped 105 percent in the three states during the same period. New Hampshire's women-owned businesses showed the largest growth with \$4.1 million in 1992, a 122-percent increase from five years earlier.

Vermont reported \$1.5 million, a 104-percent increase, compared to Maine's \$3 million and 86-percent increase.

Nevada reported the greatest increase in number of firms at 72 percent, compared to North Dakota with 21 percent.

Nationally, the Census Bureau estimates women own one-third of U.S. businesses.

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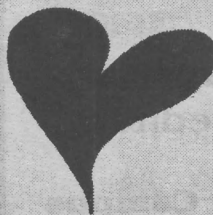
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•Settlement

Family reaches agreement with helicopter pilot

PORTLAND (AP) — The family of a burn victim who was killed in the crash of an air ambulance in Casco Bay more than two years ago reached a settlement with the pilot on Monday.

The settlement was announced as jury selection was about to begin for the civil trial in Cumberland County Superior Court.

Douglas Fernald, a burn patient, died along with a paramedic and a nurse when the helicopter went down in bad weather in Casco Bay on Nov. 19, 1993. Pilot Sean Rafter was the sole survivor.

Details of the financial settlement were not disclosed, but the settlement required Rafter to admit publicly that he caused the accident.

"I was the pilot. I am responsible. I've never denied that," Rafter said Monday. "I'm responsible for the outcome of that aircraft. I've got to stand up and take responsibility for it."

Wayne Fernald, Fernald's son, said Monday he shook Rafter's hand and was satisfied that his apology was sincere.

"He meant what he said when he apologized. I accepted the apology," Fernald said outside the courthouse.

The crash occurred as Rafter was transporting the burn patient from Ellsworth to Portland.

The National Transportation Safety Board found that Rafter was responsible for the accident because he chose to continue on the flight when the weather turned bad on Nov. 19, 1993.

Rafter's helicopter ran out of fuel just miles from the Portland International Jetport.

The Federal Aviation Administration has stripped its licenses from Rafter and his company, Airmed Skycare.

Besides Douglas Fernald, the other victims were Matthew Jeton, 25, a nurse, and Don MacIntyre, 48, a paramedic. Rafter crawled out of the cockpit after the helicopter overturned and began sinking.

Rescuers found Rafter on the beach of an uninhabited island, about four miles off the coast. He clung to debris long enough to float ashore.

• Maine woods

Greens turn in clearcutting ban referendum drive

AUGUSTA (AP) — The Maine Greens met their deadline Monday to submit petitions to state election officials calling for a statewide referendum on whether forest clearcuts should be banned.

Leaders of the Green Party, which advocates for environmental causes, said they turned in 55,264 voters' signatures, well over the 51,131 needed to force the vote in November. The signatures will be reviewed by election officials.

Greens say 2,000 square miles — an area about the size of Delaware — has been clearcut in the last 15 years in Maine.

"We want a forest that is always there ... not here today and gone tomorrow," clearcut ban campaign leader Charles FitzGerald said during a State House news conference.

FitzGerald also said he expects the forestry industry to spend "massive amounts of money to defeat this campaign."

A newly formed Citizens for a Healthy Forest and Economy, a coalition of business groups and residents, promised Monday to fight what it described as a "drastic" referendum measure.

"The Green Party's initiative would create complex new regulations that would radically limit all wood harvesting operations on over 10 million acres of Maine

forest land," Bill Vail, the coalition's executive director, said in a prepared statement.

Vail said the proposal would have a "devastating" impact on the state's economy. Opponents also say Maine already has a tough law regulating clearcuts and requiring buffers between large areas of harvested forest.

The signatures were filed on the deadline for submitting petitions in time for to make the November 1996 ballot.

Greens say their proposal would allow foresters to remove only one-third of the fiber from the woods over a 15-year period. It would also bar the opening of a forest canopy by more than a half-acre.

The rules would apply only in the 10.5 million acre jurisdiction of the Land Use Regulation Commission, which is spread mostly through northern Maine.

Under current law, the largest clearcuts allowed — only with special permission — are 250 acres. The law also mandates that reports on the sizes and locations of smaller clearcuts be filed with state forestry officials, according to Vail.

Also on Monday, proponents of a property-tax cap said they submitted 58,000 signatures to force a statewide vote in November.

• Baldacci

Baldacci seeks re-election

BANGOR (AP) — Freshman U.S. Rep. John Baldacci said Monday he will forego a bid for a U.S. Senate vacancy and run for a second term in the House.

Baldacci's announcement came four days after former Gov. Joseph Brennan entered the race for the Senate seat being vacated by three-term Republican William Cohen.

Baldacci said his decision not to enter the race was a personal one and was not influenced by the entry of fellow Democrat Brennan.

He said a lengthy Senate campaign would keep him from devoting his full attention to the needs of his 2nd District constituents.

"The idea of diverting my attention on behalf of Maine's farmers, veterans, senior citizens and others to engage in a lengthy Senate campaign is one that I cannot accept," he said.

Baldacci, who did not rule out a Senate bid "at some point further down the road," said his decision Monday would undoubtedly disappoint some of his supporters.

"But I hope they will understand that

providing service to the people of Maine is what matters most, and that I do not want that level of service diminished by a long and hard fought campaign," he said.

Baldacci's announcement, coupled with the decision a week ago by his Republican counterpart in the 1st District, U.S. Rep. James Longley Jr., dashed initial speculation that Cohen's surprise decision to leave the Senate would trigger a Longley-Baldacci showdown.

Longley, like Baldacci, said he will run for re-election in the House.

In addition to Brennan, other Democrats running for Cohen's seat include Jean Hay of Bangor, Philip Merrill of Hallowell and Jerald Leonard of Falmouth.

Robert Monks, who ran two unsuccessful Senate campaigns during the 1970s, is the only announced GOP candidate.

Stephen Bost, an ex-legislator from Orono who became a top Maine organizer of Ross Perot's Reform Party, has announced that he will run as an independent. Bill Clarke of the Maine Taxpayers' Party also entered the race.

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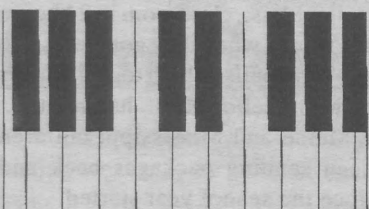
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• Tragedy

Pilot whose F-14 crashed requested steep takeoff

NASHVILLE, Tenn. (AP) — The last thing Lt. Cmdr. John Stacy Bates told his parents was to leave the airport by the southern route so they would get a better view of his takeoff.

Shortly before heading down the Nashville International Airport runway, the Navy pilot asked for a high-speed, vertical takeoff. His F-14 Tomcat went into a steep climb and minutes later, plunged back through the clouds and crashed into a residential neighborhood.

Bates, 33, and his radar intercept officer, Lt. Graham Alden Higgins, 28, were killed when their fighter hit a brick home. Ewing T. Wair, 53, who was visiting Elmer Newsom, 66, and his wife, Ada, 63, also were killed.

Higgins moved with his family from Connecticut to Dover-Foxcroft, Maine, in 1980. He was commissioned in the Navy after his graduation from Norwich University.

"He was always in the top of his class. He was always a high achiever," said Melissa Mallett, a Dexter schoolteacher who lived next door to Higgins while they were growing up. "He was the most optimistic person I know."

Bates, who was flying back to Miramar Naval Air Station in San Diego on a training mission after a layover to visit his parents in Chattanooga, lost another F-14 Tomcat during a routine training mission last April.

In that case, Bates' F-14 and a second Navy fighter took off from the deck of the USS Abraham Lincoln west of Hawaii in an exercise designed to teach evasive maneu-

vers, said Lt. Pat Moore of the Commander Naval Air Force, U.S. Pacific Fleet, San Diego.

Bates' fighter, the lead aircraft, stalled while performing an evasive move and went into a flat spin. "He lost control," Moore said. "They ejected because he couldn't recover control."

Neither Bates nor the second airman on board was injured. A subsequent investigation blamed Bates for the loss of the plane but after a review, he was cleared to resume flying.

Monday's accident was the 30th crash of an F-14 since 1991, including 11 in 1993, five in 1994 and seven in 1995, the Navy said.

The crash also was the fourth in the last 16 months for the VF123 Squadron, to which Bates was assigned.

After Monday's crash, the squadron was ordered to stop flying until further notice.

The "standdown," a routine procedure after an accident, usually lasts a few days, giving squadron members time to reflect over the crash and review safety procedures.

Navy investigators spent Tuesday combing the area, mapping where each piece of wreckage lay and interviewing witnesses for clues on why the \$35 million fighter crashed.

Unlike commercial airliners, most military aircraft do not have flight data recorders that yield valuable information and data in the event of a crash. Bates' conversation with the airport tower was the only recording before the crash.

Pentagon spokesman Kenneth Bacon

said it was premature to discuss whether Bates' vertical takeoff was hot-dogging; Navy officials say such steep climbs are not unusual for pilots trying to clear a civilian airport's airspace.

When the plane crashed, the pilot's parents, Les and Peggy Bates, were at a Nashville restaurant sipping coffee. They heard the sirens of fire engines and saw smoke billowing from the nearby airport and thought perhaps a warehouse had exploded, said family friend Maura Phillips.

As soon as the couple learned that a Navy fighter had crashed, they knew their son was aboard because his was the only F-14 at the airport, said neighbor Marsha Hyman in Chattanooga, about 110 miles southeast of Nashville.

Phillips said the Bateses had gone to the airport with their son, who told them to drive

south of the airport on their way back to Chattanooga so they would get a better view of the runway and his takeoff.

They did not see the crash or notice anything unusual about the takeoff, Phillips said. "They are devastated," she said.

The loss is doubly hard for the couple because they lost their youngest son, Michael, in a 1987 basic training accident in the U.S. Marine Corps. The couple have no other children.

Friends said the boys wanted to be like their father, a retired military man who is now a salesman for Bessmer Oil Co. Their mother is a paralegal.

"Stacy knew from the time he was eight years old what he wanted to do," said Randy Winton, a Chattanooga sportswriter who went to school with Bates. "His dream was to fly airplanes in the Navy."

• Environment

Proposed gas tanks called acceptable

WELLS (AP) — A federal report calls a plan to build a liquefied natural gas tank in Wells "environmentally acceptable" and states that no alternative locations are "preferable to the proposed site."

The Federal Energy Regulatory Commission has final say in approving the tank project.

Its draft Environmental Impact Statement — along with assessments of the project's economic impact, local need and other factors — will be used in making the final decision.

FERC's Environmental Branch Chief Bob Arvedlund said Monday that professionals who studied the project "find the (Wells) site favorable."

The report said the tank proposed by Granite State Gas Transmission "would not be a significant impact" on wildlife.

It also said the effect of blasting (for the tank foundation) on surrounding residences and groundwater are "expected to be minimal."

The project will cause "no significant or long-term impact on recreation" and "would not have a significant visual impact" on the area, the FERC report said.

FERC reviewed 17 alternate sites and said, "Our screening analysis found each of these sites to have several disadvantages when compared to the proposed site and has led us to conclude at this time that none are superior and therefore preferable to the proposed site."

Granite State officials were pleased.

"We are gratified that this independent review recognizes the quality of the project and the proposed site," said Marc Teixeira, the project manager.

Tank opponents were skeptical.

Bill Roberge, a spokesman for the anti-tank community group No Tanks, said "I find it hard to believe that it's going to have minimal impact on groundwater — a 400 foot crater, 80 feet deep!"

FERC planned to hold public hearings in March on the draft report.

• Experiment

Snowball makes trip

BATH (AP) — Just what are a snowball's chances of making it from Maine to Mississippi?

Pretty good, if you can get it there overnight, according to a third-grade class

at Fisher-Mitchell School in Bath.

Cindy Hutchins' class recently completed two weeks of study about heat, cold and insulation by mailing four snowballs to pen pals in Mississippi.

Two snowballs that arrived at a D'Iberville, Miss., classroom in 24 hours were still frozen when they got there. The other two snowballs, which took 48 hours to reach Monticello, Miss., had melted.

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National News

• Love in the air

San Francisco approves symbolic gay marriage

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — The city's Board of Supervisors unanimously approved a measure Monday that gives gay couples the right to a symbolic wedding ceremony beginning in April.

"San Francisco is once again illustrating that this is a humane, compassionate and equal opportunity city for all people who live here," said Supervisor Carole Migden, sponsor of the proposal.

The measure must have another read-

ing Monday, then becomes law March 21.

The civil ceremonies would recognize domestic partnerships, but would not be legal marriages. They would only solemnize the rights the city has granted gay couples since its domestic partnership law took effect on Valentine's Day in 1991.

The measure would not entitle partners to traditional benefits married people get.

The 1991 ordinance gives domestic partners visitation rights in hospitals,

shared health plans for city employees and bereavement leave for city employees when a domestic partner dies. Private employers are not required to grant the same benefits.

Only couples registered as domestic partners in San Francisco would be eligible for the ceremony. At least 3,000 unmarried couples, most of them gay, already have filed for that designation, at a cost of \$35 a couple. Migden expects about 1,000 gay weddings in the first year.

Weddings would be performed by the county clerk, or anyone else deputized by the clerk, and could be held anywhere from City Hall to churches where clergy members agree to perform the ceremony.

San Francisco's effort to recognize long-term homosexual partnerships is at odds with a state effort. The state Assembly is scheduled to study a bill Tuesday that would prohibit California from recognizing same-sex marriages, whether performed inside the state or outside — for example in Hawaii, where gay marriages could be legalized next year.

San Francisco has a large gay popula-

tion, sometimes estimated at 10 percent or more of the 730,000 residents, attracted by the city and its liberal political bent.

The only two other cities that offer civil ceremonies to domestic partners are Madison, Wisc., and New York City, said Robert Bray of the National Gay and Lesbian Task Force in Washington D.C.

Laws that would ban same-sex marriages are either pending or active in South Dakota, Alaska, Washington state and Colorado. Maine was considering one, but its sponsor withdrew the proposal because it became so controversial, he said.

• Health

Scientists unsure how to brew flu vaccine

ROCKVILLE, Md. (AP) — Americans still are sniffing from this winter's flu, but it's already time to begin brewing 80 million doses of flu vaccine for next year — and scientists aren't sure how.

"Our time is fairly short" to make next year's flu vaccine, Dr. Roland Levandowski of the Food and Drug Administration said Tuesday. And getting the mix right "depends on quite a bit of luck sometimes."

The nation's top flu experts spent six hours Tuesday essentially playing fortune-teller, looking for signs from this year's miserable flu season that indicate what next year's flu vaccine should contain.

Every year's vaccine is made of three different flu strains that the FDA's panel thinks will be the most dangerous of the variations traveling the globe. Vaccine makers must begin growing the strains in eggs in early February to have the millions of doses ready by fall.

"We need to get rolling," Wyeth-Lederle flu chief Dave McClintock told the government Tuesday.

But his plea went unheeded, as the FDA panel named just one of the three strains for vaccine makers to start mixing, deciding to fight the mild Type B flu with the same protection as in last year's vaccine.

The scientists didn't know how to prevent the harsh Type A flu that may hit Americans harder next winter than it did this year.

Type A flu sickened hundreds of thousands in 35 states this year, particularly the Pacific Northwest. The flu got an early start in Montana in late October, killed just enough people by December to be classified an epidemic, and by this week was still going strong in 29 states.

There are two variations of Type A flu: a killer named H3N2, and a milder one called H1N1. Some 66 percent of Americans who had the flu this year had the milder strain. But the flu's virulence frequently flip-flops each year, meaning it's likely Americans could suffer more of the bad strain next winter.

More troubling signs: This harsh H3N2 is causing outbreaks throughout China today, and late-winter flu in China often migrates here by the following fall.

Worse, the CDC discovered an H3N2 strain in China that none of the regular vaccine candidates will block. Nor will this so-called Wuhan strain block its Type A cousins, so the FDA panel didn't want to vaccinate with it unless forced to.

The panel told vaccine makers to wait until early March for a decision. By then, the CDC should have better data from China indicating whether there is reason to worry about Wuhan flu.

Meanwhile, the panel said it probably would vaccinate Americans with the H1N1-Texas strain, but asked vaccine makers to wait until Feb. 11 to ensure that's the right decision.

The flu kills 20,000 Americans every year.

• Final attempt

Congress tries to save farm lending agency

WASHINGTON (AP) — Congress is making what may be its final attempt to create a successful secondary market for farm loans.

A bill that has passed the House and Senate would overhaul the authority of the Federal Agricultural Mortgage Corp., known as Farmer Mac, which was created in 1988 to encourage a stable and competitive source of borrowing for rural America.

"This legislation is a final congressional effort to make Farmer Mac viable," said Sen. Dick Lugar, R-Ind., chairman of the Senate Agriculture Committee. "Legisla-

tive restrictions may have hobbled the institution until now. If the new authorities do not prove sufficient, it will be time to declare Farmer Mac a failed experiment."

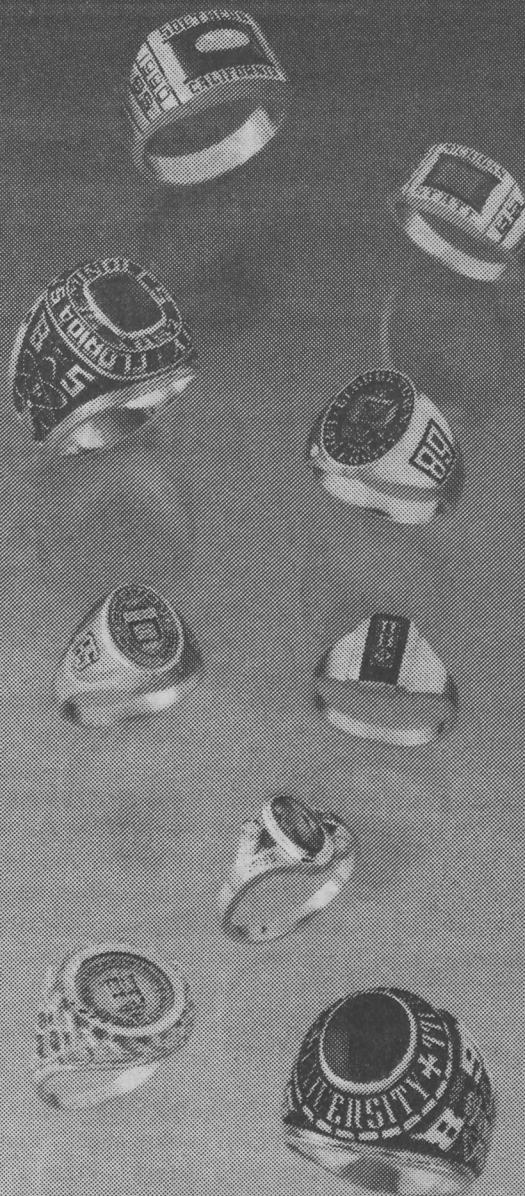
The organization is privately owned and operated in much the same fashion as Fannie Mae and Sallie Mae, which were set up to increase the supply of money available for home and education loans, respectively.

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• In theaters

'Screamers' evokes screams of total disgust

By Greg Dowling
Staff Writer

"Screamers" is yet another sci-fi film that explores the ever so original premise first established by the 1950s cult classic, "Invasion of the Body Snatchers." It is an insipid rehash of an already tired plot. This film is an incompetent mess with the poorest production values since the Power Rangers movie.

"Screamers" stars Peter Weller as the head honcho of a military installation on a desolate, war-torn world. He is sent to some peace negotiations at a control center on the other side of the planet. Once there, he and his partner hook up with a group of underground thugs who try to get them out of the city, which is overrun by small, but deadly, mechanical creatures called screamers.

If this storyline sounds dumb and unoriginal, that's because it is. Even genre films such as this manage at least a few vulgar thrills and some visual spectacle, of which we get neither. The script is so thin and ludicrous that it staggers the imagination that anyone would want to produce it. It's headed straight to video. It's so bad that MST 3000 won't even show it twenty years from now. For some reason, this film has been given a big theatrical push in which they show all the best moments of the film (of which there are very few). The only excitement and intrigue the film has can be found in the first five minutes when we see the little screamers racing through the ground and chasing a soldier who they

proceed to shred. This is the best scene in the movie. That's just plain sad.

The special effects are really something to behold. The screamers themselves, which we see clearly for about two minutes look like skill saws with legs. There is one pretty good explosion, but it leaves unanswered questions. The characters fire a small nuclear missile (!) into a screamer infested bunker and it goes up like a Roman candle and the characters survive with no injuries. How in the name of God is that possible? Don't nuclear weapons give off radiation and heat when they are discharged?

The acting is truly dreadful. The cast is one of no names, except for the relative well-known Jennifer Rubin (*The Crush*) and Peter Weller (*Robocop*). Rubin is terrible. She tries, unsuccessfully, to add dimensions to her drastically underscripted character, but she just ends up looking like a damn whining idiot and her death scene, while a relief to the audience, evoked belly laughs because it was so melodramatic. Peter tries a little harder, but his wooden delivery just sits there, and it doesn't help that he is aided by the atrociously bad script with dialogue that doesn't even achieve the "so bad it's good status."

The "love scene" between Weller and Rubin is a hoot. There's a scene right after a screamer attack where she reaches her hand out to Weller and he proceeds to slice her palm open to make sure that she wasn't a screamer. She moans in pain as blood squirts from the wound. It is at this moment

See SCREAM on page 11



Jennifer Rubin and Peter Weller cling to each other on the surface of a hostile world in 'Screamers'. (Courtesy Photo.)

• Billy Crocker

Look Ma, I'm eating my oatmeal!

By Wm. L. Bates, II
Staff Writer

It has been a while, but Billy Crocker is back, and with me I have a great recipe that can be converted into several great desserts. I admit that it is difficult to top the many wonderful sweets that all my readers had over the holidays, but let me give it a shot.

Here is the basic recipe for a peanut butter-oatmeal batter:

Recipe:

1 cup softened shortening

Today's Events

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•1/31 Noon
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1 cup instant oats

Beat shortening and sugars until creamy. Add eggs and peanut butter. Stir well. Put remainder of dry ingredients into mixture. Mix thoroughly. Add oats a little at a time and stir in evenly.

This will give you the basic batter for cookies or bars.

Cookies:

Shape batter into 1 inch balls. Place on ungreased cookie sheet. Flatten by pressing with a fork. Press a second time by pressing across the first fork tines' marks. Bake for 8 to 10 minutes at 350 degrees.

Bars:

Place batter in a greased 9in. X 13in. baking pan. Flatten batter into pan, making sure to even the thickness of the batter. Place in preheated oven at 375 degrees for 23 to 27 minutes.

Yummier Bars:

Do same as above, only let cool for about 45 minutes to an hour. Put coating of one box of pudding, and one container of whipped cream. Chill.

Ice Cream Bars:

Freeze the above peanut butter-oatmeal bar recipe, so that it is hard. Top with ice cream and your favorite sundae toppings. This also works well by using a chocolate chip cookie batter and baking as above.

I made the *Yummier Bars* for the employees at CIT, and they went over very well. I actually froze it, instead of just chilling. If you have a recipe that you would like to share, and it does not have a copyright, please send it to me in one of the following ways:

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• In your ear

D'Angelo latest of R&B stars

ALBANY, N.Y. (AP) — In an R&B world filled with sampled music, sexual clichés and copycat artists, Michael D'Angelo Archer has been hailed as something of a godsend.

The 21-year-old has won critical acclaim with the release of his debut album, "Brown Sugar," which has sold more than 500,000 copies since its release earlier this year. He's also up for three Grammys, including best rhythm and blues singer.

D'Angelo was the talk of the music industry even before the disc's release. As the co-writer of last year's hit "U Will Know," recorded by a choir of more than 40 of today's hottest male R&B artists, the Richmond, Va. native was first pushed into the spotlight as an up-and-coming songwriter and producer.

"It's a buzz; I don't know (why). It's hard to say. I think what it is that I'm doing is a little different so I guess people are ready for that change," he said.

Like most in the music business, D'Angelo's rise to the top has been no overnight success story. He began playing the piano at the tender age of 3, and by the time he was 4, he was playing piano at a church where his father was pastor.

"I did that a lot when I was growing up: playing in church, directing choirs,

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• Hudson Museum

Art exhibitions

Weaving a tale of American Indian culture

By James Wright
Staff Writer

A way of life that some have chosen to ignore is now on exhibit for all to see and learn from. A display at the Hudson Museum in the Maine Center for the Arts shows one of the many aspects of a people who continually strive for an identity in a land that is rightfully their own.

"Tree and Tradition" is a historical set of American Indian artifacts that reveals the true art of basketmaking. Now considered an art form, these creations were once a major source of income for Maine American Indians, whom this display represents.

Baskets from all of the Wabanaki tribes (Passamaquoddy, Penobscot, Maliseet and Micmac) are at the Hudson Museum, and there is a wide variety of their artwork ranging from the fancy and eccentric to the purposeful and utilitarian. Everything from sewing kits and glove boxes to potato baskets and fishing creels are there to give insight to another life-style that is far from extinct.

Deborah Brooks, the gift shop manager at Hudson Museum, feels that native Mainers are "often overlooked, and this is a good tribute to these indigenous people." Brooks also has a few items from her personal collection in the exhibit.

Mary Mitchell Gabriel, a Passamaquoddy Indian and Brooks' mother, has some of her work on display. Not only is her work of major importance, but her



Passamaquoddy Indian baskets now on display at the Hudson Museum. (Newell Photo.)

message is as well: "It takes a long, long time to find your own way. You want to make something different from the others. Sometimes it comes out right, and sometimes it doesn't, and you do it over and over again." Her words can be taken into a much larger context.

The exhibit shows the entire process of basket making, from pounding and stripping of the brown ash wood and

sweetgrass to the molding stage to the finished product. From the brown ash - the people; from the people - the tradition.

Basket making is the root of tourism in Maine, one of this state's most important industries. At the turn of the century, American Indians on the coast could sell their products to incoming travellers by sea. The baskets then were made to sell,

for the support of their children often depended on it.

All of the baskets are on loan to the museum and will be on display through October of this year. From there the exhibit will be moving to Portland for six months and then to Presque Isle.

"This is not a dying art," said Brooks of the exhibit, "it is a skilled art, and there is honor in that."

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that they begin to kiss passionately. Uh, hello? Does this make an ounce of sense? They are in the middle of nowhere in a frozen underworld with the constant threat of another attack by the killer appliances (aka: screamers) and that gets them in the mood? Ear wax is more erotic.

"Screamers" is a dud. It's the "Ishtar" of sci-fi films. One would be far better off renting one of the infinitely better films it rips off like "Aliens," "Body Snatchers" or John Carpenter's remake of "The Thing." These films make "Screamers" look like someone's idea of a sick joke.

R&B

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and things like that," he said. "I had my own band, with my cousins and my friends, and we toured all over the city."

Before he reached 18, he went to New York City where he and his band performed — and won — three times at the famed Apollo Theater's amateur showcase.

It was during that time when he wrote "U Will Know," a soulful ballad about a young man's hopes and dreams that later was tapped by the producers of the movie "Jason's Lyric" for its soundtrack.

D'Angelo had planned to put it on his own debut album for EMI, but by the time he began recording it, the mood had changed.

"I wrote the song with my brother when I was 17 ... so by the time it came for me to record it on 'Brown Sugar,' I kind of outgrew the song vocally," he said.

It also didn't fit with the mood of the album; a sexually charged, sensual collection of tunes in which the song would have been out of place.

The tune was recorded by dozens of

today's hottest male singing acts, including Boyz II Men, R. Kelly, Gerald Levert and others. The success of "U Will Know" helped to create an enthusiasm for the later release of his album, which is more mature, but just as soulful.

He either wrote or co-wrote every song on the album, with the exception of "Cruisin'." He also played most of the instruments and produced the disc. With its jazzy tone and funky themes, it has appeal to both older and younger generations.

He knows its a sound that many have been waiting for.

"I think for the most part, especially in the past couple of years, the R&B as a whole as far as artistically speaking, it was diminishing in its art form," he said.

D'Angelo's distinctive sound has caught the ear of many other artists who have been clamoring to work with him.

"I've had to turn a lot of people down, not out of disrespect for them, but for out of respect for them. I have to be like, 'No, I can't do it right now.'"



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Editorial Page

• Commentary

He could be a contender

In the 1993 NBA playoffs, Reggie Lewis fainted early in the first half of the Boston Celtics playoff series with the Charlotte Hornets. Later that summer, after months of speculation of whether he would ever play basketball again, Lewis collapsed while shooting hoops and died.

Earlier this month, UMass center Marcus Camby blacked out for 10 minutes after warming up for his game with St. Bonaventure. After several days of testing, doctors ruled out heart and brain problems, and cleared Camby to play. He returned Sunday, played 26 minutes and scored 19 points; grabbing seven rebounds and swatting nine shots. Camby looked like he never missed a beat.

Camby has a brilliant future in front of him in the NBA, but one has to wonder: is he doing the right thing? He is playing a game he loves, and will eventually make millions of dollars doing it

but is that worth risking his life?

In today's money-grubbing society athletes often feel the pressure to strive beyond limits normally believed to be safe. All too often, athletes let this get in the way of rational thinking. Society pushes their athletes to the brink and beyond.

The sports world needs to take caution in situations of this type. Owners can't be so greedy, allowing unhealthy players to compete in search of the all-mighty dollar. Society needs to stop sending the message that the only way for these athletes to achieve success is on the court or the diamond. Camby needs to realize life is too precious to risk it for all that the sports world holds in store for him.

With the increasing emphasis on commercialism in sport, we all need to step back and realize what sports are all about—the athletes. (S.Martin)

Ad-utopia and beernuts

Now that the Bud man's social event of the year, otherwise known as the Super Bowl, is over, it's time to reflect on all of those wasted brain cells the tidal wave of commercials engulfed us in.

There are plenty of people who willingly admit they watch the Super Bowl only for the new ads for which companies pay millions of dollars. Judging by the outcomes of most Super Bowls in recent memory, that doesn't sound like a bad idea.

This year many of you must be terribly disappointed. Usually the advertisements are refreshingly new, innovative and surprisingly entertaining. The Apple 1984 ad was truly original. Even those 3-D ads a few years back were at least worth looking forward to, if you bought enough Pepsi to get the glasses.

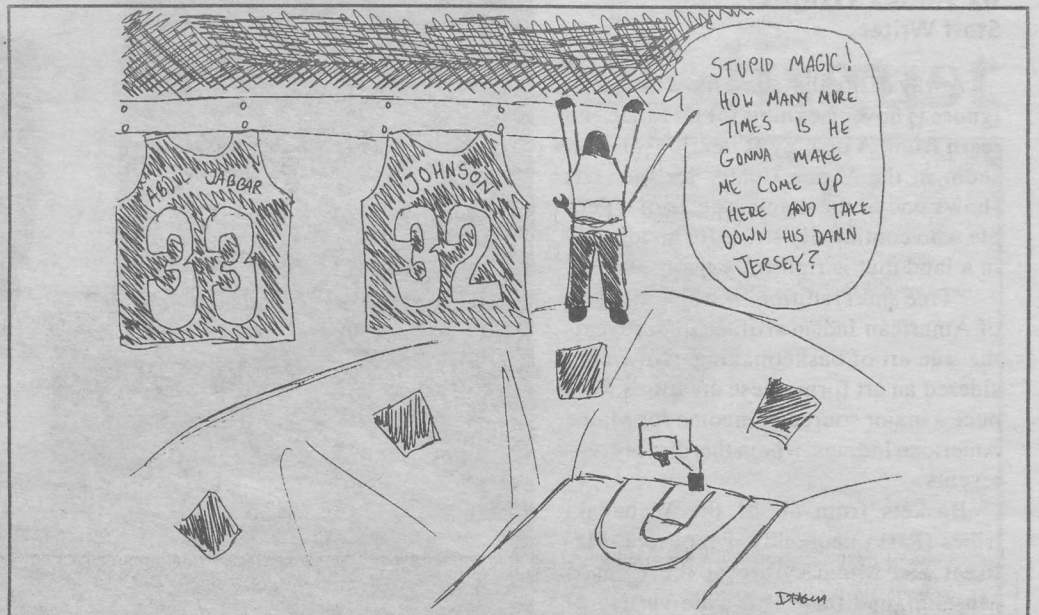
I got the sense that some of the ads were rushed and, consequently, weak efforts, since everybody else was making them for Sunday. Advertisements now abandon the hard sell for irrelevant humor

and pointless special effects. How in the world do psychedelic graphics sell blue jeans? It's a good thing that the game was somewhat entertaining, or people would have been in bed by nine o'clock.

The McDonald's ad with the baby rocking was the most annoying 30 seconds to grace the television screen since Richard Simmons left the airwaves. If Ronnie and the guys actually depended on ads to sell burgers, then their latest effort wouldn't help a bit.

And what about Deion Sanders becoming half man-half road runner? Please. It's a good thing that the Bud Light guy no longer wants to do those silly ads. There's your love for you.

Call me a grazer, zipper or even a zipper, but I prefer the ticket: commercial hater. Super Sunday ads are supposed to be good ones, because half of the country is tuned into the same place at the same time. The only thing sold Sunday may well have been aspirin. For one big collective headache. (J. Wright)



• Commentary

The Maine massacre

Last Saturday evening around 6 p.m., a madman smashed his way into the convent at the Order of the Blessed Sacrament in Waterville. Mark Bechard then proceeded to stab and beat two nuns to death with a knife, a religious statue and one of the nun's canes. Before his rampage was halted, Bechard managed to injure two additional nuns.

Had this abortion of morality taken place in a more decadent metropolitan mass, than it may have passed with somewhat less media fanfare. Alas, that was not the case, as Maine, a state with one of the lowest murder rates in the country, was brought to the grim threshold of socially bankrupt America. Once a peaceful backwater of New England know-how, resourcefulness and independence, Maine lost its virginity over the weekend. I say this from the point of view of those from away, for this lily white facade has been soiled for quite some time now. This weekend, however, marked the turning point in Maine's progress: to a course of decay, mimicking the rest of the country.

In what can only be construed as an apologetic

plea by the liberal media, Bechard has been painted as "having a history of mental illness." The press further bombarded the masses with drivel concerning Bechard's "dual-diagnosis" generation (i.e. on top of being mentally unstable, he is also a drunk of the first order.)

These character flaws do not absolve the accused of wrongdoing. More to the point, these character flaws and the individual whom they haunt should have been locked up in Augusta Mental Health Institute. Yet due to the beauty of the American justice system, which forced AMHI to open its doors under the pretense that the mentally ill would be better cared for in out-patient or private care facilities, Bechard swam free.

Before last week's State of the State speech, Gov. Angus King said he would not speak to the AMHI issue, which many believe he will close over the summer. Perhaps this latest show of personal responsibility of the mentally ill has shown King the right course. If aged nuns are the victim of such mindless slaughter, than what can be said for the rest of us? Keep the doors locked. (M.L.Lane)

• Letters to the Editor

• Cutler defends its no AIDS testing policy

To the Editor:

I am writing to clarify any misunderstandings that may occur as a result of the Monday, Jan. 29, 1996 article by Wendy Churchill about HIV testing. The headline misdirects people about the issues involved, while the article attempts to identify the reasons for not offering HIV testing on campus.

The intentions and interests of Cutler Health Center concerning HIV infection are:

1. To provide community awareness and encourage persons at risk for contracting HIV infection to adopt behaviors and practices that eliminate or reduce the risk of transmission of HIV to the lowest possible levels.

2. To increase the awareness of abstinence from sexual activity as a means to prevent HIV transmission and methods for protected sexual activity that reduce the risk of HIV transmission.

3. To provide authoritative scientific evidence and dispel misconceptions about HIV, the means of transmission of HIV and persons with HIV-disease.

4. To support persons with HIV-disease or AIDS.

5. To encourage public discussion about HIV and other sexually transmitted disease.

6. To increase awareness of all sexually transmitted diseases and the possible long term health problems associated with contracting a sexually transmitted disease.

Testing is not part of a prevention program. Testing is not a way to reduce the risk of transmission of HIV. Testing does not help people adopt new behaviors and may reinforce behaviors that continue to place a person at risk.

HIV testing is a specialized service requiring specific training of the counselors. Two very competent providers of testing (Bangor STD Clinic and Eastern Maine AIDS Network) currently offer services in Bangor. These service providers have the funds and staff necessary to maintain quality counseling support of persons testing for HIV.

Confidentiality of service at Cutler is not the problem.

Students should be assured that Cutler Health Center maintains the highest standards of confidentiality. We cannot provide anonymous test-

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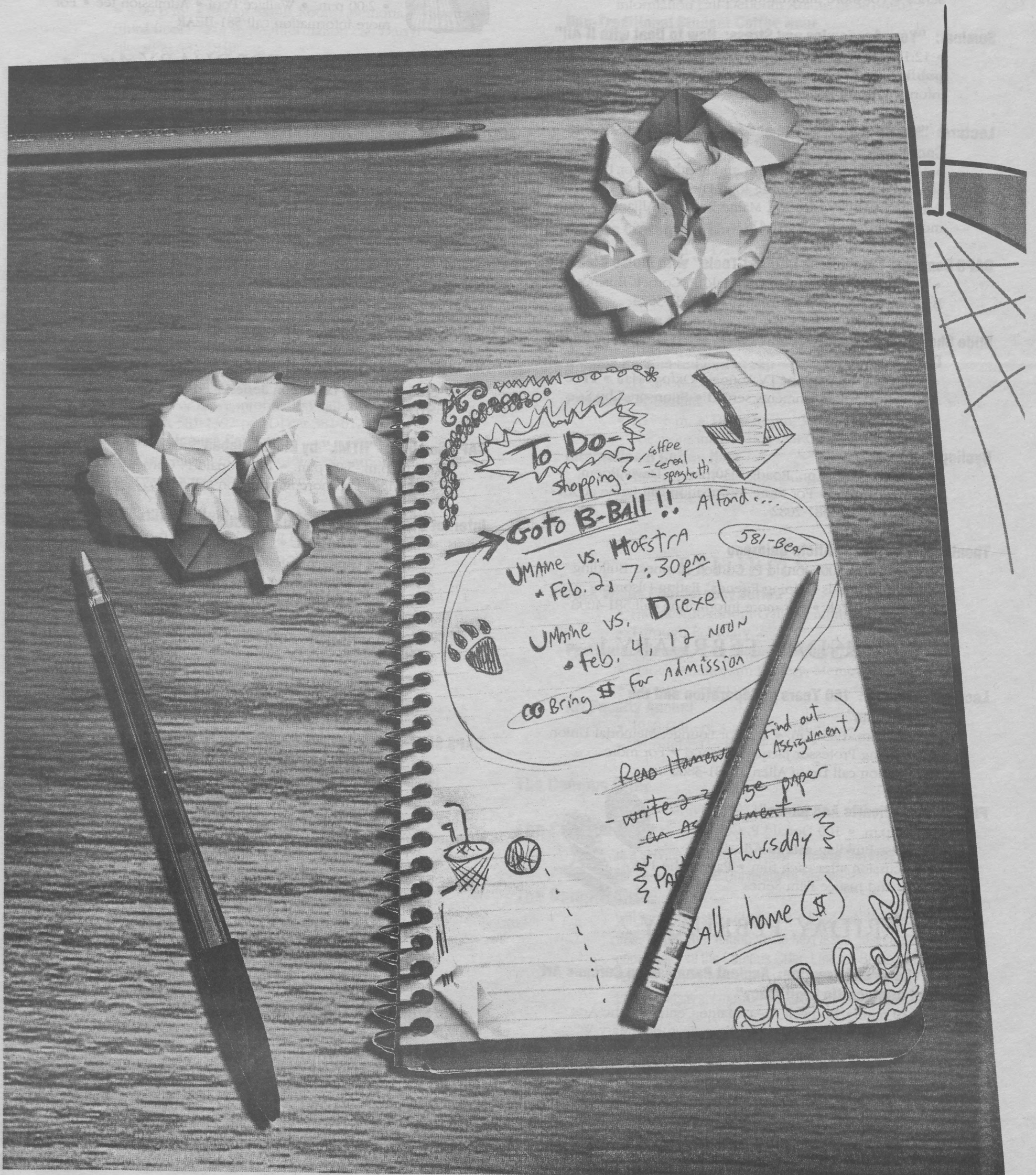
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January 31 Through February 6, 1996



WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 31

Internet Class: "Introduction to URSUS"

- 9:30 a.m.-11:00 a.m. • Fogler Library • Pre-register by contacting Gretchen Gfeller at 581-1675 or gretchen_gfeller@voyager.umeres.maine.edu, or register online on the Library's Internet Workshop homepage: <http://libinfo.ume.maine.edu/Classes/spring1996.html>
- Return completed registration forms to the Reference Office

Poetry Reading: "Celebrating Civil Rights: A Poetry Celebration of Black History"

- 12 noon • Honors Center • Part of the Poetry Free Zone Series • For more information call 581-1441

Seminar: "You, Academics and Stress: How to Deal with It All"

- 12:15 p.m. • Davis Room • **Free and open to the public** • Part of the NTS Topics Series • For more information call 581-1734

Lecture: "Health Care Practice and Profits: Impact on Maine Consumers"

- 12:20 p.m.-1:30 p.m. • North and South Bangor Lounge, Memorial Union • Featuring John Dieffenbacher-Krall, Penobscot Valley Director, Maine People's Alliance • For more information call 581-4194

CAPS Seminar: "Macintosh Internet Tools" with Eloise Kleban

- 3:00 p.m.-5:00 p.m. • 107 Donald P. Corbett Business Building • For more information call 581-3524

Slide Show Presentation: "Biodiversity: What Is It? Why Do We Care About It?"

- 6:30 p.m. • First floor TV Lounge, Oxford Hall • **Free Admission** • Refreshments served • Sponsored by S-Cubed

Cycling Club Meeting

- Offroad: 7:00 p.m., Road: 7:30 p.m. • Davis Room, Memorial Union • For more information call Jamie at 581-7461 or Chris at 581-7082

Theatre Production by Alicia Quintano

- 7:30 p.m. • 100 Donald P. Corbett Business Building
- Part of "Friends Helping Friends" Eating Disorders Awareness Week • For more information call 581-4008

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 1

Lecture: "Quebec: 160 Years of Separation and the Referendum"

- 12:30 p.m.-1:45 p.m. • Bangor Lounge, Memorial Union
- Featuring Professor Jacques Ferland • For more information call Doug Allen at 581-3860

Film Series: "Hearts And Minds"

- 7:00 p.m. • 100 Donald P. Corbett Business Building • **Free Admission**
- Discussion after each film • Part of the 1996 Peace and Justice Film Series



FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 2

Lecture: "Color and Creation: Ancient Panamanian Ceramic Art and Aristocratic Legitimacy"

- 3:30 p.m. • Bodwell Area, Maine Center for the Arts
- **Free and open to the public** • Featuring Mary W. Helms, Professor of Anthropology at University of North Carolina

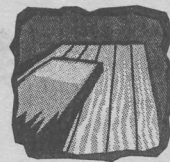
Sports: UMaine Men's Basketball vs. Hofstra

- 7:30 p.m. • Alford Arena • Admission fee • For more information call 581-BEAR

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 3

"UMaine Ground Hog's Day" Cross-Country Ski Tour

- 11:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. • Meet on the bleachers of the Field House • Beginners encouraged to attend • For more information call Thad Dwyer at 581-1081 or Muffy Eastman at 581-4194



Sports: UMaine Swimming vs. University of New Hampshire

- 2:00 p.m. • Wallace Pool • Admission fee • For more information call 581-BEAR

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 4

Sports: UMaine Men's Basketball vs. Drexel

- 12 noon • Alford Arena • Admission fee • For more information call 581-BEAR

Training Session & Meeting: Student Environmental Educators

- 7:00 p.m. • First floor, Memorial Union • For more information call 581-2764

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 5

Lecture: Ben Meiklejohn and Chris Bragdon, Student Government President and Vice-President

- 12:15 p.m.-1:30 p.m. • Bangor Lounge, Memorial Union
- **Free and open to the public** • Part of the 1996 Peace Studies Spring Luncheon Series • For more information call 581-2609

CAPS Seminar: "HTML" by Eloise Kleban

- 3:00 p.m.-5:00 p.m. • 107 Donald P. Corbett Business Building • For more information call 581-3524

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TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 6

CAPS Seminar: "Windows Internet Tools" by Betty Johnson

- 3:30 p.m.-5:30 p.m. • 107 Donald P. Corbett Business Building • For more information call 581-3524

WEEKLY MEETINGS

SUNDAYS

Protestant Ecumenical Worship

- 11:00 a.m. • Wilson Center • For more information call Deborah Adams at 581-8693

Meditation and Light Supper

- 5:00 p.m. • Wilson Center • For more information call Deborah Adams at 581-8693

Student Art League (First and third Sunday of each month)

- 6:00 p.m. • Carnegie Hall basement

Sojourners

- 6:30 p.m. • Wilson Center • For more information call Deborah Adams at 581-8693

Los Colores Unidos

- 7:00 p.m. • 1912 Room, Memorial Union
- For more information call Hassiba Gonzales at 866-0518

NAACP Chapter Meeting (Last Sunday of each month)

- 7:00 p.m. • Sutton Lounge, Memorial Union • For more information call James Varner at 581-1808 or Charles Gibson at 581-7096

MONDAYS

Friends of Bill W.

- 12 noon • Old Town Room, Memorial Union

Smoking Cessation Group

- 4:00 p.m. • Cutler Health Center • Free for students • For more information call Maureen Henry or Rick Kochis at 581-4031

Student Entertainment Activities Board

- 4:00 p.m. • Senior Skulls Room, Memorial Union (third floor) • For more information call Darryl Blease at 581-1840

Papa Phatt's 420 Tape-Trading Club

- 4:30 p.m. • Ram's Horn • For more information call Jeff at 581-6356

Amateur Radio Club

- 5:00 p.m. • Merrill Hall basement • For more information call Aaron at 866-5759

Maine Animal Club

- 5:00 p.m. • 206 Rogers Hall • For more information call Cathy Show at 581-6330

Guest Lecture Series Board

- 5:30 p.m. • Third floor, Memorial Union • For more information call Thomas Hinchliffe at 581-1777

Circle K Club

- 6:30 p.m. • Bangor Lounge, Memorial Union • For more information call Angie at 827-5998

Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual Discussion Group

- 6:30 p.m.-8:00 p.m. • Honors Center, Seminar Room • For more information call the Counseling Center at 581-1392 or TDD at 581-6126

Amateur Radio License Course

- 7:00 p.m. • 123 Barrows • Free and open to anyone interested • For more information call Aaron at 866-5759

Student Wildlife Society (First Monday of each month)

- 7:00 p.m. • 204 Nutting Hall • For more information call Jeff Jacobs at 866-2731

TUESDAYS

Maine Peace Action Committee

- 4:00 p.m. • Virtue Room, Maples • For more information call Jerry Turcotte at 866-4651

General Student Senate

- 6:00 p.m. • Damn Yankee, Memorial Union • Meeting will be aired on Channel 10 from 8:30-9:30 on Wednesdays and Thursdays • For more information call Ben Meiklejohn at 581-1774

Poetry Readings (First and third Tuesdays of each month)

- 8:00 p.m. • February 6: Sutton Lounge, February 20: Peabody Lounge • Sponsored by the Maine Review • For more information call Jim Billings at 945-3188

WEDNESDAYS

Friends of Bill W.

- 12 noon • Old Town Room, Memorial Union

Earth Week '96 Planning Team

- 12 noon • 1912 Room, Memorial Union • For more information contact Scott Wilkerson at 581-3300 or scott_wilkerson@voyager.umeres.maine.edu

Off Campus Board

- 3:00 p.m. • OCB office, third floor, Memorial Union • For more information call 581-1840

Women's Center

- 3:00 p.m.-4:30 p.m. • 101 Fernald Hall • For more information call 581-1508

UMaine Green Party

- 4:20 p.m. • Sutton Lounge, Memorial Union • For more information call Ben at 581-6355

Student Alumni Association

- 5:30 p.m. • Crossland Alumni Center • For more information call 581-1140

Union Board

- 6:30 p.m. • Totman Lounge, Memorial Union

THURSDAYS

Wilson Center Midday Song Fest

- 12 noon • Drummond Chapel • For more information call Deborah Adams at 581-8963

Non-Traditional Student Coffee Hour

- 3:15 p.m.-4:30 p.m. • Commuter Lounge • For more information call 581-1820

"A Taste of Home Potluck"

- 5:30 p.m. • Wilson Center

College Republicans

- 5:30 p.m. • Bangor Lounge, Memorial Union

Wilde Stein Club

- 6:30 p.m. • Sutton Lounge, Memorial Union • For more information contact Brooke or Kristen at 581-1596

Campus Crusade for Christ

- 7:30 p.m. • Damn Yankee, Memorial Union

FRIDAYS

Friends of Bill W.

- 12 noon • Old Town Room, Memorial Union

UMaine Muslim Student Group

- 12 noon-2:00 p.m. • Drummond Chapel

Prisoners of Gender

- 1:15 p.m. • Davis Room, Memorial Union • For more information call Craig at 827-8118

International Coffee Hour

- 4:00 p.m. • Peabody Lounge • For more information call 581-2905

EXHIBITS

Jack Walas Photography Juried

- Hauck Auditorium Gallery, Memorial Union • Through February 2

Particular Places: Two Maine Visual Artists

- Hauck Auditorium Gallery, Memorial Union • Through February 2

Art Faculty Annual

- 1938 Gallery, Carnegie Hall • Through March 29

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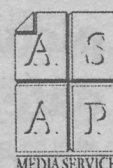
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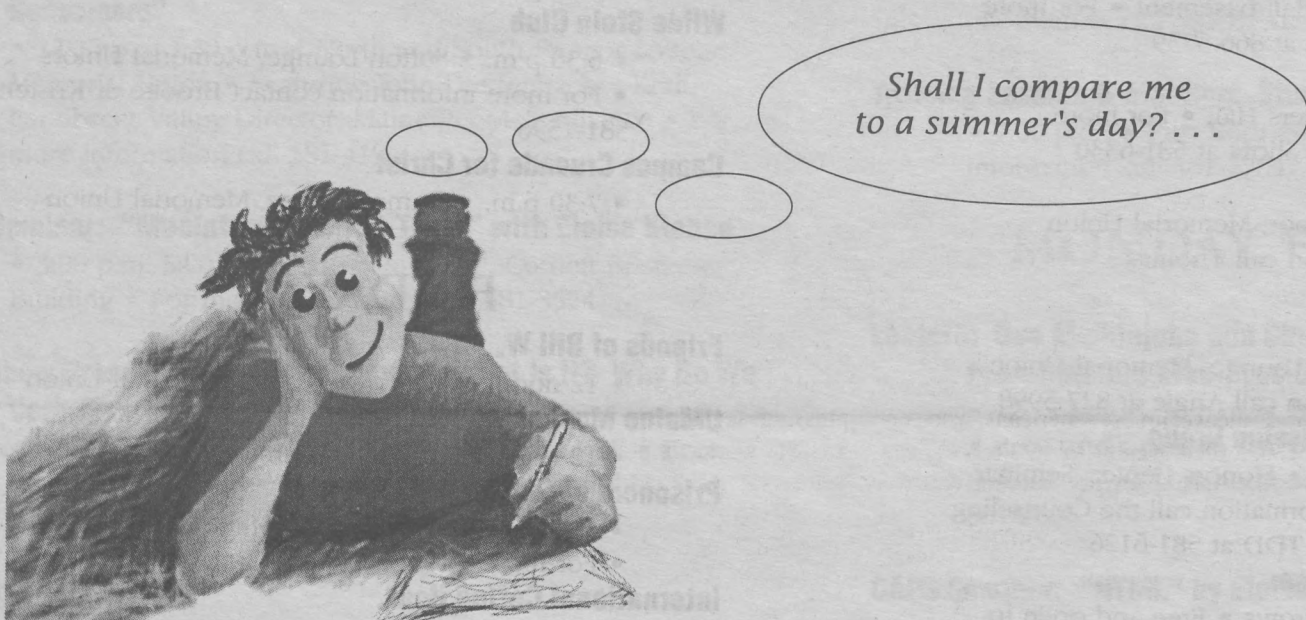
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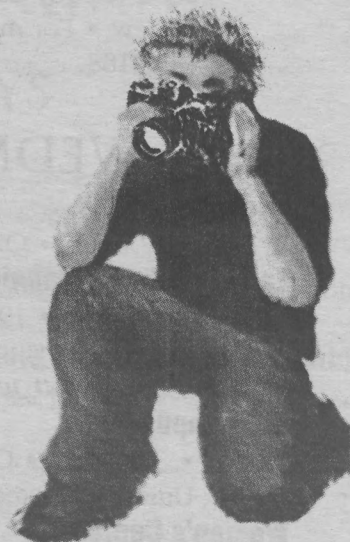
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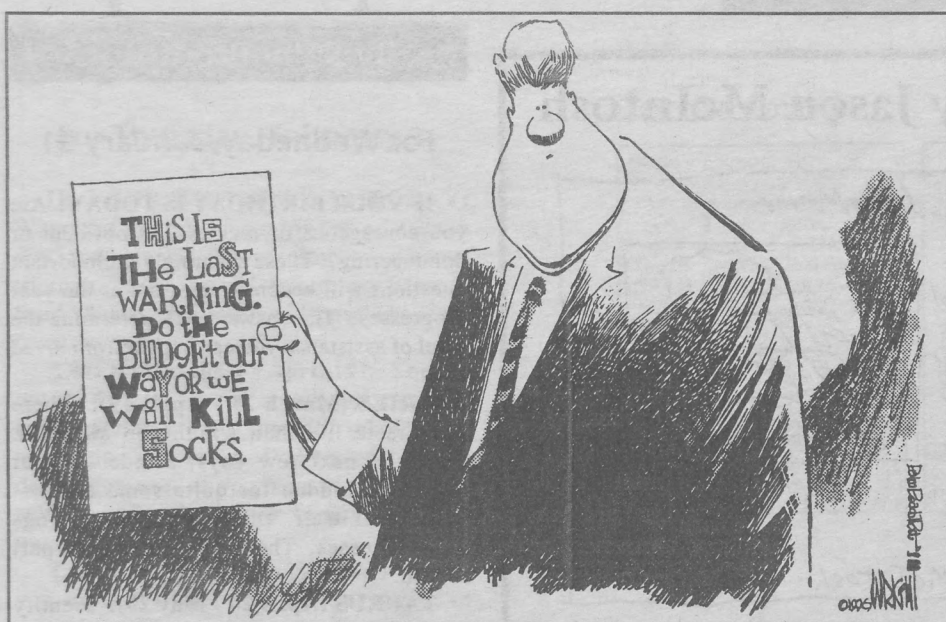
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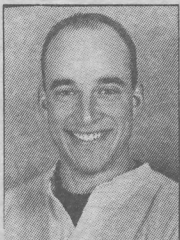
Editorial Page



• On second thought

Cops, crime and crack

CRIME DRUGS



Jeff Teunisen

Crime statistics are down in cities known for their thorny streets, and everyone from the mayor to the president is grinning ear-to-ear. It is as if the police and government think they've miraculously nipped crime in the bud and sown a decline in crime that will ultimately lead to its extinction.

Due to New York's 40 percent decline in major crimes, the city's Mayor, Rudolph

W. Giuliani, is considering a cut of 1,000 police officers to save the city \$30 million. To cut the number of officers will not be appreciated by residents seeking a safer city, and no doubt the funds could be drawn from some other department.

But Giuliani is not the only one who is joyous over the new crime statistics. President Clinton stuck his hand in the cookie jar last week when he addressed the nation.

"At last we have begun to find a way to reduce crime," Clinton said, in this, an election year.

Yes, increased police forces have led to a temporary decrease in crime, but crime statistics are still alarmingly high.

Did those watching the president in St. Louis even realize there had been an 18 percent drop in their murder rate last year? Probably not. Residents of cities throughout the country cannot walk down to the corner-store without fear of shootings or muggings. The new crime statistics have been dramatically overplayed and manipulated by government officials and police departments.

Officials have conveniently failed to mention that the statistics are for adults committing crimes, not teens. In the past year it has been teens, and their unbelievably gruesome crimes that have made the headlines all too often.

According to *Time* magazine, between 1990 and 1994 the crime rate for youths between the ages of 14 and 17 jumped 16 percent. Currently there are 39 million children under the age of 10 in the U.S., more than any other time since the 1950's. These statistics can mean only one thing: there will be an increase in crime within the next decade.

Making the situation all the more problematic is that the basic elements spawning teenage crime remain entrenched in our society. The divorce rate remains high, drugs remain openly available, child abuse is a continuing problem and education continues to diminish. All of which should make politicians and officers flinch. And there are the increasingly popular shows in which the likes of Ricki Lake make it a habit of letting wife-beating idiots tell their side of the story while lacking any show of remorse. Shows such as this are becoming more and more popular to teen television drones.

Northeastern University criminologist James Alan Fox urges "reinvesting in children" as the solution to halting teen crime. He suggests improving schools, creating after-school programs and providing alternatives to gangs and drugs as the solution for teen violence.

While crime rates have not been priority for Maine residents, history dictates that it will be shortly. Crack is increasingly found in Portland, and it is only a matter of time before it makes its mark on the entire state.

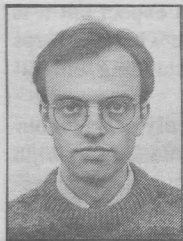
For teens in rural areas, perhaps most so in the woods of Maine, gang life has been somewhat idolized. This can mean only one thing: Maine will see an increase in crime the likes of which have never been seen before. Police forces throughout Maine need to be prepared, or parts of Maine may become no-man's land instead of vacation land.

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• From the Left

The king of capitalism

Politics, National



Jeff Tuttle

Politicians have run for office as "Washington outsiders" for as long as there have been political campaigns. The current Republican trend, epitomized by the quirky king of capitalism himself, Steve Forbes, is to paint Washington as an institution too big to pass anything even resembling meaningful or effective legislation. Forbes, the multimillionaire and, therefore, viable Republican presidential candidate, has expressed his belief in the old saying that the ten most frightening words in the English language are "I am from the government, and I am here to help you."

When do we start to trust our elected officials again? Are we to remain a nation of cynics and foolishly think, as do many Republicans, that the answers to social problems can only be found by state and local governments? There are indeed issues that deserve national attention, and therefore, a national standard. This old Confederate philosophy putting the most important legislative power within the individual states has become obsolete in a world which is becoming smaller as we realize all human beings, regardless of nationality, share the same basic needs. Civil rights, economic security, educational opportunity and health care are needs present in every state in this nation and every country on this planet.

Forbes wants to "unlock the strangle-

hold that the political class has on American life," which roughly translates into: deregulate: everything and take no action as unbridled capitalism divides the classes. His flat tax proposal, which sounds good to the simplistic, conservative mind, will levy no tax on income derived from investment. This will only keep the poorest citizens poor, as the wealthiest Americans, who perhaps inherited wealth (a la Forbes), can claim low salaries, if any, and live tax-free

Like any greedy businessman, Forbes does not want to invest in America as whole, only the parts that yield an immediate profit.

for the rest of their pampered lives.

On the other side of the tracks, people who actually work for a living shell out 17 percent of their earnings. Many Americans do not have the extra cash to risk on the New York Stock Exchange. And it's not their fault. Because he is a successful busi-

nessman, Forbes, and those who support him, think he is qualified to guarantee the needs of American citizens. Since when is running a country anything like running a business? Ross Perot tried to convince the American people of this in 1992; Forbes is doing the same thing four years later. These would-be leaders, by running away from pressing social issues facing the country and the world, impress upon the thinking voter that they are only concerned with money itself. As long as they have enough, they'll just let the states decide whether or not they'd like to provide basic rights and freedoms for their people. Passing the buck is a common practice of top executives in huge corporations. We can't let it become the practice of our elected officials in Washington.

The Forbes flat tax will bring our country back to the trickle-down economics of the Reagan era. Give the already wealthy more money to play with and they'll see to it that the rest of us have the opportunity to divide up what remains. This is a big step backwards in terms of economic policy and, consequently, the equality of human beings. Like any greedy businessman, Forbes does not want to invest in America as a whole, only the parts that can yield an immediate profit. Long-term investment in people is the investment America must make in order to advance society beyond its current divided state of rich and poor.

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Entertainment

Your Daily Horoscope

By Sally Brompton

For Wednesday, January 31

IF YOUR BIRTHDAY IS TODAY: Are you courageous or reckless? Confident or domineering? These seemingly unimportant questions will become important as the year progresses. The answers will determine the level of assistance you can expect from loved ones.

ARIES (March 21 - April 19): There is more to life than winning at all costs. Over the next few days, a side of your nature — hidden for quite some time — will reveal itself. Don't treat your feelings as weaknesses. They are the strongest part of you.

TAURUS (April 20 - May 20): Identify your priorities. You are going through a fortunate phase, but experience has taught you that luck can change unexpectedly. So don't squander your resources on things you really don't need.

GEMINI (May 21 - June 20): You are on the verge of a great discovery that will change your life in ways you cannot imagine. It may not be what you expect but it is exactly what you need. Take whatever steps are necessary to clear outstanding obligations.

CANCER (June 21 - July 22): Your confidence and morale should be sky-high today. But know when to stop or your actions could be counterproductive. Don't spend money on impractical things. An unexpected bill could change your mood in an instant.

LEO (July 23 - Aug. 22): You have much going for you at the moment. Even those who have opposed you before seem surprisingly helpful. Should you be suspicious? No. There's good reason to believe their desire to foster trust is absolutely genuine.

VIRGO (Aug. 23 - Sept. 22): With Venus edging closer to Saturn in your opposite sign of Pisces, you may find that an important relationship no longer inspires you as it once did. If this is the case, be brave and accept that some things have got to change.

LIBRA (Sept. 23 - Oct. 22): Your home life should be a source of joy and inspiration for several days to come. However, work relationships may not be so bright. Try to spend as little time as possible with assertive, aggressive people.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23 - Nov. 21): A full moon this coming weekend in the imperious sign of Leo points to a conflict of interests in your home life or professional environment. You can make things easier by refusing to let your emotions get the better of you.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22 - Dec. 21): You should have more room to maneuver as partners and loved ones limit their petty distractions. Also, try to forget how you are going to make ends meet. Concentrate on the ethical questions and the bills will take care of themselves.

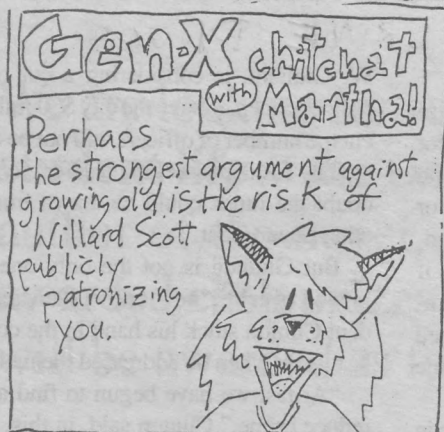
CAPRICORN (Dec. 22 - Jan. 19): It should be obvious by now that a method you have been using for years no longer fits the bill. The sun in Aquarius can bring riches and success, but only if you are prepared to adopt novel ideas and procedures.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20 - Feb. 18): Even if the surface waters of your life are calm, profound changes are taking place deep down. With the sun and Uranus transiting your birth sign together, there is no need to fear the future. Run toward it with open arms.

PISCES (Feb. 19 - March 20): Your head may be swimming with plans of fame, fortune and fulfillment, but unless you resolve an emotional difficulty first you may find your efforts are thwarted by someone who feels you have abandoned them.

Schizofunia!

By Jason McIntosh



MISTER BOFFO

by Joe Martin



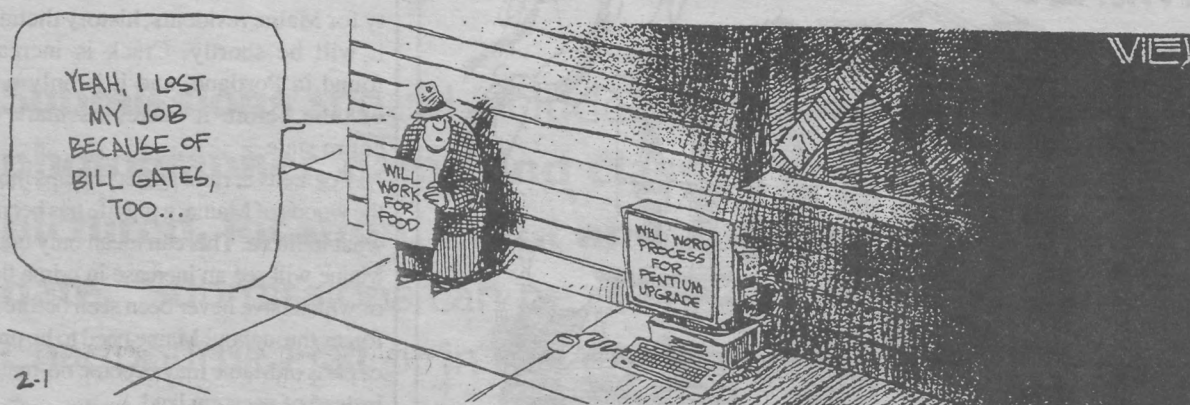
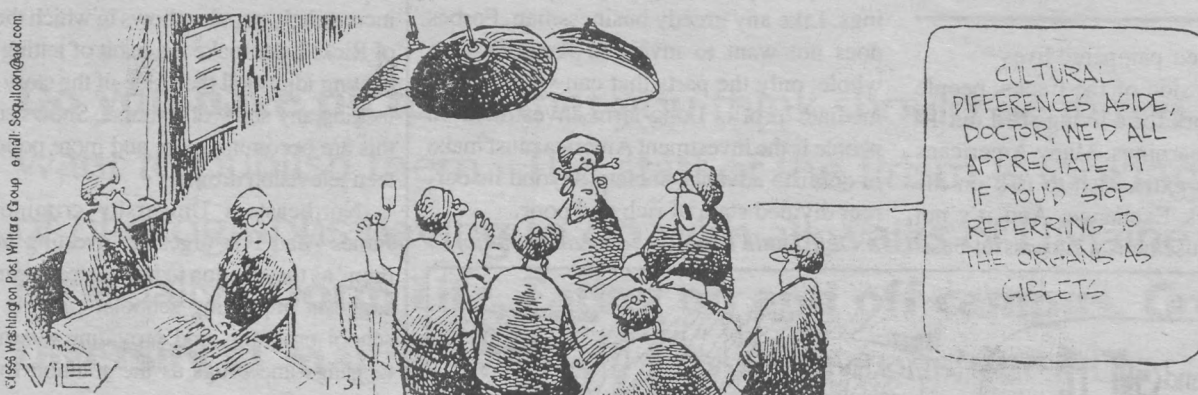
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Your Daily Horoscope

By Sally Brompton

For Thursday, February 1

IF YOUR BIRTHDAY IS TODAY: Wherever you made your biggest mistake in 1995 is where you'll now enjoy your greatest triumph. Success and failure go hand in hand. Successful people are those who learn from the experience of failure.

ARIES (March 21 - April 19): You are not the type to sit and brood, but the difficulties at home or in a romantic relationship are getting you down. Don't give in to the depression even if you have to lie to yourself. Do what you can to keep your spirits up.

TAURUS (April 20 - May 20): What you expect is what you will get today, so expect the best and you won't be disappointed. If you still find it hard to be confident about your future, it won't be long before you realize you are relatively well off.

GEMINI (May 21 - June 20): Your curiosity could take you in some unusual directions. Others may say you are out of your mind, but if your instincts tell you to look in neglected areas, you know better than to ignore them. What you find will be worth the mockery.

CANCER (June 21 - July 22): Life should be anything but dull at the moment. But with Mars and Uranus transiting one of the most sensitive areas of your solar chart, you won't want to take too many risks. Consider smaller losses now to avoid big risks later.

LEO (July 23 - Aug. 22): Leos are leaders by nature, but you can work as part of a team if you respect your colleagues. Over the next few days, while Venus is close to Saturn in Pisces, it is important to stay on the side of those controlling the purse strings.

VIRGO (Aug. 23 - Sept. 22): Virgo is ruled by Mercury, planet of the mind, but try not to be too serious about what you have to do today. If you put your mind to it, you can have fun and still get your work done. Shake off that "too cautious" tag once and for all.

LIBRA (Sept. 23 - Oct. 22): With the sun in Aquarius backed up by Mars and Uranus, you possess the vision, energy and determination to get things accomplished. Few other signs have the potential to create something truly worthwhile at this moment.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23 - Nov. 21): Past events seem to be uppermost in your mind. A little bit of nostalgia does no harm, but if you retreat into the past as a means of escaping the present you will only make matters worse for yourself in the future.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22 - Dec. 21): Your reputation for honesty and loyalty must be protected at all costs, however tempting it might be to switch allegiances and take up a lucrative offer. What you do to others today will be returned with interest at a later date.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22 - Jan. 19): Take care of routine duties and make the effort to contact people you haven't seen for a while. Don't expect them to jump for joy — since you should have called earlier — but at least you'll be on speaking terms again.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20 - Feb. 18): Water bearers see far and deep, but they sometimes miss what goes on in front of them. Today's aspect ensure's that your mind is focused: Make sure you don't pay a fortune for something that costs next to nothing.

PISCES (Feb. 19 - March 20): Neptune, your ruler, is known as the planet of illusion, and it would certainly be worth your while today to look back over recent events and see how easily you deceived yourself.

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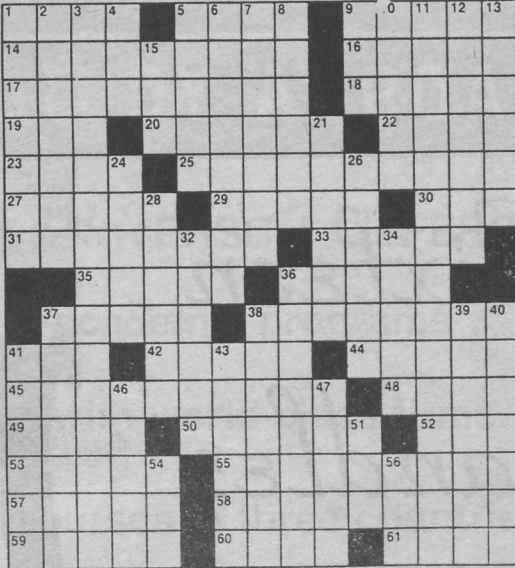
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Puzzle by A. J. Santora

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• Helping out

Amish family opens home to raise money for mangled boy

SULLIVAN, Ill. (AP) — When Oba Herschberger saw how his 9-year-old son Samuel had been mangled by a powerful grinder on their farm, he thought the boy was dead. Then he heard a small voice: "Dad, please help me."

To find help since that terrifying moment 4 1/2 years ago, the Herschbergers have turned to a place usually shunned by their close-knit Amish community: the outside world.

First, the Herschbergers journeyed to a distant hospital, a place frightening to them in its vastness and complexity, for the first of 28 operations that saved young Samuel's life and three of his limbs.

Then, facing a six-figure medical bill that was beyond the reach of the Amish help-thy-neighbor tradition, they staked their hopes on the kindness of strangers. Each weekend, they open their home to non-Amish visitors.

The strangers come to the Herschbergers' plain farmhouse in the fertile, flat, corn-and-soybeans country of east-central Illinois.

They eat a home-cooked meal of ham and meat loaf, mashed potatoes and green beans, strawberry angel food cake with homemade ice cream and handpicked fruit, served at long tables by the light of propane lamps.

They leave a donation, whatever they can afford, to help pay Samuel's medical bills.

And they become part of a lesson about the power of kindness and hope.

"I've been amazed at the number of people who still have faith in God, who

are concerned about what's going on, who still care about their fellow man," Oba Herschberger says. "It helps you forget some of your problems."

Guests who come to dinner at Herschberger's farm say they leave enriched by the experience.

"It was almost like a spiritual experience," said Timothy DaRosa of Springfield, who attended a recent Saturday night supper with his family.

"I think (my) kids certainly have a better appreciation for what they have. They were not only impressed with their simplistic way of living but by how happy everyone seemed. In a materialistic society like ours, that was kind of hard for them to grasp."

Samuel, a slender blond boy with an unsteady, loping gait and a bashful smile, was three days from his 10th birthday in 1991 when he became entangled in a machine used to grind up corn stalks. It nearly ripped off his arms and legs and left part of his scalp hanging behind his head.

His father described the moment in a journal that the family hopes to publish to raise more money for the medical bills.

"Thinking him dead, I backed away, when a tiny voice said, 'Dad, please help me,'" Oba Herschberger wrote. Leaving his wife, Lorene, to comfort the boy, Herschberger ran to call an ambulance.

"Mom, will I die?" Samuel asked," Herschberger wrote. "I hope not," she said, and they began to pray."

Samuel was taken to Memorial Medical Center in Springfield, 70 miles away, where 11 doctors worked for 18 hours to

save Samuel's life and reattach his limbs and scalp. His left arm had to be amputated days later because of an infection, and he has little movement in his right hand.

The family's initial shock at Samuel's injuries was magnified by the sudden immersion in the outside society. Herschberger knew how strange he must have seemed to others, with his bushy beard and no moustache, and his plain, home-made clothing and broad-brimmed hat.

"When we first went with Samuel to that large hospital in Springfield, words cannot describe how scared we were," he wrote. "Not only for dear Samuel's condition but also for the vastness of it all."

Not wanting to put more financial strain on their Amish neighbors, the Herschbergers opened their home to non-Amish guests to raise money for Samuel's medical bills, which have topped \$500,000. Donations have covered about half of the boy's medical expenses so far.

Samuel responds to questions with silence and a smile. But he eagerly helps feed the family's herd of about 30 dairy cattle and straps on an artificial arm to play board games with his siblings.

The boy seems to have adjusted well, his father says, although he has been seen silently crying as he watched his brothers and sisters playing in the snow.

"Samuel never complains, so why should we?" Herschberger wrote. "Sometimes I think it's harder on the parents to accept a child's handicap than it is for the child himself."

The Herschbergers have grown comfortable with non-Amish visitors and help calm their apprehensions about Amish practices. Yes, they have indoor plumbing, although at night the bathroom is illuminated by a flickering candle.

After the meal, 11-year-old John Herschberger takes guests on a jaunt through the silent, starry night in one of the family's horse-drawn buggies.

As the horse clip-clops down the oil-and-chip road in front of the Herschberger farm, John explains how he drives the buggy to and from his Amish schoolhouse every day and has helped break some of the family's 20 horses.

As his children and the visitors' children play checkers and other games, Oba Herschberger tells his guests how he and his wife have come to enjoy the suppers.

"I like to visit people, and she likes to cook," Herschberger says. "I don't ever want to think about stopping."

The Herschbergers may be contacted by writing to Oba Herschberger, RR 1, Box 218, Sullivan, Ill. 61951.

• Controversial book

Clinton challenges media to identify novel's author

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Clinton challenged reporters Tuesday to do a little investigating for him — identify the author of a novel that is a barely fictitious account of his 1992 campaign.

"You all find out everything in the wide world. The least you can do is tell all of us who wrote that book," Clinton said during an Oval Office photo session with Russian Prime Minister Viktor Chernomyrdin.

The book, "Primary Colors," tells the story of a Southern governor's presidential campaign that bears a striking resemblance to Clinton's 1992 race. The book's main character is dogged by questions of his Vietnam War draft status and allegations of adultery.

One of Washington's biggest parlor games is connecting Clinton's campaign aides to characters in the book. The narra-

tor, for example, is thought to be based on senior adviser George Stephanopoulos.

The author is identified only as "Anonymous." The publisher, Random House, purchased the book last year from a literary agent who insisted that the writer remain anonymous.

Clinton said he doesn't know who wrote the book. He seemed amused that the author's identity is still secret in a town that practically revolves around leaked information.

"It's the only secret I've seen kept in Washington in three years," the president joked.

But, Clinton said, he plans to read the book. "I'm going to have a lot of book reading time this year because I'm going to be traveling a lot," Clinton said.

The travel, of course, is for his reelection bid.

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• Rejected nominee

Foster named to fight teen pregnancy

WASHINGTON (AP) — Seven months after his nomination was killed by the Senate, Dr. Henry Foster was named Monday as a special adviser to President Clinton to lead a national campaign against teen pregnancy.

Foster's job as an unpaid aide "ought to be completely without partisan politics," said Clinton, who last year blamed anti-abortion extremists for defeating Foster's nomination for surgeon general.

Senate Majority Leader Bob Dole, R-Kan., and Sen. Phil Gramm, R-Texas, rivals for the GOP presidential nomination, led the fight against Foster last June in what critics said was a battle for support among the Christian right. The new post does not require Senate approval.

Clinton had promised a crusade against teen pregnancy in his 1995 State of the Union speech, but that effort died with Foster's nomination.

The president does not plan to nominate a surgeon general candidate this year, White House press secretary Mike McCurry said.

"It would be difficult to appoint a surgeon general or nominate a surgeon general candidate who reflects the president's view that abortion should be safe, legal and rare," McCurry said. "That doesn't qualify with the rather extreme view that portions of the Republicans have in the Senate."

He said Clinton is satisfied with the work of Audrey F. Manley, deputy surgeon general.

Women's groups had lobbied Clinton to make teen pregnancy a prominent issue, and had pressed for Foster's appointment. A physician, he will travel around the country to bring national attention to the problem by speaking out and meeting with business and media leaders.

"This is not a problem which can be solved in Washington," Clinton said in a ceremony in the Roosevelt Room. "This is

not a problem that can be dealt with by a politician's speech, no matter how statesmanlike. This is a challenge that has to be dealt with one-on-one throughout this country."

Each year, about 1 million American teen-agers become pregnant — approximately 11 percent of women between the ages of 15 to 19. As the teen-age population grows, teen births are expected to increase.

Twice as many teen-agers have babies in the United States as in Britain. The rate is six times more than in France, Italy and Denmark, according to a White House fact sheet.

"It would be better if no teen-ager ever had a child out of wedlock, that it is not the right thing to do and it is not a good thing for the children's future and for the future of our country," the president said.

In his State of the Union address last Tuesday, Clinton called for a grass-roots effort against teen pregnancy, and on Monday he announced the leaders of that private initiative. They included actress Whoopi Goldberg, former Surgeon General C. Everett Koop, Urban League President Hugh Price, former New Hampshire Sen. Warren Rudman and former New Jersey Gov. Tom Kean.

Foster stood smilingly alongside Clinton at the ceremony but did not speak. Although he will not be paid, he will have an office at the Department of Health and Human Services, which will coordinate and pay for his travel. He also will continue his work as professor at Meharry Medical College in Nashville, Tenn.

Foster's nomination was defeated in a politically charged debate over abortion and the White House's handling of his case. As an obstetrician-gynecologist, Foster had pioneered a program to discourage teen pregnancies, but his critics focused on his limited number of abortions.

• Election

Forbes says he understands average Americans' problems

WASHINGTON (AP) — Labeled "Richie Rich" by rival Phil Gramm, GOP presidential hopeful Steve Forbes insisted Sunday he understands the economic worries of average Americans despite his wealth.

Asked on CBS' "Face the Nation" if he had ever held a mortgage, Forbes said, "Every house I've bought has been through a mortgage." Ending the mortgage interest deduction would not increase middle-class families' tax burdens, the millionaire magazine publisher said.

But Gramm criticized Forbes' proposal to end the deduction as part of a flat tax. And the Texas senator called it inconceivable Forbes could beat President Clinton if Forbes became the GOP nominee.

"It would be Richie Rich against Tom Sawyer," Gramm said on NBC's "Meet the Press." "There's no way you could possibly win that race."

Forbes has come under increasing attack from GOP rivals, including front-runner Bob Dole, the Senate majority leader, as he has climbed in the polls.

Former Tennessee Gov. Lamar Alexander on Sunday said Forbes is "not prepared to be president." Alexander also began airing an Iowa TV commercial arguing the White House would rejoice if Clinton's opponent was Dole, Forbes or Gramm.

And as Dole had on Saturday, Alexander also questioned why Forbes has refused to release his income tax returns.

"I think what most people would discover is his tax, which says it will cut our taxes, cuts his and raises ours," Alexander said.

But Forbes called the issue a diversion. Despite his wealth, Forbes insisted he understands the economic concerns of average Americans because he runs the family publishing empire.

"For 25 years, I've been in the private sector, dealing with real customers, meeting real payrolls," said Forbes.

In a Federal Election Commission filing last year, Forbes listed his biggest personal holdings as his Bedminster, N.J., farm, rental properties and investment properties, each listed as worth more than \$1 million.

A rival magazine, Fortune, has estimated the farm is worth \$26.5 million, and Forbes overall worth \$439 million.

Dole next week plans to air new ads casting Forbes as inexperienced and pushing risky and untested ideas, perhaps by focusing on Forbes' views on welfare and immigration.

Forbes, asked on CBS about gun control, said he favored repealing the 1994 law banning some types of assault weapons, but favored requiring potential gun buyers to undergo a quick check of their records.

Asked why he once called Christian Coalition founder Pat Robertson a "toothy flake," Forbes said: "He was running for president in 1988 when I made that statement, and he had made some views on economics that I disagreed with."

Forbes also said Sunday he would not oppose Taiwan taking a seat in the United Nations if he became president, but would not push for it. China, which regards Taiwan as a breakaway province, is adamantly opposed to the idea.



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• Twins

Custody fight over

TUCSON, Ariz. (AP) — The mother of twin girls fathered by different men apparently will get to keep her daughters after one father dropped his fight for custody.

Brenda Taylor already has custody of 17-month-old Megan. On Tuesday, a Superior Court commissioner took under advisement a proposal to give her full custody of Megan's twin, Lauren.

"Today was a good victory for the good. I think the judge will sign it," said Taylor, 33.

Lauren's father is Taylor's ex-husband, Peter Tonnessen, who was estranged from Taylor when the babies were conceived. Taylor claimed she was raped, but Tonnessen denied it and no police report was filed.

At the time, she was living with Dean Taylor, her current husband and Megan's father.

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probably will give Taylor custody and allow Tonnessen one weekend per month of visitation with Lauren only, attorneys on both sides said.

"There was never any doubt," Taylor would get custody, said Ann Haralambie, Tonnessen's attorney.

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• Marketing

Olestra warning presents challenge

CINCINNATI (AP) — Procter & Gamble Co. is in for a marketing challenge, to put it delicately.

Products with P&G's new fat substitute, olestra, will have to carry a label warning that it can cause abdominal cramps and loose stools.

"You're not off to a good start, put it that way," said Jack Trout, president of Trout & Partners, a marketing consultant in Greenwich, Conn.

Last week, the Food and Drug Administration approved olestra for use in salted snacks and crackers.

But the FDA also said all products containing olestra must carry a label reading: "This product contains olestra. Olestra may cause abdominal cramping and loose stools. Olestra inhibits the absorption of some vitamins and other nutrients. Vitamins A, D, E and K have been added."

P&G, which has spent more than \$200 million over 25 years in developing olestra, already has begun campaigning for olestra. It ran a full-page newspaper ad nationwide last week that read: "No fat. No compromises ... It's about taste. It's about time."

Still, there may be little the company can do about the wisecracks.

A cartoon in Friday's Cincinnati Post showed a man reading a newspaper headline that read: "Olestra potato chips. Warning: Might cause gas." "Finally," the man remarks, "Someone's marketed the perfect

high school prank."

The Cincinnati-based company will test consumer reaction to the label but does not expect it will turn off the health-conscious, spokeswoman Sydney McHugh said.

"We know that in tests we've done, once they try it, consumers are enthusiastic about the way it tastes," she said.

Olestra isn't the only additive that requires such a label. Products containing polydextrose, a bulking agent and texturizer in baked goods, candies, frozen desserts and other items, must bear the statement: "Sensitive individuals may experience a laxative effect from excessive consumption of this product."

Olestra is six to nine months away from debuting in still-undisclosed test markets. The fake fat, which will be sold as Olean (pronounced oh-LEEN), will appear in P&G's Pringles chips and will also be tested by Frito-Lay Inc.

Cincinnati shoppers had mixed reactions. "I wouldn't want to try it," said Lucretia Butler, 19.

David Blue, 55, was a bit more adventurous: "Of course, I'll try it. This will be wonderful, to eat French fries dripping with grease."

On ABC's "This Week with David Brinkley" on Sunday, Cokie Roberts and George Will gave it thumbs-down after tasting a sample bag of chips. Will observed: "It tasted like a very old fish brought out of a very new oil spill."

• Government

Balanced-budget effort dead

WASHINGTON (AP) — Barring a miracle, the quest for a grand balanced-budget deal is dead. But each side's election-year drive to portray the other as the villain is just beginning.

In professed attempts to revive the budget-balancing effort, President Clinton and Republicans are waging separate long-shot campaigns to woo congressional moderates from the other party to their warring visions of spending and tax cuts. At the same time, Republicans may force House votes next month on the two camps' final offers at the budget talks, in hopes of showing that few Democrats support Clinton's plan while there is bipartisan backing for the GOP proposal.

Real budget work remains. The administration says a cataclysmic federal default will occur unless Congress extends the debt limit in February. And temporary spending authority for dozens of agencies, renewed last Friday, will have to be extended once again by March 15.

But for now, both parties — aware that voters want federal deficits eliminated — are trying to avoid blame for the collapse of the yearlong budget effort. Each side's attempt to gain support from House and Senate moderates is all but certain to fall short of producing a compromise that can become law, participants concede.

"We just decided we're going to keep working, even if it's a very slight chance," said Rep. Collin Peterson, D-Minn., a leader of the so-called Blue Dogs, conservative House Democrats who have been meeting with leaders of both sides.

Even so, the chairmen of the Senate and House budget committees, Sen. Pete Domenici, R-N.M., and Rep. John Kasich, R-Ohio, plan to meet Thursday with leaders of the Blue Dogs and Senate moderates of both parties, led by Sens. John Breaux, D-La., and John Chafee, R-R.I. Last Thursday, White House chief of staff Leon Panetta and Treasury Secretary Robert Rubin met with the Senate group.

Both the Blue Dogs and Senate moderates have produced budget plans with proposed savings in Medicare, welfare and other programs that fall mostly between Clinton and the GOP. The biggest gulf is over tax cuts: The Blue Dogs have proposed none and the Senate moderates want \$130 billion over seven years, well below the near \$200 billion the GOP has sought.

The problem with crafting a package that satisfies the moderates is that conservative Republicans and liberal Demo-

crats are likely to be alienated in sufficient number to prevent a congressional package. Many House Republicans, for instance, are adamant that any final plan include sizable tax cuts.

"We can't spend all our time worrying about the House of Representatives," said the moderate Chafee in an interview. "So far what they've done is come up with programs that don't have a chance in" the Senate.

Nonetheless, each side hopes it can drum up enough moderate votes to pressure its opponents to return to the bargaining table and make major concessions. Even that is unlikely.

But in the meantime, the effort helps each camp depict itself as dedicated to eliminating the deficit — which could become especially valuable if continued deadlock causes the financial markets to dive. As they do virtually every day, both sides focused on that theme Tuesday.

"The president believes there remains a centrist, bipartisan majority in favor of a historic balanced budget agreement and we're going to see if we can assemble that coalition," said White House spokesman Mike McCurry, adding that Republicans eventually would "want to get on something other than the caboose."

Campaigning in Iowa for the GOP presidential nomination, Senate Majority Leader Bob Dole said that if Republicans can't reach a budget deal with the president, "we're going to send him bill after bill after bill that sends power to the people ... and find out where the president stands."

Meanwhile, GOP leaders considered whether to schedule House votes on the final offers by Clinton and Republicans at the defunct budget talks. After meeting Tuesday, they decided not to stage the votes this week, but planned on delaying them until after lawmakers return from a recess in late February.

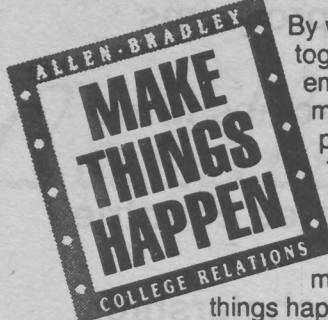
Some Republicans believed few Democrats would support Clinton's plan because of its spending cuts, embarrassing him. They also thought enough Democrats would vote for the GOP offer to let Republicans spend the 1996 election campaign arguing that only Clinton blocked a bipartisan budget-balancing deal.

But others feared the strategy would backfire, giving Democrats a record vote for a balanced budget, thus removing a campaign argument against them. One Democratic aide suggested that Democrats might vote against the Clinton package en masse to invalidate the entire exercise.

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• Business

Pan Am to try again

NEW YORK (AP) — Hoping to capitalize on one of aviation's best-known names, investors plan to resurrect Pan Am this summer as a low-cost airline.

The old Pan Am, the first carrier to fly around the world, folded in 1991.

The new entity will resurrect the blue globe logo and bring aboard some of Pan Am's old employees, including Martin Shugrue, the carrier's former chief operating officer and now its president and chief executive.

Aiming to have the lowest operating costs in the industry, the new Pan Am hopes to profit by connecting international passengers to and from foreign airlines landing in New York and Miami.

"This is not a shoestring operation," Shugrue said Tuesday. "This will be a full-service, real-amenity, real airline."

The new Pan Am hopes to be in the air within six months, flying newly leased planes bearing its logo. Pan Am's assets were sold off following its closure and all that remains is the name.

Six European and Latin American airlines are among the foreign partners that have already sold \$25 million worth of seats on as-yet-unscheduled Pan Am flights, Shugrue said. He declined to reveal their identities.

The Pan Am president said there are numerous small, foreign airlines that want to be able to send their passengers on to U.S. cities such as Miami or Los Angeles, much in the same way Northwest transports KLM passengers.

"We need to garner only a small percentage of these passengers to become profitable within the first year," Shugrue said. "At a nickel-a-mile or less cost we can last

a long time at fares our competitors would find uneconomical."

Pan Am is aiming for an operating cost of 4.8 cents per passenger, per mile. Airline analysts say eight to nine cents per mile is the industry standard, and new start-ups hope to achieve 7.5 cents per mile to be profitable.

The new Pan Am will operate out of New York's John F. Kennedy International Airport and Miami International Airport. It will offer daily Miami-New York, New York-San Francisco and New York-Los Angeles flights starting sometime in the summer.

Chicago, San Juan, Puerto Rico, and possibly Havana will be added later, Shugrue said.

It initially will set up in Miami with 400 to 500 employees, but will contract out for catering and maintenance service to keep overhead costs down.

Private investors including Miami real estate developer Charles Cobb raised the \$30 million needed to get started, Shugrue said. Of that, \$10 million will come through a merger with Frost Hanna Mergers Group Inc. of Boca Raton, Fla. Other sources of financing were not revealed.

The Dutch bank ING arranged the leasing of three Airbus A300 planes, with another five to be added within the first year of operation.

Despite the new investors' enthusiasm, skeptical analysts pointed to a poor track record for airline start-ups in general.

"Your chances of making money run in the negative numbers," said Barbara Beyer, president of Avmark Inc., an aviation consulting firm based in Arlington, Va.

Why do it then? "There's tons of nostalgia in the business for the Pan Am name," she said.

• Joint effort

America, Russia to launch space station

WASHINGTON (AP) — An American and a Russian will make up the first team to fly on the international space station when it is ready for occupancy in 1998, officials announced Tuesday.

The station, now under construction, will be assembled in space beginning in November 1997. Russia is providing key elements.

Astronaut William M. Shepherd and cosmonaut Sergei K. Krikalev will be launched to the yet-unnamed station aboard a Soyuz rocket from the Baikonur launch site in Kazakhstan. The target date has not been announced.

Vice President Al Gore and Russian Prime Minister Victor Chernomyrdin announced the team at the conclusion of two days of talks on a number of subjects of interest to the two countries.

Shepherd, 46, a Navy captain, has flown three times on NASA space shuttles. He most recently served as deputy manager for the international space station program.

Krikalev, 37, became the first Russian cosmonaut to fly on a U.S. space shuttle, aboard Discovery in February 1994. He flew twice to the Russian space station Mir, in 1988 and 1991-1992, spending more than one year and three months aboard Mir.

The two nations also agreed in principle to add two flights to the seven space shuttle docking missions with the Russian station Mir. Two such missions already have been flown and the two nations are talking about adding even more.

Americans want to use the Mir for more

long-duration missions.

"We are laying the foundation for construction of the international space station with these docking flights," said Daniel S. Goldin, administrator of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration. "Mir is proving to be an ideal test site for vital engineering research and expanding our knowledge of the effects of long-duration weightlessness on people."

The United States has made considerable progress in building station hardware. The final weld has just been completed on the module that will house astronauts, which means that more than 80,000 pounds of hardware are ready for machining, testing and outfitting with flight equipment.

Under the U.S.-Russian agreement, Russia will modify its three-person Soyuz space capsule to accommodate both smaller and taller space travelers.

The Soyuz will be attached to the station to serve as an emergency "lifeboat" should things go awry, and in its current passenger-size limits would keep about half of the American astronaut corps from being eligible for tours on the station.

Two astronauts, one who had begun training in Russia and one waiting to begin have already been disqualified: a man for being too tall, and a woman for being too short.

Russia also will increase the payload carrying capability of a resupply craft by 440 pounds and develop a new resupply vehicle to haul propellant into orbit.

• Languages

Postal clerks get help

WASHINGTON (AP) — Postal clerks should find it easier from now on to get right to the point with customers who don't speak English.

A pamphlet called "Point Talk" provides clerks with phrases needed for basic mail transactions in nine languages.

Using the booklet, the clerk and customer merely have to find the appropriate phrase and point to it in order to do business.

The booklet has side-by-side English and foreign phrases covering transactions in Cambodian, Chinese, French, German, Japanese, Korean, Russian, Spanish and Vietnamese.

Bob Harris, postal vice president for diversity, said the idea originated in Los

Angeles, but the pamphlets will be available nationwide. About 1 million have been printed.

In the past, communications with non-English speaking customers often involved attempts at broken English and gesturing — "it was pretty clumsy," said Harris. The aim of the booklet is to increase both the comfort level and communications between clerks and customers, he said.

Harris said customers can keep the booklets if they wish, to share with non-English-speaking friends who need to do business with the post office.

The nine languages were selected based on the largest groups of non-English speakers, Harris said. Other languages can be added as needed.

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• Air dangers

Flight attendants report rise in assaults

BOSTON (AP) — From a testy Saudi princess to a rowdy bunch of Englishmen, airline employees are seeing what they say is growing lawlessness in the air among passengers.

Some passengers say declining service is making them fighting mad.

"I can think of a couple of times when stewardesses and stewards were maybe having a bad day," Ted Castello, a frequent traveler and sales manager of a Belleville, Ill., office supply company, said wryly.

A growing number of passengers who don't like the quality of the cabin service are resorting to verbal abuse and assaults on flight attendants, according to airline employees.

Federal law requires at least one flight attendant for every 50 seats aboard a plane. Major airlines have historically exceeded that, but staffing levels have been falling closer to the minimum as carriers cut costs.

"You have declining meal service, you've lessened the number of flight attendants on given flights and you don't have the service you had even a year or two ago," said Marty Salfen, senior vice president of the International Airline Passengers Association. "Some people are frustrated."

They're taking it out on innocent people, said Mary Kay Hanke, vice president of the Association of Flight Attendants.

"If passengers are having an adverse reaction to the service, they need to contact the carrier with their complaints and remember that the flight attendant is there for safety," she said angrily. "There is never a reason for crew interference."

The union says the problem is worsening, and it has begun to collect reports of in-flight assaults. The Federal Aviation Administration tracks only incidents that interfere with the flight, and that can range from arguments to hijackings. The agency could not immediately provide the number of such incidents.

There have been several confrontations recently.

In October, a 58-year-old investment banker allegedly threatened a United flight

attendant and shoved another into a seat when they refused to serve him another drink aboard a plane en route from Buenos Aires, Argentina, to New York.

Authorities said Gerard B. Finneran of Greenwich, Conn., then poured himself drinks and defecated on a food-service cart, using linen napkins as toilet paper.

Finneran, who denied the allegations, was freed on \$100,000 bail and was ordered to undergo evaluation for alcohol abuse and get a federal prosecutor's permission before boarding a commercial flight. He is awaiting trial.

In December, 18 British travelers started a food fight when attendants refused to serve them any more liquor aboard a Northwest Airlines flight. Airline officials said children were sent to steal liquor from beverage carts. Other passengers, including three Olympic wrestlers, helped subdue the rowdies.

Seventeen of the Britons were sent back to London; the remaining traveler, Michael Purcell, pleaded guilty to hitting a flight attendant, spent a month in jail and was deported.

Most recently, Salwa Qahanti, a 43-year-old Saudi princess, was placed on six months' unsupervised probation and ordered to pay \$500 Monday after being charged with scratching the arm of a TWA flight attendant on a plane from Paris to Boston.

"I don't care if you work at Burger King or you work in the air, (an assault) is the worst thing that could happen," said the flight attendant, Sheri Albert.

The Association of Flight Attendants, which represents about 39,000 workers at United, USAir, America West and 23 other airlines, is urging members to report assaults against them and is pressing management and the government to help.

"The carriers have an obligation to make sure flight attendants have training in how to deal with the unruly passenger," Hanke said. "And unless there is follow-up by the FBI and by the government to prosecute these cases to the fullest, they leave us less security the next time this occurs."

• President race

Dole's darkest time

SIOUX CITY, Iowa (AP) — Bob Dole has had the golden ring within his grasp so many times before, so enticingly close, only to see it slip away.

Could it be happening again?

"My unfavorables have gone up, my favorables have gone down," Dole said grimly on new polls showing Steve Forbes closing the gap in this must-win state for the Senate majority leader. "Obviously, he's had an impact."

With just over two weeks to go before Iowa's leadoff GOP caucuses, Dole is under siege. Not only is the GOP front-runner being challenged in his backyard by an upstart multimillionaire publisher. But he is under fire from both Democrats and rival Republicans for a televised response to President Clinton's upbeat State of the Union address, widely characterized as lackluster.

Polls show Forbes also closing the gap in New Hampshire — but the road to New Hampshire and the GOP nomination starts here.

"Dole's a favorite in Iowa. He's our neighbor. We've known him for a long time," said Bill Ramsey, a county official in Waterloo. But putting voice to an ambivalence shared by many Iowa Republicans, he added: "Forbes may be a flash in the pan, but he's got some interesting new ideas. He's getting some good followers."

"Forbes has definitely made it a more dynamic race. He's broken away from the pack with the huge media expenditure that he's made in the state. So, he brings a challenge," said Richard Waller, a Sioux City banker and Chamber of Commerce chairman.

Wait! Stop! It wasn't supposed to be this way. It wasn't supposed to be a "dynamic race" from Dole's point of view. The leadoff contest was to be a rousing sendoff.

Then came Forbes.

An Iowa Project poll last week showed Dole with only 26 percent support and Forbes at 18 percent, with the other six candidates in single digits. Dole said even his polls put him at about 31 or 32 percent of the vote.

That's not a commanding presence for a neighbor.

In 1972, Sen. Edmund Muskie of Maine won the next-door New Hampshire Democratic primary — but it was widely perceived as a loss since he won by less than the 50 percent he had confi-

dently predicted beforehand.

Dole made it clear he wasn't about to repeat Muskie's mistake of setting a target. Asked if a weak first-place showing here would be construed as a virtual loss, Dole shot a reporter a caustic look. "It means we won," he said.

Dole is no stranger to disappointment.

In 1976, he saw the Ford-Dole ticket lose ground to Carter-Mondale. In 1980, Ronald Reagan swept the GOP field. In 1988, Dole won Iowa decisively — only to be clobbered by George Bush in New Hampshire.

"We left here on a high. I was president of Iowa," Dole says. "But then something happened in New Hampshire. I haven't figured it out yet. Well, I did figure it out. We lost."

One lesson learned was not to let attack ads go unanswered. To Forbes' ads portraying him as a part of the Washington establishment with a proclivity for raising taxes, Dole is responding with equally brutal ads calling Forbes untested and ridiculing his proposal for a flat income tax.

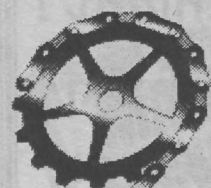
"All along, we've maintained that Mr. Forbes' greatest enemy is public scrutiny. He'll be dropping quickly," said Dole spokesman Nelson Warfield, hopefully.

And poll figures don't necessarily translate into caucus votes, where organization is the coin of the realm. Despite the millions he's spent here, Forbes doesn't have the grass-roots organization in place that Dole, Gramm or even Lamar Alexander have.

"I think he's bad for the Republican Party. Some of his ideas look fine, but they'll never pass. They're pie-in-the-sky," said Warren Holden, a Waterloo Republican.

Still, these are trying times for the 72-year-old GOP Dole in what could be his last go for the golden ring.

"I don't believe that many people are going to show up at the caucuses for Steve Forbes," Dole says. "We've been working at it since April. Phil Gramm's been down here a couple of years. Lamar has been here since he left the Department of Education. Can you do it in eight weeks? Maybe you can when you have no limitation on what you can spend and what you can pay."



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Men's AP Top 25

1. Massachusetts (57)	16-0
2. Kentucky (8)	15-1
3. Kansas	14-1
4. Connecticut (1)	16-1
5. Cincinnati	12-1
6. Georgetown	16-2
7. Villanova	14-3
8. Virginia Tech	11-1
9. Wake Forest	12-2
10. Utah	14-3
11. North Carolina	13-4
12. Memphis	12-3
13. Arizona	13-3
14. Penn St.	13-1
15. UCLA	12-4
16. Michigan	14-4
17. Syracuse	13-4
18. Clemson	12-2
19. Purdue	14-3
20. Boston College	12-3
21. Auburn	15-3
22. Iowa	14-4
tie Texas Tech	14-1
24. Marquette	12-3
25. California	10-4

Women's AP Top 25

1. Georgia (37)	16-2
2. Louisiana Tech (1)	17-1
3. Tennessee (2)	17-3
4. Connecticut	18-3
5. Stanford	15-2
6. Iowa	17-1
7. Vanderbilt	15-2
8. Texas Tech	16-2
9. Virginia	15-4
10. Wisconsin	16-2
11. Old Dominion	15-2
12. Duke	17-3
13. Penn St.	15-5
14. N. Carolina St.	14-4
15. Alabama	16-4
16. Colorado	18-5
17. Clemson	14-2
18. Oregon St.	12-4
19. Oklahoma St.	15-3
20. Mississippi	13-5
21. Florida	15-5
22. Purdue	12-8
23. Northwestern	15-5
24. Arkansas	15-7
25. Auburn	14-5

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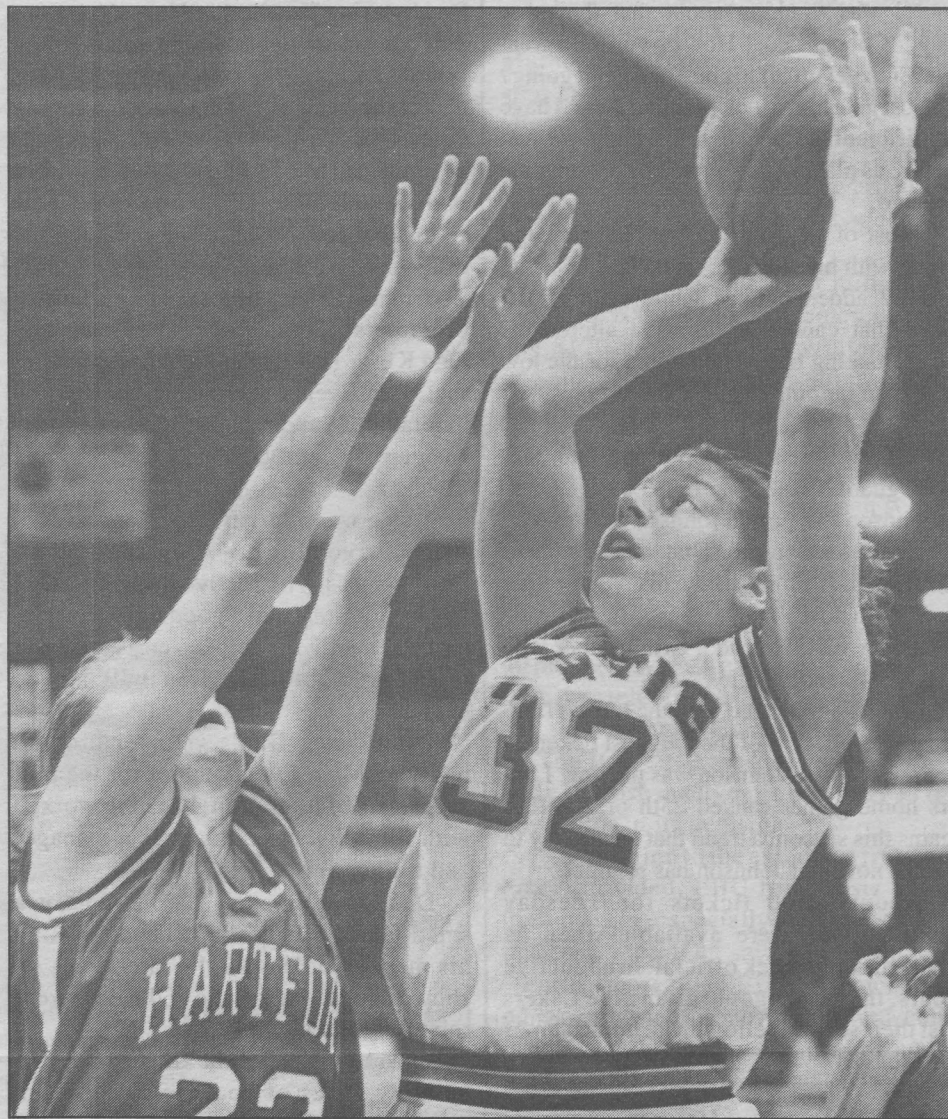
Team Ranking	Points	Prev
1. Colorado College	115	2
2. Minnesota	107	4
3. Boston University	93	1
4. Michigan	73	3
5. Denver	63	5
5. Lake Superior St.	63	7
7. Maine	47	6
8. Michigan State	46	9
9. UMass-Lowell	16	-
10. Western Mich.	15	10

Sox get Slocumb

BOSTON RED SOX—Traded Lee Tinsley and Glenn Murray, outfielders, and Ken Ryan, pitcher, to the Philadelphia Phillies for Heathcliff Slocumb and Larry Wimberly, pitchers, and Rick Holyfield, outfielder.

• Women's basketball

Blodgett, Porrini led Maine over Hartford



Stacey Porrini powers up a shot on her way to 19 points and 17 boards in Maine's 90 - 41 win over Hartford. (Geyerhahn Photo.)

By Scott Martin
Sports Editor

The Hartford Hawks, in third place in the North Atlantic Conference coming into the game with the University of Maine women's basketball team last night, were no match for the first place Black Bears.

Maine rolled to a 90-41 win at the Alford Arena and improved their conference record 10-0.

The height of the Black Bears and Cindy Blodgett were too much for the Hawks. Blodgett was smoking, scoring a game high 29 points. Steph Guidi, Stacey Porrini and Catherine Gallant all enjoyed fine games in the post. Porrini dominated in the paint against the smaller Hawks, scoring 19 points and pulling down 17 rebounds. Guidi continues to play well recovering from an ankle injury, scoring 11 points and grabbing five boards.

"We definitely wanted to take advantage of that (the size advantage)," said Guidi. "We wanted to get it to Stacey as much as possible, she did a great job. I don't know how many she had (rebounds), but she was great."

Both teams got off to slow starts in the first half, but the Black Bears were able to jump out to an early eight-point lead, 10-2. With 6:31 remaining in the half, Maine went on a 26-4 run to push their lead to 44-16. After looking somewhat human early on, Blodgett caught fire and ended the half with 22.

The Black Bears ended the half scoring
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• Men's basketball

Black Bears win third straight

From Staff and Wire Reports

The University of Maine men's basketball team is starting to shoot the ball better, and the results have shown.

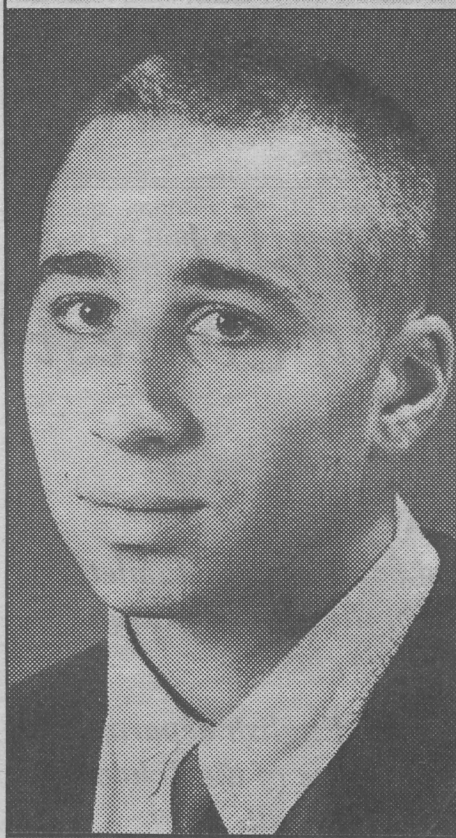
Monday night the Black Bears shot 55.8 percent from the floor and beat Hampton University 84-81 in overtime in a non-conference win.

Once again the Black Bears relied on the sharp shooting of John Gordon who drained a three with 13 seconds remaining in the game to send it into overtime, tied 74-74. Ramone Jones nailed two free throws at the end of overtime to seal the win for Maine.

Hampton got a great performance from guard JaFonde Williams who finished the game with 43 points, six rebounds and four assists. Williams nearly broke the Black Bears back early in the first half, hitting two three-point hoops and adding a jumper to push the Pirates to an eight point lead with just over 13 minutes to go in the half. Maine guard Casey Arena drained a three, and Gordon followed with a pair of his own to keep it close. Maine eventually took the lead with 25 seconds remaining on two straight

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Athlete of the Week



Freshman Guard John Gordon

John Gordon, a freshman guard for Rudy Keeling's University of Maine men's basketball team, has been named the University of Maine's Athlete of the Week.

Gordon, a business administration major from Wilmington, Delaware, averaged 18.6 points a game in three straight Black Bear wins. He drained a three Tuesday

night to send Maine's game with Hampton University to overtime. Gordon scored a team-high 21 points in the Black Bears 84-81 win. Last Tuesday, Gordon scored 26 points in the Black Bears 79-66 win over Hartford. He is currently tenth in the North Atlantic Conference in scoring, averaging 14.8 points a game.

• NBA

Magic's back

INGLEWOOD, Calif. (AP) — There hasn't been this kind of a buzz in the Forum since the days when Pat Riley was stalking the sidelines, Kareem Abdul-Jabbar was hoisting sky hooks and Magic Johnson was threading passes.

Now Johnson is back, after two forced retirements and a frustrating coaching stint. But a lot has changed since Magic Johnson last played in the NBA.

For instance, one of the players he faces Tuesday night is Golden State Warriors rookie Joe Smith, who was just 4 years old when Johnson led the Lakers to the first of five NBA titles. If Smith wasn't old enough to remember it, Lakers forward Eddie Jones was. Jones recalls watching Game 6 of the NBA Finals, when Johnson scored 42 points and played all five positions.

"I was about 12 or something like that," said Jones, who was actually 9 then. "At that time, I just thought he was the best ever."

There's a whole new crop of NBA superstars Johnson has never played against: Orlando's Shaquille O'Neal and Anfernee Hardaway, Detroit's Grant Hill and Dallas' Jason Kidd.

Only two Los Angeles players, Vlade Divac and Elden Campbell, were on the team during his last season, 1990-91, and many of Johnson's contemporaries have retired or moved into the broadcast booth. Michael Cooper, a guard with Johnson on five of the Lakers' championship teams, is now an assistant to Lakers coach Del Harris

and a bit unsure how to coach his former teammate.

"I was thinking about that the other day," Cooper said. "How do you tell a great player to get up off his butt and get it going? I'll just give him a look here and there. I have to differentiate between the thing we had before as player-player and kind of separate the two."

Most of all, Johnson has changed, and along with him his role on the Lakers. Age and 27 added pounds while fighting the virus that causes AIDS have altered his body, making him better suited for the low post than running the floor the way he used to.

"It's different. He's not going to be a point guard," Harris said. "You have Earvin Johnson and Earvin Johnson 2. File away what you used to see. That was that. Now this is this. It's almost like his twin brother coming in now who happens to be an inside type of player. He had a twin brother who was a ballhandling guy."

Much has changed with the Lakers franchise as well. One of the toughest tickets in pro sports when Johnson was playing, Lakers home games ranked 25th of 29 NBA teams this season, a trend that is unlikely to persist now that Johnson has returned.

About 2,300 tickets for Tuesday night's game were available when he made his comeback official. In about five hours, they were gone, giving the Lakers just their second sellout in 22 home games this season.

Men's hoops

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Greg Logan dunks before Williams hit a pair of foul shots to tie the game, 37-37 at the half.

Williams opened the second half by draining three threes as Hampton pushed its lead to four, 48-44. Jones answered with a dunk and a layup sandwiched by an Allen Ledbetter layup as Maine took a two-point lead. The lead bounced back and forth until the final minutes when Gordon hit his three to send the game into overtime.

Gordon scored five points in the overtime as Maine went on to the win.

Gordon finished the game with 21 points, including five from international waters. Arena got a double-double scoring 11 points and handing out 11 assists, while Jones and Matt Moore added 17 and 16 points respectively.

Al Bell scored 24 points for Hampton and was their only other player in double figures.

• Boxing

Boxing losses promoting legend

NEW YORK (AP) — Dan Duva, a major boxing promoter for almost 20 years, died Tuesday following a lengthy battle with cancer. He was 44.

Duva had been admitted to Columbia Presbyterian Hospital in New York Sunday. Cause of death was primary brain tumor.

As the head of Main Events, a family enterprise, Duva promoted or co-promoted more than 100 world championship bouts, including 12 heavyweight title fights that accounted for more than \$300 million in gross revenue.

Duva was one of boxing's dominant promoters, along with Bob Arum and Don King. Those who have fought under the Main Events banner include Pernell Whitaker, Evander Holyfield, Sugar Ray Leonard, Tommy Hearns and Lennox Lewis.

"Dan was a terrific guy, a good promoter and good man," Arum said. "Boxing business will really miss him. Dan had a good staff and a good organization, and they will be able to carry on. But replacing a guy like Dan will not be easy."

Dino Duva, Dan's younger brother, has been Main Events' chief for the past year. Dan's father, Lou, has long worked with Main Events fighters as a manager and trainer.

Dan Duva founded Main Events as a small family business and began making his mark in boxing in the late 1970s by showcasing fighters who at the time were relatively unknown.

Introduced to the boxing world in a monthly series of bouts televised from Ice World at Totowa, N.J., were the likes of Livingstone Bramble, Rocky Lockridge, Bobby Czyz, Johnny Humphus, Vinny Pazienza, Tony Tucker and Mike McCallum. All became world champions.

Main Events was involved in world

title fights in the late 1970s, but it wasn't until 1981 that Duva moved his organization into the bigtime with the promotion of the Leonard-Hearns fight for the undisputed welterweight championship. It grossed nearly \$40 million, pay-per-view and closed-circuit records for that time.

After the 1984 Olympics at Los Angeles, Duva signed medalists Holyfield, Whitaker, Meldrick Taylor, Mark Breland and Tyrell Bigs, helping to establish Main Events as a premier promoter.

Taylor became a junior welterweight and welterweight champion; Breland won a welterweight title; Whitaker won the lightweight, junior welterweight, welterweight and junior middleweight titles, and Holyfield became undisputed cruiserweight and heavyweight champion.

Duva was involved in the three Holyfield-Riddick Bowe fights, which grossed more than \$100 million in pay-per-view revenue.

"This is a sad day for me because I lost a great friend, and equally sad day for the boxing world," Holyfield said. "Dan was a man who gave me an opportunity and I'll never forget him for that."

"I owe a lot to Dan, he was not only an important part of my career, but an invaluable part of my life," Whitaker said. "I will miss him terribly."

Duva was graduated from Rutgers and the Seton Hall School of Law and practiced law from 1976 to 1980.

Survivors, in addition to his father and brother, include his wife, Katherine, daughters Lisa and Nicole, son Bryan and sisters Donna Brooks, Denise MacPhail and Deanne Boorman.

A wake will be held from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. Wednesday and from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. and from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. Thursday at the Festa Memorial Home in Totowa. The funeral will be Friday at 11 a.m. at the Church of the Holy Angel in Little Falls, N.J.

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Scoreboard

Hockey East

Team	GP	W	L	T	SO	Pts	W	L	T
Boston U. 16	11	3	2	1	60	18	3	3	
UMass-Lowell	17	11	5	1	1	58	16	6	3
Maine	16	9	3	4	2	55	18	5	4
Boston College	18	8	8	2	1	45	11	12	3
Providence	14	8	4	2	0	44	13	9	2
Northeastern	15	4	7	4	4	32	7	12	4
New Hampshire	15	5	8	2	1	30	9	12	2
UMass-Amherst	15	3	11	1	0	17	9	14	1
Merrimack	16	2	12	2	0	14	7	13	5

Note: 5 points for win, 2 points for tie, 1 point for shootout win

NAC MEN'S STANDINGS

Team	Won	Lost	Overall
Drexel	9	1	13-3
Towson St.	7	2	11-6
Maine	7	3	10-7
Boston Univ.	7	4	10-9
Delaware	5	4	9-8
Vermont	5	6	6-12
Hofstra	4	6	7-9
UNH	3	7	4-13
Hartford	3	7	3-15
Northeastern	1	10	2-16

NAC WOMEN'S STANDINGS

Team	Won	Lost	Overall
Maine	10	0	16-4
Vermont	8	3	11-8
Northeastern	7	4	9-10
UNH	6	4	9-8
Hartford	6	5	10-8
Boston Univ.	5	6	8-10
Delaware	4	6	6-12
Towson St.	3	7	5-12
Drexel	2	8	4-13
Hofstra	1	9	4-13

NAC Men's leading scorers

Player	School	Aver.
Benton, Eddie	Vermont	25.1
Alosa, Matt	UNH	24.1
Awojobi, Tunji	BU	21.1
Rose, Malik	Drexel	20.1
Myers, Jeff	Drexel	18.5
Blalock, Ralph	TSU	18.5
Bell, Raja	BU	16.2
Arsic, Peca	Delaware	16.0
Howse, Ryan	Hartford	15.0
Gordon, John	Maine	14.8

NAC Men's leading rebounders

Player	School	Aver.
Rose, Malik	Drexel	12.8
Logan, Greg	Maine	10.6
Awojobi, Tunji	BU	10.4
Evans Patrick	Delaware	9.4
Smith, Greg	Delaware	7.4
Acres, Matt	UNH	7.2
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• Olympics

Murdoch can't cover Games

LAUSANNE, Switzerland (AP) — Rupert Murdoch has lost out again in his bid for a piece of the Olympic television pie.

The International Olympic Committee on Tuesday rejected \$2 billion from a Murdoch-backed consortium for exclusive European rights to the first five Olympics of the 21st century.

Accepting a smaller offer from its long-term partner, the IOC awarded the rights to the European Broadcasting Union for \$1.442 billion.

The EBU will pay \$350 million for rights to 2000 Summer Games in Sydney, \$120 million for 2002 Winter Games in Salt Lake City, \$394 million for the Summer Games of 2004, \$135 million for 2006 Winter Games and \$443 million for the 2008 Summer Games. The sites of those three Games have not been selected.

The IOC said the deal also included a 50-percent profit-sharing agreement.

The EBU, which represents more than 40 public service broadcasters across Europe, has televised every Olympics since the 1960 Summer Games in Rome.

The IOC cited the EBU's experience and expertise in Olympic coverage as the key factor in its decision.

"In addition to the extensive free coverage provided, EBU broadcasts are of high quality, especially in terms of production," the IOC said in a statement. "Furthermore, the EBU has demonstrated an important contribution and commitment to the continued promotion of the Olympic movement and all Olympic sports."

It marked another setback for Murdoch in his Olympic ambitions. His News Corp. went after the European rights after his Fox network was shut out of the U.S. market by NBC, which has locked up six of the next seven Olympics through 2008.

The IOC also turned down a third bid from the Swiss group CWL, headed by Cesar Luthy. Without specifying the figure, IOC director general Francois Carrard said it was "a substantial offer not far from Murdoch's."

Murdoch, the Australian-born media magnate, controls the BSkyB satellite network in Britain. Sky has bought the rights to several major sports events in Britain, and his bid for the Olympics caused a political uproar, with lawmakers proposing a law to bar the Games

from being shown on satellite or cable TV.

The EBU deal ensures that the Olympics will remain on BBC and other terrestrial channels.

"This is a victory for the ordinary viewer," BBC managing director Will Wyatt said. "Followers of all 40 Olympic sports will welcome this guarantee of full coverage and universal access well into the 21st century."

Jonathan Martin, head of BBC sports, paid tribute to IOC president Juan Antonio Samaranch for not accepting Murdoch's richer bid.

"Samaranch was no doubt placed under pressure by more lucrative alternative offers, but he stuck resolutely to the view, enshrined in the IOC's charter, that the Olympics should continue to be seen by the largest possible number of viewers worldwide," Martin said.

In a brief statement, News Corp. said it "respects the right of any sports body to select the broadcaster of its choice."

"Rights-holders are well able to make their own decisions with regard to the relative merits of financial bids and the extent of quality of coverage," the statement said. "News Corp. wishes the IOC and EBU well and was glad to have taken part in the bidding process."

Carrard said the IOC didn't want to break up a winning partnership with the EBU.

"It would have been like asking us to divorce from a wife who has given us so much satisfaction for 35 years and to move into a new house in a totally different environment," he said. "That's quite a difficult move to make."

Carrard said the Murdoch and Swiss groups had promised to provide coverage to individual EBU broadcasters if they were awarded the rights.

"That's a promise, but I'm not sure they could do it," he said in a telephone interview. "This deal comforts us in our policy that it guarantees free access to the largest number of viewers."

The EBU deal is the latest in a series of recent TV rights agreements covering multiple Olympics.

In separate deals last year, NBC obtained the U.S. rights to the Games between 2000 and 2008 for \$3.5 billion.

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Women

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18-unanswered points, 16 straight by Blodgett. With 5:30 left, Blodgett hit two foul shots to push the lead to 10, 24-14. Catherine Gallant hit two quick hoops and then Blodgett took over. With just over three minutes to play, Blodgett nailed an NBA range three. After a quick jumper, Blodgett burned Hartford's Danielle Houston, scored a layup and converted the three-point play, to push the lead to 36-16. After another jumper, Blodgett added the half by nailing two straight three's.

"I don't consciously take the threes thinking about trying to put them away," said

Blodgett. "Once you hit the first one, you think you're going to hit the next one."

Hartford couldn't handle Maine's tight pressure defense and shot a dismal 25 percent from the floor for the game. The Black Bears on the other hand were on fire shooting an amazing 52 percent.

"I was very pleased with the defensive effort," said Black Bear head coach Joanne Palombo. "What we focus on is defense, the defense and the rebounding is what we need down the stretch."

The Black Bears did more of the same in the second half, as they came out on fire and

pushed their lead to as many as 34. Carver started the half with a quick steal and a layup. Then Porrini and Blodgett took turns trading baskets, as Maine's lead grew to 57-23. The Black Bears went on to outscore the Hawks 21 in the second half to win by 51 points.

Every Maine player scored in the game. Sandi Carver had a solid game with eight points. Gallant scored six points, Andrea Clark and Stacia Rustad each added four and Klara Danes, Kelly Stubbs each had a bucket.

The Black Bears are off to their best

conference start ever. It isn't inconceivable that they could go undefeated in the conference with six games remaining. Palombo isn't thinking about that though.

"The record doesn't matter as much as we continue to get better," said Palombo. "We've got goals for ourselves to continue to get better, and you can only take it game by game."

"You see it all the time where teams will get upset because they are not focused," added Palombo. "I think if we stay focused, we can meet our goals game by game. We are a long way from achieving those goals."

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