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• Uniongate

Senators defend Minor, King after election 'fiasco'

By Paul Livingstone
Staff Writer

The General Student Senate met on Tuesday for the last time. Unsurprisingly, attention was focused on the "fiasco," as Sen. Scott Morelli termed it, between Sen. Chad King, the Joint Rules Committee and former senator and Fair Elections Practices Committee member Victor Minor.

Reactions to the proposed investigation of King for ballot tampering were intense, and the most vocal senators sympathized with King.

"You are saying the sole reason for ruling the referendum invalid is simply because of King's action of taking the ballot box?" Morelli asked.

King's first response to Sen. Jen Nelson's announcement to investigate him and Minor was a question as to whether this was a personal attack.

"How is filing charges on two individuals not a personal

attack on the choices of those individuals?" King asked.

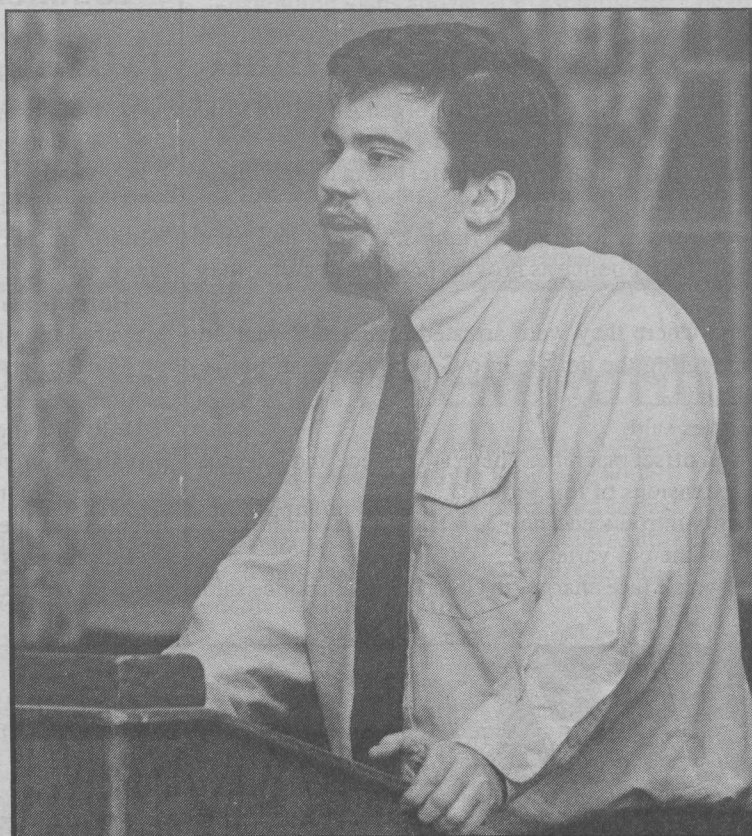
"You were prepared to face the consequences of those actions," Nelson replied.

"I believe this to be a presumptuous claim of authority," said Sen. William Bates. "One should question whether this is a personal attack."

Even a former senator, Anthony Bessey, addressed the King question. "We did nothing to secure the voting process. You [senate] have let this group subvert the process; they have by-passed your authority."

President Ben Meiklejohn was equally disgusted with the proceedings of the evening. "The presidency was not used to communicate with the students; Student Government was not used to run this bill. I believe it is completely appropriate for me to oppose this [referendum]."

"None of this fiasco would have happened had the referendum been run through Student Government," said Morelli.



Sen. Chad King delivers his farewell speech to the General Student Senate Tuesday. (Gagne Photo.)

Ryan Eslinger, vice president of Residents on Campus, refuted Morelli's claims of wrongdoing by pointing to all of the argumentation taking place.

"Look at yourself; that's why we went around this body," Es-

linger said. "If you've ever tried to obtain assistance from a student body, you'll run into a brick wall."

GSS reversed the Joint Rules

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• Union

OCB calls for new Union vote

By Peter Cook
Asst. City Editor

The Joint Rules Committee of the Off-Campus Board and Residents on Campus have sent a letter to University of Maine President Frederick E. Hutchinson proposing the formation of a governing body to run a new union referendum.

According to the letter, the new committee will be made up of "three undergraduate students selected by the General Student Senate, three graduate students selected by the Graduate Student Association, one representative of the undergraduate students who are exempt from the Activity Fee and three non-voting representatives of your administration selected by you (Hutchinson)."

Kris Mueller, a member of the OCB, said the formation of the committee will be necessary because of the size of the job.

"We felt it really is too big a task for a group of students," he said. If we have the president make this committee, it will be unbiased, and that will work in the best interests of everybody."

Mueller said the committee will "be responsible for creating the question to be asked, and establish procedures for running the election." Whether they run the election themselves, or turn the responsibility over to a different body will be their discretion.

Some in Student Government have expressed desire to see a split question on the ballot. This format would have one question regarding the new union, and the other asking about the new recreation center.

Mueller said the type of question on the ballot, "Would be decided by the committee, but there are a lot of reasons (the split question) is impractical, I hope they realize that," he said.

Some in Student Government

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• Budget

Psychology professor falls victim to cuts

By Ryan Robbins
Special to The Campus

Assistant psychology professor Linda Yelland steps back from the lectern and surveys the room. She turns over her last page of notes for the day. "Next time on 'Discovering Psychology,'" she says with a twinkle in her small, dark eyes, "the good-parts version of behaviorism."

After seven years of teaching psychology at the university as a graduate student, and the last three as an assistant professor, Yelland has fallen victim to budget cuts in the psychology department. The department doesn't have enough money to renew Yelland's contract for a full-time appointment, and having the least seniority in her department, Yelland will soon be relegated to part-time status.

In March, University of Maine's president, Frederick E. Hutchinson, announced 35 faculty positions will be eliminated in the next three years.

The university's decision not to renew Yelland's one-year contract has some of Yelland's students upset and wondering why she will have her status downgraded.

"I'm the low man on the totem pole," Yelland explained to her history and systems of psychology class Wednesday.

Before spring break, students in Yelland's classes collected 180 student signatures urging the university to reconsider its decision. Yelland has more than 450 students combined in the four courses she teaches.

Student Government President Ben Meiklejohn and Vice President Jennifer Doherty re-

ceived the petition. Meiklejohn drafted a resolution to the General Student Senate seeking approval to discuss the situation with President Frederick E. Hutchinson's office and psychology department chairman Joel Gold.

"(Yelland) cares about her students and she is very interest-

ed in continuing to teach, and she wants to remain a teacher," Doherty told the senate.

Student Government's Academic Affairs Committee recommended that the resolution pass.

"We were, quite frankly, moved by the number of students who signed the petition," Academic Affairs Committee Chairman Scott Morelli told the senate. "I think this is a tribute to her teaching skills and the academic quality that she provides her students."

The senate passed the resolution with only one no vote, by Bill Bates, who asked during debate how the psychology department could amend its budget to keep Yelland.

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Big butt



The underground art group going by the name AMOB has done it again. First it was the "Unionbomber," now it's a giant cigarette in front of the Union. The message this time - At UMaine, the world is our ashtray. (Gagne Photo.)

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World Briefs

• Counterfeiting

Police take U.S. dollars from German

1 ATHENS, Greece (AP) — Police seized \$2.65 million in forged American \$100 bills after a tip from German investigators, authorities said Thursday.

Police said they found the cash found hidden inside a duffel bag in an apartment owned by Vasiliki Yiakoumi, a resident of Dusseldorf, Germany.

The money was placed there by her brother, Ioakim Kalymnios, 50, and had been smuggled into Greece by a German identified by police as Fovin Hassels, 51, authorities said.

Both suspects also live in Germany, where they were arrested earlier this year on related charges. They confessed to smuggling the dollars into Greece last year, police said.

Yiakoumi was not involved, authorities said.

Police said the bills were printed on an offset machine. They said Greece and Interpol were investigating "the international extensions of this group."

The U.S. Treasury Department recently introduced a new \$100 bill to prevent forgery of the old notes. The forged ones were of the old variety.

It was not clear whether the suspects would face charges in Greece, though police said extradition was not yet an issue.

• Commerce

Albania enjoying the free market

2 TIRANA, Albania (AP) — The national bank opened Albania's first stock exchange Thursday, helping the nation take another step toward replacing the vestiges of a centrally planned economy with a free market.

"The Tirana stock exchange came as a natural phenomenon and not as an administrative measure," said Kristaq Luniku, governor of the Albanian National Bank.

He said stability, privatization and the economic development of the country prepared the nation for a stock market.

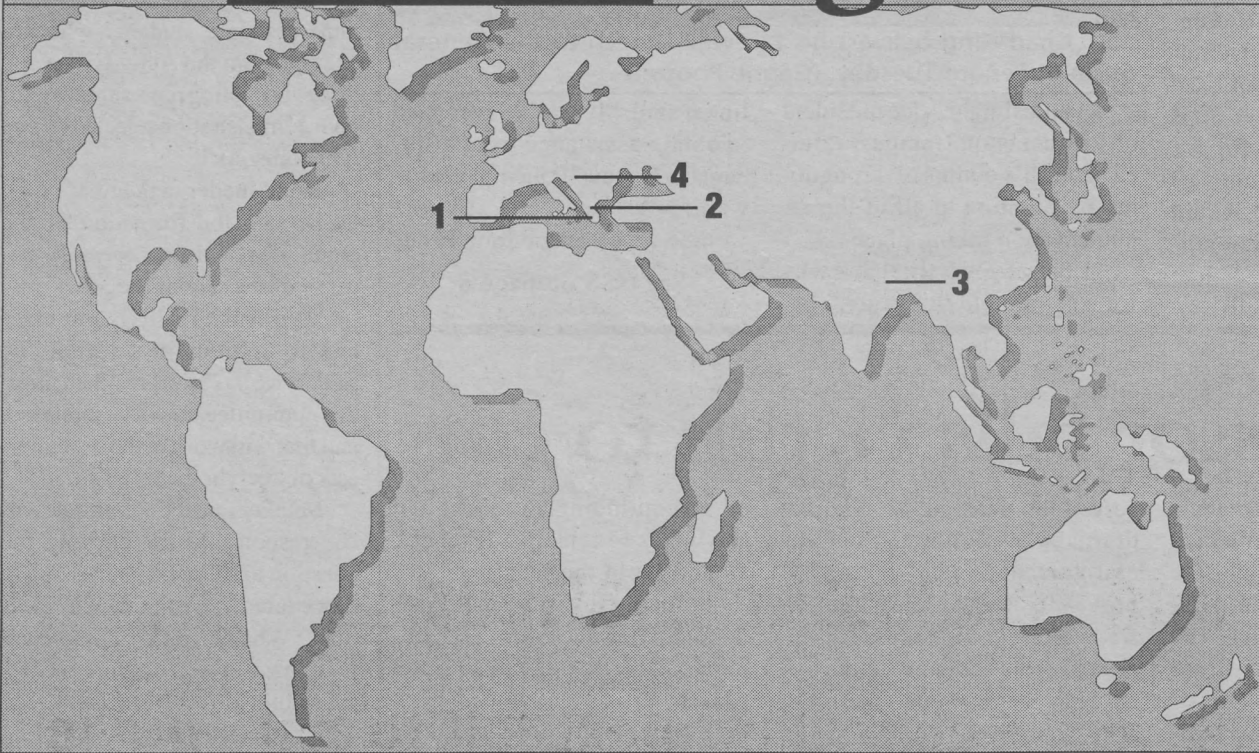
The British "Know How Fund" has provided technical assistance to the Albanian National Bank for this project.

Initially, the stock exchange will operate twice a week and offer treasury bills and privatization vouchers, said its president, Albina Karamitro.

Representatives of Albanian banks, the Insurance Institute and individuals will be licensed to operate in the exchange.

Economists believe the stock exchange will speed up privatization and create more investment opportunities. President Sali Berisha hailed the opening as a "testimony of the economic stability of this country."

World Digest



• Election

Former outlaw makes a run for parliament

3 MIRZAPUR, India (AP) — Acrid smoke streaming from burning tires stops the motorcade. The candidate peers out the window. Political opponents shoot near her car.

"We can reply to bullets with bullets. But we won't, because I have now dedicated my life to democracy and peace," says Phoolan Devi.

Devi, 35, is more popularly known as the Bandit Queen, whose 10-year rebellion in central India is already the stuff of legend, books and movies. A heroine to low-caste women, Devi massacred high-caste villagers to avenge her rape and torture.

She spent 11 years in jail. Now, Devi's out on bail and running for Parliament for a party that claims to represent the underprivileged.

Devi portrays her outlaw years as part of a caste struggle in one of India's most backward regions, where upper-caste Hindus felt free to torture and suppress people of the lower castes. Indian society has long observed a class structure of "castes" in which birth dictates stature.

Her popularity among the poor is clear as she visits low-caste villages on a campaign tour of Uttar Pradesh, India's largest state. Women reach inside the car to touch her feet.

• Sports

For fans this stadium is still accomodating

4 SARAJEVO, Bosnia-Herzegovina (AP) — There was no time to practice; the field had just been cleared of land mines. But the thousands of soccer fans in the stadium didn't care that the teams were a little rusty.

They donned their caps and scarves and turned out with vigor Thursday to watch rival Sarajevo teams play for the first time in four years. The ruined Grbavaca stadium was packed with 15,000 people, all thrilled to savor one of the normal pleasures of peace once again.

"It is not just the game I am here for," said Kemal Festic, 29. "It is also the feeling of freedom I have, now that I can come here."

Organizers waited until the last minute to announce the match between FC Sarajevo and FC Zeljeznicar — the home team known as Zeljo. Hundreds of deadly mines had littered the field, swept away by mine cleaners in time for kickoff but not for practice.

The stadium saw some of the worst clashes between Bosnian government troops and the Bosnian Serb army. A quarter of its stands were completely demolished. Two craters, each several yards wide, still yawn behind one goal.

Even the smoke and rattle of a 15-minute pre-game fireworks show reminded some fans of when the stadium marked a front line.

Weather

The Local Forecast

Today's Weather

Sunny, then increasing afternoon clouds. Highs in the mid to upper 60s.



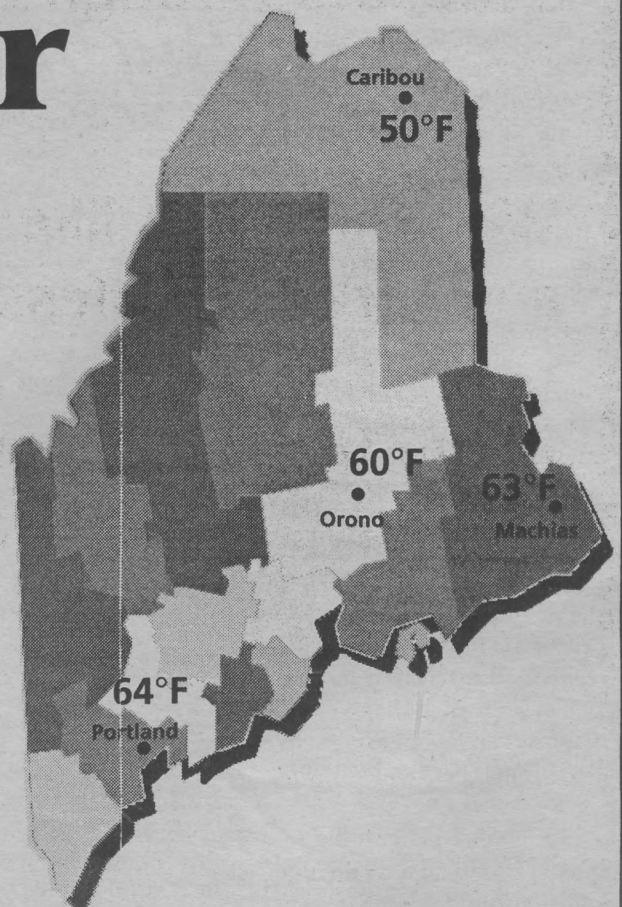
Saturday's Outlook

Morning showers likely then partly sunny. Highs near 60.



Extended Forecast

Sunday...Fair. Monday...Chance of rain. Tuesday...Fair.



• Money

Financial Aid says emergency loans 'too convenient'

By James D. Wright
Style Editor

You reach into your pockets and all you pull out is a ball of lint, a gum wrapper and a couple of Canadian pennies. You're flat broke and you need money now. Mom just sent you fifty bucks last week, only because dad forgot to tell her about the twenty he sent you the week before. Your parents' well has run dry. Is there anywhere to turn?

The office of Student Financial Aid at the University of Maine offers short-term emergency loans for all students enrolled in at least a half-time degree program. Located in Wingate Hall, it is often the last resort for students struggling to make ends meet. However, as opposed to years passed, the word emergency is stressed.

"The office became too convenient for some students," said the Director of Student Financial Aid, Peggy Crawford. "We became the students' money manager. Some were coming in every month for loans. We weren't assisting them into the real world, to learn not to depend on mom and dad."

So how do you qualify for an emergency loan? First of all, an emergency need must be present. Loans will not be made for credit card payments, traffic viola-

tions or court fines, textbooks, tuition, fees, food, routine visits home, rent or other routine expenses. You must have no outstanding loans and have an established method of repayment, i.e. a current job verified by a recent pay stub.

All students are limited to one loan per semester for a maximum of \$200, with no interest charges. All loans must be repaid in full in six weeks, or by the end of the semester, whichever comes first.

What does qualify as an emergency,

you ask? Loans may be approved for visits home for family emergencies, documented repairs to a vehicle, payroll problems beyond your control, legitimate delays in financial aid or other documented emergencies. An application must be completed in full to qualify for a loan.

"Some of the more common requests include deaths in the family, fires, robberies or other events beyond a student's

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• Diversity

Central American students utilize Fullbright

By Paul Livingstone
Staff Writer

Those people finding the University of Maine lacking in diversity need only look as far as the Intensive English Institute to find that cultural diversity is growing.

Along with the Office of International Programs, the IEI has had since January the honor of sponsoring 11 Central American students to study here with the aid of the Fullbright Scholarship Program.

Only 45 students were accepted into the program, and UMaine is one of only

four institutions to host them. Acceptance into the Fullbright Program, which has been run since 1986, involves a series of tough examinations, from which a limited number of academically talented students are chosen.

This group is called Campus X, signifying the tenth year of the program. Arriving here from Belize, Costa Rica, Guatemala, Honduras, Nicaragua and Panama, the student's majors range from forestry and natural resources to geology and philosophy.

"This is a great opportunity for all countries involved," said Maria Harris, a

co-director of the program at IEI. "It's important to share each other's culture. They are all serious students, doing excellent work here."

Jose Guzman, a philosophy student from Nicaragua, commented on the experience of learning a new language and culture. "Sometimes it's a little frustrating; you have an idea, but you can't express it. Sometimes it's even pretty funny. Now, though, it's a little more easy."

Comparing the universities in the different countries showed that there was a lot more similarities than differences.

"The only thing really different is that classes are taught in English; that and the weather, of course," said Nathalie Valencia, a biology student from Costa Rica.

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"Also, there are more people and the classes are bigger."

Jeanna Hyde, a natural resources major from Belize, wishes to be an activist in eco-tourism, a big business in her home country when she finishes her degree. A forestry student, Emilio, wants to return to his home in Panama to work.

The small group of students have participated in many activities together, including trips to Boston and Acadia. Vic-

tor, a geology student also from Costa Rica, laughed when he said he "really enjoyed downhill skiing."

"They've been really active at the local public schools. When they return to their countries, they'll do some great work," said Harris.

Attending the University of Maine until June, 1998, the group has plenty of time to acclimate themselves to UMaine and enjoy their studies.

Union

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disagree with the idea of forming this committee. Sen. Chad King, an advocate of the split question, said that the election would be better run from inside Student Government.

"I've said all along that if student government ran the election, things would be fine," he said. "They aren't utilizing the mechanisms we have in place."

According to King, the election would be better held if the students were allowed to petition for the referendum, or if GSS voted to put the question on the ballot.

"We cannot allow an outside committee to hold the election," he said. "They're avoiding Student Government on purpose."

King also expressed curiosity about the presence of administrators on a student run committee, and said he "doesn't see the need" for it.

He said that it all comes down to processes. "If you have rules, follow them. If you don't like the rules, change them."

Dwight Rideout, assistant vice president and dean of Student Services, said he hopes the committee will build consensus between parties that disagree.

"It's appropriate for students to decide how they want the question to read and vote on it," he said, "it's detrimental to begin the process by having adversaries" to the voting process rather than the question at hand.

Rideout said the issue should be whether to build a new union and recreation center and not how the question should read.

Mueller said the joint rules committee is hoping this letter "will give a sense of closure for this semester," and give next year's committee a process to follow for the second election.

Loan

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control," said Crawford. "We might even go as far as unforeseen car expenses."

Why such restrictions? In the past, the office has been taken advantage of for inappropriate requests when it was easy, perhaps too easy, to acquire funds. The office's default rates went sky high a few years ago as a result. In order for the service to continue, a revolving, reciprocating system was necessary. The money has to come back in in order for the next student to get a loan.

The funds for these loans is generated mainly by private donations. Much like

scholarship funds, money is available for general student use from specific donors.

An emergency loan fund program is available to assist students facing unexpected short-term financial emergencies. Spending too much money partying over the weekend unfortunately does not qualify as an emergency. The office of financial aid is there for help, not as a crutch. The regulations now in place have set things straight from the past problems.

Said Crawford, "It's much easier to ask someone you don't know for money than someone you do know."

Yelland

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Doherty said Wednesday that student support for Yelland has been impressive. She pointed out that the petition didn't include signatures from students around the state who attend Yelland's learning class via ITV.

"My understanding is that not all of the classes were asked to sign, or they couldn't find all of her classes she was teaching," Doherty said. "I think that's pretty strong support for a professor."

Yelland has declined to comment about her situation or the show of support from her students.

"What can I say?" she said Monday. "I love teaching," she shrugged. "I understand the budget problem. But I love

teaching. I love it, I love it, I love it."

Yelland is known for making light-headed wisecracks during her lectures. One student in her history and systems class, who didn't want to be identified, said Wednesday Yelland makes a dry subject like history interesting and fun.

Yelland will occasionally spice up a dry topic such as behaviorism by changing her voice to that of a mad scientist's. "Ha, ha!" she laughs after a joke, her mouth wide open. She looks at her students and pretends to go into a trance.

"So do you want the good-parts version or the long, boring version?" she finally says. "Who's with me here?" she asks amid giggles from students.

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Sex Matters

by Dr. Sandra Caron, Ph.D



Q: If I have sex with someone on the first date, will he still be interested in me the next day? Female, Senior

A: No, probably not. I'd ask myself why someone would be interested in sharing such an intimate experience with someone they hardly know? It seems like it would have very little meaning behind it. I'd prefer to wait until I knew him better so I could answer that question more accurately.

Q: Can you get someone pregnant if you have sex in the shower? Male, Senior

A: YES!!!!

Q: Does the vagina lose its elasticity over time and with use? Female, Senior

A: The vagina loses some of its elasticity after menopause, without some sort of hormone replacement. However, use is actually what keeps the vagina in shape - since it is surrounded by muscles that benefit from being exercised.

Q: How come women are labeled as sluts when they have a lot of sex and men

are looked at as studs/cool? Female, Senior

A: Unfortunately, the double standard is alive and well. It's fading - but not fast enough. You're right: It's not valid. You're dealing with generations of cultural values and this one has been very slow to change.

Q: How often do most people do it? What's the average sex drive? I'm just wondering if I'm normal. Male, Junior

A: Sex drive (or desire) varies greatly from person to person. Some people have sex twice a year, others have it twice a day. Your age, health and how much school work you have can all affect your desire. I would encourage you to think about what is comfortable for you - and not look to some "national average" for assurance. In my own surveys of students enrolled in human sexuality, I'm always amazed at how many students assume everyone else is having so much more sex than they are. Do what feels comfortable for you and your partner.

Q: Is it wise to become sexually involved with someone before developing a relationship or falling in love with the

person? Male, Senior

A: I would tend to err on the side of waiting until you have an established relationship before becoming sexually involved. Otherwise, some might say that you are attempting to start a relationship "ass-backward." Too often it causes problems. Often one begins to question what the "genital encounter" really means: How does my partner feel? Am I really being used? Does this person like me? Where is the relationship going? Why does my sex partner want to be physically intimate with me when we are not yet emotionally intimate? When our ability to be intimate with another human being is limited to genital sex it becomes boring, obsessive and destructive. And, unfortunately, some people use sex to avoid intimacy. It's important to recognize that the interrelationships among love, intimacy and friendship are not always clear. For instance, regardless of expectations beforehand, somehow sex invariably changes things in a relationship. Once two people have had a sexual experience with each other, it changes their feelings toward each other. People's moods

change, and reactions after-the-fact range from feeling the encounter was bad to feeling it was very good. For example, some people have sex shortly after meeting, and then consider getting to know each other. But the possibility of a relationship is already sabotaged by the morning after. Or, some people use sex as a test or proof of love or friendship, by saying, in effect, "If you really like me, you'll have sex with me." There is widespread failure to understand that individuals get hurt because they don't feel loved. Most people would agree that it is important to become emotionally intimate before becoming sexually intimate. Things seem to work out better when people act in ways that are consistent with their feelings.

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GSS

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Committee decision through a motion put forth by Sen. Brian Cirone, appealing to the authority of the senate to overrule the investigation. The motion easily passed.

Mary Cathcart, a candidate for the Maine Senate, spoke briefly at the beginning to explain her background and qualifications for the position. She also supported UMaine's bids for state appropriations.

"There is a lot at stake for the University of Maine," Cathcart said.

Meiklejohn detailed his current project to conduct student evaluations. The main purpose is to allow students access to these evaluations so as to recognize outstanding professors.

"Students have been complaining about evaluations for years," said Meiklejohn. "They have long tried for access [to the regular evaluations] but to no avail."

In other GSS news: Due to popular sentiment, Maine Day will be held after Bumstock next year. Bumstock partially reversed the ground gained from the massive clean-up effort of Maine Day; the new schedule will make more sense.

Two final resolutions were dealt with:

- A bill passed to recognize Sister Carole Jean Lappa, of the Newman Center on campus, for her many years of service to the university.

- A bill was tabled that would have reallocated the money the UM Photography Club lost because of their absence from the second budget meeting. It was not passed because the club was also absent from this meeting.

Concluding the session with a few farewell addresses from graduating students, the members reflected upon the past year and wished everyone well for the year ahead.

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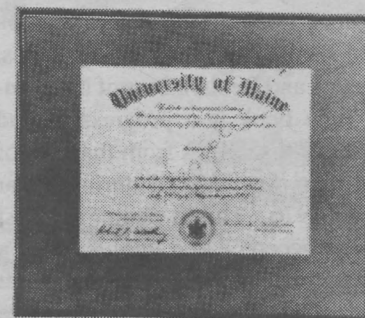
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• Entertainment

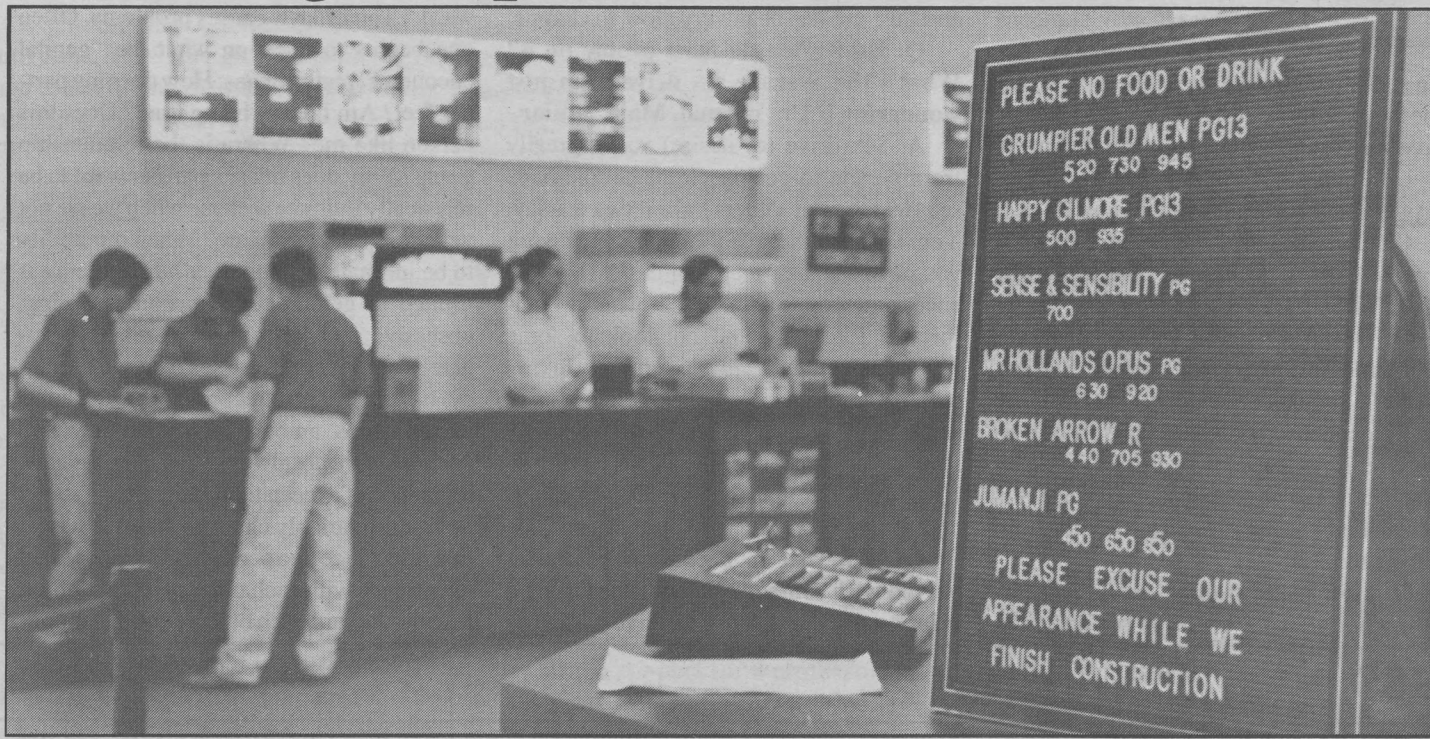
Second-run movies bring inexpensive alternative to Orono

By Doug Weitz
Staff Writer

The new theater on Stillwater Avenue in Orono will fill a certain need. It will allow theater-goers who aren't particularly concerned with seeing movies the instant they come out to see second-run movies for about \$5 less. The Spotlight Cinemas opened on Saturday, April 27, to largely college-student crowds.

There are five theaters with a sixth under construction. Each theater features surround sound, two of them with Dolby surround. The seats are "push back," which means that they recline to provide a more comfortable viewing posture and easier access for passers-by. One advantage to the second-run movies is that the theater owners already know what has done well. They will mostly get the movies that people want to see. They will also try to get some movies that Bangor does not get. The three largest theaters seat 170 people. The screens are as wide as the aisles. Two of the theaters seat 150 people, and the sixth one, which should be open next week, will seat 135.

Once they get going, the owners are going to look into both art movies and revivals. There was talk of showing the Star Wars and Indiana Jones trilogies. These are things that this type of theater can do because they don't have to worry about the competitive market of current films. They will also try to have one theater mostly dedicated to fine art movies like the Railroad Square Cinema in Waterville does. Both the arts movies, and the revivals will be a little more expensive for them to get, so prices might exceed three dollars for these. For normal movies the



Spotlight Cinemas are now open, but the finishing touches are still a coming attraction. (Gagne Photo.)

ticket prices are \$2.25 on most days and only \$1 on Tuesdays!

The building features a spacious lobby with video games and concession stands. It has nine different soda flavors as well as Italian Ice, hot dogs and Polish sausages. The prices on concessions are fabulous for a movie theater. (Somehow it avoids the inflation seen all over the United States.) There are sometimes popcorn/soda deals. Customers are discouraged from bringing their own snacks (especially alcohol). The building has admirable handicap accommodations with removable seats on level ground for wheelchairs.

The actual theaters are immaculate and plush. I would have thought that comfortable seats would be just the type of thing that a second-run theater would have to skimp on, but this cinema seems to have spared no expense. The projection room is no exception, with top of the line reel mechanisms and cameras.

Currently showing are "Happy Gilmore" (for those who love physical comedy), "Broken Arrow" (for John Travolta fans only), "Jumanji" (adventure? Robin Williams? Rec-

ipe for fun), "Mr. Holland's Opus" (recommended highly for anyone who is going to be a teacher), "Sense and Sensibility" (awards, awards, awards) and "Grumpier Old Men" (Jack Lemmon and Walter Matthau playing pranks on one another. What more could you ask for?). The Spotlight Cinemas are located at 6 Stillwater Avenue in the University Mall behind Burger King. The number for movie times or other information is 827-7411.

• Beating the odds

NBC reporter focuses on career, not disability

By Mike Reynolds
Special to the Campus

This past year the media has been focused on the lives of people with disabilities.

The tragedy and the continuing career of Christopher Reeves, who was paralyzed during a polo match and plans to return to acting, as well as the struggles of Yarmouth-native Travis Roy, who was paralyzed in a Boston University hockey game, both have been grabbing headlines and topping newscasts across the country.

John Hockenberry is another person you may have seen on the television, only he's asking the questions, as a correspondent for Dateline NBC. Hockenberry focuses on his career, not the fact that he has a spinal cord injury and is in a wheelchair.

Hockenberry is the author of a book titled "Moving Violations: War Zones, Wheelchairs, and Declarations of Independence." The book is a progressive and honest look at disabilities from the eyes of a person who was injured during a car accident in 1976. This is one of the first books to be accepted and published by a mainstream press, Hyperion, and to look at disabilities from a progressive, positive

perspective.

Email can take the credit for sparking a friendship with the man and giving the information about his off-Broadway play called "Spoke Man," as well as information about his lecture at The University of New Hampshire in early April.

The book is an easy read, having read it over the course of a weekend. It was a strong piece of literature that was deeply moving. I, as a person with disabilities, can personally relate to many of the scenes in the book.

In one scene, he portrays an incident when he was nearly run over by a bus in Chicago. After this close call, Hockenberry was sitting on the ground with his legs crossed and a smile on his face. He couldn't get up to walk away. But Hockenberry couldn't walk before the accident either. About six feet away from where he was sitting in the street, his wheelchair lay mangled underneath the front tire of the bus.

This scene portrayed onstage was an absolute riot because he played it as a comedy. In the book, he even says he was laughing "at the ridiculousness of the situ-

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• Beer

Don't believe what you hear

By James Wright
Style Editor, Beer Drinker

The calm, soothing voice on the radio is talking about beer, and he has naturally found an attentive listener. He talks about hops. Not just hops, but the best part of the hops, the heart of the hops. This brand new beer he speaks of only uses the heart of the hops, resulting in a taste unlike any other beer, and the voice assures me that I'll agree.

It's the new Miller beer, and it's called Miller beer. So good, they say, that it bears the name of who they are. It must have taken them longer to come up with a name than to create this bland recipe. But I could think of several better, more appropriate names for this all-American triumph of the age old art of brewing.

The first that comes to mind is "Miller's Toilet Water Ale." I even have a catchy slogan: So good it will flush out your system and memory of drinking a better (worse) beer. Maybe "Miller's Sewage Run-off Lager," because it has a nice ring to it.

The new Miller with the red label is one of the harshest chemicals to ever grace my taste buds. This insipid brew goes well beyond the frown-inducing characteristics of most bitter beers, leaving an aftermath of rancid sourness in its wake.

If you're not quite in the mood for shotgunning a six pack or playing a strict and heavy game of beer die against the world fraternity champions, then Miller is

not what you're looking for. This is not a beer to be nursed and relaxed with during or after dinner. It's more like a "drink as many as you can before a high school dance" kind of beer.

The foam kept getting thicker as it was poured into my glass, forming a head that must have been four inches tall. However, the carbonation died a quick death by the time I was finished, and the final sips were flat and tasteless. But hey, I did drink six of them, so there must be something wrong with me.

This light-bodied lager coats your tongue with its musty flavor that rudely overstays its welcome with an unsavory aftertaste. It has a sharp, tart sensation going down, but the bad memories sit in the back of your mouth, sending goosebumps and shivers down your spine, making you wish you had bought something else.

New Miller has one redeeming quality to it, though. It contains 5.0 percent alcohol (slightly above the average), which allows you to drink fewer and fewer of these tragic mishaps and still obtain a cozy little buzz, which is what it's all about for most people. It's cheap, too: A sixer costs less than five bucks.

It's just plain, old Miller, and it's just plain, old beer. I have to disagree with that voice on the radio, I feel he was lying to me, but he was paid to say nice things about it. He probably hates it too.

Cheers, and I'll see you through the bottom of another glass in the fall.

• Star watch

The name is Moore, Roger Moore

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Roger Moore came to the decision when he would call for dinner reservations and maitre d's started responding: "Roger who? Would you spell it, please?"

Double-O-Seven had fallen to obscurity purgatory.

"I realize that working with UNICEF, my value is that I am well known," said the star of seven James Bond films. "When I started hearing that on the telephone, I said, 'Uh-oh, I'd better make another movie.'"

He co-stars with Jean-Claude Van Damme in "The Quest," which the Belgian musclem-an also directed. Moore plays a former British navy officer turned pirate and con man, who sponsors Van Damme in a tournament of the best fighters of countries around the world.

Van Damme personally delivered a script to Moore at his home in Gstaad, Switzerland. Moore agreed to the film, partly because he wouldn't be called on for the action stuff.

"That was the beauty of it," Moore commented. "Also, not playing the hero, I realized I did not have to be there every day. I was doing what I had always envied in every film I've done."

"I was always the hero, and I envied the villain, who invariably had the best lines and didn't have to be there every... day, didn't have to spend two hours in the makeup chair getting rid of wrinkles. In this one I grew a beard, and it didn't matter whether my eyes were puffy. Wonderful."

Moore, 68, lives in Monaco and Switzerland and spends much of the year traveling throughout the world as Special Representative for UNICEF, the United Nations' children's fund. The man who combated SMERSH and other demons now campaigns against

iodine deficiency in the world.

"It's not a subject that grabs people very much, but I have to talk about it as one of my duties."

Moore has made only three movies since removing Bond's fancy duds: "Bed and Breakfast," about a castaway who charms a houseful of Maine women; "Bullseye," a lookalike comedy with Michael Caine that went directly to video, and "Fire, Ice and Dynamite," a German-made sci-fi film that had limited distribution. He also starred in a two-hour TV movie, "The Man Who Wouldn't Die."

More films in the future?

He replied: "Maybe some misguided producer will see 'The Quest' and say, 'Oh, he's still alive! We must use him!'"

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ation" as it was happening. Later on, when the paramedics arrived on the scene, they asked if he could walk. Hockenberry replied that he was a paraplegic. The paramedics ignored the obvious and went to retrieve a brace. Hockenberry says that it seemed cruel to tell them the truth.

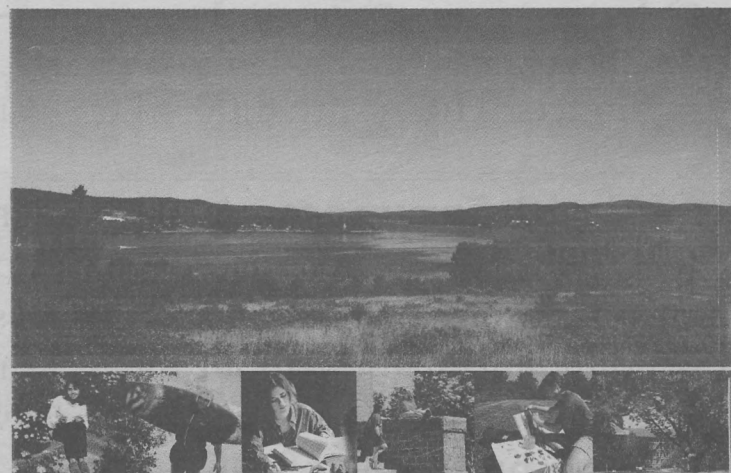
Hockenberry is a true story teller, which is very clear both in the pages of his book, and also in his one-man play. The overriding themes in his book are not about anger or self-pity, but about experiences in life we all may face in one way or another, as human beings.

In the future, Hockenberry may possibly take "Spoke Man" on the road, the earliest this may happen is in the fall. Hockenberry will be hosting a talk show in July on the new MSNBC network which will replace CNBC's America's Talking network at night.

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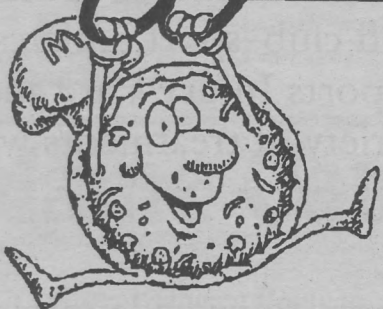
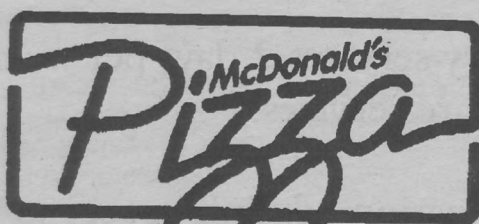
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The semester-end is fast approaching and it is time for us to thank you for your support of Cutler Health Center and to inform you about changes taking place to better serve your needs.

May Term: We will be open and continue to offer our services throughout May Term. There is a \$35.00 term fee. Hours are 8:00 - 11:30 and 1:00 - 3:00, Monday through Friday

Student Health Insurance: A new student health insurance policy will expand benefit coverage to include 100% payment of charges for **laboratory, x-ray, supplies, procedures, and prescriptions** (those medication sold by prescription only) provided by Cutler Health Center. We will be sending information about the health insurance policy to you later in the summer. Please check it out and consider picking up the new and expanded coverage. It may be the best thing you can do for your protection of your health.

Laboratory: Improvements to laboratory will be made over the next several months. We will be purchasing new equipment to reduce operating costs, increasing the speed of service, and continue to enhance the quality of care.

Patient Scheduling: We will be adopting a computerized patient-scheduling system for next fall. We believe this will help us to improve the efficiency of scheduling appointment services.

World Wide Web: We have been developing the Cutler Health Center Web pages. {<http://www.umecut.maine.edu>} Expect these services to expand next year. We will be developing health chat lines, information services and support services to expand our access and availability to you.

Fall Clinical Services: Our hours will continue to be 8:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. and 1:00 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday. Women's Health Service, Ambulatory Care and Resource Area will continue without changes. We will continue to provide Orthopedic, Gyn, Podiatry, Athletic Medicine AM (7A.M. to 9A.M.) clinics. The Nursing Clinic will continue to provide appointment service. The IMPACT group will become part of the new Office of Community Life.

New Programs: John Gaetani, O.D. will be providing optometry services 2 days per week at Cutler Health Center. Students will have access to complete eye care services.

Athletic Healthcare will be enhancing its scope, including reorganization of clinic space, so that we may provide greater levels of support to recreational, intramural and club-sport athletes. The availability of current services will increase and the staff will offer Sports Injury Care and Prevention services, acute injury rehabilitation and a sport asthma clinic. A variety of treatments will be available.

School Of Nursing: Faculty from the School of Nursing will begin to provide services at Cutler Health Center. We look forward to integrating our colleagues' skills and talents into the expanding services offered by Cutler Health Center. We will keep you updated about the details over the summer.

Pharmacy: We recognize that many students are coming to campus with prescription benefit cards. We are working closely with the University of Maine System to contract with the pharmacy prescription providers so that you may use your prescription card at our pharmacy. It has been in the works for about six months, but we have not been able to secure the necessary contracts. We will keep you informed about our progress.

Editorial Page

• Commentaries

No free speech for you

The sign read "Free speech reigns, but UMaine does not discriminate based on sexual orientation." But the petition called for kicking Pastor James McCusker and his wife, Paula, out of the union because their literature supposedly violated UMaine's anti-discrimination policy.

A recent letter to the *Maine Campus* made the argument that the mission of the university was to promote the exchange of diverse ideas in an accepting environment, yet went on to say that the McCuskers should not have been allowed to be on campus.

So what people seem to be saying is that it's okay to speak your mind — as long as we agree with you. The rationale for blasting and harassing the McCuskers was that they were promoting hateful speech, but anyone who actually spoke to the couple saw that they did

not hate homosexuals, they simply disagreed with that lifestyle.

The knee-jerk reaction of the Wilde Stein group showed its own intolerance for any idea that disagreed with theirs. Such intolerance for different ideas should not be allowed under the anti-discrimination policy.

Those who harassed the McCuskers should remember the great thing about being an American and living under the First Amendment: You have the right to ignore those that you disagree with. If someone says something you don't like, you don't have to listen to it. Remember Voltaire who said he may not agree with what you say, but would fight to the death for your right to say it.

The major irony of this situation was that those who are always calling for tolerance were the main agent of discrimination. (P. Cook)

The price of admission

The first time my family and I ventured out to a restaurant when I was very young, I can remember saying "oooh, free salad." I was quickly corrected and told that the salad wasn't free—it was "included" in the price.

Here at the University of Maine, it's reasonable to say nothing is "included;" students pretty much have to pay for everything.

Most seniors I talked to just shook their heads in disgust as they shelled out twenty bucks so their application for their diploma could be processed. I tend to believe it's the university's obligation to be able to process the data after four or five years of tuition gratis, but who am I to say. And there's the cap and gown. For a mere \$18, it's yours. Announcements? Another eight bucks for ten of them. ASAP, a student-run group who printed those professional-looking new union pamphlets we all got in

the mail, could have done a much nicer job on them at a fraction of the cost.

Because I don't want to sell the university short, there's another thing I must mention. Wednesday was the Student and Faculty Wine and Cheese Party, which is a little get-together for seniors and faculty meant to provide a pleasant social atmosphere for everyone to enjoy. Conveniently enough, it was from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m.—a time when many students are still in class or finishing up work for the day. I have to wonder if the time of the "party" was meant to limit attendance. And how many faculty members do you think showed up? They too had classes to give and work to finish.

But I digress. After all, the wine and cheese was free, and that's not so bad. I mean—it was included. (J. Teunisen)

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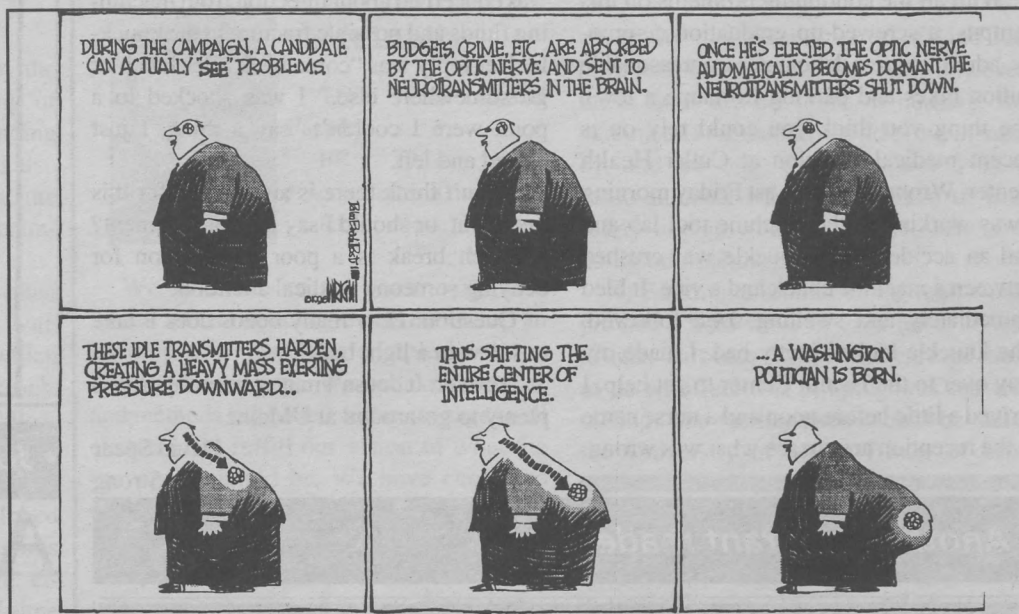
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• Editorial

The year in review

The administration of the University of Maine has made several decisions this year with little regard for their employee or the students here at the university. Some of their ill-conceived plans have stirred outrage from the students affected by their votes and policies, forcing the "fathers" of this school to reconsider these decisions. Yet one wonders if students' welfare is even considered, or if the administration will merely change the rules to fit their pocket-stuffing needs.

For years UMaine has been ignored by the state; throughout this time, sinking further and further into a fiscal crisis. President Frederick E. Hutchinson and Judith Bailey, vice president for Academic Affairs, created two documents that they called Actions to Facilitate Fiscal Integrity and Refocused Missions and A Framework for Change. Their purpose was to keep the university from sinking, but the manner in which the documents were presented left many students and faculty wondering whether their plebeian input was important.

To their credit, Hutchinson and Bailey have used suggestions from the campus community to change unpopular decisions in the documents, but much remains to be done. For example, the Helpline should be kept, and Public Safety should be allowed to keep the two officers who will lose jobs in the name of

split, not many traditional students agreed with the decision. A student's budget doesn't allow for flying out of town on a moment's notice. A split spring break served nobody's wants or needs except for those supposedly in charge.

In an amazingly considerate move, the Faculty Senate rescinded that motion and reversed their decision, leaving in place our cherished two-consecutive week spring break. The change is greeted with a mere golf clap be-

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cause nothing gets done right the first time around here.

On a brighter note, we heard more than a golf clap this year for the Women's Basketball team, winners of the NAC championship. An outstanding performance. Low morale, bad planning and student apathy didn't stop the university community from joining together to root for some fantastic athletes. The UMaine community finally felt like just that.

Other than spring break, there was no real student involvement in the affairs of this campus. When the AFFIRM bombshell was dropped, only a handful of students took the time or effort to find out what was going on. And those that became involved dropped the issue when their particular piece of the UMaine pie was preserved.

Once again, the biggest problem on this campus was not the constant meddling of the administration, the faculty or even the state. UMaine's largest disgrace is the inability of its students, and student leadership in particular, to see past their own petty concerns to care about the campus as a whole. Continued apathy will only lead to further decline and a less satisfying college experience for all.

Alas, the next term is only four months away; perhaps there still is hope.

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fiscal responsibility.

The real blame for this disaster lies with the state. The legislature has enjoyed a growing state budget, but has seen fit to cut higher education to an embarrassing degree. Those in Augusta should be ashamed for their role in UMaine's decline. It is hoped that they have been listening, and will act accordingly.

At least there is one example where the student body's demands were heard. Many students come to the University of Maine from within the state, but a large percentage are from out of state, in some cases thousands of miles away. When spring break was

• Letters to the Editor

• Cutler Health: a contradiction of terms?

To the Editor:

With all the continuing problems on this campus; a screwed-up graduation ceremony, administrative deficiencies, unreasonable tuition hikes and parking (to name a few), one thing you think you could rely on is decent medical attention at Cutler Health Center. Wrong answer. Last Friday morning I was working in the machine tool lab and had an accident. My knuckle was crushed between a machine chuck and a vice. It bled immediately and swelling soon followed. The knuckle looked pretty bad. I made my way over to the Health Center to get help. I arrived a little before noon and a nurse came to the reception area to see what was wrong.

I explained what happened and told her I was concerned about infection from machining fluids and possible fracture in the knuckle. Her reply was "come back after lunch or go somewhere else." I was shocked to a point where I couldn't say a thing, I just turned and left.

I don't think there is any excuse for this treatment, or should I say lack of treatment? A lunch break is a poor justification for denying someone medical attention.

Question: How many bozos does it take to screw in a light bulb?

Answer: It doesn't matter because there's plenty to go-around at UMaine.

David Spear
Strong

• Another ignorant reader

• The Maine Campus steals our money

To the Editor:

As a parting shot intended to recoup some of the approximately \$12 of my FORCED SUBSCRIPTION to a privately produced periodical known as the *Maine Campus*, I offer the following remarks:

This periodical is apparently an incorporated private business (information on the approximately 80 student salaries is NOT available to the public, as are the salary amounts of every employee of the University of Maine in the reference section of Fogler Library) given free license by the University of Maine to extort through the mechanism of a required "communications fee" subscriptions from every student required to pay that fee.

This amounts to a special-privilege subsidy to a club of students interested in journalism, second only to the special privilege subsidy of the various athletic clubs on campus levied through the mechanism of the required "recreation fees" and forced purchase of season tickets to athletics events that comprise a substantial portion of the required "comprehensive fee."

Why "special privilege?" All other student activities and clubs must make do with a tiny fraction of the student activities fee fund, disbursed in an incredibly exacting and parsimonious process by the Student Government. The de facto *Maine Campus* journalism club and its salaried members is granted a subsidy of approximately \$90,000 of the other students' money a year, while the vast majority of other student clubs with unsalaried memberships squabble over their paltry \$900/year crumbs.

To add insult to the injury: There is no separate fee for the library, which has been unable, for lack of money, to subscribe to any new journals for five years. And UMaine students' coerced financing of this paper subsidizes the ad rates that are paid by multinational computer manufacturers and credit card companies or their marketing agents and distributors for ad space. The paper used to charge no fee at UMaine. It should return that status and publish only as much as it can afford through ad revenues and voluntary purchases/subscriptions with a \$900 subsidy like any other student club. If we had to pay a quarter for it, how many of us would do so? If it's a private corporation, it shouldn't get half its revenues by "taxing" the students of UMaine, especially with the supposedly conservative free-enterprise rhetoric penned by its major columnists week after week.

What do our "taxes" pay for? The résumé-building activities of future media

minions: how to lay out a paper, how to download, recycle and insert AP wire copy, how to sell more ad space, how to write poorly edited, poorly proof-read or even word processor spell-checked "articles" and "columns" that show contempt for the reader through their generally consistent sloppiness. But that is not the final insult.

The worst insult added to injury is that the "theme" this past year has been one of supposed conservatism. A barrage of articles on "the American way" and "slackers" and "liberal" and "welfare cheaters" and "special right and privileges" targeted those who supposedly take from the majority for their own gain and give little or nothing back, who are rewarded for their work by unjust government regulations, who expect special rights and privileges that the rest of us don't have, who benefit from taxes and other public revenues without our consent.

Michael L. Lane, a phony conservative who feeds at the UMaine required fees trough, should realize that if he came up to me in the Union, snatched \$12 out of my hand saying "I want this subscription money to further my career in journalism" and spat out some epithet culled from Rush Limbaugh reruns, I would very pleasurably and legally punch his lights out in self-defense from a mugging. But such predator behavior exercised through a quasi-governmental authority such as UMaine means he gets to laugh all the way to the bank with my bucks.

William G. Steele
Orono

Bill Day



• Jumping from the sinking ship

Academic Excellence?

By Robert E. Prasch

I have had the pleasure to teach at this university for the past six years. I will always cherish my memories of my classes here and the enthusiasm and respect that I received from my students. Thank you, students and citizens of Maine, for these years.

Unfortunately, I plan to end my association with the University of Maine at the end of this summer. The fact is that the university administration is not inclined to offer any reward, remuneration or encouragement to faculty who are dedicated to teaching or research.

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does not have to be exacerbated by a failure of the administration to clearly set and stand by defensible priorities in its use of the scarce funds, which are at its disposal. The fact is that my wages have been frozen, even declining, over the past five years. This is not true for everyone. In fact, five persons of less seniority have been hired in my department since my arrival here. All of them have received higher wages than myself. Recently, I have been offered tenure and a promotion for next year; yet I will receive more than

a thousand dollars per year less than a brand-new hire who has little experience, no publication, and no Ph.D. No member of the administration, all of whom are aware of this face, is the least bit concerned.

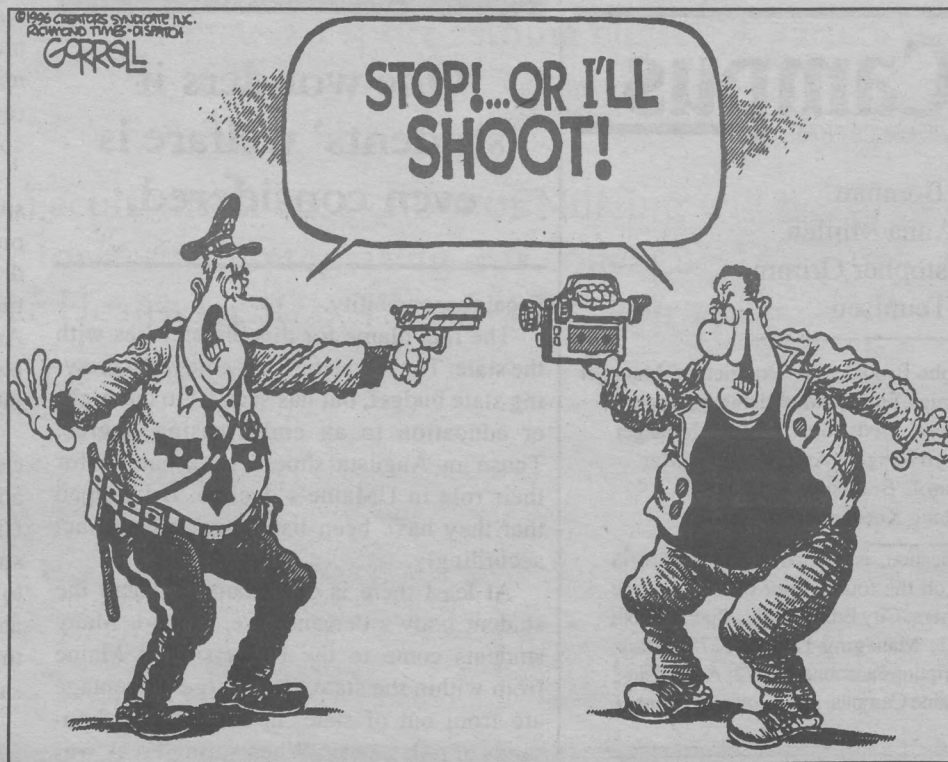
It is not a secret that the road to monetary success on this campus is very clear. One choice is to leave, the other is to join the administration. No one has ever, or can possibly, get anywhere through the old-fashioned virtues of hard work and dedicated teaching and/or research performance. This fact is obvious from the lack on any merit-pay system on campus. The method of joining the administration is equally old-fashioned, it is the "go-along-to-get-along" system. As a result, this campus lacks the kind of people that it most desperately needs in these difficult times — leaders. After all, everyone got their job by being studious followers and never, ever, under any circumstances, taking responsibility for their actions. The result is a failure to set priorities in the one thing that actually matters — academic excellence.

It is not a surprise that with no reward and/or encouragement, the university is seeing a stampede of its most mobile persons, the talented and the young. Those who remain behind are the demoralized and the untalented, and those who desire to join the administration, where high and rising wages are the norm. The victims are also as clear: the university, its reputation and its current and former students. I am genuinely sorry that affairs have come to be so dire. This state, its citizens, and the students and alumni of the university desire better. You should demand better, and I hope that ultimately the good people of this state will prevail.

Robert E. Prasch for a short while longer is in the economics department.

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• Revolutionary Ideas at UMaine

Student-centered university

By Falguni A. Sheth

I would like to correct some errors in Scott Labby's column of Friday, April 26. Mr. Labby mentioned that "Dr. Falguni Sheth, a visiting professor of philosophy," had been refused office space in an all-male department upon my arrival here in the fall. However, I do not hold a doctorate, although I am currently pursuing my Ph.D. in philosophy; nor was I a visiting professor of philosophy. In fact, I was initially hired on a part-time basis by the Continuing Education Division to teach an introductory philosophy course (which presumably would have benefited the philosophy department). My repeated requests for office space were motivated by the compelling reason that students, whether enrolled through CED or not, deserved to be able to meet with me privately. Frankly, office space is necessary, for a variety of reasons, to be able to teach a quality college-level course.

That I would be refused office space at all is "a mystery," given the continuing exodus of over 80 full-time faculty since 1990 (coinciding with the beginning of the university's financial fiascoes), combined with several freshly-built empty buildings. I can only surmise that this refusal was a product of the inability to organize a centralized system where part-time lecturers could be assigned office space to share with other lecturers — a product of incompetence, willful indifference and exploitation of an egregious sort, spanning across several offices and administrators of various ranks.

Nevertheless, Mr. Labby is completely accurate in this regard: Even though I was hired to teach students, I was refused office space for the fall of 1996. The reasons, the explanations and the jurisdiction of this decision are completely and exhaustively irrelevant. Regardless of the best reasons, there are no excuses.

• Green Party knows all

To the Editor:

Recently many people have become aware of the problems we are faced concerning the practices of harvesting our Maine forests. As professional forester Gordon Robinson wrote in his book, *The Forest and the Trees: A Guide to Excellent Forestry*, "You don't have to be a doctor to recognize ill health. If logging looks bad, it is bad. If a forest appears to be mismanaged, it is mismanaged" (Lansky 22).

"By 1989 Maine forest landowners were spraying herbicides over 11 times more acres than landowners in Minnesota, the northern state with the next most aggressive spray program" (179). I would like to point out that there are large non-industrial landowners, such as the owner of 100,000 acres at Baskahegan Lands, that have been able to avoid using herbicides

The facts remain.

In fact, I was given office space by the philosophy department for the spring of 1996 semester, with the full understanding that it was temporary, provisional and also a storage area. As one might expect, the caliber of my interaction with students immediately improved.

During the 1994-5 academic year, I had the pleasure of working at a school with some commitment to quality, from which the University of Maine could take lessons. I very much enjoyed my time in the philosophy department at the University of Southern Maine, where several lecturers, anywhere between 2 and 8, were employed during any given semester. Each of us was always assigned office space to share, either with each other, or with other full-time senior faculty. Moreover, it was understood that we would have 24 hour access to any and all facilities, including a key to the department building, computers, photocopy machines and telephones (where we could receive and return students' local and long distance phone calls) and letterhead stationery. As all of us are aware USM's budget is strikingly smaller than UMaine's. However, at USM, a different set of priorities dominate: The faculty, full and part-time, are recognized to be essential to the university and are treated with respect. At USM, the full-time faculty were in solidarity with the part-time faculty. The result: All faculty were happy, and in turn, their many students were enthusiastic, engaged and happy because their needs were given top priority. Note: This is what it means to be student-centered.

Mr. Labby, you will undoubtedly receive much negative response to your attempts to air dirty laundry. However, for myself, your columns are, unconditionally, a breath of fresh air. And remember, if "they" get defensive, "they" usually have something to hide.

Falguni A. Sheth is a visiting professor of philosophy

through superb forestry practices. Instead of clearcuts, other harvest methods such as selective cutting and shelter wood harvest, have been the key to success in not needing to use herbicides.

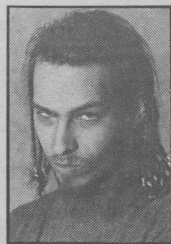
We are members of the Green party and citizens of Maine. We challenge the forest industry of Maine to implement better forest management systems. We would like to see the resources of Maine benefit the people of Maine in an ecologically sound method. This will ensure a healthy environment and economy for the future of Maine.

Lansky, Mitch. *Beyond the Beauty Strip*, Tilbury House Publishers: Gardiner, Maine, 1992.

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• The Other Side

S.P.E.R.M.



Scott Labby

TO: Students and Faculty
FR: Those Who Know Better Than You
RE: New Horizons

We write this to the community as a means of announcing the creation of an exciting new plan that complements the AFFIRM document. We believe the ideas and methods suggested within its pages will enable us to fulfill our vision of what the university should be. We have chosen to call this new document S.P.E.R.M. (Stable Planning, Elimination, Reduction at Maine) Many of our problems, financial and otherwise, can be alleviated by full implementation of this plan. As you can gauge by the samples provided, the potential for savings and revenue is tremendous. A few examples of what our research has shown:

1) Converting one of the dormitories into a minimum-security federal prison could create an outrageous flow of cash for us to mismanage. There is no question that 18 dorms is too many. By closing York Hall and redistributing the students there, we can provide the feds with a facility equipped with a built-in cafeteria and security system. This will also provide work-study students more job opportunity. With proper waivers, the prison could also double as a laboratory for certain social science majors.

2) Making under-performing athletes repay part of their tuition and expenses could save well over a \$100,000 a year, which would enable us to hire one more mediocre vice-president. Though some of our sports boosters may be old, balding and mildly retarded, that does not mean that they should have to partially fund the scholarships and travel of under-achievers.

3) We could sell hunting privileges on UMaine land. Many of us have noticed the

• In way of explanation

To the Editor:

Scott Labby claims in his column (4/26/96) that Falguni Sheth, a part-time philosophy instructor, "was refused office space in an all-male department upon her arrival here," and takes it upon himself to apologize to her. There is in fact nothing to apologize for, except Labby's distortion of the facts. Sheth did request space in which to meet with her students when she taught a philosophy course through CED in the fall. I advised her to meet with her students in the classroom, as is normally done by CED instructors on this campus, since CED instructors are not routinely provided with office space, and normally departments, at least the philosophy department, have no space to provide. During spring semester, when Sheth taught a course for the department listed in the regular time schedule, she again requested space, and I arranged for some office space that was temporarily vacant for the semester, a fact Labby neglects to mention. Rather than being discriminated against as a woman of color, as Labby insinuates, Sheth has been provided an amenity that no earlier part-time instructor has ever enjoyed in the philosophy department at this university.

Michael Howard
Chairperson,
department of philosophy

university owns many acres of land that have real, live animals. Currently however, these lands are off-limits to hunting. Reversing this regulation would bring in money, and the only detriment would be to those students who would have to wear safety orange while walking to school or doing outdoor class projects.

4) Building a brothel on the mall would provide a tidal wave of cash for us to embezzle. This idea warms the hearts of those of us who feel that pimping was our true calling. The facility itself would be called the University of Maine House of Love

Making under-performing athletes repay part of their tuition and expenses could save well over \$100,000 a year, which would enable us to hire one more mediocre vice-president.

Eternal, with the acronym U.M.H.O.L.E. also standing for the future of the institution. (Uh, you know, "Whole." Not a literal hole.) Once again, revenue would go hand in hand with job creation. There is little doubt that many students could find relief from the burdens of increasing tuition with this potentially high-wage employment.

5) Auctioning off our top 20 or 30 faculty could bring in hundreds of thousands in revenue and savings. Of course, this process has already begun. Imagine the institution offering our top professors across the nation. We believe we could start a bidding war for many of our best, with a hefty commission to be paid to UMaine by the participating colleges. Along with incoming cash, the savings in salary and benefits would be huge.

6) In the spirit of auctioning, we could be even more creative. For instance, we could raffle off "Hot Nights With Bad Suits." The idea is that each week, the prize in the raffle would be a date with an administrator. Sex would be optional, but people would have to pay us more. One student suggested an academic opportunity for winners, who could study issues such as "Incompetence and Impotency: A Correlation?" We are not sure what she meant, but this *does* sound intellectual.

Remember, these are but a hint of the comprehensive document. Now, some of you trouble-making faculty and students might be thinking, "This does not sound good." Our response is, "Tough Shit!" Your attempts to inform and incite the apathetic among the student body will come to nothing. It is almost summer, and all the emotion that has been stirred up over the past year will quickly settle. Pond scum always rises to the top, you know. At any rate, if you have any questions or concerns, call some of the bad apples among us who actually care about what you think. The rest of us will be on vacation. Have a nice summer!

Scott Labby is senior history major.

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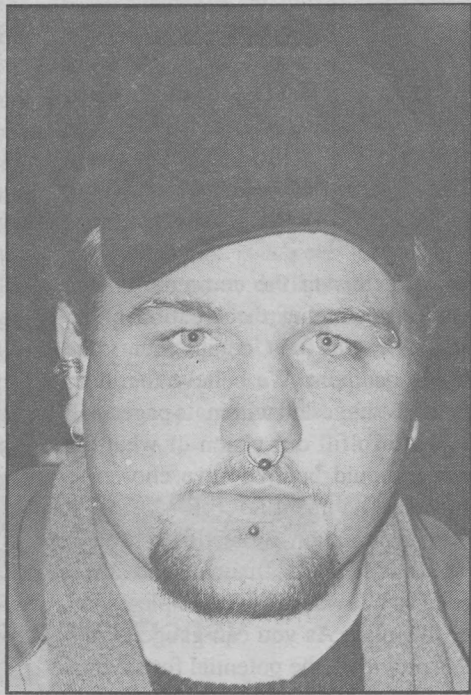
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Piercing/Tattoos...art?

BODY ART...

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By Kathryn Ritchie
Staff Writer



he words "body piercing" and "tattoos" conjure up different thoughts for different people. To those of us that have neither, colorful and painful images flash in the mind, followed by questions ranging from "Why on earth did you do that to your body?" to "Didn't that hurt like hell?!"

For the small population that chooses to be pierced, tattooed, or both, reasons are abound for doing it.

"It's kind of like collecting art," said Shawn Dyer, who has three tattoos on his legs and forearm. "Other people put it on their walls; I'm putting it on my body."

Jason Toothaker, whose piercing includes his nipples and tongue, said the reasons for getting pierced "go deeper than wanting to show it off to friends."

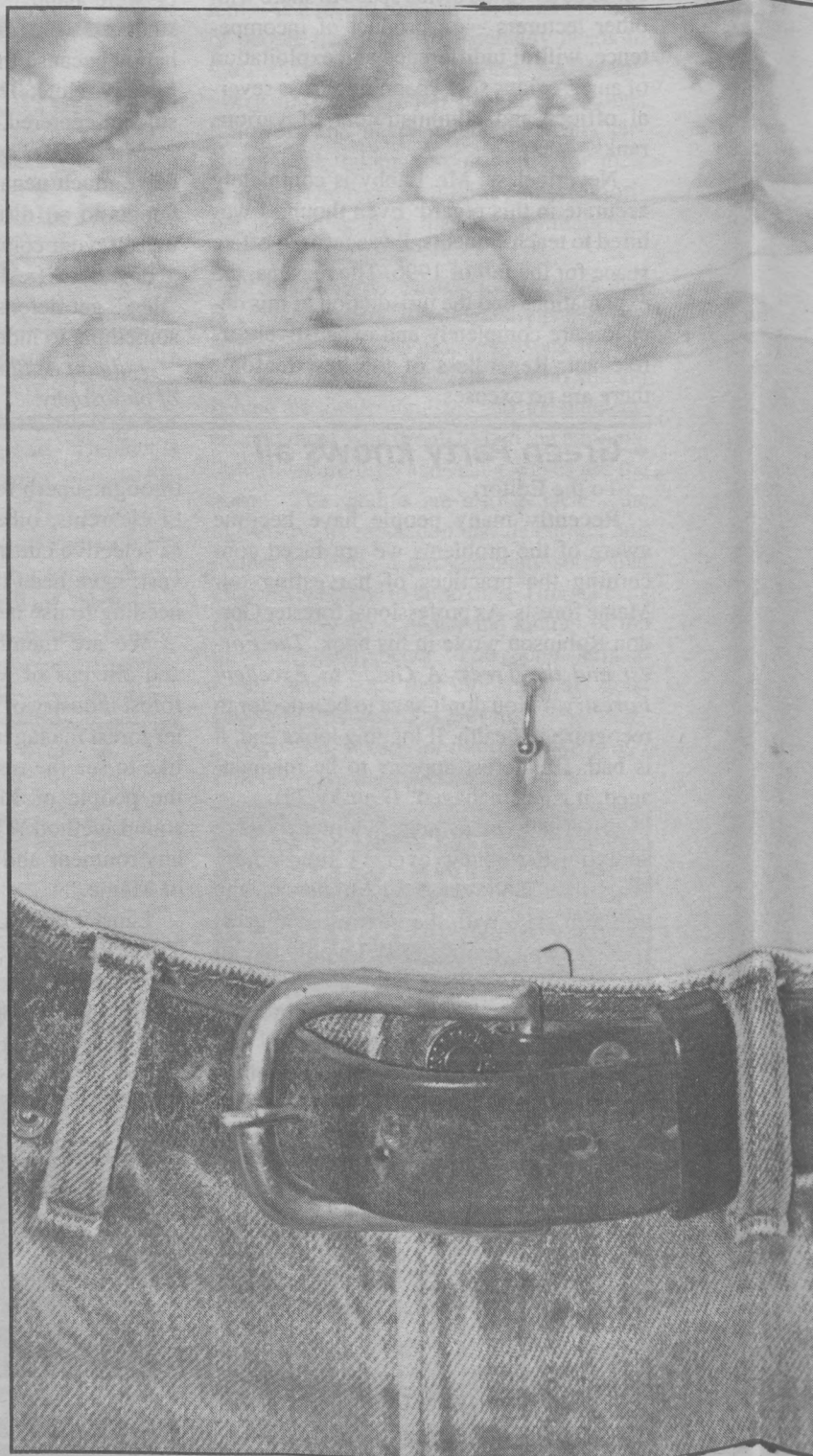
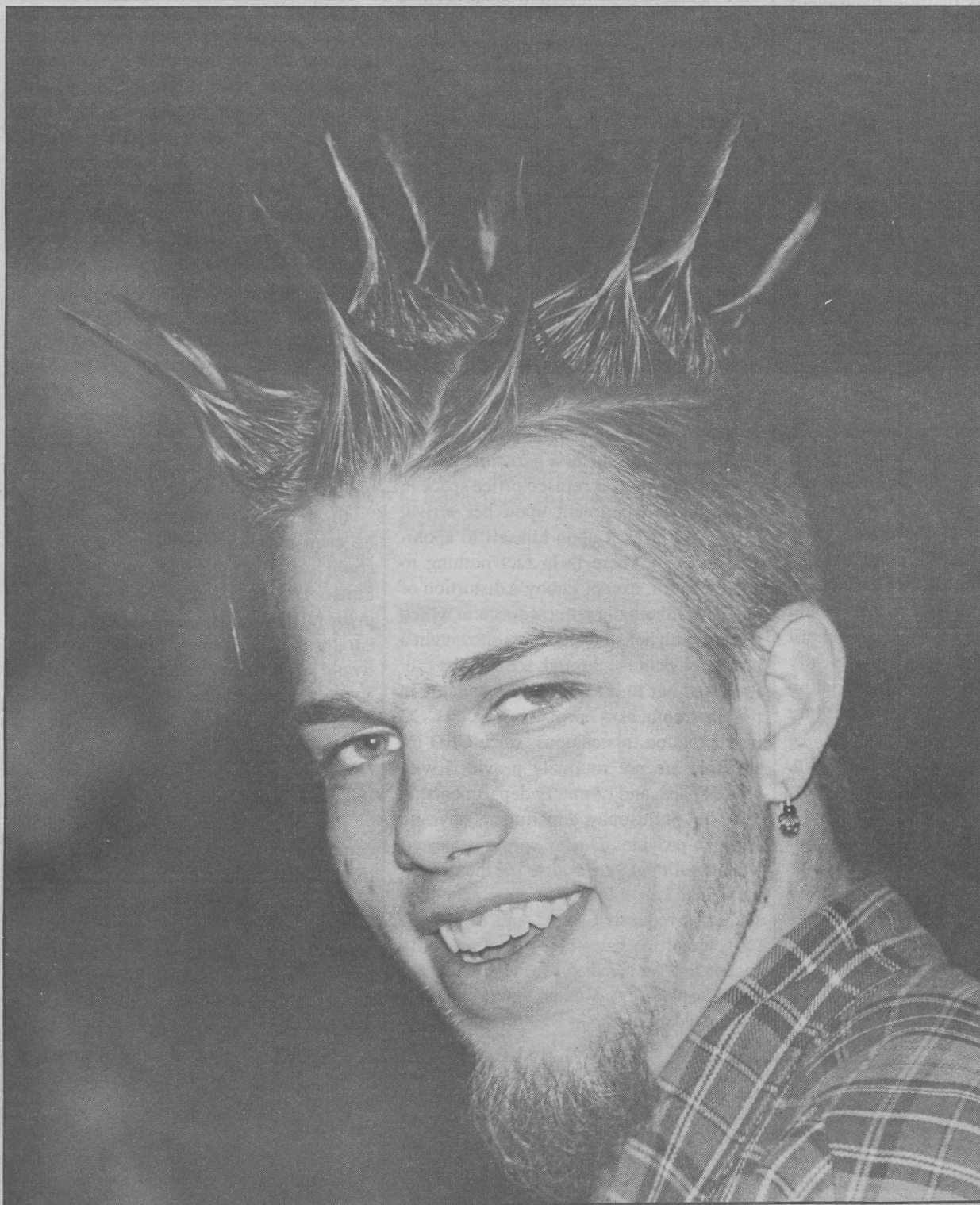
"They look good and they feel good," he said.

Mark Knapp looked at getting his tongue pierced when he turned 18 as a way of "symbolizing a point in his life."

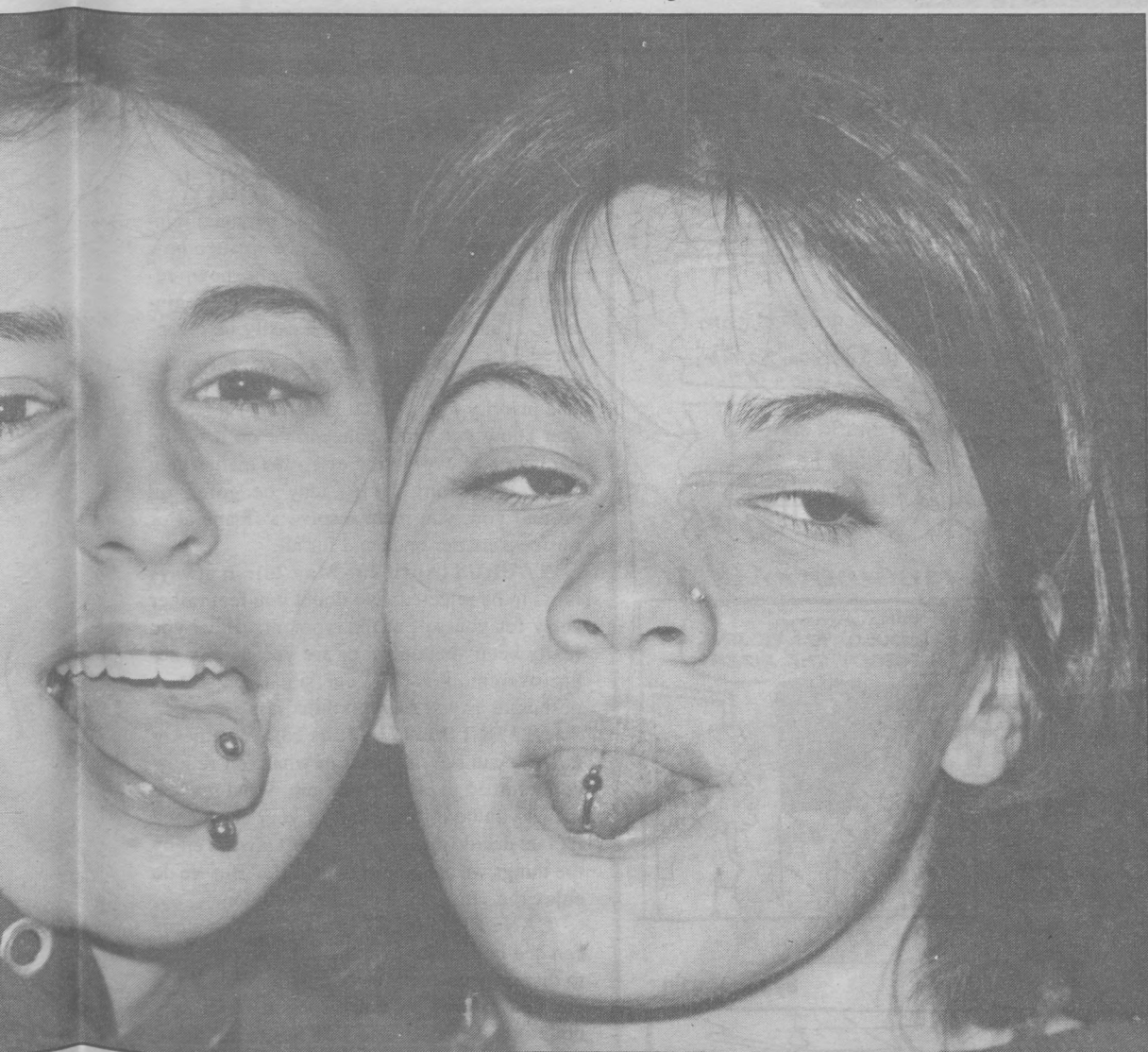
"It'll remind me of the release of my parent's hold, when I had to start paying my own bills and putting food on the table," he said.

Of course stereotypes and strange looks from passersby come with the territory.

"Reactions all depend on what kind of area you're in," Tara Schnitker, a sophomore at UMaine, said.



The human palette



She finds that people in rural areas have the biggest reaction to her pierced tongue, acting amazed and staring at it when she talks.

"In urban areas, it's no big deal," she said.

Ultimately, Knapp, Toothaker and Dyer agree that they wouldn't want to hang around people who didn't like their "art."

A few words of caution from Martha Eastman, nursing coordinator of Health Impact at Cutler Health Center, before making the decision to go under the needle:

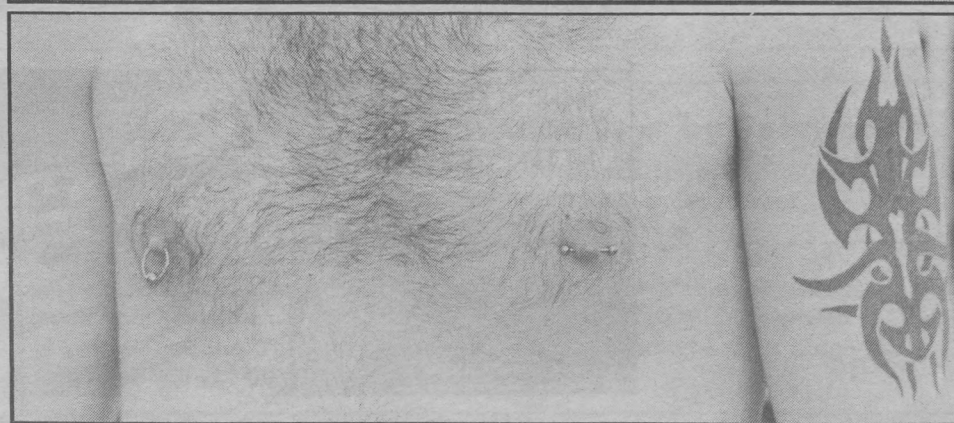
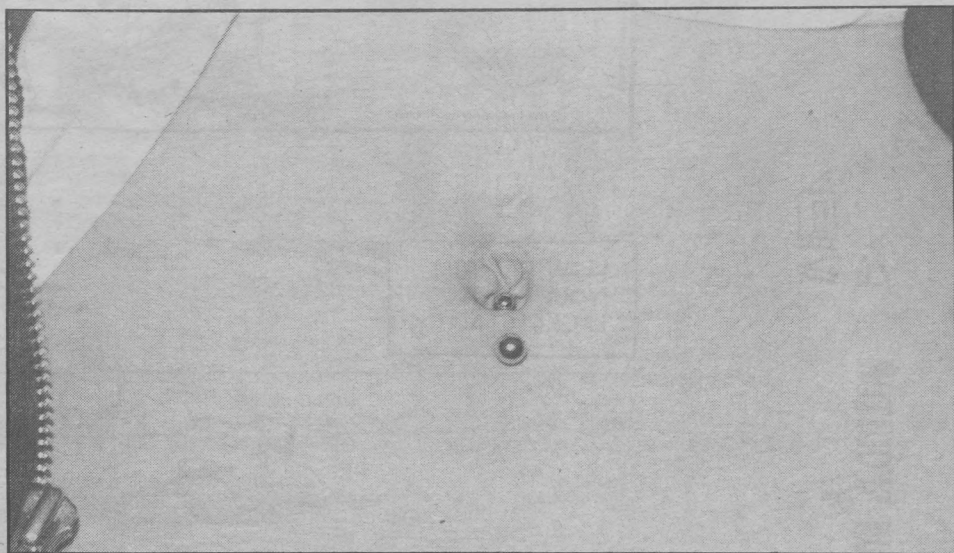
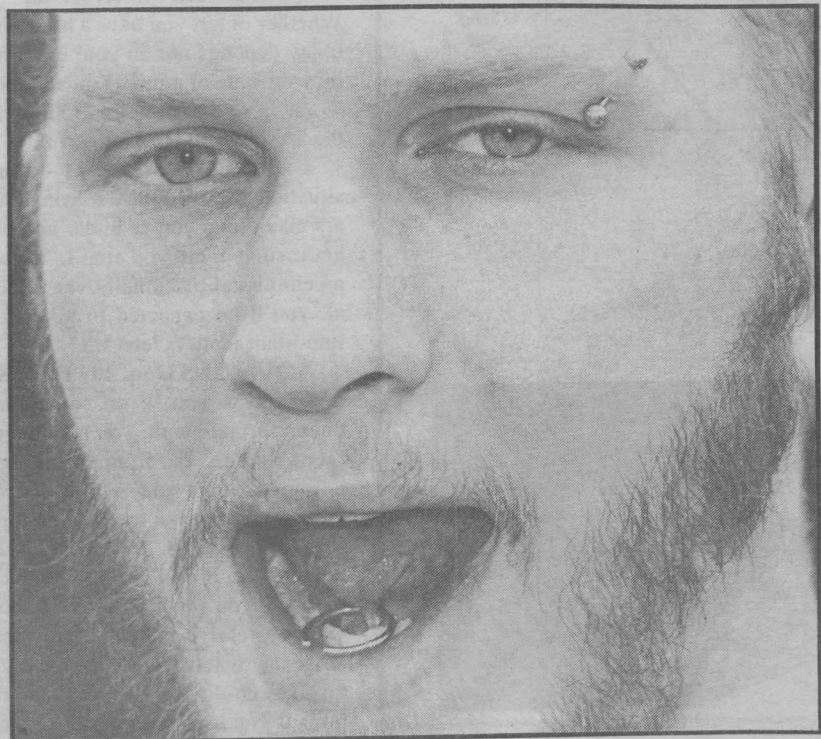
- Make sure you go to a reputable business.
- Because of the risks of HIV and Hepatitis B, always make sure the needle is sterilized and used only on you.
- Pay attention to self-care during healing. Pierced tongues need to be cleaned 12 to 24 times a day with Listerine for six to eight weeks.

There are also a number of sites on the World Wide Web with more piercing and tattooing information.



BODY ART

Photos by Joe Lachowski



Entertainment

Your Daily Horoscope

By Sally Brompton

For Friday, May 3

IF YOUR BIRTHDAY IS TODAY: A full moon suggests that a close personal relationship needs some work. No matter how negative you feel about someone now, remember how positive you felt in the beginning. That feeling can quite easily be recaptured.

ARIES (March 21 - April 19): You have one priority today. You know what it is, and you know you must concentrate on it to the exclusion of everything else. No matter how many interesting things may be going on around you, you must resolve a financial or business matter once and for all.

TAURUS (April 20 - May 20): It always hurts to be rejected. No doubt you feel rather sorry for yourself at the moment. Have you really been abandoned or are you merely being overemotional? Your situation isn't as desperate as you seem to think it is.

GEMINI (May 21 - June 20): Whether or not you can see the point in what you're now being forced to do is irrelevant. What matters is that you do it to the best of your ability and let fate decide the rest. We don't always enjoy the things we are best at in this life. But we do enjoy the satisfaction of a job well done.

CANCER (June 21 - July 22): You alone can see both sides of a dispute that threatens to disrupt your creative or artistic plans if it's allowed to drag on much longer. You may not enjoy being the one who has to lay down the law, but if you don't, who will?

LEO (July 23 - Aug. 22): You know that something major is about to happen in your life, but you don't know what it is. Because of this you may be somewhat apprehensive today, but there is no need. Between now and Monday you'll find the answers you seek.

VIRGO (Aug. 23 - Sept. 22): If you don't take responsibility for your actions, you can't complain when loved ones refuse to take responsibility for their own. You are their role model. What you say and do today will be watched and copied by those of an impressionable age.

LIBRA (Sept. 23 - Oct. 22): No matter how abandoned you feel in one area of your life, in another you can do no wrong. On a materialistic level, it may appear as if you're losing something of value today. In fact, you're merely making room for something that's worth its weight in gold.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23 - Nov. 21): Today's full moon will bring love, laughter and passion into your life. Even if you have important duties to deal with, you'll approach them in a cheerful manner and curiously, that will make them easier to handle.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22 - Dec. 21): Whether or not you have a hard time of things today depends not on your circumstances but on your state of mind. You're prone to see the worst in every situation. Stay cheerful and the world will appear cheerful.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 21 - Jan. 19): If a situation doesn't appeal to you, ignore it. Others may claim you're under and obligation to get involved, but you aren't. If you give in to an emotional blackmail over something trivial, you'll be expected to give in over more important matters later on.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20 - Feb. 18): If someone expects you to do something you feel uncomfortable with, you may have to cause a bit of a scene. Far from damaging your reputation, partners and employers will admire your determination to stand up for yourself.

PISCES (Feb. 19 - March 20): Mind how you go if you're on the move and watch out what you say if you have to communicate with aggressive people. Full moons have a tendency to make everyone touchy, and minor disputes could escalate into major confrontations if you let your emotions take control.

Schizofunnia!

By Jason McIntosh



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MISTER BOFFO

by Joe Martin

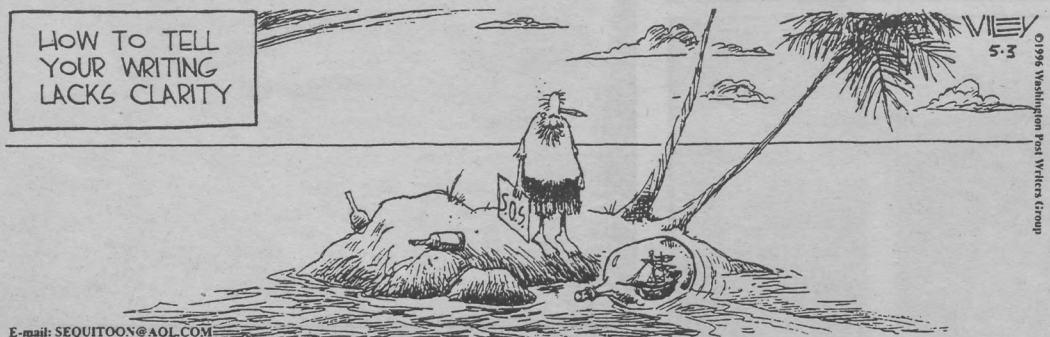


MISTER BOFFO

by Joe Martin



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Your Daily Horoscope

By Sally Brompton

For Saturday, May 4

IF YOUR BIRTHDAY IS TODAY: Does it feel as if you've been through this scene before? If it does, it's because there are still lessons to be learned from before you can move on to something new. Everything that happens to you over the next 12 months will teach you something.

ARIES (March 21 - April 19): If you aren't happy with your social or professional reputation, this is the moment to start thinking about how you would like to change the way you're perceived by the world. This is a long-term objective. You can't change things over- night.

TAURUS (April 20 - May 20): You may not be aware of it, but you're in the midst of a run of luck which will last most of the year. You are aware, however, that you've wasted an important opportunity. Don't lose too much sleep over it, the chance will come again.

GEMINI (May 21 - June 20): You may dislike having to admit that you were wrong about a financial or business matter, but there's nothing to be gained by sticking to your original line. You won't lose as much as you feared, in terms of cash or reputation, so swallow your pride and be ready to listen to advice.

CANCER (June 21 - July 22): It may be difficult to know why a loved one is behaving so erratically, but there is a reason if you care to look for it. You should take what others say as the opposite of what they actually mean. Life would be simpler if everyone was as honest as you.

LEO (July 23 - Aug. 22): You've reached the end of the road. Fortunately, you won't have to after today because planetary activity offers a respite from your labors. You won't escape your responsibilities completely, but you will find them easier to handle.

VIRGO (Aug. 23 - Sept. 22): Something you've been working on may, on the surface appear simple, but, like most things in life, it's more complicated than it looks. It might be a good idea to stand back a little and view a creative project from a wider perspective.

LIBRA (Sept. 23 - Oct. 22): You are beginning to realize that someone's emotions run deeper than you thought. The question is, how are you going to respond? In the short-term, you should just watch and wait, but sooner or later, you'll have to decide whether to encourage them further or call a halt to the relationship.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23 - Nov. 21): Travel plans and all forms of communication are highlighted by planetary activity in Capricorn. In a nutshell, you must finalize things immediately if you want a carefree journey. Whether you are traveling short haul or long, don't leave anything to chance.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22 - Dec. 21): An awkward situation won't seem quite so important now that Jupiter, your ruler, is moving backward through the Zodiac. But, remember that Jupiter's apparent motion is an optical illusion and you should be under no illusions that a long-standing business or financial problem has just gone away.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22 - Jan. 19): You can accept that certain things are going wrong in your life, but what you can't accept is that they all seem to be going wrong at once. But is that really the case or are you just overreacting because you fear what you don't understand? Stay cool, stay calm and stay in control.

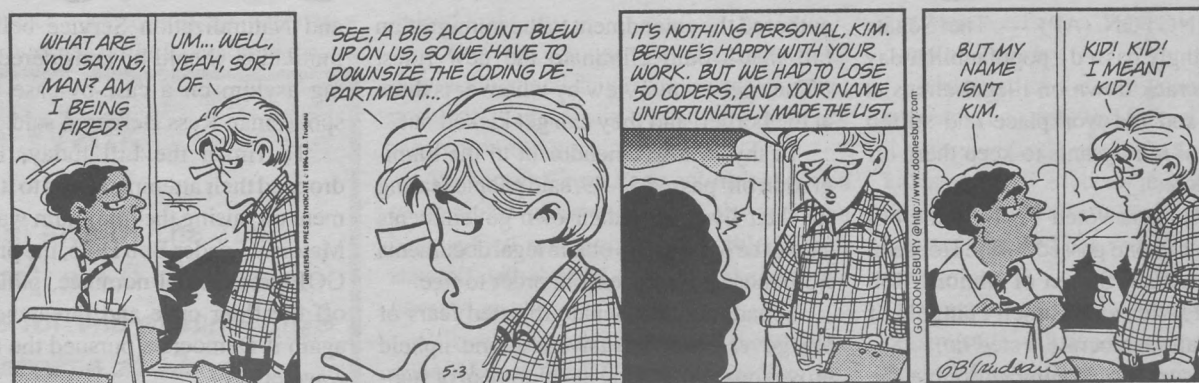
AQUARIUS (Jan. 20 - Feb. 18): Your enthusiasm for something secret or hidden is likely to wane over the next few days. Don't think that it is the end of the matter. It's simply that your mind needs time to digest the knowledge you've been feeding it. Sooner or later, you will return to finish what you started.

PISCES (Feb. 19 - March 20): Don't change your plans or expectations just because you receive a minor setback this weekend. In fact, what appears to be a disappointment of some sort will, in the long-term, be a blessing in disguise. What seemed such a good idea yesterday will still be a good idea tomorrow.

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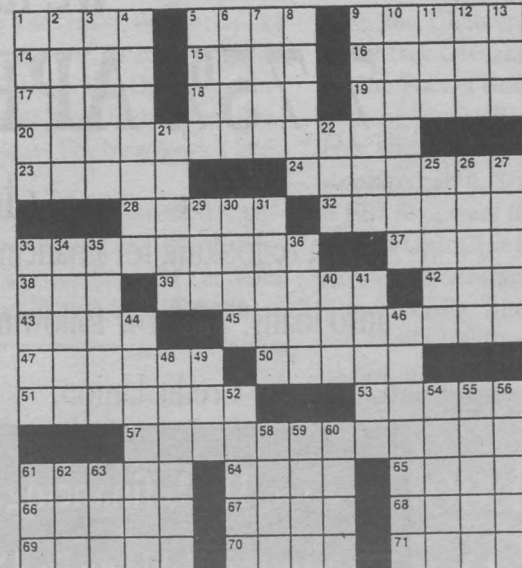
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- 15 Buffalo's lake
- 16 Lohr's "The Widow"
- 17 Koh-i- diamond
- 18 San Francisco or Denver facility
- 19 Lend (listen)
- 20 "Lassie" actress
- 23 Schiller's "Joy"
- 24 Cassandra, e.g.
- 28 Barbershop items

- 32 Yalta participant
- 33 One of the "Little Women"
- 37 Venetian resort
- 38 Charlottesville sch.
- 39 Sacred beetles
- 42 That girl
- 43 Parts of eyeglasses
- 45 Burt Reynolds TV title role
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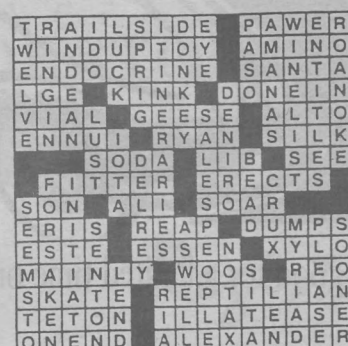
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- 6 the Red
- 7 Drown
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- 9 Istanbul inn
- 10 Main
- 11 Metal to be refined
- 12 Shooters' org.
- 13 Neighbor of Isr.
- 21 Weaving machines
- 22 D.D.E. opponent
- 25 Yale of Yale University
- 26 Edges
- 27 Quick drink



Puzzle by Gregory E. Paul

ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE



- 29 Raincoat, for short
- 30 Wire nail
- 31 Metal to be reprocessed
- 33 Pouch
- 34 Patti LuPone Broadway role
- 35 Worker with lions
- 36 Tennis's Mandlikova
- 40 Butter unit
- 41 Shoe material
- 44 One of 100
- 46 Corners ("Our Town" town)
- 48 Bank (on)
- 49 Byelorussia, e.g., Abbr.
- 52 Deed
- 54 Flat cap
- 55 case (regardless)
- 56 County next to London
- 58 Aerobic maneuver
- 59 Confident
- 60 Genealogy chart
- 61 Kind of tide
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National News

• Legislation

Senate passes bill targeting illegal aliens

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Senate overwhelmingly passed a popular bill today that would crack down on illegal aliens at the border and the workplace and stiffen rules on legal immigrants to keep them off the public dole.

The lawmakers voted 97-3 for the bill that is similar to one passed by the House in March. Sens. Paul Simon of Illinois, Bob Graham of Florida and Russell Feingold of Wisconsin, all Democrats, voted no.

The measure would almost double the number of border patrol guards, now more than 5,000; authorize creation of pilot projects enabling employers to verify easily whether a worker is eligible for a job in the United States; increase penalties for document fraud and alien smuggling; and make it harder for legal immigrants to qualify for public benefits.

House and Senate conferees will have to resolve differences between the two bills, and both chambers will have to vote on the compromise measure before it can go to President Clinton.

The Senate bill would repeal rules limiting asylum-seeker's rights to enter the country, a change approved Wednesday, just a week after those rules became law.

"People coming in with false passports, claiming persecution ... don't get a hearing," said Sen. Patrick Leahy, D-Vt., who

authored the amendment to the immigration bill that would eliminate the new rules. "They get an interview by whoever is there at the border, and they can get kicked out."

Leahy, whose amendment to the immigration bill passed 51-49, said people fearing for their lives from their own governments cannot be expected to obtain legal documents from those governments in order to flee.

Separately, the Senate rejected fears of big government intrusiveness and upheld provisions authorizing development of standardized, counterfeit-proof birth certificates and other state-issued identifying documents. It also voted for pilot projects to help employers ensure that the people they hire are eligible for work in the United States.

Worker verification is crucial in weeding out half the nation's illegal alien population, those who come in legally and overstay their visas, said the immigration bill's chief author, Sen. Alan Simpson, R-Wyo.

By voice vote, the Senate approved an amendment to make mutilation of female genitalia a federal crime punishable by up to five years in prison. But it would not make the threat of such mutilation a basis for an asylum claim.

An immigration appeals board was scheduled to hear today the case of Fauziya Kaslinga, 19, of Togo, seeking asylum to escape forced genital mutilation. The Immigration

and Naturalization Service believes such mutilation should be considered for granting asylum on a case-by-case basis, INS spokesman Russ Bergeron said.

To finish the bill today, Democrats dropped their attempts to add to it an amendment on raising the minimum wage. Senate Majority Leader Bob Dole, the presumptive GOP presidential nominee, pulled the bill off the floor once and threatened to do it again if Democrats pursued the minimum-wage effort.

Senate Minority Leader Tom Daschle, D-S.D., called the bill "a real testament to bipartisanship. ... It's a bill that will toughen enforcement and will do a number of things to address illegal immigration in a very constructive way."

On asylum, the lawmakers rejected Simpson's arguments that the streamlined rules were needed to stop foreigners who routinely show up with fraudulent or no documents and falsely claim persecution in order to enter the United States, get jobs and disappear.

Such people "abuse the compassion of the American people," he said. "The American people suffer compassion fatigue."

But Sen. Edward Kennedy, D-Mass., said the government has already eliminated that problem by detaining asylum seekers and withholding green cards until their claims

are verified.

Under the new rules, Leahy said, victims of persecution could be subjected to summary deportation on the say-so of a lone immigration official at a port of entry. His amendment called for reinstating the current system, which allows asylum seekers a hearing in the immigrant courts system.

The Justice Department supports Leahy's amendment in general.

The asylum provisions were in the anti-terrorism bill President Clinton signed April 24. The expedited exclusion procedures appeared as a whole only when House and Senate conferees completed a compromise bill, and Leahy tried to block parts of it on April 17.

The Senate rejected that effort, 61-38. Leahy blamed that vote in part on Congress' rush to pass the anti-terrorism bill before the April 19 anniversary of the Oklahoma City bombing.

As for the pilot projects to verify that workers are eligible for employment here, and the development of hard-to-fake documents, the lawmakers voted 54-46 to table an amendment that would have eliminated the provisions.

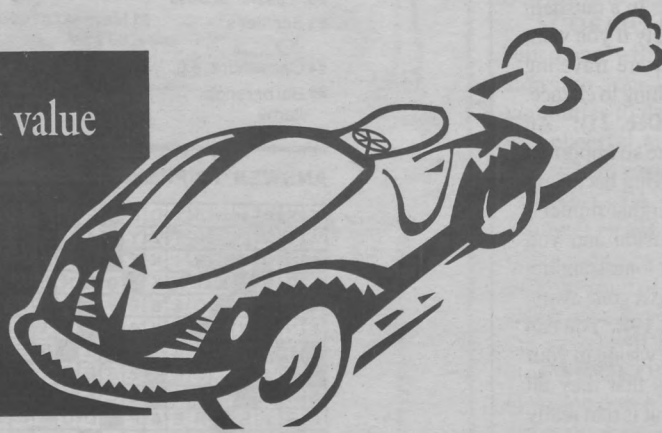
In doing so, they heeded the warning of Sen. Paul Simon, D-Ill: "If this amendment is adopted, frankly, you have defanged the whole bill." It would be akin, he said, to "trying to eat steak without teeth."

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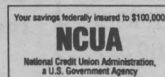
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• Montana

Freemen release new militant diatribe

JORDAN, Mont. (AP)—The armed camp of Freemen issued a new militant antigovernment message today, the day after a purported deal that might have ended their 5 1/2-week standoff with authorities came to nothing.

A lone Freeman drove a truck to the compound mailbox this morning, where he deposited a videotaped news release for waiting

reporters.

In the 45-minute recording, a man in cowboy hat and jeans repeated the group's diatribe against the authority and legitimacy of the federal government and the FBI.

Challenging the government to submit outstanding charges against members to a Freeman court, he said the federal government

is "not willing to do what it takes to resolve this thing peacefully ... but we are."

On Wednesday, John Connor Jr., an assistant state attorney general, confirmed that the Freemen had rejected an offer of leniency on state charges in return for their surrender to federal authority.

"They are convinced of the rightness of their position and they are untractable on that position," Connor said. "I can't for the life of me explain that position."

The former Green Beret colonel who tried to negotiate a surrender said the Freemen believe God makes them invincible in their standoff with the FBI and have taken an oath never to give in.

"It will come down to a confrontation of wills," James "Bo" Gritz predicted Wednesday after leaving a 2 1/2-hour meeting at the compound — his fifth with the group.

Gritz, a leader of the self-styled patriot movement who helped negotiate an end to the deadly 1992 siege at Ruby Ridge, Idaho, said the Freemen were resolved never to submit to the federal courts, only to their own tribunal.

The Freemen "have had communications with God—Yahweh," and vowed not to leave their ranch unless their demands are met, Gritz said. "I don't see any way they're going to

deny this oath to God."

No offer was made to dismiss any federal charges against Freemen who are in the compound, said U.S. Attorney Sherry Matteucci. Earlier, Gritz had said the members believed some federal charges could be dropped and that there had been a "euphoric" mood in the camp on Tuesday.

Members of the anti-government group are wanted on state and federal charges ranging from writing bad checks to threatening to kidnap and kill a federal judge. The standoff began March 25 after two of their leaders were arrested. The FBI believes 18 Freemen are on the compound.

Connor said he was disappointed but not pessimistic about hopes for a peaceful resolution. "I think as long as you can keep talking, there's a chance," he said.

But Gritz said he believes the standoff won't end unless the FBI moves in and makes arrests.

In an unrelated incident Wednesday, FBI agents at a checkpoint near the Freemen compound grabbed their automatic weapons and spread out rugs of nails when five identical cars approached on a dirt road. At least one agent drew his gun and another was heard saying, "We're expecting a confrontation."

• FBI

Government investigation delays Unabomber book

NEW YORK (AP) — Pocket Books — one-time queen of the quickie books — has been dethroned, done in by government red tape.

Although the paperback publisher was the first to announce a book on Unabomber suspect Theodore Kaczynski, Warner Books won the publishing race. Warner shipped its book "Mad Genius: The Odyssey, Pursuit and Capture of the Unabomber Suspect" on Wednesday, The New York Times reported today.

Officials at Pocket Books are still drumming their fingers, waiting for FBI approval of their book "Unabomber: On The Trail of America's Most Wanted Serial Killer."

The FBI gets to review the book because co-author John Douglas is a retired agent.

Are the Pocket Books authors disappointed? Annoyed? How about fuming?

"If this is the FBI's idea of expediency, then I can see why it took them 18 years to catch the Unabomber," Douglas' co-author, Mark Olshaker, told the Times.

The Pocket Books version written by a team of journalists was finished just 13 days after Kaczynski's April 3 arrest in a Montana cabin. Six copies were delivered to FBI reviewers that day.

FBI Unit Chief Pat Solley apparently doesn't understand the cutthroat world of publishing. She told the Times it was her understanding they had 30 days to review it.

Bangor to Host AIDS Walk

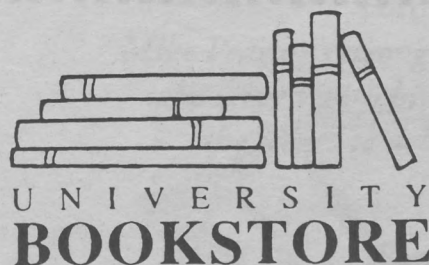
Bangor's Cascade Park will be the local site of the 7th Annual Maine AIDS Walk (walk of hope), a 4.8 kilometer (4 mile) donation walk to raise funds for the state's AIDS service organizations. Registration starts at 12 noon. The walk begins at 1 p.m. Sunday May 5, 1996, Rain or shine.

The Maine AIDS walk is sponsored by the Maine AIDS Alliance, a statewide coalition of fifteen AIDS organizations. The Eastern Maine AIDS Network is hosting the walk in Bangor.

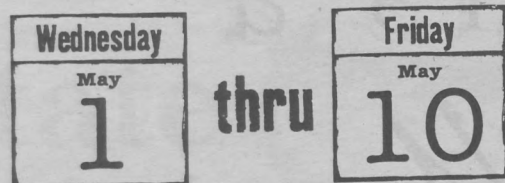
Other area walks will take place throughout the state on the same day. Organizers hope the walk will raise awareness as well as funding. Maine has had over 590 documented cases of AIDS, but the State Bureau of Health estimates that as many as 2,500 Mainers could be living with HIV, the virus that causes AIDS.

The 4 mile trek begins at Bangor's Cascade Park. Special appearance and performance by Shy Boy, the Carousel Cloggers and the Ground Round's Bingo the Clown. Refreshments and entertainment will greet the walkers on their return.

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• Court

Subway firebomber sentenced to 94 years

NEW YORK (AP)—A jobless computer programmer got 94 years in prison Thursday for firebombing two subway trains in an alleged extortion scheme that injured 50 people.

Unmoved by Edward Leary's apology, state Supreme Court Justice Rena Uviller gave him the maximum, complaining that the penalty under law is "inappropriately low" and that Leary deserved even more time behind bars.

Leary, 50, must serve more than 31 years before he is eligible for parole.

Leary was unemployed and burdened with money problems when he embarked on

what prosecutors said was a terror campaign aimed at extorting \$2 million from the city's transit agency. He set off firebombs on two subways six days apart just before Christmas 1994, severely injuring himself and 16 others.

A jury convicted him March 8 of charges including attempted murder and assault, rejecting his claim that was driven mad by Prozac and other medication.

One of Leary's most badly burned victims, Brenda Dowdell, sobbed in court as a prosecutor read her account of how she didn't have enough skin left for the grafts she needed. When doctors cleaned her body, she said,

"It felt like hot oil, steel wool and salt on an opened wound."

Leary, for his part, apologized and claimed to be bewildered by his behavior.

"I still do not understand how I hurt so many people," he said. "I never wanted to hurt anybody in my life."

Leary said prescription drugs affected his thinking and judgment, and added, "I'd give my right arm, give my life, to change that."

The judge replied that the only remorse Leary felt was because he, too, was burned, and got caught.

Prosecutor David Stampley said Leary had plotted to "burn alive 50 innocent peo-

ple" in a tunnel under the East River between Manhattan and Brooklyn. Instead, the firebomb blew up in his face before the train reached the tunnel.

Leaving behind brightly wrapped Christmas gifts that became blackened debris, dozens of subway riders escaped by crawling out onto the platform, where horrified bystanders helped snuff out flames from skin and clothing.

Leary was found at a Brooklyn subway station, his skin seared and clothing charred and tattered. At first, he claimed to be a victim, but later he admitted he had placed the bombs.

• Hero

Alert teenager gains fame for bus rescue

KNOX, Ind. (AP) — The school bus driver was frozen at the wheel, and the bus veered out of control. Disaster was averted when a 17-year-old high school student marched up the aisle, pulled the driver's foot off the accelerator and pushed down the brake with his hand.

All 25 passengers survived the scary ride and authorities hailed John Waldron as a hero.

During Monday afternoon's ride, Waldron noticed that substitute bus driver Michael Browning had missed the two last turns and was unresponsive to his young

passengers. The children were mostly elementary students in this community about 35 miles south of South Bend.

Browning, 34, said later he was staring straight ahead with his hands on the wheel. His eyes were darting back and forth and he couldn't talk. Browning later told authorities he apparently had a seizure of some kind.

The bus went down a little-used dirt lane, then went over a wooden bridge over a ditch.

"The kids were scared," Waldron said. "At first I was in the back, but I moved to

the front when he missed one of our turns. ... I asked if he was OK."

According to police, when Waldron got no answer from Browning, he knelt down, moved Browning's foot off the accelerator and used his hand to push down the brake. He then put the bus in neutral, shut off the ignition and called the school with the bus radio.

The bus came to rest in a field.

"I can only commend John Waldron for his quick action," school Superintendent Allen Bourff said. "He was calm, responsive and very, very quick on his feet."

Bourff said today that Browning apparently was conscious but incoherent throughout the incident.

"He has some recollection of the entire episode," Bourff said. "He has a recollec-

tion of trying to grip the wheel, of being unable to talk and of trying to steer straight.

"It was confusing for (Waldron) because the bus driver was apparently awake and in control."

On a bus security videotape, the children can be seen looking bewildered and one goes flying in the air as the bus goes over a bump. Then Waldron is seen striding up the aisle from the back.

The children received bumps and bruises, but there were no serious injuries. Browning was hospitalized and subsequently released. He declined to discuss his medical condition afterward except to deny he had epilepsy.

Bourff said Browning would not be allowed to drive a bus again unless he is cleared by a physician.

• Politics

Perot says GOP playing games

WASHINGTON (AP)—Ross Perot said today he will step up his campaign for a new political party because Republicans "are playing games" with his ideas for reforming the federal government.

Asked why he doesn't support Republican leaders since they claim to agree on such issues as term limits and campaign reform, Perot said: "They're talking about it. But they haven't done it."

"We want results, not talk," Perot said of his new Reform Party, which he hopes to put on the ballot in all 50 states.

Perot said Republicans hold a majority in both the House and Senate "because independent voters gave it to them in 1994."

"When you've got a majority in the House and Senate, you can always push (legislation) all the way through both and put it on the president's desk. This is not being done," Perot said on "CBS This Morning."

Republican presidential candidate Bob Dole and other GOP leaders have said they don't understand why Perot wants a third party instead of working with the Republican Party.

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• Scandal

Congressman's estranged husband indicted for fraud

WASHINGTON (AP) — Joseph Waldholtz, estranged husband of Rep. Enid Waldholtz, was indicted on 27 counts of bank fraud today in connection with a check-kiting scheme that prosecutors said involved almost \$3 million in worthless checks.

Waldholtz, his wife's former campaign manager, is accused of writing a series of worthless checks to make it appear during early 1995 that checking accounts belonging to him and his wife held substantial deposits. The indictment said the accounts actually were in the red.

Mrs. Waldholtz, R-Utah, is not accused of participating in the scheme alleged in the indictment, prosecutors said.

The indictment did not allege any improp-

prieties involving her campaign finances.

But U.S. Attorney Eric Holder's office said in a statement that today's indictment is part of a broader investigation related to the couple's finances. "The investigation of matters not contained in today's indictment is continuing," the statement said.

Mrs. Waldholtz, a one-time rising star in the Republican Party, has denied any criminal wrongdoing and blamed her husband for the financial mess. She announced in March she will not seek a second term and said she wants to clear her name and "establish the truth" about her finances.

If convicted of bank fraud, Waldholtz would face up to 30 years in prison and a \$1 million fine.

Mrs. Waldholtz filed for divorce Nov. 14, three days after her husband disappeared as investigators searched for him in connection with the alleged check-kiting scheme and possible illegal financing of her 1994 campaign. He reappeared after six days.

Waldholtz has been held in a Pittsburgh jail since March 28 on a contempt-of-court ruling after a judge ordered him to account for \$600,000 his relatives suspect him of stealing from his grandmother.

Today's indictment accused Waldholtz of using worthless checks to make deposits between the couple's checking accounts at a congressional credit union in Washington, D.C., and a bank in Salt Lake City.

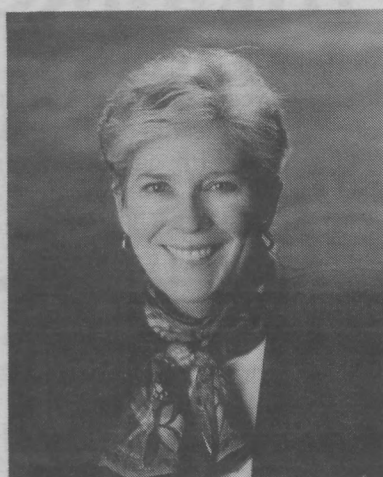
By making a new deposit at one institu-

tion before the previous deposit at the other institution bounced, Waldholtz made it appear that both accounts had large balances, according to the indictment.

At the height of the scheme, the two accounts showed a combined balance of about \$752,000 but actually were about \$197,000 in the red, the indictment said.

The two banks discovered the scheme in March 1995 and froze the accounts, the indictment said. After a review, the banks determined the Utah account was overdrawn by \$209,000, it said. The indictment also seeks a criminal forfeiture of that amount.

Last December, Mrs. Waldholtz gave a tearful 4 1/2-hour news conference in which she said her "teddy bear" husband had turned out to be a con artist. "I believe I was tricked," she said.



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• Justice

Three boys accused of Satan worship in girl's murder

SAN LUIS OBISPO, Calif. (AP) — Three Satan-worshipping high school boys drugged, raped, tortured and murdered a 15-year-old girl in hopes a virgin sacrifice would earn them "a ticket to hell," prosecutors said Thursday.

Elyse Pahler's body was found last month at what prosecutors believe was an altar to Satan in a eucalyptus grove outside of San Luis Obispo.

Jacob W. Delashmutt, 16, Joseph Fiorella, 15, and Royce E. Casey, 17, were arrested March 14. They are being held on charges of murder, gang involvement,

rape, torture and conspiracy.

Elyse disappeared July 22 and had been listed as a missing person until Casey came forward and led authorities to her body, Deputy District Attorney Dan Bouchard said. She was slain the night she left her house, Bouchard said.

The boys "selected and stalked her believing that she was a virgin and that her sacrifice would earn them a 'ticket to hell,'" Bouchard said.

Prosecutors refused to say how the girl was tortured or how she was killed.

The boys allegedly had a knife when

they took Elyse to the apparent altar, which prosecutors would not describe. There, prosecutors said, she was drugged, a belt was put around her neck and she was raped and tortured.

According to court papers, the boys "formed a musical band to glorify Satan. To enhance their musical ability to worship Satan and thereby earn a 'ticket to hell,'" they discussed the need for human sacrifice."

"To glorify Satan and commit the 'ultimate sin' against God, (they) selected a virgin ... to sacrifice," prosecutors said.

Casey's attorney Kevin McReynolds said: "A lot of the allegations are grossly overstated and some of them are flatly without any factual support whatsoever. Our view is that many of these allegations are intended to inflame public opinion and we look forward to the hearing."

Fiorella's lawyer declined to comment Thursday. Delashmutt's attorney was unavailable for comment, his office said.

A hearing is set for June 12 to determine whether the teen-agers will be tried as adults.

• Oops

Swarm of police raid family by mistake

ST. CHARLES, Mo. (AP) — Police broke down the door, hoping to find a large cache of machine guns and other firearms. Instead, they found a typical suburban family with two kids, a dog and not even so much as a BB gun.

"We're your basic dorky family who goes to soccer games and hangs out with their kids," Patty Mueller said.

Mrs. Mueller is angry that more than a dozen heavily armed police and federal agents swarmed into her home Tuesday night and held her family at gunpoint, turning the house upside down in their hourlong search for illegal weapons.

"For the first 30 seconds, I thought they were burglars and I was going to die," Mrs. Mueller said. "If they could do

this to us, they could do this to anybody."

The officers were searching the house based on information from an informant who made up his story in hopes of getting some leniency on prior convictions.

The Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms admits raiding the wrong house but blames the informer, who gave ATF agents a sworn affidavit describing how he had bought and sold weapons with people living in the house.

"It's amazing to me that he didn't think we'd ever find out," Daniel Hoggatt, special agent in charge of the ATF's St. Louis field office, said Wednesday.

The Muellers say it was an hour before agents showed them a search warrant and explained why they were there.

Then, finding no illegal weapons, they left. They offered no apology and did nothing to put the house back in order, the couple said.

Hoggatt said he would apologize. He said that in his 24 years as an agent, it was the first time he had seen such a mistake.

In a similar incident two years ago in Boston, a 75-year-old retired minister died of cardiac arrest after police mistakenly raided his apartment, chased him, wrestled him to the floor and handcuffed him. Just last week, his widow accepted a \$1 million settlement with the city.



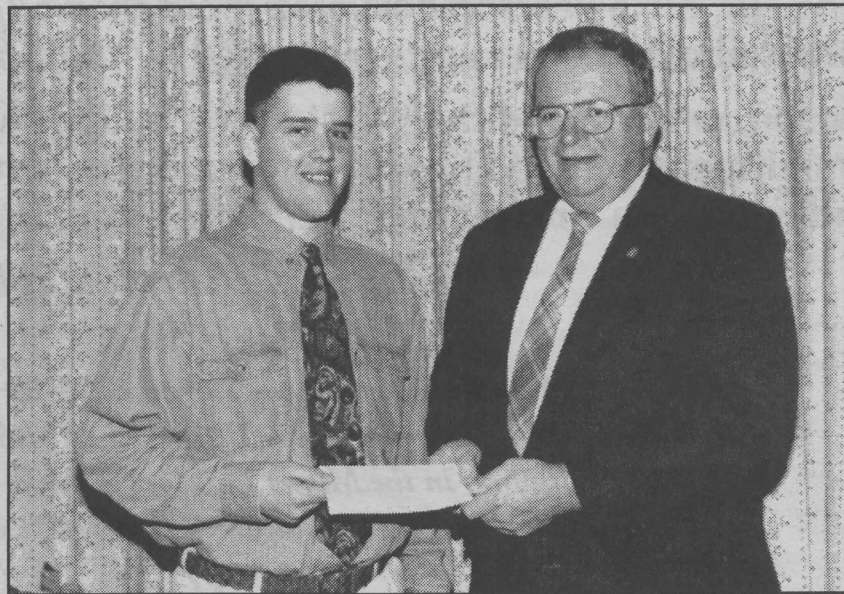
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Sports Page

Sports Briefs

Strawberry may play in minors

ST. PAUL (AP) — Darryl Strawberry, unwanted by the major leagues, is expected to sign with the St. Paul Saints on Friday, joining Jack Morris on the popular independent league team.

The Saints have called a news conference for 1 p.m. Friday. Although team spokesman Dave Wright would not reveal the subject, he pointed out that it will be only the fourth news conference in the team's four-year history.

"We don't do it very often," Wright said today.

When Morris signed with the Saints two weeks ago, team president Mike Veeck said there was a 30 percent chance Strawberry also would sign. Veeck was not immediately available for comment today.

Once among the best power hitters in the majors when he played for the New York Mets, Strawberry has been unable to catch on with a major league organization since the Yankees paid \$175,000 to buy out his contract at the end of last season.

Muresan named most improved

NEW YORK (AP) — Gheorghe Muresan of the Washington Bullets today won the NBA Most Improved Player Award, receiving 50 of a possible 113 votes from a nationwide panel of sports writers and broadcasters.

Muresan, the NBA leader in shooting percentage at .584, also averaged career-highs in points (14.5), rebounds (9.6), blocked shots (2.26), assists (0.7), steals (0.68). His scoring average went up 4.5 points per game and his rebounding average improved by 2.9 per game. Muresan was eighth in the league in blocked shots.

The 7-foot-7 center from Romania started the first 76 games for the Bullets before a right knee injury ended his season. He shot better than .500 from the field in 58 games and blocked two or more shots 43 times.

George McCloud of Dallas was second in the balloting with 23 votes and Cleveland teammates Danny Ferry and Terrell Brandon shared third place with six votes each.

Bulls sweep Heat

MIAMI (AP) — A bad back couldn't stop Michael Jordan, and neither could the Miami Heat.

Playing in pain, Jordan scored 26 points Wednesday night to lead the Chicago Bulls past Miami 112-91 for a sweep of their first-round playoff series.

Scottie Pippen added his 17th career triple-double for Chicago with 22 points, 18 rebounds and 10 assists. Pippen's rebound total tied a career high.

The Bulls' three victories in the best-of-5 series were by an average of 23 points. They'll meet the New York Knicks in a best-of-7 series beginning Sunday in Chicago.

• Baseball

Bears beat Husson, Hartford up next



Brad Veilleux delivers a pitch during the seventh inning of Maine's 6-1 win over Husson Thursday. (Page Photo.)

By Scott Martin
Sports Editor

The University of Maine's baseball team proved to like playing in rain yesterday in its 6-1 win over the Husson Braves.

For the second time in four games, the Black Bears got hot after rain delays this time scoring five runs after an 11-minute rain delay. Saturday, Maine scored its only three runs of the game, after a pair of rain delays, to beat the University of New Hampshire 3-1.

Husson scored its lone run of the game in the first inning off Maine starter Brian Glover. After a two-hit first, the Braves could only manage one hit in the final eight innings of five off the Black Bear pitcher.

"I was mostly pleased to get our pitchers who needed work, work," said Maine head coach John Winkin. "Especially Brian Glover, he could be a fifth starter down the line somewhere for us."

Maine scored two unearned runs in the bottom of the sixth after Rex Turner walked and scored when Steve Coombs' ground ball to short was overthrown by Sandy McCuaig. Coombs then scored on a double by Maine catcher Kreg Jarvais.

The Husson game leads into a huge weekend for Maine, one that has big playoff implications. The Black Bears are currently tied for second place in the North Atlantic Conference with four other teams. Delaware is in first with a 14-4 record. Then follows Hofstra (10-10), Drexel (8-8), Maine (8-8) and North-

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• Hockey

List down to three for UAA job

ANCHORAGE, Alaska (AP) — Greg Cronin, interim hockey coach at Maine, is among three candidates still in the running for the coaching vacancy at the University of Alaska Anchorage.

The other prospects are John Harrington, coach at St. Johns University, Collegeville, Minn., and Dean Talafous, coach at the University of Wisconsin-River Falls.

The three were to visit for a final round of interviews.

Barry Smith, associate coach with the Detroit Red Wings, signed a one-year contract extension with the NHL club and removed his name from consideration for the Alaska Anchorage job Monday.

"I didn't want to walk into the playoffs empty-handed and they (Red Wings) wanted to know I was focused entering the playoffs and not thinking about another job," Smith said.

The three semifinalists will be in Anchorage for several days next week, meeting with the media and interviewing for the position, which became available in February when Brush Christiansen stepped down after 17 seasons.

UAA Athletic Director Tim Dillon,



Greg Cronin. (File Photo.)

who hopes to hire a new coach by the middle of the month, said the school still has a strong field of candidates despite Smith's withdrawal.

"I don't think it's any less of a field," Dillon said Tuesday. "Sure, it would

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• Softball

Bears open tourney with Vermont

By Bill Stewart
Sports Writer

The University of Maine softball team is on a roll. Winners of five in a row, and 7 of their last 8, the Black Bears head into the North Atlantic Conference Tournament this weekend.

As conference play started in early April, Maine suffered six-straight losses before they played their first home game.

However, with a remarkable turnaround, Maine earned the fifth seed in the tournament and will go head to head with fourth-seeded Vermont on Friday in Burlington at 10 a.m.

Black Bear head coach Janet Anderson is pleased with her team's recent play.

"We're going in as the fifth seed. I'm very hopeful for a win," said Anderson. "We have to play our best and stay focused on what we're doing. Right now, we're on a great ride."

Maine finished the year at 7-7 in the conference play while Vermont finished at 6-6. The two teams are not strangers to each other as they played a doubleheader in Orono

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eastern (7-7.) Hartford is right behind the Black Bears with a 7-9 record and is tied with two other teams for third place.

"We got to make hay on that," said Winkin. "We can't afford to mess up this weekend."

Hartford is coming off a big weekend winning three of four games against the University of Vermont. Hartford designated hitter/pitcher Dave Tober was named NAC Player of the Week after hitting .609, with three homers, and nine RBIs in the Hawks last seven games.

"I think we need good pitching," said Winkin. "If our pitching can hold its own, because Hartford is a good hitting team,

we'll be okay."

Maine is in position to host the NAC tournament. If the Black Bears are the top-seeded Northern team (the Northern Division also includes New Hampshire, Vermont, Northeastern and Hartford), they would host the tourney. The six games remaining are all at home.

"We are in a good position to host the tournament, which would be a big position going into the tournament."

Black Bear note:

...Freshman Pete Fisher was NAC Rookie of the Week after pitching a complete game two-hitter April 27 in a 3-1 victory over the University of New Hampshire.

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two weeks ago.

In their games on April 21, The Bears split with the Catamounts by dropping game one 2-0 and capturing the second 3-2 in 8 innings. Vermont is the last team to beat Maine this year, and the only team to win in Orono.

Vermont is led by slugger Melissa Matuchio and pitcher Kristin Schoen. Schoen has posted a 2-4 record in her last six starts, but has compiled a 0.88 ERA in that span.

Anderson reflects on the team's first-round opponents in the tournament. "It's always a good game with Vermont," replied Anderson. "We always play well against them, and we're looking forward to it."

The Catamounts are struggling of late, losing five in a row, and are 2-8 in their last ten games.

The NAC Tournament is double elimination.

If Maine should get by Vermont Friday morning, they will have the tough challenge of playing Hofstra later in the afternoon. Hofstra finished undefeated in the league this year at 12-0.

BU, who is the second seed, will play the winner of the Drexel-Delaware game.

In Maine's recent winning streak, several players have stepped up their games. Sophomore third baseman Mary Wells was named Player of the Week in the NAC as she batted .727 last weekend with five stolen bases.

Shortstop Michele Puls remains hot as well, as she had 8 RBIs last weekend while going 6 for 11 at the plate.

Black Bear notes:

Maine third baseman Mary Wells was named second team all-NAC yesterday by NAC coaches.

• NBA Draft

Another prep star considers the NBA

COLUMBIA, S.C. (AP) — Will he or won't he? No one, not even Jermaine O'Neal, knows whether one of South Carolina's most talented prep school players will go to college or follow friend Kobe Bryant from high school to the NBA.

O'Neal, 17, said he will apply for next month's NBA draft by the May 12 deadline to declare. But he also said he will try and qualify for college and listed his final five selections as South Carolina, Clemson, Kentucky, Ohio State or Maryland.

"I really didn't want to be left out in the cold," he said in today's editions of The (Columbia) State. "That's the one big reason I'm choosing to apply."

His mother Angela Ocean said this morning nothing was certain for the Eau Claire High School star. "That's a possibility, only a possibility right now," she told The Associated Press. She said O'Neal won't decide for sure until the deadline to declare for the NBA draft.

O'Neal takes the SAT college entrance test again Saturday and is looking to raise his 830 about 100 points to qualify to play.

"The NBA will probably be my second option," he told The State. "I'll still try to go to school. I wouldn't say school

is totally out of the question. I'm still serious about qualifying."

Even if he improves his test scores, O'Neal told WIS-TV in Columbia today that he might stay in the draft.

"If I get drafted anywhere between one and 15, I may stay in the draft," O'Neal said. "Or I may withdraw and go to school."

NBA scouts say O'Neal could be picked late in the first round, potentially earning a contract worth at least \$2 million over three seasons.

"If he keeps working with the same zeal and aggressiveness he's shown here, he can be All-Pro," Eau Claire coach George Glymph said.

The only players to jump to the pros without having played in college are Kevin Garnett, Moses Malone, Shawn Kemp, Darryl Dawkins and Bill Wiloughby.

The 6-foot-11 O'Neal was influenced by Bryant's decision. The swingman from Pennsylvania is the son of former 76ers player Joe Bryant.

"People judge themselves by their peers, and plus Kobe's a good friend of his," Glymph said. "He saw what Kobe decided to do and that made him think about it even harder."

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• Basketball

Thompson reluctantly lets star Iverson go pro

WASHINGTON (AP) — John Thompson didn't want to let Allen Iverson go. In the end, there wasn't much the Georgetown coach could do about it.

Thompson tried to stay in charge at Iverson's farewell press conference Wednesday. The coach handed his player the script announcing the sophomore's entry into the NBA, and several times told Iverson or his mother not to answer questions he felt were too personal.

But the decision to enter the June 26 draft was made by Iverson and Iverson alone, marking the first time in 24 years as coach at Georgetown that Thompson has lost a player early to the pros.

"I think it would be a little bit stupid of me to try to change a man who can think and make judgments," Thompson said, "or for me to try to persuade him or try to con him from doing something that he feels in his heart he must do."

An All-American guard and one of the game's quickest players, Iverson said his decision boiled down to one factor: money. He revealed that he had a 1-year-old daughter living in his hometown of Hampton, Va., and said his 4-year-old sister, Iiesha, had been having seizures.

"My baby sister was having some medical problems, and I think that really pushed me out the door," Iverson said. "Now I can get a specialist for her, and help my mom along. She raised me for 20 years, did the best she could, and I just want the opportunity to do the best for her."

Thompson sympathized with Iverson's plight, and blamed the NCAA's "antiquated"

rules for not being able to help his player while keeping him in college.

"It's a frustrating thing. Even though we might have the best hospital around, you can't do anything about that," Thompson said. "Purely from a competitive and a selfish standpoint, we had better look very closely at what's going on now, and make certain that we adjust the rules to modern-day times."

Speculation had been rife for weeks that Iverson would leave. He has recently been driving a \$130,000 Mercedes on loan from a local dealer, an apparent violation of NCAA rules. He said Wednesday he needed the car to visit his sister, and he "kept it a little longer."

Iverson's game will be suited to the NBA's fast pace. Last season, he averaged 24.7 points, 3.8 rebounds, 5.0 assists and 3.5 steals. He was the Big East defensive player of the year for the second time.

Iverson's newly acquired agent, David Falk, predicted Iverson would be a top five pick in the draft.

Thompson agreed that Iverson has the basketball tools to play in the big time, but questioned whether the player is ready to live the money-driven lifestyle it entails. Iverson spent four months in jail during high school in connection with a bowling alley brawl, a conviction that was later overturned.

"I have concerns about Allen's ability emotionally and psychologically to deal with the things the NBA relates to," Thompson said. "In his basketball ability I have the ultimate amount of confidence. I'm scared ... about the other 22 hours."

As for losing his first early draftee, Thompson was philosophic.

"My reputation has never been important to me in anything that I did," Thompson said. "Doing that which is correct was more important to me. You check my life, there are many

contradictions in it.

"If you were ask me, 'Should he stay here?' I would tell you absolutely yes. If you were ask me, 'Did he make the right decision to leave?' I would tell you absolutely yes, based on the reasons he used to make that decision."

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Cronin led the Black Bears to a 12-6-1 record this past season after taking over for Coach Shawn Walsh, who was handed a one-year suspension for violations of NCAA rules.

A graduate of Colby College, Cronin was on the coaching staff at Colorado College before coming to Maine.

Prep

O'Neal averaged 18.2 points and 12.3 rebounds a game last season and led Eau Claire to three straight AAA state championships.

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"My family is behind me 100 percent," O'Neal said. "They thought it'd be a good idea to make myself eligible for the draft in case I don't get my (SAT) score."

Glymph had hoped O'Neal wouldn't jump to the NBA.

"He'd be better off if he went to college," the coach said. "But if this is the choice he makes to enter the draft, I hope he proves me wrong."

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