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## • Advisory

## Student sexually assaulted, suspect at large

By Yolanda Sly  
Staff Writer

A University of Maine woman was sexually assaulted Wednesday night in a wooded area between Washburn Apartments and Thriftway food store, according to Orono police.

Orono police Capt. Linwood Green said the assault of the 28-year-old woman occurred at approximately 6 p.m., when she was taking a shortcut through the woods from Washburn to Thriftway. Green said there was a weapon used during the assault.

Green said the victim was treated and released from Eastern Maine Medical Center

Wednesday night.

Police described the subject as possibly a white male, about 5-foot-8, with a rugged build. The attacker was last seen wearing a blue sweatshirt and blue jeans.

Green said anyone who may know anything about the case or saw anything unusual should call Detective Frank McGillicuddy, at 866-4451.

"We don't have a suspect. We're pooling information with everyone in the area, and we're looking at anyone who might have (arrests for sexual assault) and peepers," Green said.

Green said the department is working on the case around the clock.

"We're going door to door

asking people if they've seen anything," Green said. "We're going to keep hammering away until we get this guy."

Green, who's been with the department since 1988, said he can't remember when a crime like this had occurred in the Orono area.

"I've seen a lot of cases over the years. I can't remember a case where we didn't have a suspect within a short period of time," he said. "It's been a long time since I've seen this type of crime. I hope and pray someone will help us — someone probably knows something and doesn't know it. I hope they call. It may not seem important to them, but it could be important to us."

Green said the advisory, which was sent to UMaine, area schools, other public places and local media, was released so people would be aware of the situation and call if they have any information about the case.

UMaine Public Safety Lt.

Allan Stormann said, "We feel it's important not only to keep folks on cam-

pus advised of things affecting their safety, but things in the local community."

Kathy Walker, executive director of Rape Response Services, said the victim contacted has contacted the service and is receiving counseling.

"The ultimate prevention of rape is for men to stop raping. It's important to educate men that rape is a crime," Walker said. "No one deserves to be raped."

Walker said rape is a crime that often goes unreported, and in many cases society gives the victim a feeling of guilt about the rape.

"It's not her fault. Rape is never the fault of the victim. It's a crime to rape someone else," Walker said.

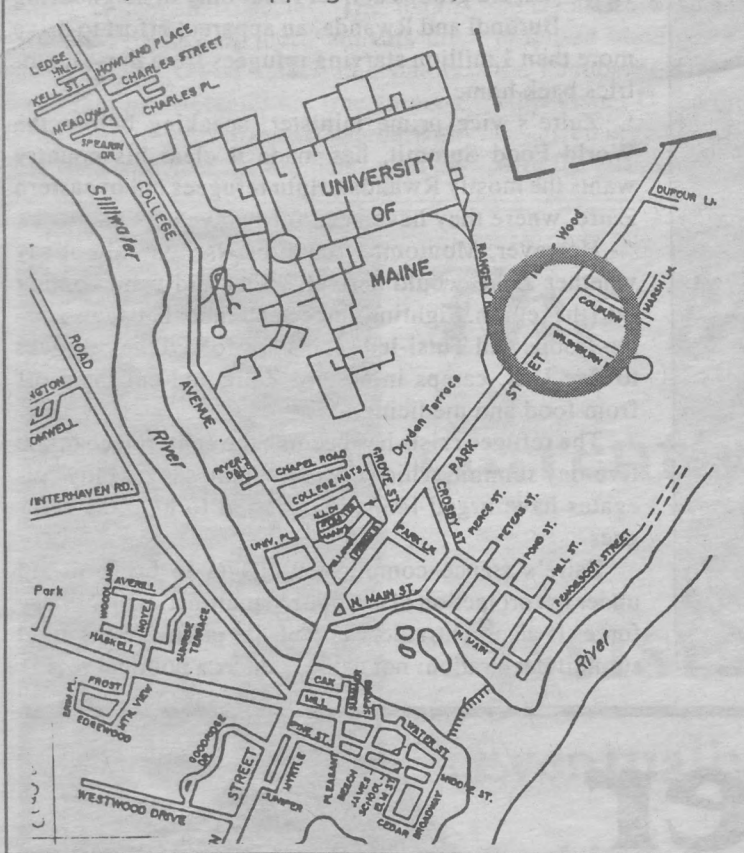
"Rape is a hidden crime. Victims are reluctant to report rapes because they are often led to feel guilty, feeling they could've done something to prevent it. Calls often made to our hot line don't get reported to the police," she

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Police composite sketch of the assault suspect. (Courtesy of the Orono Police Department.)

Circle indicates the approximate area where the attack occurred. (Eastern Mapping Services.)



## • Night safety

## Walking companions provide valuable service to students

This story originally ran in the Oct. 28 edition of The Maine Campus.

Every night, three Campus Walking Companions snap into action when their phone rings. Clad in reflective-taped navy blue jackets and carrying menacingly large flashlights, their

job is to make the campus community feel a little bit safer — one person at a time.

The service, which began in March, provides walking escorts between 7 p.m. and midnight Sunday through Wednesday and 7 p.m. to 1 a.m. Thursday through Saturday.

Walking companion teams consist of one male and one female. Another student is the dispatcher and stays in the basement of Cutler Health Center, answering the phone whenever 581-WALK is dialed. The dispatcher communicates with the walkers with a two-way radio, which allows the walkers to contact Public Safety in case of emergency. It usually takes the walkers two to

three minutes to reach a person once they've been dispatched.

A campus policy doesn't allow the walkers to carry mace or pepper spray for protection, but if the need arises the flashlights can be used in self-defense, Snowden said.

Public Safety Officer Deb Mitchell said walkers are carefully screened and the interview process includes criminal background checks. Once hired, the walkers are trained in self-defense and taught how to use the radios. Mitchell said she also hopes to have everyone trained in CPR and first aid in case an ambulance isn't readily available.

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## • Community service

## Coats for Kids an essential source for needy parents during winter

By Elizabeth Beaulieu  
Special to the Campus

Around this time last year, a young woman entered the Salvation Army in Bangor for the second time. She was a single mother urgently searching for decent winter coats for her young children because she knew it wasn't getting any warmer.

Her first visit was unsuccessful

because the Salvation Army didn't have the coat sizes she needed. On her second visit a week later, the woman found the coats she needed and cried in appreciation because she had found the coats just in time.

The woman's fear of not having appropriate jackets for her children with winter quickly approaching was erased because of the Coats For Kids program. The

program collects jackets and distributes them to children who are in need.

"Living in Maine, we know how cold it gets and some kids don't have proper jackets," University of Maine senior Cathy Boulette said. "We need to help in any way we can and do our part to help the community."

Boulette is a member of the American Marketing Association, which is overseeing the Coats For Kids campaign at UMaine for the third consecutive year. Boulette and senior

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### Coats For Kids



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# World Briefs

## • Martyr

### Protester's suicide gains attention

**1** BANGALORE, India (AP) — A critic of the Miss World contest committed suicide Thursday by setting himself on fire in front of dozens of people to protest the beauty pageant being held in this southern city.

Suresh Kumar, a 25-year-old tailor, died within hours of setting himself alight in Madurai, a town 200 miles southeast of Bangalore, Indian news agencies reported.

Threats and protests have been mounting since it was announced that the pageant would be held this year in India. Critics say the contest is demeaning to women and contrary to Indian values and culture.

Nearly 1,500 armed policemen have been guarding the Chinnaswamy cricket stadium and the Windson Manor hotel where 88 participants are staying.

Salim Pasha, who witnessed the suicide, said no one tried to stop Kumar.

"Scores of people who were at the bus station simply watched as he set himself on fire," Pasha said in a telephone interview from Bangalore.

Kumar shouted slogans criticizing the pageant. He later died in a local hospital with burns over 90 percent of his body, the Press Trust of India news agency said.

Kumar belonged to the youth wing of the Communist Party of India, which has been the most outspoken of the national political parties against the event.

## • Infringement

### U.S. orders Philippines to comply

**2** MANILA, Philippines (AP) — The United States has warned the Philippines to adopt legislation guarding against piracy of computer software and other patented and copyrighted goods or risk trade punishments.

Being returned to the U.S. "priority watch list" could mean losing the duty-free privilege enjoyed by many Philippine exports to the United States, the Philippines' largest trading partner.

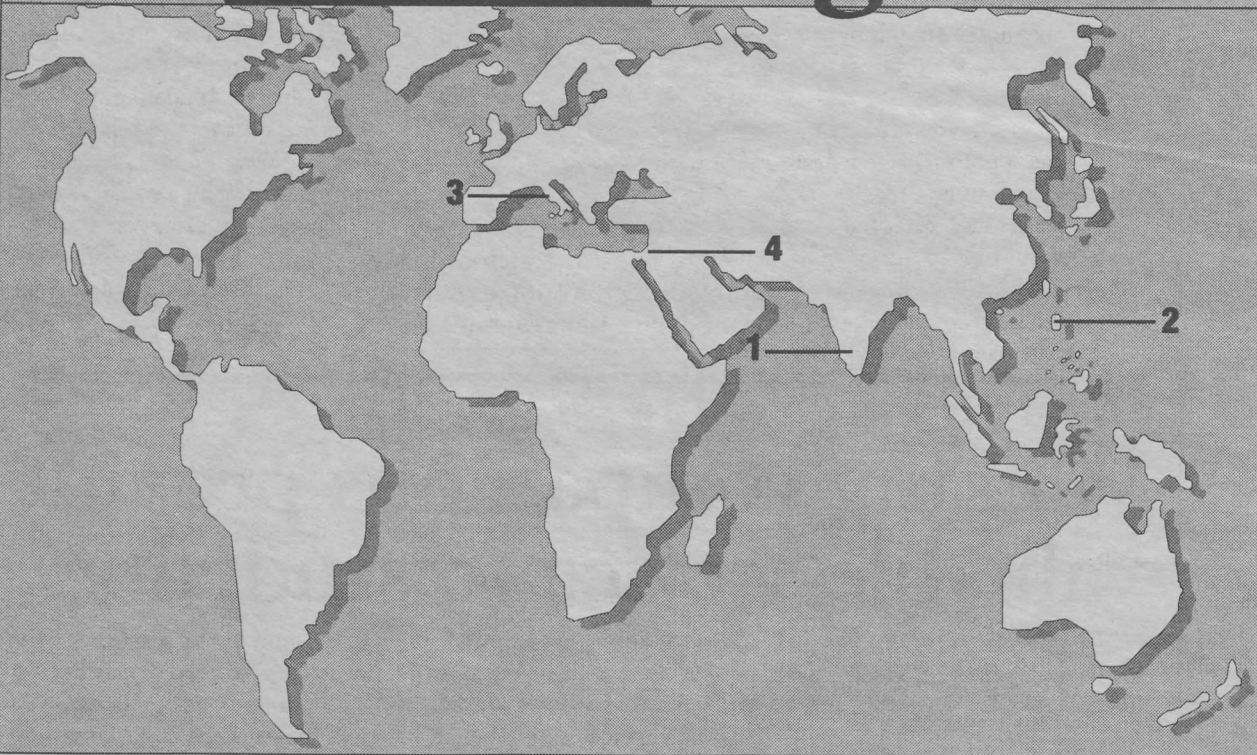
The warning was contained in a letter from U.S. Ambassador Thomas Hubbard to Philippine Trade Secretary Cesar Bautista.

"If for some reason the legislation is not passed, there will be considerable pressure on the administration to move the Philippines to the priority watch list," Hubbard wrote in the Nov. 8 letter.

Countries are placed on the priority list when they have failed to adequately protect U.S. trademarks, patents or copyrights. The Philippines was taken off in April 1993 after it promised to immediately pass comprehensive intellectual property rights legislation.

The next watch list review is set for December. Hubbard said the United States urged that the legislation be passed by year's end.

## World Digest



## • Conference

### Zaire demands relief efforts be revamped

**3** ROME (AP) — Zaire demanded Thursday that aid groups deliver relief only in neighboring Burundi and Rwanda, an apparent effort to drive more than 1 million starving refugees from those countries back home.

Zaire's vice prime minister, speaking before the World Food Summit, has made it clear his country wants the mostly Rwandan Hutu refugees out of eastern Zaire, where they have been for two years.

However, Moutombo Bakafis Nsenda did not say whether Zaire would actively block aid from coming into the region. Fighting since September between Zairian troops and Tutsi-led rebels has forced the refugees to flee U.N. camps in eastern Zaire and cut them off from food and medicine.

The refugee crisis has become the centerpiece of the five-day summit, which opened Wednesday. Many delegates have urged immediate action to help the refugees.

Zaire's stance complicates efforts to bring in aid under the protection of a proposed multinational military force. It also contradicts one of the pillars of the food summit declaration: not using food as a political tool.

## • Uncovered

### Letters tell different story of Einstein

**4** JERUSALEM (AP) — The popular image of Albert Einstein is that of a benign, benevolent, white-haired genius. A genius who gave the world the Theory of Relativity, who helped little children with their math homework and who was a pacifist, even as his research helped lead to the building of the atom bomb.

His relationship with his first wife, however, gives a different picture. Hundreds of letters displayed earlier this month reveal him as a domineering adulterer who treated Mileva Einstein, once a brilliant physics student, as a servant.

In an April 1914 letter to her, Einstein makes a list of demands, including that she serve him three meals a day in his room. The marriage was troubled, and he also listed conditions under which he would tolerate her presence.

"You will expect no affection from me and will not reproach me for this," he wrote. "You will promise not to denigrate me in the eyes of the children, by word or deed."

This letter is one of 430 displayed earlier this month in Jerusalem and New York. Unknown to scholars until their 1986 discovery in a Los Angeles bank vault, the letters will be sold at Christie's auction house in New York on Nov. 25.

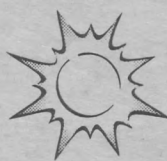
"What is new in this collection are the letters dealing with his estrangement from his first wife," said Zeev Rosenkranz, curator of the Albert Einstein Archives at the Hebrew University of Jerusalem.

## Weather

### The Local Forecast

#### Today's Weather

Mostly sunny. High in the mid 20s to lower 30s.



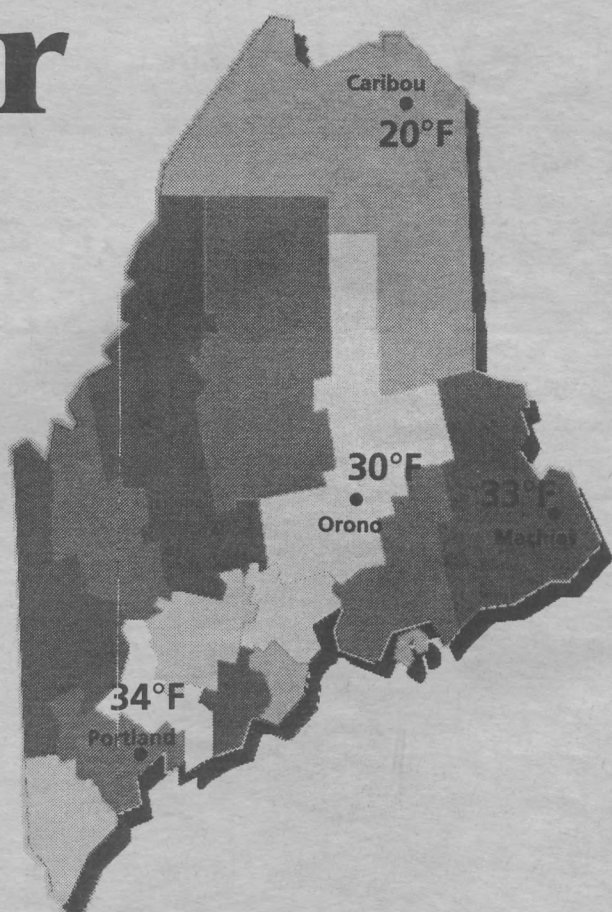
#### Saturday's Outlook

Mostly sunny. High 35 to 40.



#### Extended Forecast

Sunday...Fair. Low in the mid 20s north to mid 30s south. Monday and Tuesday...Fair. Low in the 30s. High around 40 north to around 50 south.





## • Conservation

## Owen faces delicate issues as Fisheries and Wildlife commissioner

By Krista Marrs  
Special to the Campus

Sometimes politics and biology just don't mix.

Ray "Bucky" Owen, commissioner of Maine's Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife, told the Student Chapter of the Wildlife Society about the constant tensions from being involved in biology and politics at the same time.

Owen, who in 1993 became the ninth commissioner of the department, spoke of his job as a "three-legged stool." One leg is biology, the second leg is the social environment and the third leg is the politics, he said.

"My job involves balancing many issues. Not just those issues that are best for society," Owen said.

Owen gave an example describing how the biology-and-politics conflict involved the Endangered Species Act. The act, which was established more than 10 years ago, was centered around the bald eagle. The law says all species must be brought before them for consideration before the animals can be added to the endangered species list. This process involves several steps and can be lengthy.

There are currently 21 species being considered for possible addition to the list of endangered species. The major problem is many of these animals are invertebrates, Owen said. Legislators don't feel invertebrates are true animals by definition. Biologists disagree with this idea and feel all animals, with or

without backbones, should be on the endangered species list if there aren't significant numbers of them living.

"Every species should be based on good biology. Political and social issues should come after that," Owen said.

Owen discussed the issue concerning the bald eagle and increasing dioxin levels. There is a below-normal rate of reproduction of bald eagles in the Lincoln area, and biologists say it is due to high dioxin levels in the species' food chain. Lincoln Pulp and Paper Mill, a major economic center for the area, is blamed for the low levels of reproduction.

Owen explained what steps have been taken to ensure the continuation of the bald eagle species.

"After meeting with lawyers from Lincoln Pulp and Paper, we decided to make a compromise: more pollution control as determined by the EPA and a five-year permit to monitor fish and eagles to see if the dioxin levels are down," he said.

Owen said biologists, especially eagle biologists, were unhappy with this decision, but legislators were satisfied with the agreement.

"The role you play at a higher level ... you have to make decisions that are good for hopefully everyone. This certainly is not easy to do," Owen said.

Damaged wetlands in Maine and the proposed building of a new dam across the Penobscot River were a few of the other issues Owen discussed.

Owen urged listeners to get involved with the issues.

"Let legislators know what you think. They need advice in making decisions too, as they are swamped with legislation," Owen said. "The decision-making process is gruesome and you can get beaten down, yet if you persist and you have good biological data, most of the time you come out on top."

Mike Estabrook, vice president of the Student Chapter of the Wildlife Society, agreed with the Owen's ideas.

"We're so excited to have Bucky come to speak to us. He's great. He came in favor of the student chapter and Bucky has always been a real supporter of us," Estabrook said.

## Escort

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The companions can escort people to and from fraternity and sorority houses, but because the houses have off-campus phone numbers, people can't get through to the service from the houses. Anyone at the houses who wants an escort can contact Public Safety, which will pass the message to the walkers.


Last spring, the program received a

certificate of appreciation for outstanding community service from UMaine President Frederick Hutchinson.

Students in need of an escort after the walkers have left Cutler for the night can contact Public Safety for a ride.

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# • Socialist-Marxist Luncheon

## Media's effect on public perception focus of discussion

By Christian Richard  
Special to the Campus

The U.S. media largely influence Americans' perceptions of Communist countries, University of Maine Associate Professor of Journalism Paul Grosswiler said yesterday at the Socialist and Marxist Studies Luncheon.

Grosswiler spoke about mainstream media's role in U.S. foreign policy toward relations with communist countries in the post-Cold War period.

He began his presentation with what he said is an obvious but often overlooked fact: For most U.S. citizens, what we know about international events comes through the media. Most of us don't have direct experience of these events abroad.

Grosswiler said the media inevitably help shape public perceptions of these international political issues.

"It gives political leaders a way to engage our popular imagination and to get us either to support or to oppose (foreign) policy," he said.

In examining the connections between the media and foreign policy, Grosswiler said his study focused specifically on what kind of symbols were employed in the editorials of the five largest U.S. newspapers from 1991 to 1994.

Grosswiler distinguished between two ways of symbolizing foreign countries, specifically Communist countries. Referential symbols are neutral, usually using geographical-legal labels. As an example, Grosswiler referred to how China

is called the People's Republic of China, or simply China. Condensational symbols have an ideological bias and use symbols that associate a country with an emotional tone, usually a negative one, like when China is referred to as Red China or Communist China vs. Free China (Taiwan), Grosswiler said.

He said the essential connection between the media's use of these two kinds of symbolism is that the media's use of symbolism has consistently reflected U.S. foreign policy, regardless of media support or opposition to that policy. He cited the change of media symbolism with regard to the shift in U.S.-China relations in the late 1960s.

"Ideological labeling of China was much greater than referential labeling until 1966," Grosswiler said. "It wasn't until the government began changing its policy toward China that the media changed its labeling."

Grosswiler's study concentrated specifically on the media's use of symbolism for Vietnam and Cuba from 1991 to 1994. He found that the use of ideological symbolism for Vietnam decreased dramatically in 1992 when the pressure from members of the business community to lift the embargo finally culminated in renewed U.S.-Vietnam talks. In contrast, he said, editorials that support lifting the embargo on Cuba, despite their increase, still employ to a large degree ideological symbolism, referring to Cuba as "Communist Cuba" or "Castro's Cuba."

"Even though I didn't travel very much

around Cuba, it was easy to see that the media image that I had didn't get really

far in helping me understand what I was directly experiencing," Grosswiler said.

### Coats

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Chris Kinney, also a member of the AMA, are coordinating the campaign this year as their final project for the association.

"Coats For Kids is a good opportunity for students to get involved in helping the kids in the surrounding communities," Kinney said.

The AMA collected more than 100 coats from faculty, staff and students at UMaine last year and hopes to surpass that number this year.

Coats can be dropped off at The Body Shop kiosk on the second floor of the Memorial Union on Wednesdays and Thursdays from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

The association is working with television station WLBZ to collect the coats. WLBZ and its sister station, WCSH in Portland, have been the main sponsors of the campaign for eight years.

The idea came from a similar program that had already been established in another part of the country.

Some of Maine's larger companies collaborate to collect, clean and distribute the coats. Most of the coats are collected at Shop 'n Save and Shaw's supermarkets

throughout the state. Coca-Cola of Bangor picks up coats in the Bangor area at the supermarkets and takes them to the company's warehouse. The coats are then given over to Gold Star Cleaners to be cleaned. Finally, the coats are picked up by the Salvation Army and distributed.

The campaign has become well-known in many communities around the state. Deborah Farnham, the public service director at WLBZ, said she receives phone calls during the fall and even summer asking if the station is sponsoring the program again that year.

The people calling often are planning to have yard sales and say they won't sell the jackets if they can be donated to the program instead, Farnham said.

Farnham said the program serves two purposes.

"First, it helps people get rid of some of the jackets that are cluttering their closets and taking up storage space," Farnham said. "Secondly and most importantly, Coats For Kids helps those with insufficient financial means to dress their kids in adequate winter coats."

## ANNOUNCEMENT



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Dining services is excited to announce two enhancements to the resident meal plan program that will take effect at the end of the fall semester 1996.

### Dining Fund Rollover

A change in the meal plan policy will allow Dining Funds on deposit during the fall semester to carry forward to the Spring Semester 1997. As all Dining Funds are part of the meal plan program, any unused balance will be forfeited May 10, 1997. Please consider the above change when planning the use of your Dining Funds. Also note, as a result of this change, Dining Funds will be available for use in the Bear's Den during the winter break period.

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Dining services would like to thank students Ken Levesque & Kristen Maxwell for suggesting these changes to the meal plan program. As a student centered department, Dining Services welcomes ideas such as these.

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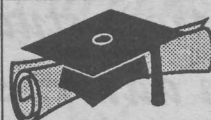
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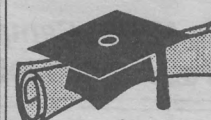
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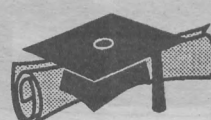


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# Sex Matters

Sandra Caron, Ph.D



**Q: I have heard it is possible for a female to have an erection, is this true? Female, sophomore**

**A:** When we think of erection, we typically think of a man's penis. For a woman, I think you might be referring to what happens to the clitoris when a woman is "turned on" or aroused. The clitoris is located above the vaginal opening and often hidden between the folds of the labia; it is highly sensitive to touch. When a woman is excited, her genital

area will become engorged with blood, and the clitoris will become firm; it also may become more prominent or obvious. So, in this way, it is similar to the penis, with its ability to become erect. Remember that, in utero, the male and female fetus are the same until the eighth week. However, by the 12th week, the male and female sex organs are distinguishable. In other words, the same tissue that makes up the female genitalia is used to make up the male genitalia. It's not surprising they have such similarity in adulthood.

**Q: I'm in a relationship that has lasted almost a year. I feel I'm in love with my girlfriend, but I'm not sexual-**

**ly attracted to her. We've even talked about getting engaged this Christmas and I'm wondering if our relationship can last without the physical part being there. Male, senior**

**A:** It sounds like you have a nice friendship going with this woman. However, I don't believe you can have a long-lasting romantic relationship with someone you aren't attracted to. What's interesting is your question is almost the reverse of what many people worry about who say "All we have is sex, sex, sex. Is that enough of a basis for a long-term relationship?" I guess I'm wondering what you would like in a relationship. Do you wish it were different? Have you ever experienced sexual attraction to another person you were involved with? I'm also concerned about why there's no attraction. How does your partner feel about this? Is she OK with the relationship as it stands, or does she feel rejected? What are her expectations for the future? Again, I'm referring to sexual attraction, not sexual activity; you can have one without the other. I think sometimes people avoid the sexual part to avoid intimacy or connection. Because you know you won't be that close, you can protect yourself — keep yourself at a physical and emotional distance. I also wonder if part of your lack of sexual attraction for your partner concerns a fear of sex itself. Have you experienced some type of trauma or hurt feelings

around sex? I think you're right to ask yourself now if this lack of sexual attraction is going to be a concern for the future. Ignoring it will not make it go away. These are just some of the issues you may want to look at with a professional. Talking with someone you can trust will give you the perspective you need to make important decisions. Including your partner in these conversations is essential. Good luck.

**Q: How much sex is too much sex? Male, senior**

**A:** When it feels like it is too much for you and your partner. This is so individual, varying greatly from person to person. For example, there are some who would say sex more than once a month is too much; while others feel sex more than once a day is too much. In extreme cases, sex may become like an addiction. If you feel sex is becoming almost compulsive or overwhelming — something you find yourself preoccupied with or obsessing about (as if it is the only reason for your being), then it's time to seek the assistance of a counselor.

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## • Police report

# Trespassers of condemned fraternity nabbed by police

By Yolanda Sly  
Staff Writer

Saturday, Nov. 9, at 3:54 a.m. four people were arrested for criminal trespassing after they entered the condemned Delta Upsilon fraternity house. Joshua Nason, Emily Bartlett, Lance Dumas and Brian Fanning were summoned after Officer Cherie Phelps noticed the building was unsecured. Phelps, Officer Christopher Gardner and Sgt. Robert Norman entered the house, where they found the four subjects.

On Saturday, Nov. 9, at 10:50 p.m. Jessica Rey and Jill Flaherty were summoned for possession of marijuana by

officers Kevin MacLaren and Sherri Marquis. The officers were walking through Somerset Hall when they smelled pot coming from a room.

Sunday, Nov. 10, at 12:45 a.m. Timothy G. Sherwood was summoned for operating a vehicle under the influence with a suspended license. Officer Christopher Gardner arrested Sherwood in the Oxford Hall circle, where Sherwood was accelerating his car, causing his tires to squeal.

On Sunday, Nov. 10, at 3:58 a.m. Ian Maclean was summoned for operating a vehicle under the influence. Gardner stopped Maclean on Sebago Road, where Maclean was driving off the road and onto the sidewalk.

## Assault

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said. "Having the courage is often what it takes to report a rape. It takes a certain amount of courage going from an unsafe situation to a safe place to share information."

Walker said the agency offers counseling and support to everyone who's affected by rape — the victim, family and friends. The agency's number is 1-800-310-000 and is open 24 hours.

Public Safety Officer Deb Mitchell, who works with victims of sexual assault and offers personal safety programs, said students should use the campus walker program, and if anyone is interested in a personal safety program they should call Public Safety.

"If you see anything suspicious, notify officers," Mitchell said.

Mitchell said there are things people can do to increase their safety, but when a weapon is involved, there's not much one can do.

"If a weapon is used, a person's options are limited. I'm not advocating carrying a weapon," Mitchell said. "It can be used against them."

Stormann said people should be aware of their surroundings and should look for anything unusual.

"Trust your senses. If it feels wrong, it probably is wrong. People really need to listen to their instincts whether they're a male or female before getting involved with issues," he said.

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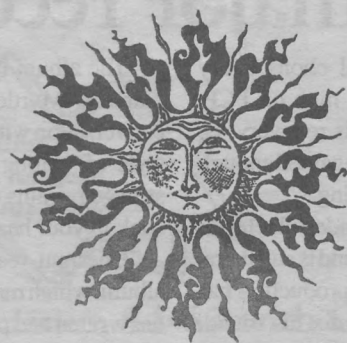
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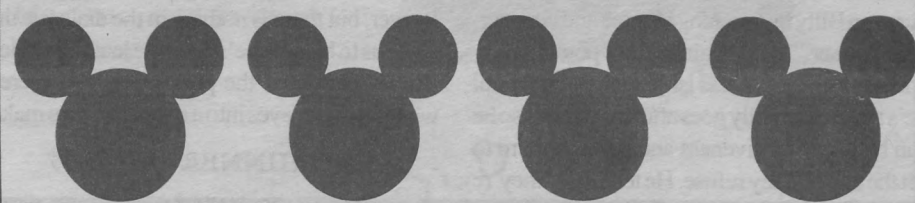
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# Style & the Arts

## • Live music

## Blues legend B.B. King and Corey Harris coming to Bangor

By James Wright  
Arts Editor

The king of the blues, B.B. King, and special guest Corey Harris will play two shows in Maine next week, sponsored by Space Agency: Thursday, Nov. 21 at the Cumberland County Civic Center in Portland, and at the Bangor Auditorium Friday, Nov. 22 at 8 p.m.

Riley B. King, born Sept. 16, 1925, in Itta Bena, Miss., shows no signs of slowing down. Last year he received a presidential "Lifetime Contribution to Culture" award at the Kennedy Center Honors. Northwest Airlines, Texaco, Microsoft and Budweiser have featured him in commercials and the 1996 Olympic Games featured King in the closing ceremonies.

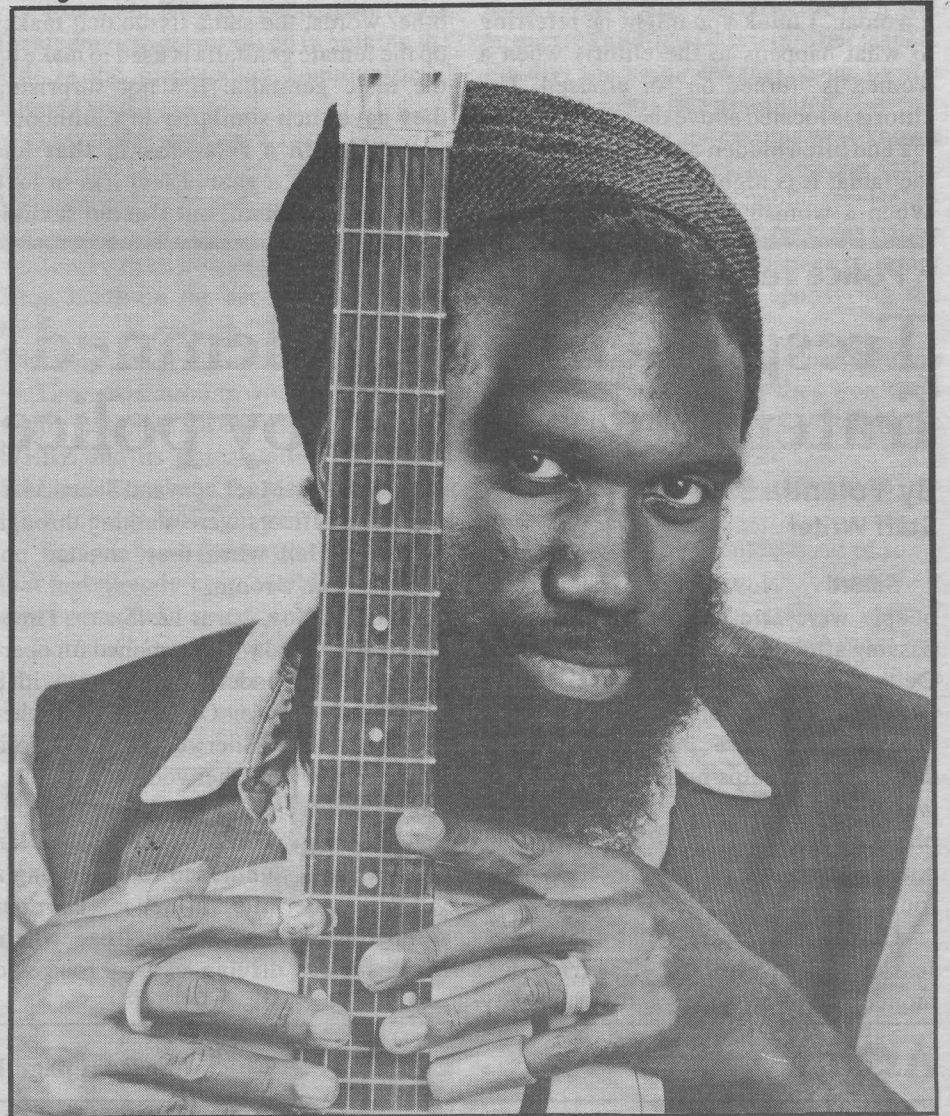
King is promoting a new autobiography and his new album, "How Blue Can You Get: Classic Live Performances 1964-1994" while performing around the world on a tour that began decades ago and has yet to stop.

Earlier this year King received his 19th Grammy nomination, for "John Henry" in the Best Spoken Word Album for Children category. Denzel Washington narrated "John Henry" with music by King.

King's special guest on this latest leg of the tour is acoustic bluesman Corey Harris, who is celebrating the release of his debut recording, "Between Midnight and Day," on the Alligator label. Featured in *Guitar Player* and *Billboard* magazines, Harris is an excellent slide player and his vocals have been dubbed "old beyond his years." Harris is only 26 years old.

A native of Denver, Colo., Harris has played blues festivals (including the New Orleans Jazz and Heritage Fest) and coffeehouses, colleges and blues clubs.

For information on tickets, call the Cumberland County Civic Center at 775-3458 or 775-3331. For the Bangor Auditorium show, call 990-4444 or 775-3331. Tickets are \$20 and \$25 and are on sale at the box office and at all Ticketmaster outlets.



Corey Harris, an up-and-coming bluesman, is currently on tour with legendary B.B. King. (Courtesy Photo.)

## • In theaters

## 'Thinner' lives up to its title

By Greg Dowling  
Staff Writer

Stephen King, the University of Maine's most famous graduate, is certainly a gifted writer. I have read many of his books. And more often than not, I'm truly impressed with the incredible imagination he brings to his material. The characters he creates are very vivid, believable and easy to identify with. The film adaptations of his work are all over the map in terms of quality, from the superb ("Stand By Me," "Carrie," "Misery") to the strange and interesting ("Christine," "The Dark Half," "Needful Things") to the downright lousy ("Maximum Overdrive," "Graveyard Shift," "The Langoliers"). The scariest and most fascinating thing about "Thinner," the latest King film adaptation, is that it found a major studio to produce it.

"Thinner" is about a portly family man, Billy Haleck (Robert John Burke), who hits an old gypsy woman with his car and kills her. Since Billy is a respected lawyer in town, the cops and the judge let him off the hook. The woman's 110-year-old father, Tadzu Lempke (Michael Constantine of "The Juror"), puts a curse on Billy by touching his face and whispering "thinner." Billy begins to lose pounds a day and realizes the process isn't going to stop until he's a skeleton. Billy goes after the gypsies so he can beg their forgiveness and beseech them to lift the curse. They refuse. He tells them they're

now cursed by "the white man from town."

How spooky.

Billy enlists the help of a mob thug he defended, Richie Ginelli (Joe Mantegna). They declare war on the gypsies.

"Thinner" is a true piece of trash, a film that is incompetent in almost every respect. It's difficult for me to understand why Tom Holland, a director known for making entertaining and effective horror yarns such as "Fright Night" and "Child's Play," could have been suckered into doing a film like this. The story is a good idea, but it needed to be handled with a strong eye to character development, motivation and believable plotting to be the least bit frightening. The execution is so half-assed in the setup that we know there's never going to be a payoff. Holland botches every opportunity to make us care about the characters, undermining any scares the material may have provided.

The acting is so bad it's almost funny. Burke's performance is so consistently poor it doesn't even manage camp appeal. This is especially evident in the early scenes that deal with his obesity. Burke seems to think that because his character is fat he's supposed to act like an idiot. Billy is supposed to be a hot-shot lawyer, but there is nothing in the dialogue that leads us to believe he's even the least bit skilled. Burke acts under the philosophy that merely widening your eyes into a maniacal stare makes

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## From the home office at Beta Theta Pi

### Top Ten Signs College Isn't For You

10. Your book bag is filled with No. 3 pencils.
9. On the course sign-up sheet, under the heading Pass-Fail, you write: "Probably Fail."
8. On the sign up sheet you misspell "fail."
7. You keep referring to the professor as "that dude who keeps using big words."
6. You fly off the handle because the bookstore is out of slide rules.
5. Your parents send you to college and all you do is write top 10 lists.
4. You think the Internet is that lining in your swim trunks.
3. Your idea of cheating is reading the assigned text.
2. Those "Help Wanted" ads in the back of *The Maine Campus* start looking pretty good.
1. Your best class is: ICE 101.

By Eric Simonds

## • CD

## Folk veteran Chesnutt finally gets major record deal

By Mike Reynolds  
Staff Writer

It is rare when an artist releases his major label debut and is already considered a legendary singer-songwriter. But Vic Chesnutt, a musician from Athens, Georgia, who released "About to Choke" from Capitol Records this week, is not your stereotypical artist trying to buy into MTV's definition of "alternative."

Vic Chesnutt is a freak in body and mind.

He sings a song about voting on Super Tuesday that might contain four sentences, if you bent conventional grammar rules.

What also sets Chesnutt apart from most other performers is the respect he has garnered in the music industry. The album "Sweet Relief 2: The gravity of the situation" saw such acts as REM, Smashing Pumpkins, the Indigo Girls, Live and even Madonna covering his songs, to benefit his need for medical help, made.

Chesnutt suffered a spinal chord injury while driving intoxicated and high on PCP. For the first few months of his recovery, he couldn't use his arm, but later regained enough use to continue his guitar playing.

Chesnutt's new CD is a wonderful release. The unmistakable Chesnutt sound is still there, and the additional money for production has given Chesnutt the ability to mix his sound, leading to a better album than his independent albums.

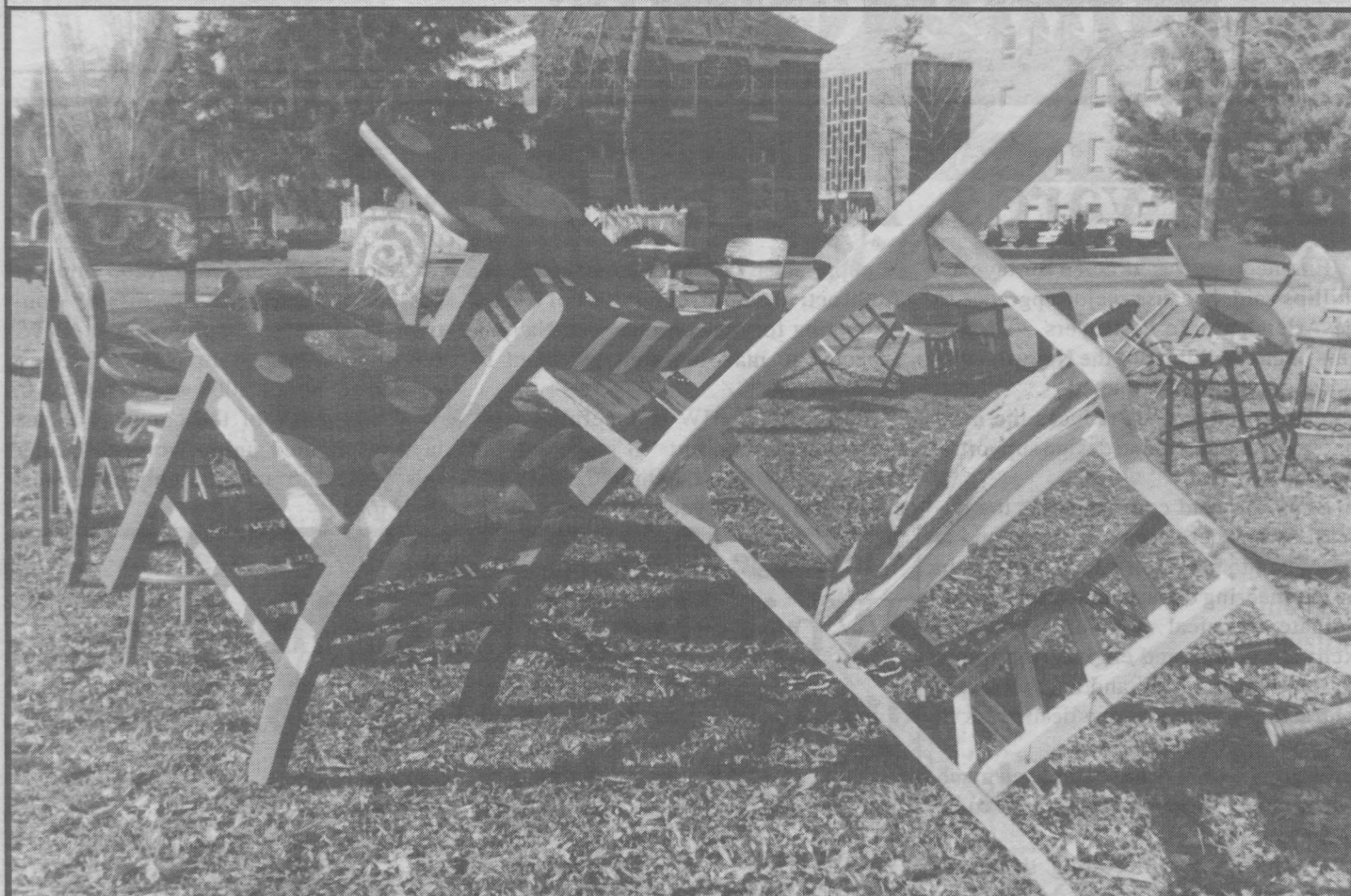
The album begins with Chesnutt playing piano on "Myrtle." The song, is almost an open conversation with his conflicted self. His witty style of writing often comes up with some strange refrains or choruses, or lines that will stick in your head for days.

Chesnutt really has a few gems on this album, which may be some of the best work he has written and performed to date. "Hot Seat,"

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## The Art Mob strikes again



The Art Mob, UMaine's mischievous artisans, place this arrangement of chairs in awkward positions on the mall in front of the library. (Dave Gagne Photo.)

## 'Thinner'

a connection with the audience. He's just plain annoying to watch. And when Billy's character finally degenerates into madness and wreaks revenge against his adulterous wife, Heidi (the wooden Lucinda Jenney), we just plain hate him. There is nothing in the material to indicate she deserved her fate, and there is no macabre delight in Billy's actions.

The only members of the supporting cast worth noting are Mantegna and Constantine. Mantegna finds the right tone for the material. Sure, his character is the typical, cliché Italian mob bad ass, but it adds some entertaining bits, like when he wards off one the gypsies with a jar of acid. Constantine's performance leads me to believe there was once an interesting film here. His character is the most engrossing part of the movie. His lines come off chillingly, like when he tells the pleading Billy, "Get away from here or I put another curse on you. You'll think I

blessed you the first time!"

There are also some convincing makeup effects by Greg Cannom ("Mrs. Doubtfire," "Bram Stoker's Dracula").

The rest of the movie, I'm afraid, is a lot of nonsense. Just look at the scene after Billy hits the old woman. Billy and Heidi are upset for about 30 seconds and then it's on to the next scene. The day after, they are perfectly fine, free of any guilt or worry. Ludicrous.

The ending is my favorite part merely because it tries to come off as apocalyptic and darkly satisfying, but it's just laughable and silly. I haven't laughed this hard in a long time. The ending completely demolishes what little plot structure the film has.

"Thinner" is a bad movie full of lousy characters, ridiculous dialogue (listen for lines like "I'm being erased!") and a lot of scary scenes that simply lead to even less scary and more

pointless scenes. It tries to turn obesity into a grim joke. "Thinner" is like "The Nutty Professor" played straight. Now that's frightening.

Grade: F

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## Crier Correction

The Campus Crier inadvertently printed the wrong name for a seminar scheduled for Monday, Nov. 28.

A seminar titled "Human Settlements and the Plains Environment Since 1900" will be held at noon Monday, Nov. 28 in 204 Nutting Hall. The seminar is co-sponsored by the department of wildlife ecology as part of the Conservation Biology Seminar Series.

## Chesnutt

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a song about, among other things, prescription medications and waking up from a coma, is a very human look at re-emerging into some form of life you thought you lost.

If you like good folk music or like something you may have heard at a coffee shop, I highly recommend this album. I also hope that if you really like this album, check out the four other albums he has out on Texas Hotel Records. Chesnutt has a consistent style of song that is only getting better, and now he has the support he needs to get his music to the masses.

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# State News

## • Downsizing

## Despite military awards, layoffs at BIW continue

BATH (AP) — Nearly 90 jobs in Bath Iron Works' engineering department will be slashed next month in the first round of about 200 layoffs by the end of the year.

Union leaders at the Bath Marine Draftsman Association were notified this week that 79 designers and nine technical clerks would be out of work. Exactly who would lose their job has not been announced. By Monday, however, workers should have an idea who is going.

BIW is "at a point right now where we are really trying to cut costs," shipyard spokeswoman Julie Phillips said. The company is trying to "do the same amount of work with fewer people."

Workers in the engineering department draft ship designs and keep files. They represent about 11 percent of the union's membership and are the latest victims of the company's effort to offset federal budget cuts.

Denny Furrow, union president, declined to comment on the layoffs.

Engineering was targeted for layoffs, Phillips said, because major upgrades to the Arleigh Burke destroyers — which BIW began building for the Navy in 1985 — were recently completed.

"With that done it reduces the need for design engineers and design support," she said.

BIW, the lead contractor for the destroyers, has delivered nine ships and is contracted to build ten more. Workers in the engineering department helped to coordinate technical communication and exchange design and engineering information between BIW and another Navy contractor working on the destroyers in Pascagoula, Miss.

Phillips said BIW has completed much of that work, allowing certain jobs to be eliminated.

Another factor in cutting the engineering department was a delay in an award to build a class of amphibious ships designed to carry troops and deliv-

er supplies. BIW, which currently has 7,800 active employees, is part of a team competing for the contract. The Navy is expected to make an announcement in December.

Phillips said BIW is hopeful of winning the contract, but "it's unclear" if the company would rehire the laid off engineering employees.

About 5,500 of BIW's 7,800 employees are protected from layoffs by contract provisions. Employment at BIW, the state's largest private employer, peaked at about 12,000 workers in 1990.

While many of the company's past layoffs targeted union workers, earlier this year, 225 salaried employees lost their jobs.

## • Teen-age killing

## Whitefield boy charged in fatal shooting of sister

WEST BATH (AP) — At an age when most boys are preoccupied with sports and music videos, a 14-year-old Whitefield youth stands accused of killing his younger sister with a shotgun blast to her head.

In a brief court hearing closed to the public Thursday, a district judge ordered the boy identified by neighbors as Bryn Goodman confined to the Maine Youth Center until a Dec. 9 arraignment.

Goodman is accused of shooting 13-year-old Ciji Goodman as she lay in bed early Wednesday in their mobile home, an hour before they were to be in school. The children's mother and stepfather were at work at the time, police said.

Assistant Attorney General Eric Wright, who spoke to reporters after the hearing, said Judge Joseph Field told him not to say much. Nearby, anguished friends and relatives sobbed as they left the courthouse.

"These things are horribly sad for everybody involved," Wright said.

Prosecutors have 10 days to file a petition charging Goodman, but Wright refused to say what the charge might be. He said no decision has been made on whether to seek to have the youth tried as an adult.

Authorities have refused to comment on

a motive but say the shooting was not accidental.

Goodman's mother and stepfather were allowed to remain in the courtroom during the hearing, but they left without commenting. A row of television cameras lined up outside the building in hopes of catching a glimpse of Goodman aroused the ire of one crying woman, who shouted: "You enjoying this, you enjoying this?"

Dressed in an orange prison uniform with a white towel concealing his face, Goodman was hurriedly escorted in and out of the building by police.

Wright said Bath attorney Christopher Mann was appointed to defend the boy. Mann did not return a telephone message Thursday.

Restricting himself to the sometimes murky language of juvenile law, Wright said police arrested the boy "for an act, which if it had been committed by an adult, it would be considered the crime of murder."

Goodman, carrying a loaded handgun, surrendered to a state trooper shortly after the shooting, authorities said.

The arraignment will be in Wiscasset District Court.

## • Adolescent drinking

## Proposed tax hike on alcohol to fund preventative education

AUGUSTA (AP) — The number of kids using alcohol in Maine is on the rise, and a substance abuse advisory group wants to increase the state's alcohol tax to fund more prevention programs in schools.

The Substance Abuse Services Commission plans to ask the Legislature to approve a 1-cent per ounce tax hike to support prevention programs for children in grades K-12 in the state's public schools.

"I'm concerned our schools are awash in alcohol and drugs," commission chairman Jack Mara said Wednesday. "We have to respond in a serious way with a long-term plan. If we don't we'll be in a sorry state."

The proposed alcohol tax would raise about \$2.5 million, according to estimates by the Office of Substance Abuse. The new tax would be added to a 2-cent per ounce tax instituted in the late 1980s to fund the Office of Substance Abuse and its prevention programs.

Budget cuts at both the state and local level over the past few years have strained the ability of many school systems to deal with substance abuse prevention programs,

said Mara, assistant superintendent in SAD 11. His district was forced to eliminate a guidance counselor and substance abuse counseling position last year even though alcohol abuse is on the rise.

A not-yet released study by University of Maine Professor Dr. Bob Dana found close to 66 percent of the state's high school seniors have experimented with alcohol, while a third get drunk on a weekly basis, Mara said.

"There's some pretty horrific stuff in there," he said, noting he did not want to provide details until the study is released.

Commission members hope to enlist Gov. Angus King's support for their proposal. In the past the governor has opposed tax increases such as this. But aide Kay Rand said he might be open to the alcohol tax if there's no money for such a program anywhere else in the Office of Substance Abuse's budget.

"Their statistics are alarming and their need is pretty convincing," Rand said. "I'm an advocate for having the issue they raised addressed in some fashion."



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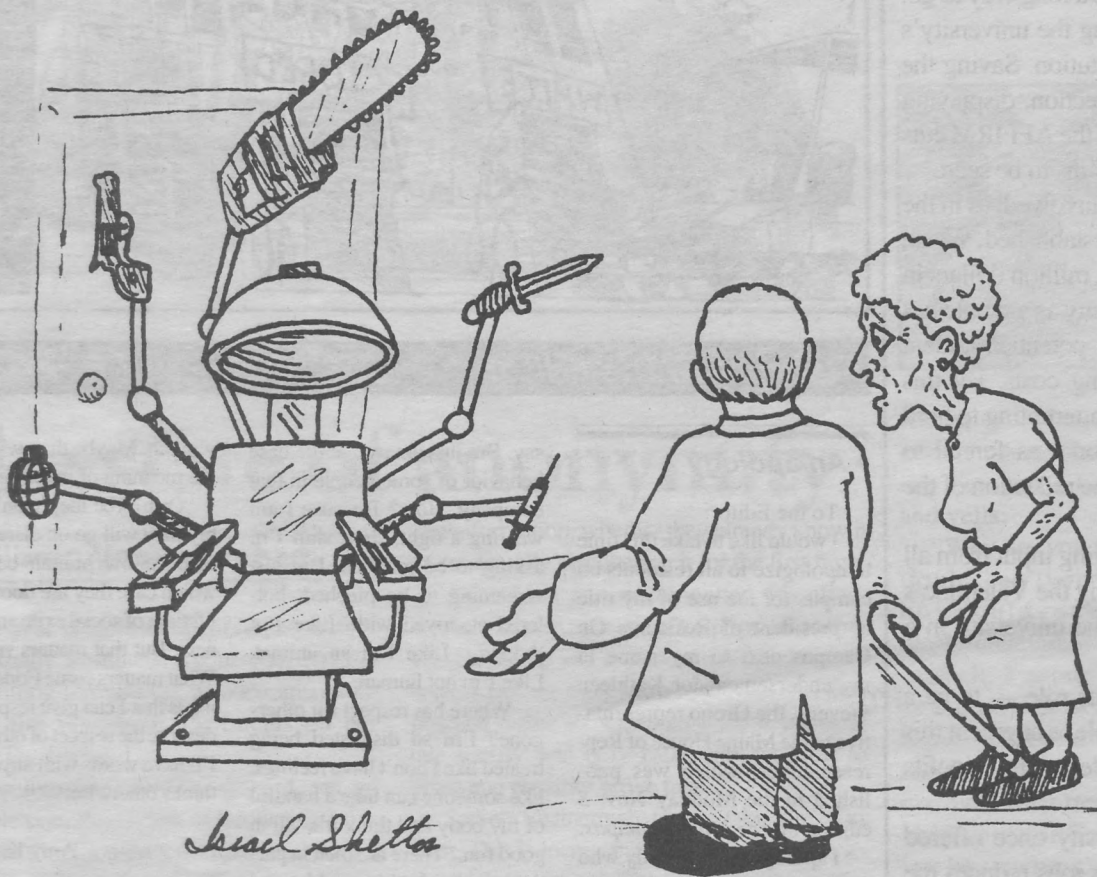
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# Opinion

## Commentaries

### The Right to Doctor-Assisted Suicide



#### Jessica Lee

There is a battle going on out there – a battle between terminally ill people and the government. The battle is for the right to have doctor-assisted suicide available as an option to people who can't bear any more suffering and physical pain.

Jack Kevorkian has been at the forefront of this battle for the last six years. Swinging his sword broadly, Kevorkian continues to strategically defend every individual's right to commit suicide mercifully. Along the way, Kevorkian has attended 45 deaths.

He's been to court many times in relation to these deaths and recently was brought in again, in connection with the suicide of a woman living with multiple sclerosis. This time he's being charged with four counts: assisting a suicide, (a five-year common-law felony), conspiracy to assist suicide and two counts of practicing medicine without authorization.

Kevorkian's cause is controversial, but the issue is bigger than Kevorkian. Even the Clinton administration is getting in on it. The administration announced to the U.S. Supreme Court last Tuesday that it opposes euthanasia, saying that "terminally ill people have no constitutional right to doctor-assisted suicide." President Clinton himself has said he's against euthanasia.

If we begin to allow doctor-assisted suicides, acting Solicitor General Walter Dellinger wrote in a friend-of-the-court brief for the administration, this could lead to "the deaths of many persons who are not (mentally) competent, not terminally ill and not truly ready to die, but who are

steered toward suicide" by doctors, family members or a mistaken diagnosis.

The administration seems to think the people of America can't think for themselves.

The government can't control this personal issue. A single shot to the head is a lot more powerful than the government of this country ever will be.

Kevorkian provides a service to people who are suffering through life – day to day, week to week and year to year. Their quality of life has diminished greatly. Quantity of life, for them, doesn't matter if they can't have quality. They have gotten to a point where they don't want to suffer anymore. All they want is peace – with life, with their family, with themselves. That's why they call Kevorkian.

They have personal consultations with Kevorkian to discuss the methods available. They know what they're getting into. They know who Kevorkian is and all about his reputation. There is a need for this service. Otherwise, Kevorkian wouldn't have gotten the calls in the first place.

Jack Kevorkian is a smart man with strong beliefs. He knows what he can get away with, that's why he has yet to be found guilty of a crime – any crime. He knows the due process clause of the 14th Amendment to the Constitution says, "No state shall make or enforce any law which shall abridge the privileges or immunities of citizens of the United States."

The Supreme Court had better do its homework because this lone soldier isn't going to quit. Not for anything.

(Jessica Lee is a senior journalism student.)

#### Jeff Tuttle

President Clinton's civil libertarian masquerade has plagued progressives long enough. Tuesday's recommendation to the Supreme Court that terminally ill patients have no constitutional right to doctor-assisted suicide has regrettably defined the Clinton administration not only as conservative, but intrusive.

To assume the state has an overriding power to stop mentally competent people from ending their suffering is as arrogant as it is unconstitutional. Citizens of the freest nation in the world should not be at the mercy of that nation's government and have their liberty stripped by its leaders.

Law-abiding people of sound mind must be allowed to control their fate without interference from a righteous and meddling institution. The state has no overriding interest in prolonging the suffering of those who have been condemned to die a slow and painful death.

Justice Department lawyers are currently appealing decisions made by the lower courts in New York and Washington that struck down the reinstatement of laws banning doctors from prescribing life-ending drugs for terminally ill but mentally competent patients wishing to end their lives. If this nation is just, the higher courts will uphold the decision and allow those who wish to die a safe and painless means of doing so.

Coupled with Clinton's reactive and foolish support for capital punishment, this current affront to freedom of the individual has given the government the right to determine whether its citizens live or die. In light of the administration's intrusive stands on issues that affect our very existence, the Supreme Court must expand on its 1990 ruling that recognized a constitutional right to die by allowing terminally ill patients to refuse life-sustaining medical treatment.

The feeble-minded arguments that profess the abuse of doctor-assisted suicide by those who suffer from depression or treatable diseases cannot be seen as valid in a society with the best-trained doctors, who, in consultation with the families of the suffering, are dedicated to the well-being of their patients.

The Clinton administration's moral regression on the issue of doctor-assisted suicide should be scrutinized and criticized by those of a progressive mindset who care enough about the quality of life of the terminally ill. Those who suffer from unbearable pain resulting from illness must be allowed to decide their own fate without interference from an imposing government and a misguided president, who obviously does not feel their pain.

(Jeff Tuttle is a senior journalism major and the editor-in-chief of The Maine Campus.)



# Editorial

## • Editorial

## The next president

President Frederick E. Hutchinson's four years as president of the University of Maine have often been controversial. But, faced with adversity, he managed to clear a route by which UMaine can travel to recovery; the university still has a long way to go.

Hutchinson's damage control has, so far, succeeded in controlling the university's expenses, but at the cost of stifling the potential growth of the institution. Saving the university millions, AFFIRM was a significant step in the right direction, displaying Hutchinson's ability to make tough decisions. Whether the benefits of the AFFIRM cuts in faculty outweigh the students' need for educational flexibility remains to be seen.

Sometimes Hutchinson was too ready to accommodate all parties involved, as in the case of Shawn Walsh and the NCAA violations. The facts have been established; Walsh should have been fired. Walsh's infractions cost the university half a million dollars in legal fees, and the reputation of both UMaine athletics and the university as a whole has no monetary tag. Several dozen faculty members and many more potential student employment positions were eliminated in the interest of controlling costs. By this rationale alone, Walsh should have been among the first to leave. In attempting to hold the middle ground, especially in high profile situations, Hutchinson was forced to amend many of the decisions he thought were necessary, including the reduction of the seven UMaine colleges to five, leaving obstacles to future progress.

Fortunately, Hutchinson was open and candid with students, allowing input from all angles, augmenting his role as a father figure to the university. Leading the Valentine's Day Big Kiss at Alford Arena, Hutchinson showed he cared for the university in a personal way, the students mattered to him.

UMaine should not aspire to an elite status, but it should fulfill its role — to be a center of learning that covers a universal range of topics. It's impossible to augment this atmosphere of learning by eliminating faculty and programs, whatever the benefits toward efficiency and cost will be.

Restoration of the student employment opportunities the university once offered should be a primary goal for the next president. Lack of on-campus jobs reduces the incentive and ability to stay on campus or even attend the university. Students are increasingly being forced to work and live off-campus, damaging the college atmosphere and bloating the school parking lots.

Our next president needs to strengthen UMaine's already growing presence in the Legislature. There should be a liaison who represents the interests of the university and is attentive to the conditions in the Legislature. Without diligent advocacy, the needs of our school will be ignored.

Diversity on the UMaine campus must also be actively cultivated by the new president; UMaine is notorious for its homogeneous student body. Status quo at our school may represent much of the state, but successful attraction of more students from around the country and from a variety of cultural backgrounds will measurably enhance student education. A university education is composed not just of the classroom experience but also of the interaction of students with a wide range of perspectives. A student who cannot relate to the school and to other members of the school is a student who has been neglected.

To achieve these long-term goals, the new president must pursue an agenda that, first and foremost, will benefit the student, such as support of student-run organizations. Financial constraints must still be addressed, but if students and their ambitions are placed first, future crises will be minimized, if not avoided altogether.

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## • Letters to the Editor

### • An apology

To the Editor:

I would like to take this time to apologize to all residents on campus for the use of my title as president of Residents On Campus next to my name in my endorsement for Kathleen Stevens, the Orono representative to the Maine House of Representatives, which was published in the Monday Nov. 5 edition of *The Maine Campus*.

I apologize to anybody who felt I was representing the opinion of the residents on campus, that was not my intention. My intention was to support Kathleen Stevens as a voter in her district.

Jennifer Nelson  
President  
Residents On Campus

### • Banner missing

To the Editor:

The Department of Athletics loaned a large University of Maine Black Bear banner for first lady Hillary Rodham Clinton's rally on Oct. 26. The banner is missing. If you have seen the banner, please have it returned to the Memorial Gym as soon as possible, as it used for many home athletic events. Thank you.

Jeremy Potter,  
College Democrats;  
Rick Kochis,  
UMaine-UVote;  
and Jim Dyer,  
Department of Athletics

### • Hey, hands off!

To the Editor:

I don't know what to make of men anymore. And I know it's the crowd I travel with. And the company I keep. And the places I frequent. I am "concerned, not surprised" nonetheless.

I frequent Geddy's. I arrive and leave with my girlfriends. I wear the tight, short shirts and hop on the speaker on occasion. I'm a glutton to be noticed, I suppose. At least it looks that way to some. To many, I could

say. I'm just amazed at the base behavior of some people in that company. How? Because I am wearing a tight, short shirt I'm asking to be grabbed. I'm just screaming to be pinched, holstered at, toyed with. Like I'm property. Like I'm an animal. Like I'm not human.

Where has respect for others gone? I'm so disgusted being treated like I don't have feelings, like someone can take a handful of my body and think it's "all in good fun." There are men in particular who do this weekly, and every week I stand up to them. I don't think they listen to what I say because I feel like I'm just an animal to them. I don't count because I'm only there for them to play with. So if I have to repeat myself next week, so be it. The message will be the same: "People like you do not deserve my company."

Where do these guys get off thinking they can treat women like this? What do mothers teach their sons about respect? And how would some men feel if their sisters were treated the way they treat women?

It doesn't matter what people wear, how they dance or how they talk. It matters as much as the opinion of the ignorant. Respect begins within, and it radiates to the surface. Self-respect is self-enforcing, self-proliferating. It's like a disease... it's contagious. After one works to respect themselves, it's difficult to be disrespected and not take issue with it. Self-respect is incredibly sexy. It's more attractive than any scantily-clad female at the bar.

It's really sad. Many women I know don't believe they deserve better. I decided long ago that I do. I keep believing there are good men out there. There has to be. Society builds upon itself, so it just can't stop at Geddy's Thirsty Thursday. Maybe it will stop when the boys become men and respect women for the treasures they are. They will learn how to hold a woman without grabbing at her, learn to talk to her without feeding her lies and empty promises. They will notice her for what matters: the inner mystery that makes her a beautiful

woman. Maybe they will realize the meaning of inner beauty.

Or maybe they won't. Possibly they will go on disrespecting their fellow human beings, in which case they are doomed to a lifetime of social exile and loneliness. But that matters very little. What matters come Friday morning is that I can give respect and I deserve the respect of others. And I'll have words with anyone who thinks otherwise.

Amy K. Sczerba  
Orono

### • Serious segregation

To the Editor:

We live in a society where segregation is rampant. As unfortunate as this may be, it is true. It boggles my mind, however, that Warren Carstensen III can take issue with not being allowed to purchase an alcoholic beverage at the Bear's Den because he has an out-of-state license. A 25-minute jaunt to Bangor and a \$5 expenditure for a Maine ID, which is merely a precaution that attempts to prevent the use of false identification, does not constitute segregation. Segregation is some of our nation's country clubs not permitting membership by African-Americans.

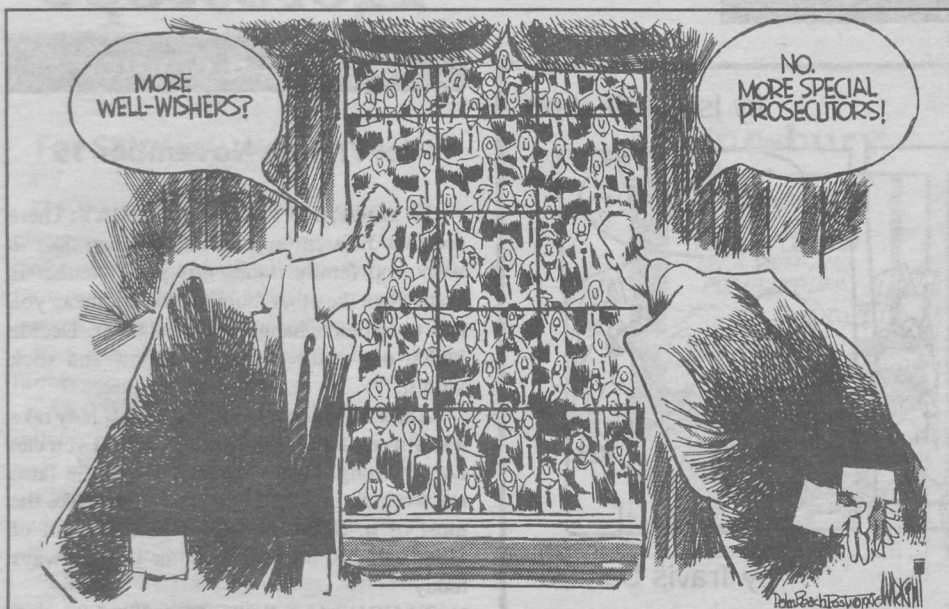
Mr. Carstensen's heart is definitely in the right place. Segregation is a serious matter, but so is underage drinking. Across the country, 86 percent of students at large universities drink. At the University of Maine, 79 percent of students drink. The university's policies on identification are not segregation but rather awareness. The university should be applauded, not denounced, for its efforts to prevent unlawful drinking.

Mr. Carstensen, next time you buy a drink or are refused one, think about those who deal with true segregation, but also think about the 18-year-old with the fake New Jersey ID who was turned down because he didn't have a Maine ID.

Robert Creutz  
Orono



## OpEd



## • Column

## The state of anonymity

Gibran Vogue Graham

A 28-year-old University of Maine student was sexually assaulted Wednesday evening while cutting through the wooded area adjacent to the Washburn apartments on her way to Thriftway.

An unfortunate incident, granted, yet an avoidable one. Regardless of the fact that this area hasn't had a reported aggravated sexual assault for at least five years, walking alone through the woods after dark (it's dark by 4 p.m. now, kids.) is not a smart move.

Everyone may feel safe around here, but "here" is still a part of the crazy world in which we live. Turn on the 6 o'clock news and see how safe victims of a multitude of crimes (commonly committed by a rising number of adolescent felons) now feel in their safe, brave new world that is the state of Maine. This "couldn't happen to me" attitude has got to stop. Maine isn't exempt from the pervasive cacophony of crimes and misdemeanors that plague the rest of the country and the world.

Society and its messengers attempt to take care of and protect its own, yet these warnings are shown to be unheeded when such an incident occurs. Unfortunately, society is made up of its constituents who throw their own cautions to the wind and stride directly into potentially dangerous situations.

Risks are there to challenge ourselves and are not to prove conceivably fatal. There are no signs posted warning "Pass at your own risk," yet there should be an alarm blaring inside our heads to not walk through the woods alone at night.

Every week someone has an answer to society's maladies — prison reform, social services, school programs — none of which do any good if we do not act in a responsible manner for ourselves. Yes, someone has done a horrible thing and they should pay for it, but, as harsh as it sounds, the victim has also paid a price and, along with the rest of us, must learn not to let it happen again.

In the weeks to come, I'm sure we'll see a variety of programs pop up, offering information on rape prevention and sexual crimes. If on the ball, the university will have a program on date rape. First of all, none of these programs will do any good unless attended. And second, most of the information from these events is already known and will prove to be redundant to those who do attend such events. What needs to happen is for everyone to use

that information, whether they already know it or are actually discovering it for the first time.

Although a person committed this offensive act, sexual assault isn't a physical enemy we can punish and imprison, it is a sickness in society that we must learn to prevent and then practice doing so. Continued carelessness in our society will only cause that sickness to grow and possibly prove fatal.

Society instinctively tries to take care of its own. This is increasingly difficult when a victim wishes to remain anonymous to the media. There is no such thing as an anonymous victim, no unknown soldier of sexual assault.

Remaining anonymous denies the release of information that may prove useful in apprehending the violator of the victim's pursuit of happiness, the same pursuit of happiness this country emblazons itself on providing.

The pros of victims rights may be the protection from exploitation by the media and various others, but when that name and face may be used to bring the felon to justice the victim is possibly aiding the felon's escape from authorities.

The other important con to victims rights is the denial to play their role in a society that must learn from and nurture itself. How can we comfort an anonymous victim back into their life and interrupted pursuit of happiness? How can an anonymous victim begin to learn how to accept and cope with what has happened to them and not be paranoid of every stranger walking by?

By denying society's need to evolve into something greater than it is, we leave ourselves continually in a position to be exploited in the way that victim's rights are designed to prevent.

Very few of us haven't viewed others' victimized positions as entertainment. TV ratings call for an increasing number of programs narrating true crime stories. Couch potatoes enjoy them so much they begin to forget they're laughing at the result of another's unfortunate plight.

Until we realize these tragic events happen to ourselves and not just the boy or girl next door, we will not be able to prevent those events and the exploitation thereof.

Careless disregard to ourselves, others and the seriousness of such situations further breaks down our society, a society we all must strive to protect if we expect it to protect us and make us feel safe.

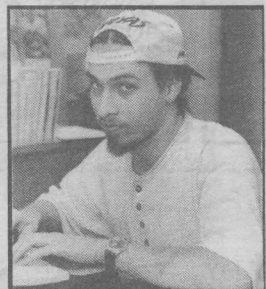
(Gibran Vogue Graham is the opinion editor of The Maine Campus.)

## • The Other Side

## The last last word

*"If the things I said made everyone happy ... well, why the hell would I need to say them?"*

— Herb Lock



Scott Labby

As much as I hate to re-animate this particular corpse ...

So I'm walking down the hall, minding my own business.

All of a sudden, I'm accosted by some middle-age syphilitic, who strides up to me, gets just a bit too close to my face, and yells:

"Why are you trying to cause so much trouble can't you do anything but criticize how could you guys print that horrible Nason column you asshole should be ..."

Well, I appreciate feedback as much as the next person, and I am more than happy to debate someone, but the only response that I could muster was one that involved an offer to permanently close his favorite orifice with one of my boots, lest he step back. He muttered something and stormed off. All of this happened in about 35 seconds.

I'm a little concerned that the most common response I've heard in regard to the Nason column is that the paper should not have printed it. I'm slightly more concerned that some people seem obsessed with beating him up. I mean, had he personally harassed an older person in one of his classes, I wouldn't be offended by someone giving him a shot in the kidneys. But drawing blood over an opinion piece? Personally, I thought his column was a silly little hairball coughed up by someone whose best hope in journalism probably involves delivering newspapers. However, this does not make it proper to ban him from the newspaper, or acceptable to threaten him with violence. Or does it?

Reacting to a difference of opinion by demanding removal of the offensive attitude is ridiculous at best and dangerous at worst. The horror of political correctness is not its potential to codify our speech or make us hopeless slaves to propriety. The real threat of correctness is its implication that we can get rid of hateful thoughts and actions by pretending they don't exist, a strategy that includes banning offensive words.

What would have happened if the paper hadn't allowed Nason to speak? Well, though it may be true that the history of *The Maine Campus* would contain 600 fewer words of stupidity, a positive result would have been lost as well. Nason's column made people react. They wrote letters! They spoke out! Sweet

Jesus! On an apathetic campus where the most exciting daily event is finding out the menu at the Damn Yankee, people fought back.

Perhaps the column should have been pulled. The best reason for doing so, however, would have related to either the quality of the writing or the irrelevance of the issue. Crucifying the newspaper for running a column simply because it is controversial runs counter to the essential reason that opinion pages exist: to provide an open forum in which to share diverse (and occasionally unconventional) ideas. There are but a precious few places in the media where you can make yourself heard, and the op-ed page is one of them.

Would I be enraged if some racist half-wit wrote a column attacking African-Americans? Of course. But as long as it was reasonably lucid and had the name of the author attached, I wouldn't ask for a retraction. You can assume, however, that I would make it a priority to write a vicious response. So would many others. There is a simple beauty in the free exchange of ideas that seems to escape the censors among us.

Virtually every time I hear a complaint about editorials and columns, it is something phrased in the hysterical negative. (*They shouldn't print that! You can't say that! Stop writing those things!*) All of these, to put it kindly, amount to a small truckload of rotting fecal matter. Whatever happened to debating content?

One of the best comments I've received came from a female professor in regard to a column on jury nullification. She told me: "Nice column. But you're 100 percent wrong." She proceeded to tell me why, I disagreed, we went to get coffee. No bloodshed. The opposite strategy is well-represented by an anonymous piece of hate mail I received, which implored: "Shut up Scott Labby!" Uh, yeah. What eloquence.

Some individuals write to the paper with the intent of debating the value of ideas. We salute these revolutionaries and encourage them to mate with others of their kind. If I, or anyone else, write a column that offends you, pokes fun at your beliefs, or challenges your assumptions, by all means open fire. Debate us, call us names, question our ancestry. Try to avoid accusing us of felonies, try not to incite violence, and no hostages.

Including the First Amendment.

(Scott Labby is a senior history major and a regular columnist of The Maine Campus.)

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# Entertainment

## Your Daily Horoscope

By Sally Brompton

For Friday, November 15

**IF YOUR BIRTHDAY IS TODAY:** There are two different approaches you can take to work and family issues this year. Neither is better than the other, but that doesn't mean you can chop and change between them. Decide which one you're going to follow and stick with it.

**ARIES (March 21 - April 19):** It may take a few days until it finally sinks in that you can do no wrong. Once you realize that the fates are working in your favor, you must make the most of it. Someone with a radical point of view will inspire you to think in new ways today.

**TAURUS (April 20 - May 20):** Let go of your preconceived notions. Think the unthinkable, and you'll find it isn't as ridiculous as you once believed. Career and financial matters, in particular, will benefit from a fresh injection of ideas.

**GEMINI (May 21 - June 20):** Planetary activity indicates you should be able to achieve the perfect blend between past and present. Don't be sentimental about what you have to leave behind. You know that something many times better will soon be along to take its place.

**CANCER (June 21 - July 22):** It's off with the old and on with the new today. If the new fails to make a suitable impression, swap that for something else as well. There's no limit to what you can achieve. If you can imagine it, you can do it.

**LEO (July 23 - Aug. 22):** Everything will make sense today. Everything will fall into place whether you were expecting it to or not. There's a pattern to your life that can only be glimpsed in moments of heightened awareness. There will be several such moments today.

**VIRGO (Aug. 23 - Sept. 22):** You're a brilliant analyst. You have a talent for seeing where things have gone wrong and suggesting ways they might be put right again. As long as you don't try to force your ideas down others' throats you'll be extremely popular with those who come to you for advice today.

**LIBRA (Sept. 23 - Oct. 22):** Don't be afraid to say something that partners or loved ones are unlikely to enjoy. Chances are they have been expecting it for quite some time. Honesty, both in practical matters and affairs of the heart, is essential if you are to resolve an issue that is central to your happiness.

**SCORPIO (Oct. 23 - Nov. 21):** There must be no half-measures today. If you've decided on a certain course of action, stick to it come what may. Friends and family may think you've taken leave of your senses, but you know better.

**SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22 - Dec. 21):** A brilliant idea might as well be a bad idea unless you find ways to make it work in your favor. Fortunately, today you should have no difficulty making your ideas pay. Just make sure the benefits come directly to you.

**CAPRICORN (Dec. 22 - Jan. 19):** Planetary influences mean you no longer have to worry about what a loved one is up to. It may be that you were right to be anxious but wrong to let your anxieties grow to giant proportions. There's a reason for everything if you know where to look.

**AQUARIUS (Jan. 20 - Feb. 18):** You may be convinced that your latest idea is the best thing since sliced bread, but not everyone is prepared to accept what you say without question. Don't take it personally if friends or colleagues seem somewhat critical today. Perhaps they have seen something you missed?

**PISCES (Feb. 19 - March 20):** You know what you would like to do, but you doubt whether you have either the confidence or the financial resources to see it through. Maybe you don't at the moment, but your circumstances should change on the 22nd. Bide your time, and your time will come.

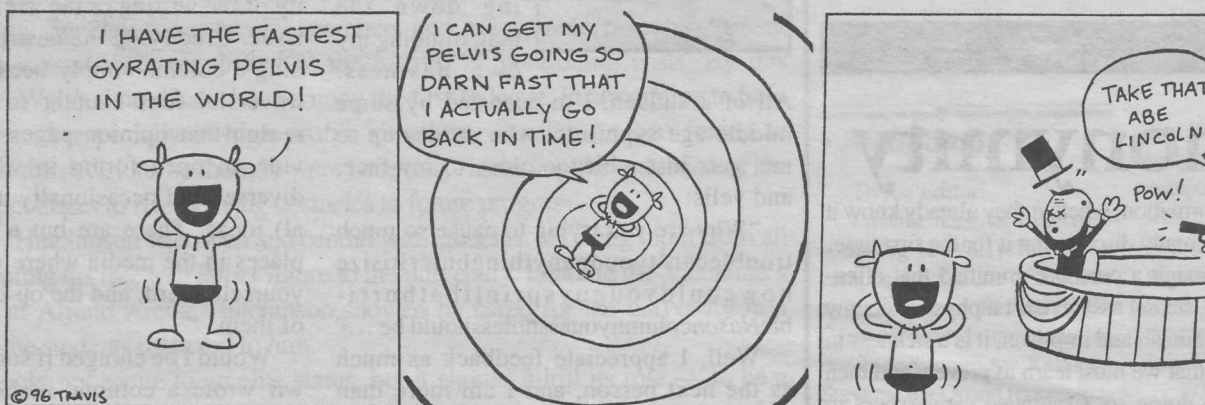
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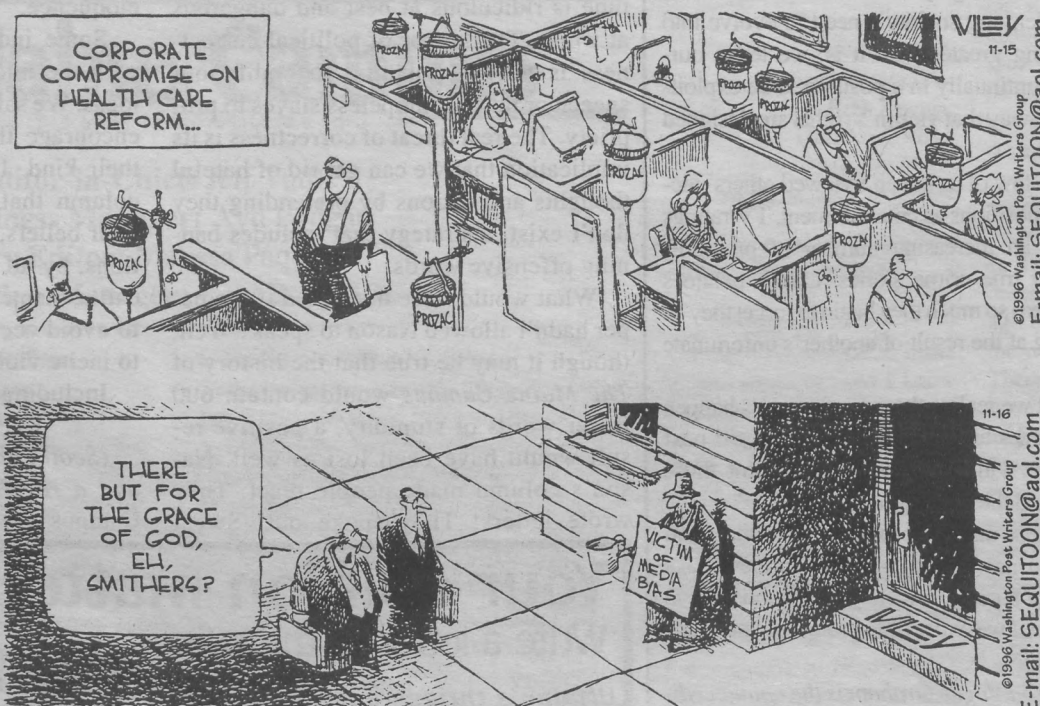
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# Your Daily Horoscope

By Sally Brompton

For Saturday, November 16

**IF YOUR BIRTHDAY IS TODAY:** With planetary activity in that angle of your chart that governs your material security, you must find ways to boost your income or reduce the amount you spend. A bit of imagination will go a long way this year — your money will go further too.

**ARIES (March 21 - April 19):** Planetary influences suggest that today you may feel that your philosophy of life isn't as profound as it ought to be. On the contrary, the simpler the questions you ask, the simpler the answers you get and the easier your life will be.

**TAURUS (April 20 - May 20):** You can hide the truth from others, but you can't hide the truth from yourself. There's a way you can make your life more secure, but first you must be honest about your motives. Don't feel bad about being selfish — you have a duty to take care of yourself.

**GEMINI (May 21 - June 20):** You may think you can tell what's going on in someone's mind, but do you know them as well as you think you do? Prepare yourself for a surprise today. Whether or not it's a pleasant surprise will depend on how much you've taken for granted.

**CANCER (June 21 - July 22):** You've made so many false starts in recent months you're probably wondering if you'll ever get your act together and make a proper one. Make yourself a promise today, a promise that you will knuckle down and get something done.

**LEO (July 23 - Aug. 22):** Have you ever tried to predict the future? Perhaps you should now that there are so many positive aspects working in your favor. Let your imagination roam where it will. You'll be amazed by what you discover.

**VIRGO (Aug. 23 - Sept. 22):** Aspects indicate that something dramatic is about to happen. It may not happen to you directly, but it will undoubtedly influence the way you look at the world. It will also answer a question that has been nagging away at your subconscious for ages.

**LIBRA (Sept. 23 - Oct. 22):** If your instincts tell you to say or do something out of the ordinary then do and worry about the consequences later. Travel and social plans made on the spur of the moment will work out better than you expected.

**SCORPIO (Oct. 23 - Nov. 21):** "Risk all to gain all" should be your motto today although, if you have done your homework thoroughly, it won't be that big a risk at all. An opportunity to boost your bank balance must be accepted immediately. Who knows when this good a chance will come round again?

**SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22 - Dec. 21):** Don't go back on what you've already decided. It's better to be thought of as ruthless than as someone who can be easily manipulated. If a decision was right a month ago, it's still right today. Stick to it and let others change their plans to fit in with your own.

**CAPRICORN (Dec. 22 - Jan. 19):** Listen to what your instincts are trying to tell you — especially about yourself. If you want to make a success of your life then you must first know who and what you really are. Only then will you know what your true aims should be.

**AQUARIUS (Jan. 20 - Feb. 18):** The typical Aquarian has extremely high standards and is often disappointed to find that friends and loved ones don't live up to them. But who said it's your job to set standards for other people? If you care about them that much, you'll help them to find standards of their own.

**PISCES (Feb. 19 - March 20):** If you haven't made your move already then you must make it this weekend. The working week may be over, but there are still a number of ways you can boost your reputation. Make sure those in positions of authority know you're willing to take on more responsibility.

# Entertainment

## Doonesbury



BY GARRY TRUDEAU



## Doonesbury



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## New York Times Daily Crossword No. 0826

### ACROSS

- 1 Shut noisily
- 5 Trouser parts
- 9 Iridium, e.g.
- 14 Sound of contentment
- 15 Cleveland's lake
- 16 Playing marble
- 17 Sale stipulation
- 18 Bumbling Carol Burnett role
- 20 Prefix with meter
- 22 Cumberland R. locale
- 23 Real estate unit
- 24 Sty sound
- 26 Pharmacist's weight
- 28 Nitwit
- 32 Sign up

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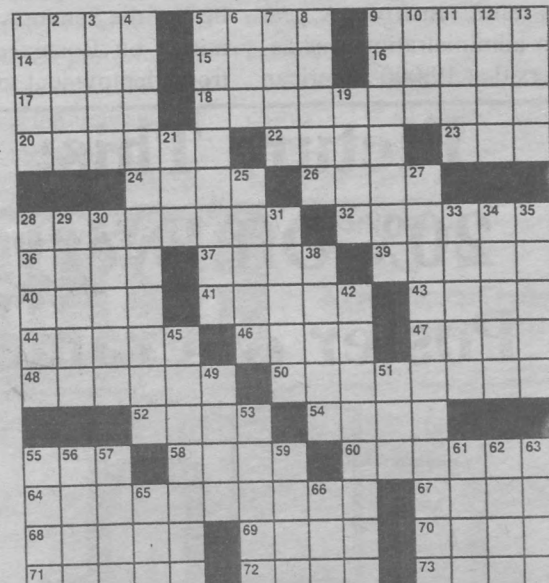
- 36 Opposer
- 37 Trounce
- 39 Edition
- 40 W.W. II gun
- 41 Downy duck
- 43 It grows from the neck
- 44 Bedevil
- 46 Neighbor of Belg.
- 47 Lab culture
- 48 National Guard building
- 50 Three Rivers Stadium team
- 52 Lack
- 54 1169 eruptor
- 55 Clean air grp.
- 58 Stallion's mate
- 60 Fish hawk
- 64 Greer Garson Oscar-winning role

### DOWN

- 1 Quarrel
- 2 Verdant
- 3 Indy 500's Luyendyk
- 4 Simon & Garfunkel hit
- 5 Picnic quaff
- 6 Bungle
- 7 Essence
- 8 Made clothes
- 9 1955 Oscar actress
- 10 Kind of salad
- 11 Head's opposite
- 12 — time (never)
- 13 " — we forget"
- 19 Regarding
- 21 Russian space station
- 25 Popular Japanese beer
- 27 "Allegory on the banks of the Nile" speaker
- 28 Linguine, e.g.
- 29 Reply to a knock
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Puzzle by Gregory E. Paul

- 31 Matisse subjects
- 33 Lake of the Ozarks' river
- 34 Kind of eclipse
- 35 Lechers' looks
- 38 Singer Midler
- 42 Empty talk
- 45 Loner
- 49 Give birth, as a sheep
- 51 U.S.N.A. grad
- 53 Beverly Hills' Rodeo —
- 55 Madame Bovary
- 56 Partner of cons
- 57 Italian wine center
- 59 Daredevil Knievel
- 61 Autumn tool
- 62 French 101 verb
- 63 Vintage
- 65 Club —
- 66 Okla.-to-Ky. direction

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# National News

## • Foreign mission

### Extended U.S. actions in Bosnia elicit GOP concerns

WASHINGTON (AP) — The U.S. troop deployment in Bosnia, originally set to end in December, is expected now to stretch well into 1998 and involve up to 10,000 Army soldiers, NATO's top official said Thursday.

The entire mission would involve 30,000 troops from 30 countries, including the United States, NATO Secretary General Javier Solana told reporters.

"I had conversations with the (NATO) foreign ministers," Solana said. "I would say that all of them ... are moving toward Option C," the option among four being considered that would keep troops in the former Yugoslav republic. In Washington, Solana met privately with Vice President Al Gore.

Apparently caught off guard, White House press secretary Mike McCurry and State Department spokesman Glyn Davies told reporters that Gore made clear to Solana that President Clinton had not signed off on the troop commitment.

McCurry added that the administration is anxious not to squander gains made in Bosnia and noted that Gore "did share some of that thinking" with Solana.

Speaking anonymously, administration officials confirmed Solana's description of the primary plan under consideration.

These officials said Clinton was to approve the extended troop commitment as early as Thursday night.

The issue is quite sensitive. A year ago the Clinton administration was assuring lawmakers that 19,000 American

soldiers in Bosnia with a 60,000-member NATO peacekeeping mission would be home by December. The U.S. force, now about 14,000, is scheduled to leave by mid-March.

Renewed fighting in Bosnia this week has heightened worries over the possible departure of NATO peacekeepers. Top advisers to the president — particularly diplomat Richard Holbrooke, who negotiated the Bosnia peace agreement in 1995 — vigorously urged Clinton to continue a U.S. presence to avoid resuming the vicious 3 1/2-year ethnic war that Holbrooke's agreement halted.

"That may require some type of presence in Bosnia," McCurry said. "We've said that all along. It was never very likely that they were going to just pull up stakes and go home. We needed to preserve the gains that have been made."

Republican lawmakers have bitterly criticized the administration over Bosnia.

"After spending the better part of the year evading the question, the Clinton administration appears ready to finally own up to the fact that it was never serious about its commitment to limit U.S. involvement in Bosnia to one year," said Rep. Floyd Spence, R-S.C., chairman of the House National Security Committee.

Defense Secretary William Perry and his top deputy, John White, rushed to Capitol Hill on Thursday to brief members of the Senate Armed Services Committee on Bosnia and a pending U.S. troop deployment to Zaire.

"I remain deeply concerned about the increasing use of U.S. troops for 'policing' operations throughout the world, as well as the costs associated with such operations," Sen. Strom Thurmond, R-S.C., the Armed Services chairman, said after the meeting.

A congressional staffer speaking on condition of anonymity said the ground-troop option in Bosnia involved 8,000 to 10,000 Army troops joining in the international effort. The mission would extend from mid-March for perhaps as much as another year. The U.S. troop level would gradually decline during that time.

Clinton has considered four options:

- Pull out of Bosnia by March 15.
- Organize a "deterrence" mission involving the threat of NATO air power if hostilities resume, with a rapid-reaction force stationed in Hungary.

- Maintain a continued troop presence in Bosnia, which the administration appears to have accepted.

- Continue the current peace Implementation Force, or IFOR.

Perry indicated early on that continuing IFOR was not a viable option. NATO allies pressed the administration to support a continued U.S. troop presence.

A senior military official, speaking on condition of anonymity, said one option involves keeping elements of the 1st Infantry Division, under the command of Army Maj. Gen. Montgomery Meigs, in Bosnia beyond mid-March. That force is now in Bosnia providing cover as the main body of U.S. troops withdraws.

Retired Army Col. Kenneth Allard, who completed his military career on an information-gathering tour of Bosnia, said much more remains to be done in Bosnia.

"We're coming very quickly to the acid test," Allard said. "The 1st Infantry Division under Gen. Meigs will have by far the toughest part of this mission."

In addition to lingering ethnic hatreds in the Balkans, Allard said the "temporary" zone of separation between the warring factions "has become a de facto international boundary. It screams out to be fixed."

## • Russia protest

### U.S. drops espionage charges against former KGB agent

WASHINGTON (AP) — Faced with Russian threats of retaliation, the United States dropped spying charges today against a former KGB agent, because the CIA and State Department decided prosecution was not in the national interest.

A unsigned, three-paragraph Justice Department statement said the CIA had changed its mind about proceeding with the case against Vladimir Galkin.

The CIA was advised in advance of the Oct. 29 arrest of Galkin and raised concerns but no objections, the Justice statement said. Galkin was accused of attempted espionage and conspiracy to obtain for Russia information on the U.S. "Star Wars" defense program.

"In retrospect, and after further consultations within the government, the CIA has concluded, and the State Department has concurred, that the national interest would best be served by dismissing the charges," the Justice statement said. Justice officials accepted this recommendation.

Two Justice Department officials, requesting anonymity, said CIA Director John Deutch argued strongly for dismissal out of concern that Russia might retaliate against U.S. agents there.

Russia has issued several public protests and a threat of retaliation since Galkin's arrest by the FBI at New York's Kennedy International Airport.

The charges were dropped when Galkin appeared today in federal court in Worcester, Mass.

Galkin, shackled in handcuffs when he appeared for the hearing, wore a mustard-

colored shirt and matching pants. Court attendants removed the handcuffs before the prosecutor announced the government's decision to dismiss the charges.

Some Justice and FBI officials were upset over the decision to drop the case, the two officials said.

As recently as Monday, Russia's Foreign Intelligence Service accused the United States of breaking the "unwritten rules" of espionage by giving a former spy a visa, then arresting him when he arrived.

Justice Department officials, speaking on condition of anonymity, said they were unaware of any such unwritten rules or agreement.

Russian officials insist that Galkin was entrapped because the United States knew his espionage background when it gave him the entry visa.

"The Americans breached the unwritten rules of the game and the code of behavior of the world's espionage services," Tatyana Samolis, a spokeswoman for the Foreign Intelligence Service, told the Interfax news agency. "Such things didn't happen even in the worst Cold War times."

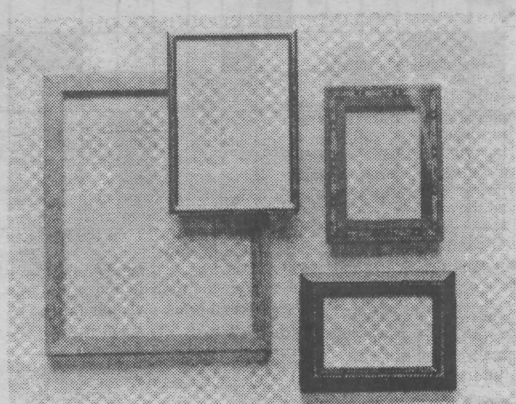
Russia is ready to retaliate against current and former American intelligence agents, Samolis said.

There was no immediate official reaction today in Moscow. But a duty officer at the Russian Foreign Ministry called it good news.

"I hope it won't affect relations between our two countries," said the officer, who

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## • Suffocation

# Chemical cycle disruption led to failure of Biosphere 2

WASHINGTON (AP) — Biosphere 2, the costly experiment in creating a closed, self-sustaining ecosystem in Arizona, failed because the concrete walls ate up oxygen and left humans inside with barely enough to breathe.

What was supposed to be a glass-enclosed copy of a pristine and smoothly functioning Earth evolved into a place choked with carbon dioxide and nitrogen, replete with uncontrollable weedy vines. Cockroaches, ants and katydids thrived.

"It was the boldest attempt ever" to cre-

ate a closed ecosystem, said David Tilman, a University of Minnesota scientist, but it failed miserably. "This suggests that there are areas of nature that are sufficiently great mysteries that we don't know how to manage them or make them better."

"This is very humbling," he said.

Tilman and Joel E. Cohen of Rockefeller University and Columbia University in New York, wrote an analysis of the Biosphere 2 experiment for the journal *Science*, to be published Friday.

Biosphere 2, built in Oracle, Ariz., at a

cost of \$200 million, was designed to contain all of the soil, water, air, animals and plants. It was to be a self-contained living system capable of supporting eight humans without help from the outside.

The 139,935-square-foot facility had miniature forests, lakes, streams and an ocean that imitated the natural systems sustaining the Earth.

Eight people were sealed into the Biosphere in September, 1991, expecting to be isolated for two years and to raise their own food, breathe air recirculated by plants living with them and drink water cleaned by natural processes.

But in less than 18 months, it was clear the system was terribly out of balance, said Tilman. Oxygen concentration dropped from 21 percent to 14 percent, about the same level present at 17,500 feet and barely enough to keep the crew functioning.

It was learned later, said Tilman, that the humans were being suffocated by the Biosphere's cement walls.

"To grow food, they put in very rich soils, which contained a great amount of organic material that bacteria consumed," said Tilman. "The bacteria used a lot of oxygen, dropping the oxygen levels. The bacteria released carbon dioxide, which became chemically bound up in the cement. That broke the cycle."

With the carbon dioxide molecules trapped, the Biosphere's plants were unable to remove the molecules' carbon atoms and release their oxygen atoms for the projects' humans and other animals to breathe. This led eventually to the oxygen shortage.

To enable the eight crew members to complete their stay, the Biosphere was opened and oxygen pumped in. The crew remained for the project's full two years and emerged relatively healthy despite the problems that continued to the end. The project also was marred by disputes among the crew and with sponsors over pay and other matters.

Of the Biosphere's 25 small-animal spe-

cies, 19 became extinct.

All the insects that pollinate plants also died, so plants that counted on the pollinators could not reproduce.

"The plants in there are sort of a living dead," said Tilman. "As soon as they die, they will not be naturally replaced."

Nitrous oxide levels in the air rose to 79 parts per million, a level that disrupts the synthesis of B12, a vitamin essential to brain function.

Trees and most food plants struggled, but weedy vines, particularly morning glories, flourished in the carbon dioxide-rich atmosphere.

"The vines turned into a major problem," said Tilman. The vines overgrew other plants, choking out food crops. Since the Biosphere had no herbicides, the humans had to do weeding by hand.

"They spent hours and hours just pulling the vines, trying to control them," said Tilman.

Nutrients leached from soil polluted the water systems. The water had to be cleaned by running it over mats of algae. The mats then had to be removed, dried and stored.

The eight people living in the Biosphere, said the authors, "had to make enormous, often heroic, personal efforts to maintain ecosystem services that most people take for granted."

But even this was not enough.

"The majority of the introduced insects went extinct, leaving crazy ants running everywhere, together with scattered cockroaches and katydids," the authors wrote.

"There are lessons from this that are important for society," said Tilman. The Biosphere experience, he said, showed that if humans continue to destroy the natural systems that sustain the Earth, there will be no way to engineer solutions because "we don't know how."

Since the initial failure, Biosphere's use has changed. The structure has been cleaned and modified, Tilman said, and Columbia University will use it as an environmental laboratory.

## • Brain disorder

# Cause of Parkinson's traced to flawed gene

WASHINGTON (AP) — Researchers say they have found the first laboratory evidence that a flawed gene is linked to Parkinson's disease, a progressive brain disorder that affects a half-million Americans.

A mutation was found in an area of chromosome 4 by analyzing DNA from members of a Italian family that has had Parkinson's appear in generations going back to the 1700s, according to Dr. Mihail H. Polymeropoulos of the National Institutes of Health.

"The etiology (cause) of Parkinson's has been long debated — whether it is genetic or environmental," Polymeropoulos said in an interview. "This is the first evidence that a genetic factor can, in fact, be the cause."

Polymeropoulos is lead author of a study to be published Friday in the journal *Science*. The co-authors include other researchers from NIH, the University of Medicine and Dentistry of New Jersey-Robert Wood Johnson Medical School in New Brunswick, N.J., and the Institute of Neurological Science in Naples, Italy.

Finding the area of a chromosome where the genetic flaw exists, said Polymeropoulos, does not isolate a specific Parkinson's gene, but it narrows the search from the 3.3 million base pairs that make up all of the human genes to about 6 million base pairs.

Once the gene is located, it may then be possible to find the protein made by

the gene and then to develop a drug to treat Parkinson's.

Parkinson's involves a progressive degeneration of the brain. Symptoms include tremors that led 19th century physicians to call it the "shaking palsy." The disorder also causes rigid muscles, a slow, shuffling gait and a characteristic stoop. It can cause a general weakening of organ systems that can hasten death. About 50,000 Americans annually are diagnosed with Parkinson's and more than a half-million are currently affected.

The disease is treated with a drug that causes the body to make dopamine, a brain chemical. However, the drug has only a limited effect.

To localize a gene related to Parkinson's, researchers got specimens from members of a family that can trace itself back to a common ancestor who had Parkinson's in the 18th century. The ancestor lived in Cantursi, an Italian village near Salerno.

There are now more than 500 members of the family, said Polymeropoulos, with branches in Germany, Italy, the United States and Argentina.

Researchers got specimens from 28 family members, nine with Parkinson's disease.

"We developed a genetic signature for the family members and then compared the signature of the affected with that of those who are not affected," said Polymeropoulos. This isolated a gene mutation on the long arm of chromosome 4, he said.

Polymeropoulos said it will take more research to ascertain that the chromosome 4 gene is the only one associated with Parkinson's.

"We want to see if Parkinson's in other families is linked to chromosome 4. If they do not link to chromosome 4, then we'd do the same type of study for those families to search for another gene," he said.

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declined to give his name.

Galkin's wife, Svetlana Galkina, was elated to hear the news when informed by The Associated Press.

"I'm incredibly happy," she said by telephone. "I didn't expect it to be resolved so fast."

Galkin's application for a U.S. visa was approved Oct. 24, the same day a warrant was issued for his arrest.

The Russian Foreign Intelligence Service says Galkin, 50, has been a private citizen and businessman since 1992.

The United States charged that in 1990 and 1991, Galkin conspired to get secret military data that included the Strategic Defense Initiative, the "Star Wars" ballistic missile defense system.

Galkin was taken into custody when he arrived with a Moscow delegation as a representative of the Russian-American company Knowledge Express. The group was heading for New Jersey at the invitation of American police to collect technical equipment.

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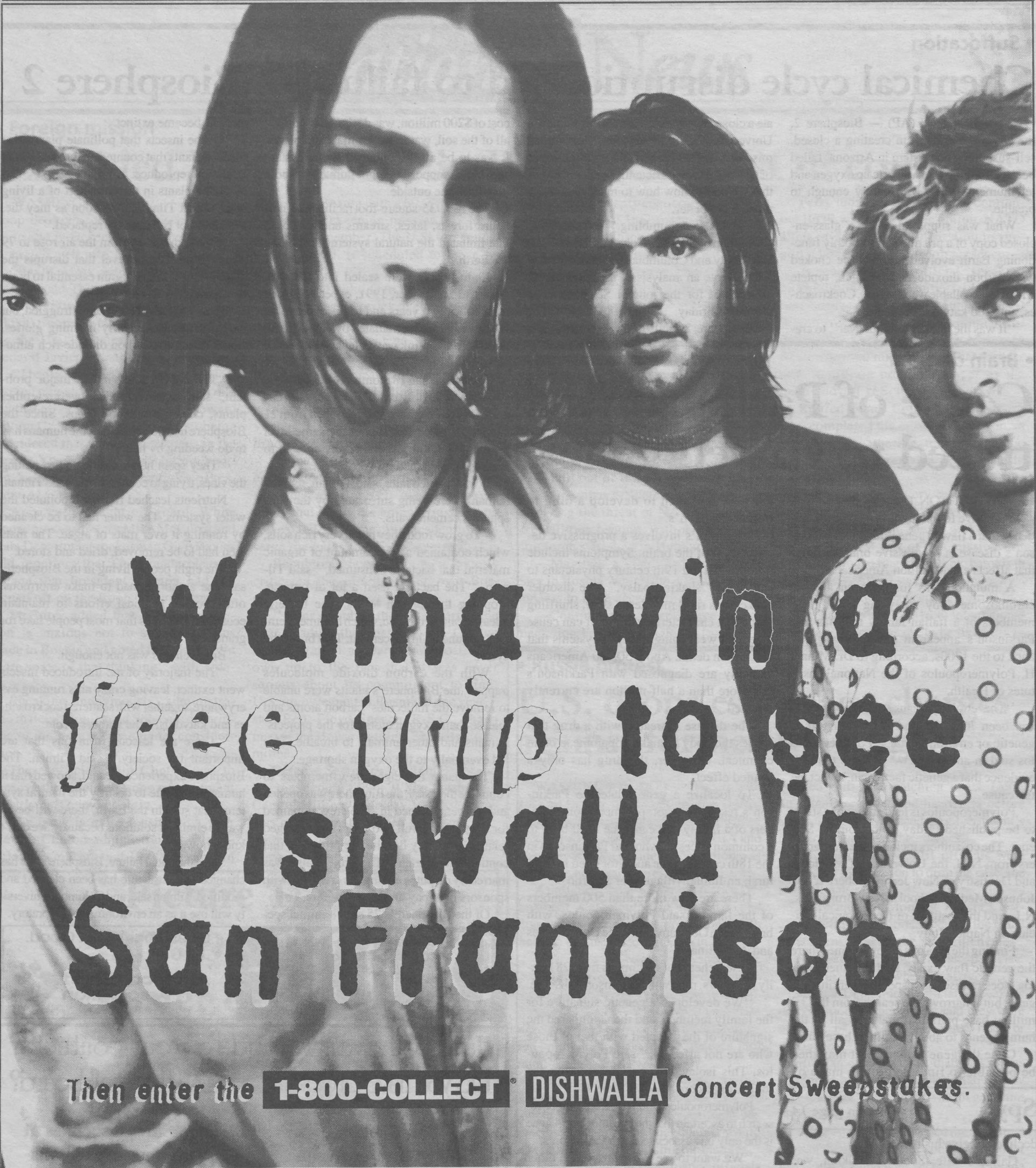
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# Sports Page

## Sports Briefs

### Reports say Harrick lied

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Jim Harrick lied to UCLA officials eight separate times during their investigation of a recruiting dinner, according to an internal report released by the school.

In addition, Harrick tried to get assistant coach Michael Holton to assist in a coverup, the report said.

The report was released Wednesday — a week after Harrick was fired and replaced on an interim basis by Steve Lavin.

The fifth-ranked Bruins open the 1996-97 season against Tulsa in a Preseason NIT game next Wednesday night.

UCLA released the six-page report after media requests for it under the California Public Records Act.

Much of what was in the report was reported by chancellor Charles Young at the news conference called to announce Harrick's firing.

Young said Harrick was fired primarily because he lied on several occasions, and tried to get an assistant coach to lie during an investigation into the expense report he filled out after a recruiting dinner Oct. 11.

Harrick had been told a day earlier to resign or he would be fired.

The report revealed that the bill at Monty's restaurant in Westwood was \$1,085 for a party of 13.

Considering the bill excessive, UCLA officials went to Monty's to retrieve an itemized copy of the bill. They interviewed the waiter who served Harrick's party, and based partly on that interview determined Harrick had lied about who attended the meal.

### Blue Jays, Pirates make deal

PITTSBURGH (AP) — The Pittsburgh Pirates continue to deal off veterans for prospects, trading second baseman Carlos Garcia, outfielder Orlando Merced and pitcher Dan Plesac to Toronto today for three minor leaguers and three players to be named.

The Pirates get right-handed pitchers Jose Pett and Jose Silva and infielder Brandon Cromer, plus the three players to be named.

The trade — the Pirates' first nine-player deal since they dealt Ralph Kiner to the Cubs in June 1953 — will save cash-strapped Pirates owner Kevin McClatchy more than \$6 million in salary next season.

McClatchy ordered general manager Cam Bonifay to begin trading veterans for prospects in August, and the Pirates subsequently dealt off Denny Neagle, Charlie Hayes and Dave Clark to contending teams.

"This continues with our stated philosophy of building and sustaining a competitive team for the future," Bonifay said.

The Pirates, who plan to cut their payroll from \$21 million last season to about \$14 million in 1997, also are looking to deal shortstop Jay Bell.

### • Football

## Seniors hope to realize dream season

### Jameson needs three yards to break 1,000

By Scott Martin  
Sports Editor

In his four years at the University of Maine Bob Jameson has gone from a possible red-shirt his freshman year to Maine's second-leading rusher for three straight years, to the third all-time rusher at Maine.

Now Jameson needs just three yards to become only the fifth running back in Maine history to rush for 1,000 yards in a season. He'll have a chance to reach that mark in his final regular-season game this weekend. Maine will host the University of Buffalo at Alumni Stadium Saturday.

Jameson has gained 997 yards this season to give him 2,688 yards and put him at third on Maine's all-time list behind Carl Smith (4,025 yards) and Lorenzo Bouier (3,828).

"It's a real honor to be up there with Carl Smith and Lorenzo Bouier," Jameson said. "Those are two guys I looked up to. Ben Sirmans (former Black Bear running back who is sixth on the all-time rushing list and current Maine running backs coach) and Carl Smith were the guys I knew before I came up here and that I looked up to. Now I'm up there."

Jameson's teammates can help him accomplish another milestone this weekend.



Bob Jameson, one of 11 Black Bear seniors, will break 1,000 yards rushing for the season with three yards Saturday. (Gagne File Photo.)

With a win, Maine will finish 8-3 and go down as the best Maine team thus far in the '90s. Ten other seniors, along with Jameson, have a chance at redemption after three straight 3-8 seasons.

"This is the most exciting year of foot-

ball I've ever had in my entire career, in high school or college," Jameson said. "Being able to go from 3-8 to a possible 8-3 is unexplainable. Words can't explain."

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### • Field hockey

## Maine to host ECAC tourney

From Staff Reports

The University of Maine field hockey team will get one last chance to win a championship this weekend when it hosts the ECAC Field Hockey Championship.

Maine, 15-5, is the No. 1 seed in the tourney and will square off against No. 4 seed Yale, 9-9, Saturday at 10:30 a.m. The No. 2 seed, 10-7 Harvard, meets No. 3 Cornell, 8-8, at 1 p.m., with the winners meeting in the championship at noon Sunday.

To make the tournament, schools have to make bids earlier in the season, and those teams not in the NCAA tournament often get first preference. The three visiting schools are all in the Ivy League.

#### Notes:

Maine goalie Cindy Botett is currently ranked seventh in the nation in goals-against average at 1.05, and is 16th in save percentage, with a .848 mark ... The latest NCAA top 20 poll has Maine ranked 18th, the highest it has been all year, as it was 20th and 19th earlier this year. Overall, four America East teams are in the top 20 ... Jeni Turner and Dawn Porter were named to the 1996 America East All-Tourney Team ... Northeastern goalie Danielle Butsch tied a tournament record for fewest saves in a game with zero in her playoff game against Maine.

## Maine football seniors

**Mike Flynn, offensive tackle:** Captain; four-year starter; 1995 third-team Yankee Conference.

**Bob Jameson, tailback:** Third on Maine's all-time rushing list with 2,688; needs three yards to reach 1,000 for the season.

**Andre Pam, tailback:** Rushed for 1,250 yards last year — third best ever at Maine; 1995 Maine MVP; needs 18 yards to move into fifth place on Maine's career rushing list.

**Todd Williamson, defensive end:** 1996 captain; holds Maine record for sacks in a season (13 in 1996).

**Mitch Maury, tight end:** 1996 cap-

tain; finished second on the team with 19 receptions in 1995.

**Ryan Ray, offensive guard:** 14 starts at offensive tackle before this year's switch.

**Shawn Stephenson, linebacker:** Fourth on team with 46 tackles; returned from all-terrain vehicle accident in 1994.

**Eric Marsh, linebacker:** Ron Rogerson Spirit Award winner in 1993.

**Thanh Nguyen, special teams:** Top special teams player.

**Dave Rilat, offensive tackle:** All-Yankee Conference candidate, 1996.

**Peter Porier, defensive end:** Started at middle linebacker before suffering season-ending injury last year.

### • Ice hockey

## New-look Wildcats host Maine

By Larry Rogers  
Sports Writer

Over the years, Maine and New Hampshire have always been border-state rivals in Hockey East.

The Black Bears have owned the Wildcats, posting a 36-17-3 record in 50 meetings for a winning percentage of .643. And Maine currently owns a seven-game unbeaten streak over UNH (5-0-2) dating back to March 3, 1995.

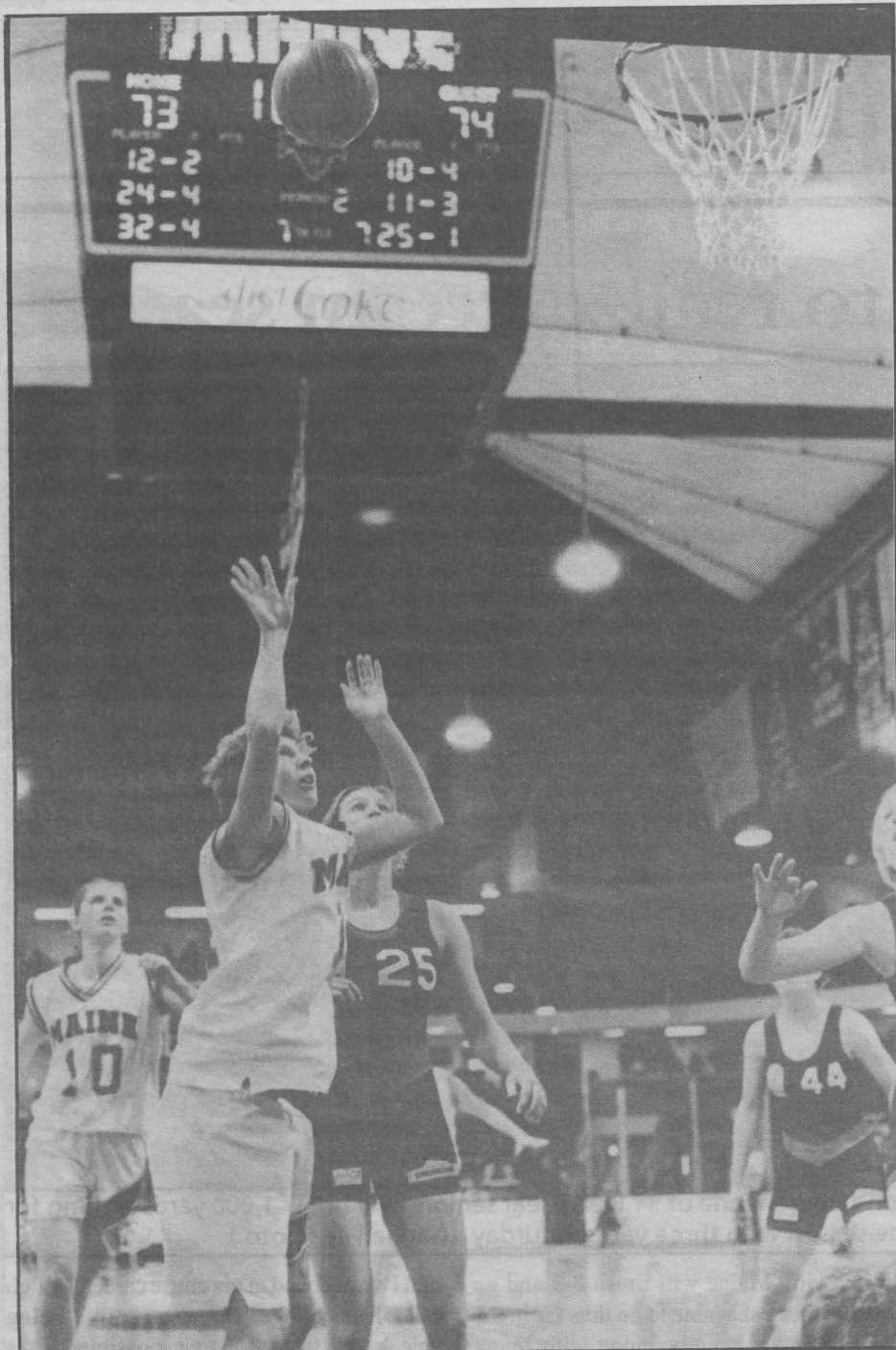
Times have changed, though, and this year's UNH squad is a heavy favorite to beat Maine this weekend. UNH is off to its best ever start in Hockey East 4-0.

UNH and the University of Vermont are the two eastern college hockey programs, other than Maine, outside the Boston area that have been close to reaching the elite level. Vermont has already beaten Boston University this year and has been ranked No. 1 in the nation in some polls. New Hampshire must beat Maine to be considered a contender this year.

"Maine has always been New Hampshire's biggest hurdle to get over to get to that elite level," Maine head coach Greg Cronin said. "They haven't been able to

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Cindy Blodgett drives to the hoop for the winning bucket with eleven seconds left in O.T. Maine won 75-74 over Southern District. (Dave Gagne Photo.)

## • Women's basketball

# Blodgett's bucket boosts Bears

From Staff Reports

Orono – The University of Maine women's basketball team got a serious test in its second preseason game from the Southern District Spartans, of Australia, but were able to do something to which it has become quite accustomed – pull out a win.

Cindy Blodgett's bunny with 12 seconds left gave Maine a 75-74 overtime win Wednesday night at Alford Arena.

Blodgett finished with 27 points, making 12 of 24 field goal attempts and grabbing 11 rebounds. Blodgett's importance to the Black Bears was apparent by the number of minutes she played, 42.

The Spartans were led by Chris Pagano, who scored 22 points despite fouling out.

Kristy Turia added 12 points and Kelly Lemezs chipped in 17.

Stacey Porrini had her usual solid game, scoring 15 points and grabbing 12 rebounds. Freshman Jamie Cassidy continued to show signs of what may be the future of the Black Bears with 10 points and eight rebounds. Sophomore Klara Danes added nine points and six rebounds.

Maine led by six at half-time, 35-27 but was outscored 39-31 in the second half as the Spartans forced overtime.

The Black Bears open their regular season next Friday when they face the team that knocked them out of the NCAA tournament last season, George Washington. Maine's first home game will be Nov. 29, when it hosts the Dead River Company Classic.

## FOOTBALL CAPSULE

**What:** Buffalo at Maine football

**Where and When:** Alumni Stadium, Orono, noon Saturday.

**The Series:** Maine has a 2-1 series edge, with the road team winning each time. Maine won in Buffalo last year 19-6.

**Key Players:** Maine – QB Mickey Fein (116-234, 1,707 yards, 10 TDs); WR Rameek Wright (62 catches for 970 yards, 5 TDs); P/PK Chris Binder (27-30 PATs, 11-15 field goals, 60 points); TB Andre Pam (613 yards, 8 TDs); TB Bob Jameson (997 yards, 10 TDs); WR John Tennett (25, 467, 3 TDs); DE Todd Williamson (13 sacks); FS Derek Carter (81 tackles); Buffalo – QB Mike Taylor (105-204, 1056, 8

TDs); WR Jaime Gasparre (40, 654, 8 TDs); WR Kali Watkins (36, 583, 3 TDs); ILB Craig Guest (131 tackles); ILB Dan Crucione (64 tackles); CB Mike Chichester (57 tackles, 12 pass breakups).

**Outlook:** With a win, the Black Bears would improve to 8-3 and would go down as the best Maine team in the '90s thus far. In all three meetings, the road team has won. Bitter cold weather should keep offense to a minimum, so special teams and defense will be a key. With a win, Maine would hold a slim chance of making the NCAA Division I-AA Playoffs. The pairings will be announced Nov. 24.

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## • Ice hockey

## Larose at home in Maine

By Bill Stewart  
Sports Writer

There are several comparisons that can be drawn between New Brunswick and Maine. The weather is roughly the same, as are the people and the landscape.

When freshman forward Corey Larose came to the University of Maine this year, after spending two years in the British Columbia Junior Hockey League, he did more than just come to college. He came home.

"I played for the Langley Thunder last year, and I learned a lot," Larose said. "However, I had been away for so long, and Maine was so close to home."

Sophomore forward Steve Kariya, who also played in the British Columbia Junior Hockey league, acknowledged that the league prepares players who decide to pursue their careers in college.

"The British Columbia Junior Hockey League is arguably the best league in North America," Kariya said. "It helps prepare you pretty good for college hockey."

Larose played for the Thunder for the past two years, in which he enjoyed success. Last year he was named playoff MVP when Langley reached the finals of British Columbia Junior Hockey League finals.

"We were one of the top four teams in the league," Larose said. "I learned a lot out there for sure."

However, coming to Maine was a dream come true for Larose, as he had a chance to come back East, where he had grown up.

"My town has 8,000 people at the most, and there's not much going on up there except sports and friends," Larose said. "I didn't really notice that until I went out West where a lot of things are concentrated on

money before friends and family. I really began to appreciate this part of the country.

"I used to go out with my buddies and play hockey out on the road or at school," Larose said. "My life has basically been run by sports. That's all I did was play sports with my friends."

Larose reflected on his childhood and how he got into hockey.

"I've always been an athletic kid," Larose said. "My mom says that as soon as I learned how to crawl, and they (my parents) needed time to themselves, they'd throw me a ball, and I'd be gone for hours."

"I remember before I even started playing hockey, watching 'Hockey Night in Canada' with my dad on Saturday nights," Larose added. "I remember thinking, 'I could do that,' and I had never played organized hockey before."

And that he did, as several years later, Larose is finding his niche in Maine hockey.

Interim head coach Greg Cronin said, "Offensively, he makes some plays that you shake your head at. He makes great plays under pressure, which is a sign of a great player."

Larose decided to come to Maine despite the NCAA sanctions, as it was his top choice among the schools he looked at.

"I was talking to schools like Ferris State, Northern Michigan and Denver," Larose said. "However, Maine was number one. It gave me a better shot at coming in and playing right away."

On the ice this year, Larose has already made his presence felt offensively, but it's his defense he hopes to improve.

"I need to concentrate on working on my defensive play," Larose said. "I have old

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do it, although they've come close. This is their year to do it and they know it. They should be seeing blood right now."

Maine won't be at full strength, as speedy forwards Scott Parmentier (back), and Jason Vitorino (knee) and defenseman Jason Mansoff (elbow) are all nursing injuries and will miss this weekend's set. Shawn Wansborough will play, but is battling mono-like symptoms. Jason Price will replace Mansoff on defense.

"They're going to be ready for us," Cronin said.

Against Northeastern last week, Maine manufactured 88 shots on goal but scored only five. Cronin hopes to add some spark to the offense this weekend by moving lightning-quick forward Steve Kariya to center. Kariya has played thus far at right wing and is tied for the team lead with eight points, including five goals in Maine's last five games.

"I'm trying (Kariya) at center because I think in the long term he's going to end up playing there," Cronin said.

He called Kariya the team's best forward so far through seven games, and would like to use his play-making skills.

"He needs to get the puck in the middle," Cronin said. "Our centers tend to carry the puck a lot. If you go back to (former Maine center) Jim Montgomery, he always had the puck. It's because the center helps out down low in our system, so he usually originates the breakout and he's always getting the puck in the neutral zone."

Cronin said his long-term plan is to form a line with Kariya centering speedy Parmentier and rugged Wansborough, when Parmentier is healthy again.

Friday night he'll center a line with Matt Oliver at left wing and Cory Larose on the right.

## HOCKEY CAPSULE

**What:** Maine vs. New Hampshire  
**Where and When:** Whittemore Center, Friday and Saturday, 7 p.m.

**Team Records:** Maine 4-2-1 overall, 0-1-1 Hockey East; New Hampshire 5-2 and 4-0

**The Series:** Maine leads 36-17-3

**Key Players:** Maine - C Steve Kariya (5 goals, 3 assists, 8 points), C Dan Shermehorn (4-4-8), D Jason Mansoff (4-4-8), RW Cory Larose (1-6-7), RW Shawn Wansborough (1-5-6), LW Reg Cardinal (3-3-6), G Alfie Michaud (4-2-1, 2.67 GAA); UNH - F Mark Mowers (3-5-8), F Tom Nolan (5-9-14), F Jason Krog (5-7-12), F Eric Boguniecki (3-6-9), F Eric Nickulas (6-2-8), G Brian Larochelle (5-2, 3.29)

**Outlook:** After playing their last five games at home, the Black Bears will venture to Durham, N.H., to face the Wildcats, who are tied with Boston University for the Hockey East lead at 4-0. The Whittemore Center is an Olympic-sized ice sheet, which should help the speedy Bears. Junior left wing Scott Parmentier will miss the two games with a back injury and sophomore forward Jason Vitorino is also out with a knee injury. Freshman forward Jim Leger will make his Maine debut. Maine is 7-1-2 in its last 10 meetings with UNH, including a two-game sweep in last year's HE quarterfinals.



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habits that are bad habits, but with the coaching staff here, it's hard not to improve."

Cronin also believes Larose's performance defensively needs improving.

"His biggest challenge as a hockey player is to have a better transition to defense," Cronin said. "When he refines his instincts he'll be a complete player."

Defenseman Jeff Libby added, "He's adopted to college hockey well. He's good with the puck, but he needs to improve defensively."

## • Baseball

## Gonzalez wins A.L. MVP

NEW YORK (AP) — Juan Gonzalez of the Texas Rangers beat Seattle's Alex Rodriguez by three points Thursday, matching the second-closest victory margin ever in voting for the AL Most Valuable Player award.

Gonzalez, who hit .314 with 47 homers and 144 RBIs, got 11 first-place votes and 290 points. Rodriguez, who hit a league-leading .358 with 36 homers and 123 RBIs, received 10 first-place votes and 287 points in balloting by the Baseball Writers Association of America.

It was the closest vote since 1960, when Roger Maris beat New York Yankees team-

mate Mickey Mantle 225-222. The closest AL MVP vote was in 1947, when Joe DiMaggio of the Yankees beat Ted Williams of the Boston Red Sox 202-201.

Albert Belle of the Cleveland Indians finished third with two first-place votes and 228 points, followed by Ken Griffey Jr. of the Mariners with four first-place votes and 188 points.

Mo Vaughn of the Red Sox, who won the award last year, was fifth with 184 points. Texas catcher Ivan Rodriguez received the other first-place vote but was on only 13 ballots overall, finishing 10th with 52 points.

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Senior offensive tackle Mike Flynn added, "I was just telling the guys if we win one more game we'll win almost more games in one year than we did in my first three years here. It's been a great season. By this time in the season you're usually worn out with football, but we can't wait for Saturday."

Maine head coach Jack Cosgrove knows a win would be extra sweet to the seniors because of the long losing seasons they've suffered through before this.

"Those guys are really guys you should give the most credit," Cosgrove said. "They've been through the most. They came in here after seeing a 6-5 season and expected more of the same for themselves."

"They've had struggles and they've had some things come up that were destructive to the program. They've managed to remain focused on the goal of becoming the type of student-athlete they envisioned of themselves

when they came here," he said.

Maine also has a slim chance to make the Division I-AA playoffs with a win over Buffalo. William & Mary has the best chance at winning the Yankee Conference and its automatic bid to the playoffs. If William & Mary loses to Richmond, Delaware loses to Rhode Island, Villanova loses to James Madison, and New Hampshire loses to Boston University, James Madison would win the conference.

Maine, 7-3 and 5-3 in the conference, would need a win and at least the above scenario to have a chance at the playoffs. For all that to happen, the Black Bears will have to wait until Nov. 24 to find out if they made the playoffs.

"We have to be 8-3 first," Cosgrove said. "That's in the hands of other people and will be impacted by other games. We just have to hope we've made enough of an impact."

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