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Chancellor Terrence MacTaggart addresses concerns of system reconfiguration at Wednesday's faculty senate meeting. Board of Trustees chairwoman Sally Vamvakias (right). (Dave Gagne Photo.)

• AGS

Bright funding future aids graduate students

By Melissa Paquette
City Editor

Vice President for Academic Affairs and Provost Judith Bailey outlined the effects AFFIRM will have on graduate students, at Thursday's Association of Graduate Students meeting.

According to Bailey, AFFIRM's reconfiguration of the university's seven colleges into five will potentially create new graduate opportunities. She said the directors of the schools of management and public policy and nursing are discussing combining the two courses of study to fulfill a new need in health care.

"One of the opportunities that is being discussed is to have an MBA

with a nursing concentration so that you end up as a health practitioner having a degree in nursing and a degree in business," Bailey said. "That is the type of individual that the health profession is looking for

now as we decentralize health services at the major hospitals. We've been in conversation with Eastern Maine Medical Center about the need for this type of individual."



AGS BOT Rep. Mischka Hartley discusses putting a graduate student on the Presidential Search Committee. (Dave Gagne Photo.)

Among the changes, the vice provost for research and public service, who presided over graduate studies, was eliminated and will be replaced by a vice provost for research and graduate studies. This provost will also preside over seven

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• Faculty senate

Five goals to guide Trustees

By Melissa Paquette
City Editor

University of Maine System Chancellor Terrence J. MacTaggart Wednesday outlined the goals he and the Board of Trustees will keep in mind when advocating the system to taxpayers and the new Legislature.

"When we began to think about our proposal to the Legislature and the messages we would be giving to our fellow citizens, it seemed sensible to identify a manageable number of goals, or values, that made sense to us," MacTaggart said. "They look pretty ordinary, but let me suggest to you that imbedded in each of them is the choice not to do something else."

Access through affordable tuition and aid is the first goal MacTaggart listed.

"If we say that we want to stick with affordable tuition, that means we have to have an aggressive legislative strategy," MacTaggart said.

MacTaggart said the second goal is to have academic programs of substantial quality. He said the system doesn't want campuses to have to cut or skimp on academic programs.

The third goal is to fund research directed toward Maine's needs. MacTaggart said Maine needs more employment opportunities.

"It's difficult to get a university education in this state. A high percentage of our citizens don't do it, and once they do it's difficult to find a career within this state," MacTaggart said.

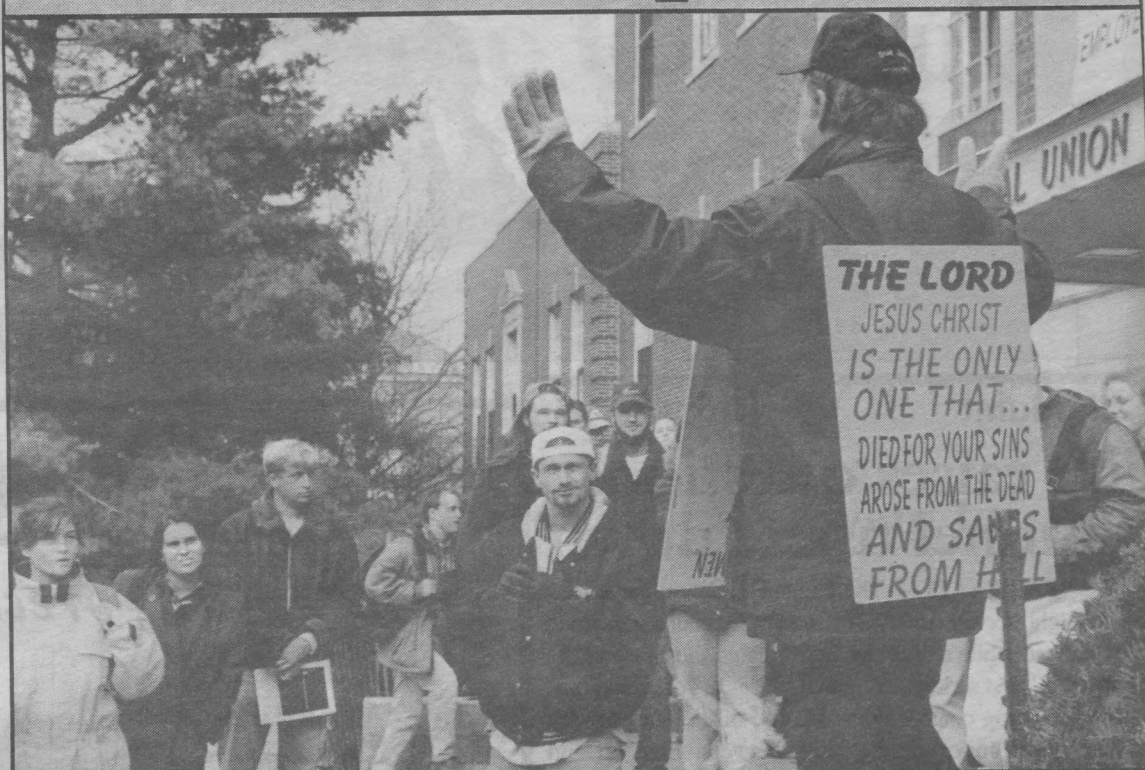
MacTaggart said research generates employment opportunities in Maine. He cited the UMaine as participating in research connected to new industry in the state, which creates jobs.

Providing competitive compensation to UMS employees is the fourth goal. MacTaggart said the 2 percent increase in faculty salaries is part of this competitive

compensation, but funding the increase will have to come from internal sources.

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Fundamentalist preaching



Jim Webber of Corbett, Ore. preaches his message to a crowd that eventually numbered 100 students. A debate between Webber and Doug Palmeter, of the Campus Crusade for Christ, along with many students, broke out. (Dave Gagne Photo.)

• Cultured concepts

Safety, legal restrictions hamper bunker's future

By Jessica Lee
Staff Writer

They came to the conference room at the Purchasing and Facilities Management Building, blueprints in hand, ideas overflowing. They saw a glimpse of all the roadblocks that lay ahead. They conquered.

Well, not quite, but the Bunker Crew — University of Maine students Daniel Mittelstadt, Fabian Schramke and Jon Hamann — certainly got their idea out there.

Eversince May of this year, when

Mittelstadt first stumbled upon the Civil Defense bunker, the students had been working toward the meeting, hoping it would be the catalyst that could turn their idea for a new student-run music and performing arts center into reality. The bunker, which lies about a mile behind UMaine, has been vacant for years.

Representatives from Facilities Management, Environmental Safety and Public Safety, as well as a few students, attended Wednesday's meeting to discuss the bunker's possibilities.

All kinds of issues need to be

addressed before the group's idea becomes a reality, Jim Treadwell, assistant director of Facilities Management, said.

The top concern among those in attendance was safety.

"I've been up to visit the site," Treadwell said. He was surprised and concerned students had been in the bunker, adding that the bunker will be, from now on, posted off-limits.

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Clinton – from the green to the blue

1 PORT DOUGLAS, Australia (AP) — After dueling on the golf course with the Great White Shark, President Clinton was swimming with the fish Friday at the Great Barrier Reef. The shark, of course, was Greg Norman, Australian golfing star who treated the president to an 18-hole "lesson" Thursday.

"He's beating me," Norman shouted to reporters at the sixth hole. "If you believe that," Clinton replied, "I've got some land I want to sell you."

Actually, they didn't keep score, White House officials said later, a certain benefit for Clinton against the No. 1-ranked golfer in the world and holder of 16 PGA titles.

After their match in Sydney, the president flew to this lush tropical beach resort in northern Australia for a snorkeling excursion and more golf.

The president and his wife, Hillary, planned to take a boat out to the Great Barrier Reef, a snorkeling paradise and one of the great natural wonders of the world.

Stretching more than 1,200 miles, it is the largest complex of coral reefs and islands in the world, comprising more than 2,600 individual reefs and some 300 islands.

The president's appearance was intended to lend support to the International Coral Reef Initiative, founded in 1994 by Australia, the United States and six other governments to promote the sustainable use of marine resources.

• Liberated

Alleged spy returning to U.S.

2 SEOUL, South Korea (AP) — A U.S. congressman will travel to North Korea next week to bring home an American who has been held on espionage charges since August, a South Korean newspaper reported today.

Evan C. Hunziker of Tacoma, Wash., was arrested after crossing into North Korea from China and charged with being on a spy mission for South Korea. South Korea and Washington have denied it.

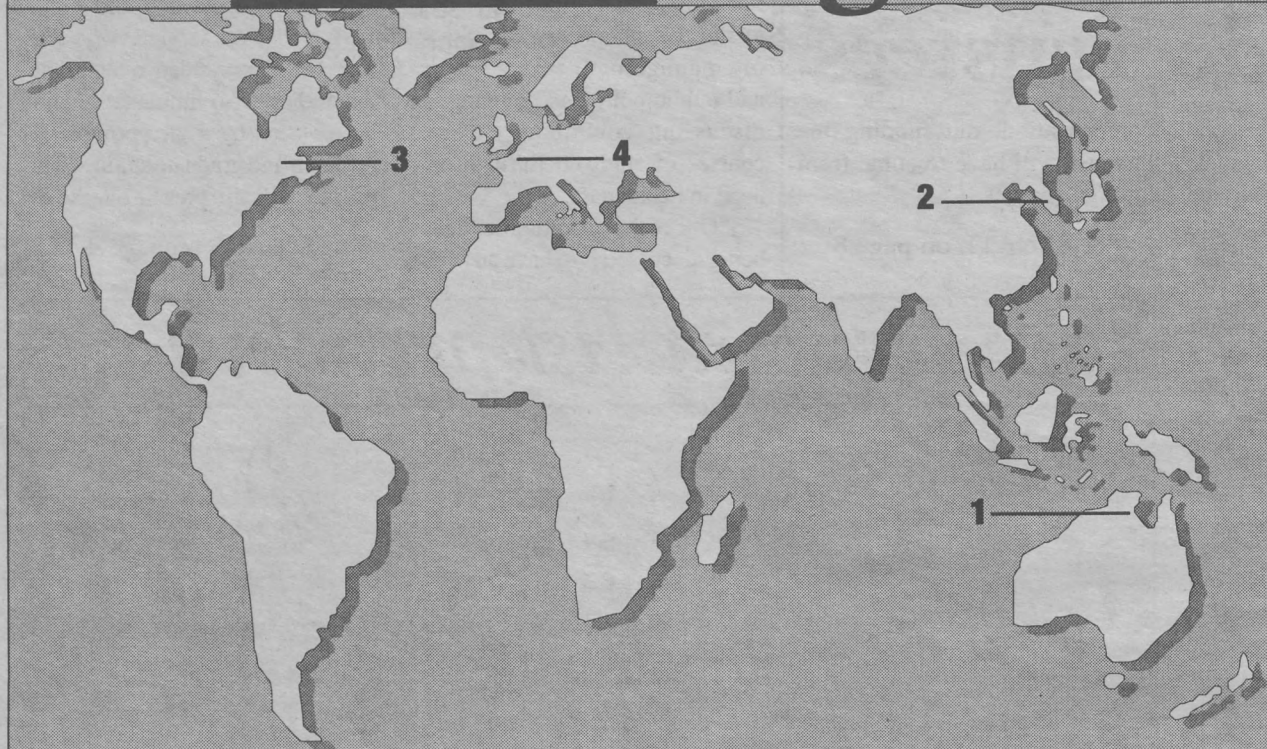
Rep. Bill Richardson, D-N.M., is expected to arrive in the United States with Hunziker around Thanksgiving, said the Hankyoreh daily, quoting unidentified diplomats in Washington. The newspaper is known for its close contact with North Korea.

Richardson was in Washington, D.C., today. His spokesman, Stu Nagurka, said nothing has been confirmed yet about the trip.

Even if Richardson travels to North Korea, there is no guarantee he would be able to bring Hunziker home, Nagurka said, adding that he believed the congressman had been in touch with North Korean officials.

Earlier this month, North Korea indicated it might free the American for "humanitarian considerations."

World Digest



• Demonstration

Canadian naval officer fasting for justice, crew

3 OTTAWA (AP) — A former submarine commander is entering the fourth week of a hunger strike to protest his court-martial conviction for physically and verbally abusing his crew.

Lt. Dean Marsaw, who has a wife and daughter, says he is prepared to die rather than give up his demand for an independent inquiry into the 1993 military police investigation that led to his court-martial.

Alarmed at his deteriorating health, Marsaw's supporters this week intensified pressure on his behalf. His parents staged a sit-in Tuesday at their member of Parliament's office, and on Wednesday, a psychologist who has treated Marsaw appealed for federal intervention.

Today, supporters offered \$50,000 for information that would clear Marsaw's name.

"We are all becoming witnesses to a tragedy that puts a dark stain on the name of Canada, its navy and its government," Carol Pye, the psychologist, told reporters.

Marsaw, 40, is a 17-year veteran of the navy who won numerous commendations and rose to the rank of lieutenant commander before his demotion at the court-martial a year ago.

• Whodunit

Fire raises questions; Chunnel usage down

4 PARIS (AP) — The Channel Tunnel opened for freight service today but passenger trains remained banned while authorities investigated the cause of the "Chunnel's" first serious accident in two years of operations.

Arson is being considered as a cause of the fire Monday night in the 31-mile undersea link between England and France, which left eight people suffering from smoke inhalation and forced the tunnel's closure.

The French prosecutor, Gerald Lecygne, stressed in a telephone interview that at the moment "there is nothing to lead us to believe" that arson was the cause of the blaze but added: "We are investigating all possibilities, including that the fire was set intentionally."

Lecygne told The Associated Press a special magistrate had been named to determine whether the fire was intentional or accidental.

He played down a report in The Times of London that the fire may have been linked to angry Eurotunnel workers in Calais who held a brief strike just before the fire to protest planned job cuts.

"There was such a strike, but from what we know there was absolutely no link between that and the fire," he said.

The first freight runs resumed this morning, but only from Britain and at two an hour, said a Eurotunnel spokeswoman who spoke on condition of anonymity.

Weather

The Local Forecast

Today's Weather

Variable clouds. Highs in the upper 30s to lower 40s.



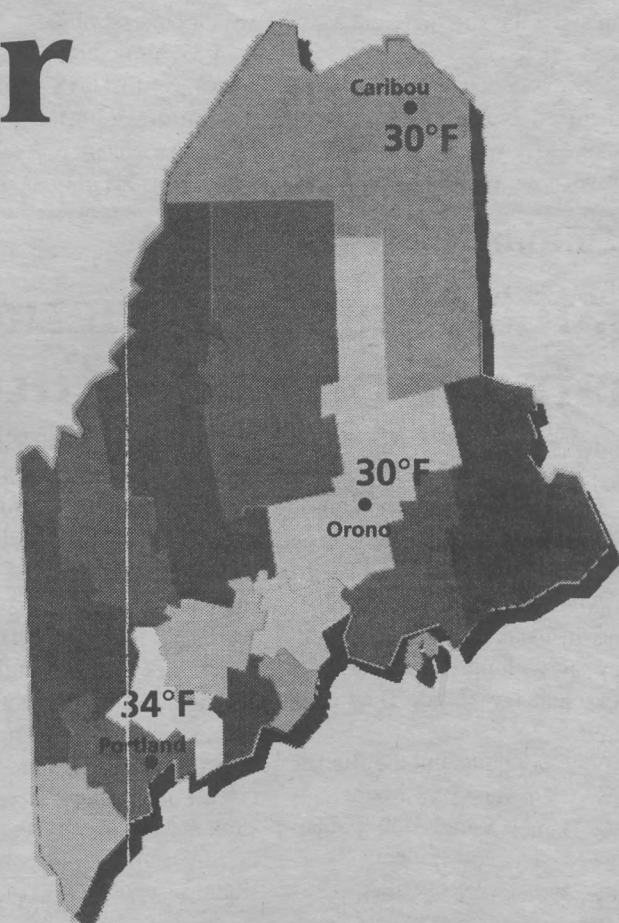
Saturday's Outlook

Morning sun with increasing clouds in the afternoon. Highs in the mid 30s to lower 40s.



Extended Forecast

Sunday... Fair.
Monday... Chance of snow.
Tuesday... Fair.



• Food science

UMaine blueberry research may alter foods of the future

By Matt Woodman
Staff Writer

Blueberries are big business in Maine and researchers at the University of Maine are trying to find new ways for the industry to use its product.

Al Bushway, professor of food science, Mary Ellen Camire, associate professor of food science and human nutrition, and graduate student Huanli Zhang have been developing ways to prevent blueberries from bleeding into cake mixes and other products.

"This is one of the biggest complaints from the industry. What the consumer wants to see is the berry surrounded by yellow or white cake batter," Bushway said. "We are trying to use gums that have been used in the food industry to put a coating around the berry to prevent the berry's pigment from leaking out."

Camire and her students are also researching ways to use the estimated 20 percent of the blueberry crop that is deemed lower quality. According to Camire, these berries go through the same amount of processing as other blueberries, but they're often not completely ripe or they may be discolored. Usually the unused blueberries are ground into compost, but the researchers are turning the berries into a low-fat substitute for oil baked goods recipes.

"We have taken these berries and turned them into a blueberry puree that we then added to things like chocolate cake," Camire said. "The amount of fat was reduced, but consumers say that it has a funny taste. Ideally, what we are going to do is add more grade-A berries to the puree."

While synthetic fat substitutes like Olestra have been introduced to consumers recently, the blueberry puree Camire has been working

on is more natural and may be used in future applications. However, the puree doesn't hold up well under heat, so potato chips and french fries with low-fat blueberry puree probably won't be in a store near you anytime soon.

Funding for the blueberry experiments has come in the form of grants of between \$200,000 and \$300,000 per year from the U.S. Department of Agriculture. The Maine Blueberry Commission has also given money to the researchers, along with taxes paid by blueberry growers to be used toward research for the blueberry industry, Camire said. Maine accounts for 25 percent of all the blueberries harvested in North America and generates \$100 million in revenues annually.

Camire said research done by the department has led to more full-time jobs within the industry.

"With the newer products being developed, the industry can employ more people year-round to produce these products," Camire said.

Bushway agreed and added the research being undertaken by the department of food science and human nutrition is valuable to the industry.

"A lot of the Maine economy has been and probably will continue to be based on involvement with natural resources and industry seems to rely on the University of Maine and the faculty here to provide expertise," Bushway said.

Bushway said that while the department has spent the last five years working with blueberries, it has also dealt with other Maine food products, ranging from showing that soft-shelled lobsters can be successfully frozen to producing pepperoni made from salmon.

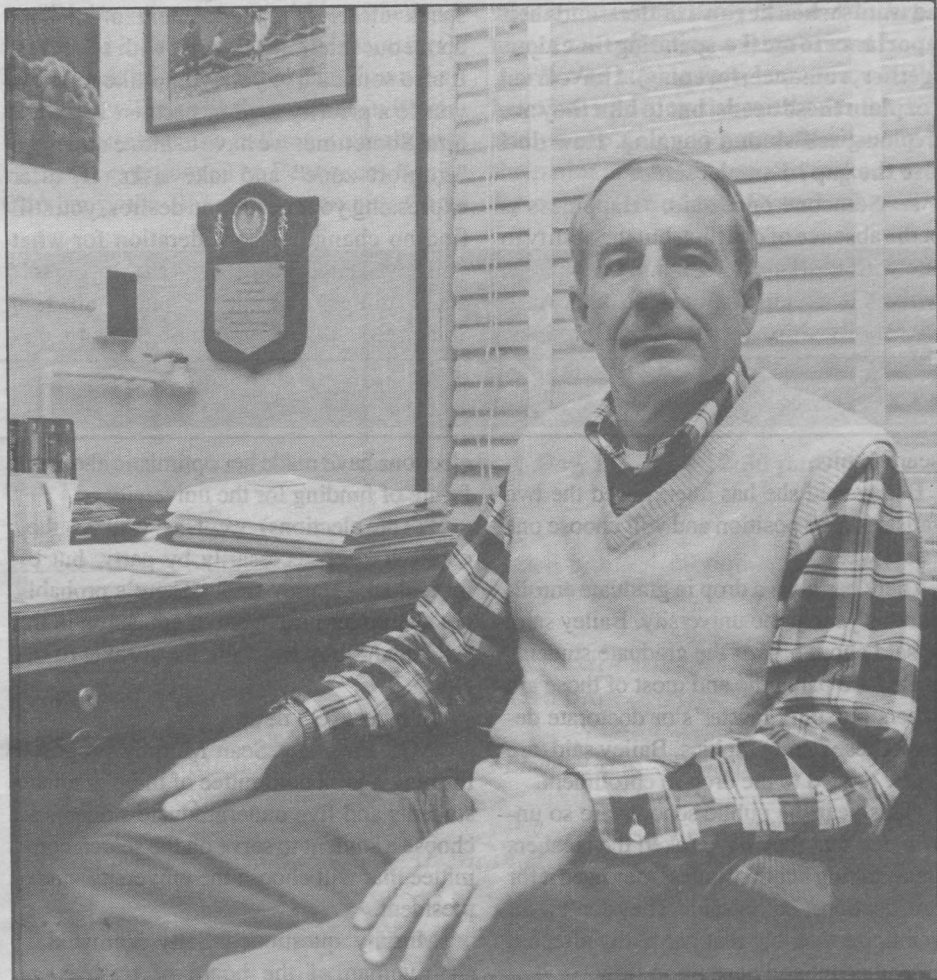
The most noticeable result of the department's research with blueberries to consumers

has been the development of the "blueberry raisin," which is currently being used in products like "Blueberry Morning" cereal by Post, Camire said.

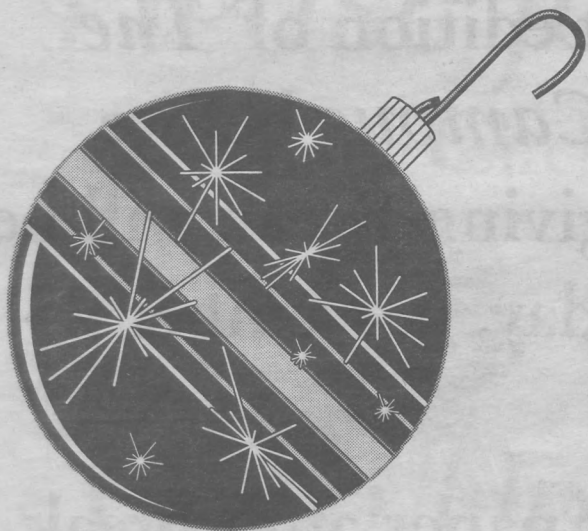
While the industry has benefited from the research, Camire said graduate students have

also received valuable experience.

"The research has been able to fund graduate students and allow them to work on their master's degree. It has allowed them to do something practical rather than research things in the lab all day," Camire said.



Professor Al Bushway of food science. (Dave Gagne Photo.)



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Sex Matters

By Sandra L. Caron, Ph.D



By Sandra Caron

Q: How can I convey to my boyfriend the importance of my needs

and wants when he can't understand their importance to me (i.e. spending time alone together, romance, foreplay). I have tried to explain these needs, but to him they are frivolous, selfish and nagging. How do I close the gap? Female, senior

A: Someone once said, "Happiness is not the absence of conflict, but the ability to cope with it." This person must have been involved in a relationship at the time. As in any relationship, there are differences,

which means compromise. While it's impossible to change another person, you can modify things a bit. By talking directly to your partner, you can try to help him understand you have certain needs and desires. It's up to him to hear this and respond. To help him hear your concerns, you'll need to speak clearly, in the context of "I care about our relationship" and with specifics. It also sounds like you would like to know you're a priority to your partner. If so, tell him. Sometimes we have to move out of the "comfort zone" and take risks. If, after expressing your needs and desires, you still find no change or consideration for what you have stated, you'll need to ask yourself a few things: Does this relationship feel "balanced?" Do I get enough from this

relationship in other ways to continue in it? Can I stay in such a one-sided relationship? How much of myself am I willing to compromise? Why am I willing to stay in a relationship that ignores my desires? Best wishes.

Q: I have a problem. I think I come too fast. My girlfriend has never said anything, but I think I do. What should I do? Male, senior

A: Too fast for what? It used to be thought that a man came "too fast" if he came before his partner. Now we know that most women don't reach orgasm from simple intercourse. So, too fast for what? Sex shouldn't include a stopwatch. If your partner hasn't said anything, maybe you should ask her. She may not agree. However, one

suggestion is you may want to try to expand your definition of sex - thinking of it as more than just intercourse. Certainly slowing things down, focusing less on reaching orgasm and more on the pleasure of giving will help. For more specific suggestions, read "The New Male Sexuality" by Dr. Bernie Zilbergeld (available in paperback from the bookstore).

Sandra L. Caron is an associate professor of family relations/human sexuality in the department of human Development & Family Studies. She teaches CHF 351: Human Sexuality in the spring semester - so don't forget to register now. Questions for Caron should be sent directly to the Maine Campus, fourth floor Chadbourne Hall. Copyright Sandra L. Caron, 1996.

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research units.

Bailey said she has interviewed the two finalists for the position and will choose one by next week.

There has been a drop in graduate enrollment this year at the university, Bailey said. She said about half of the graduate students enrolled are part-time and most of those are teachers pursuing master's or doctorate degrees. These demographics, Bailey said, are directly related to the drop in enrollment.

"This year the public schools are so underfunded that they have asked the teachers to delay taking a course unless they need it for recertification," Bailey said. "They don't want to publicize that, but that has really affected our head count and our tuition flow."

Bailey said the outcomes of the state

elections have made her optimistic about the future of funding for the university.

"(The elections) went as well as they could go, not necessarily by party, but by individual," Bailey said. "There's probably not a stronger proponent of education in the state than Libby Mitchell, the speaker of the House."

In other AGS news:

AGS President Sean Murphy proposed forming a joint committee of three graduate students and five undergraduate students to choose a student to serve on the search committee that will choose the university's next president.

Murphy questioned Sally Vamvakias, chairwoman of the board of trustees, at Wednesday's faculty senate meeting about

why there will be no graduate student on the 11-member search committee. Murphy felt graduate students have a distinct perspective and an undergraduate student wouldn't be a good representative of that perspective.

Murphy reported back to the AGS about the inquiry.

"Eleven has appeared to become the magical number," Murphy said. "Twelve days of Christmas, 12 angry men, 12 disciples, and 11 is the magic number for the BOT, and they were unflexible in terms of adding another student representative."

The AGS unanimously approved proposing the joint committee.

Mischka Hartley, the AGS's representative to the board of trustees, reported to the group that the board approved increasing the number of full-time tuition waivers for graduate students from 3 percent to 6 percent of the total number of graduate students enrolled.

Hartley said that given the increase, the number of graduate students on this campus who can receive the waivers will increase from 241 to 460.

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The first paper after break will be on Wednesday, December 4.

The Maine Campus wishes everybody a Happy Thanksgiving!

• University College

Holiday bazaar in Bangor to raise money for scholarship fund

By Matt Woodman
Staff Writer

College isn't cheap. For many students, when they're given their diplomas they're also given a payment book for their student loans, which can run into the thousands of dollars. The faculty, professional and classified staffs at University College in Bangor are trying to do something to make it a little easier for some of the students there.

In an effort to establish a scholarship fund for the college, the campus will host its first annual Holiday Bazaar Saturday

from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the College Center Ballroom on Texas Avenue in Bangor.

"Our goal is to raise \$1,000 from this first event, with most of that money coming from the renting of tables, the selling of donated goods on our white elephant tables and a percentage of the profits from the Pine Tree Cafe (a cafe on campus that will be open for the event)," said Wayne Evancheck, computer cluster and network manager at the college, who, along with Kate Kevit, coordinator of admissions and financial aid, is organizing the event.

Evancheck said the bazaar will feature 51 tables that will hold a variety of crafts

and gifts. While Christmas gifts and decorations will be the staple at many tables, other goods will range from dried flowers and hand-crafted creations from driftwood to NASCAR material and books for children. The event will also include entertainment for young and old alike.

"We're going to have a kids corner and games for kids as well as face-painting," Evancheck said. "The Bangor Clown Association will also be there to help with the face-painting, make balloon animals and entertain everyone. The Penobscot Banjo Company, the Bangor Community Cho-

rus and the Chorus of Maine are all scheduled to perform."

A handmade doll house, donated by Jim Davitt, associate professor of legal technology at the college, will be raffled. Evancheck said past doll houses made by Davitt have been valued at \$1,600. Admission to the bazaar is free and the organizers are expecting a large crowd.

"We're hoping for a large turnout. We have been posting flyers all over the area and we are going to put some signs up at the major arteries in town to make it easy for people to find us," Evancheck said.

• Police blotter

Saturday, Nov. 16:

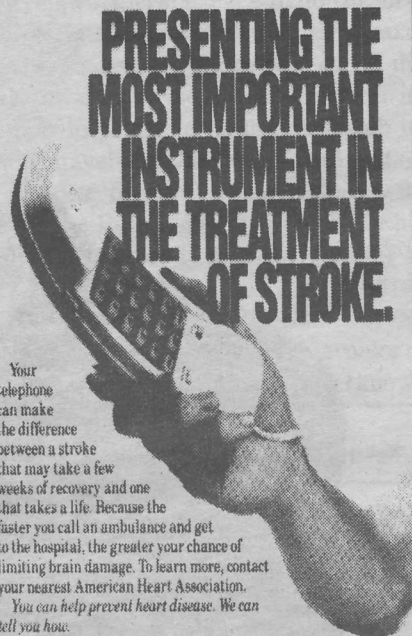
A burglary occurred in Somerset Hall between 3 p.m. and 11 p.m. According to Lt. Stormann, the burglar(s) broke a window to enter the room. Compact discs and clothes were reported missing.

A theft occurred in Cumberland Hall between 2 a.m. and 3 a.m. A cellular phone valued at \$200 was reported missing.

Three students were referred to Judicial Affairs for breaking ceiling tiles on the fourth floor of Knox Hall

Monday, Nov. 18:

Machaon Stevens of Somerset Hall was arrested for unlawful furnishing of a scheduled drug and possession of drug paraphernalia. Stevens is scheduled to appear in Bangor District Court Jan. 10.



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December 3: John Gottman: *Why Marriages Succeed or Fail*, 12:15 - 1:45 p.m.

December 5: Michael White: *A Brother's Blood*, 2 p.m. - 4 p.m.

December 11: Brian Swartz: *An American Homecoming*, 1 p.m. - 2 p.m.

December 14: Melissa Sweet: *Snowman on Sycamore Street*, *Bat Jamboree*, *Pinky & Rex* and others, 12 p.m. - 2 p.m.

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Style & the Arts

• Music

U.S. tour ends in fine fashion for Billy Bragg in Boston

By Mike Reynolds
Staff Writer

Billy Bragg captured some of the finest moments of his career Saturday night in Boston on the last stop of his 1996 U.S. tour, with an excellent two-hour performance. Bragg's show was moved at the last minute from the Orpheum to a much smaller club, the Avalon, because of a lack of ticket sales and publicity.

Surprisingly, the club was packed with more people than it could hold, and people who were looking for a relaxing place to sit were out of luck. There were few seats, and those were reserved for the friends of the club.

The opening act, Robyn Hitchcock, who was in the influential band Soft Cell twenty years ago, was good but uninspired. The highlight of Hitchcock's set was when Bragg joined him on his last song, which many cheered, maybe because it was Hitchcock's last tune, and because of Bragg's brief appearance.

A few minutes later, Bragg returned to the stage, solo. I wasn't sure what to expect, but his recent albums are lush with instrumentation. My hesitation about the show was gone by the middle of the first verse of "This Guitar Says Sorry." His vocals and guitar skills are impressive, more impressive than most of the singer-songwriters I've seen.

During the first few minutes, Bragg told of the problem of where he would be in America on election night. In pondering possible places, he wittingly decided the safest place would be Vancouver, British Columbia.

Bragg kept his intensity alive with

blistering versions of such classics as "Cindy of a Thousand Lives" and "An Accident Waiting to Happen." Before the latter he told the crowd about a 15-month labor dispute at the Detroit Free Press and sarcastically dedicated the story to scabs of the world.

As the evening progressed, Bragg showed legendary storytelling as well as musical abilities. Bragg told stories about everything from Strom Thurmond's acceptance speech to his utter disgust for baseball.

Bragg never faltered during the evening and played a solid set of old and new songs. His newest songs are given a new dimension on stage. "Brickbat" will become a future classic, with the passion he puts into its performance. Bragg was at his finest when playing his folk classics, namely "Greetings to the New Brunette" and "Levi Stubbs Tears." Bragg's solo setup also allowed a beautiful reworking of "Sexuality," with a slower acoustic rendition that truly showed his tremendous voice persevered after more than a month on the road.

Bragg left and returned to encore with "Northern Industrial Town," a somber ballad about the struggle to maintain a peace in Belfast, Northern Ireland. His next song, "Sugardaddy," was a testament to Bragg's talent. I had figured this song would never be done solo because of the high vocal range it reaches, usually requiring a duet. The entire club stood silent in awe as he sang, and no one expected anything more.

He returned, playing a revised and humorous version of "Great Leap Forward" and followed with a spirited "There



Billy Bragg is perhaps Britain's finest singer-songwriter today. (Courtesy Photo.)

is Power in a Union." Bragg followed that with one of his oldest and best-known songs, ending with "A New England"

After the show, a handful of fans and reporters hung out and talked as the Avalon quickly transformed itself into a techno dance club. Bragg discussed his ap-

pearance at the Woody Guthrie Tribute concert and how he had to teach Bruce Springsteen a verse of a song 15 minutes before they were to play it on stage. Bragg said he would be back next year for a longer tour with his band and possibly try to play somewhere north of Boston.

• Dance

Queensland Ballet gives musical adaptation of Shakespearean classic

Doug Weitz
Staff Writer

The Queensland Ballet was established in 1960. It is one of the oldest and most successful Australian Performing Arts Companies. Wednesday night it performed two sets at the Maine Center for the Arts:

The first an interpretation of Jacqui Carroll's "Scheherazade," and the second a unique performance of William Shakespeare's "A Midsummer Night's Dream." The latter is the one I will concentrate on.

The piece, which is a play within a play, began with a solo by Puck, the mischievous young fairy, and with a few min-

utes of daring steps and leaps to a wonderful score by Felix Mendelssohn, the audience was introduced to the fun-loving, energetic and curious character.

Enter Titania and Oberon, the king and queen of the fairies; Oberon shows power and stubbornness and Titania a love for nature and regal influence. As Puck danced around in amazement, the two danced together at a distance, showing their perfection as counterparts. The costumes for these three carefully sculpted characters were of equal splendor: Oberon in a deep indigo, Titania in a shimmering navy and Puck in a playful green. Around the simple yet elegant set, they danced, conjuring feelings of magic to match the myth of fairies.

In another part of the woods, entered four young lovers, Lysander, Hermia, Demetrius and Helena. In the play, their relationships are relatively complicated. The ballet left out the dramatic details, but illustrated a crucial aspect: Both Lysander and Demetrius were in love with Hermia, casting Helena out. They even gave Helena a pair of "Revenge of the Nerds" glasses to give insight to Hermia's being the more traditionally beautiful of the two women. The two men danced circles around the lovely Hermia while Helena

constantly tried to muscle her way into the fun. The way they pushed her away conveyed the clumsiness but preserved fluidity in the performance.

While Helena and Lysander slept, Puck came across them and danced up and down the stage, kicking his heels high in the air. He had been watching the dysfunctional love triangle-plus-one drama from afar and decided he could solve the problem. He puts a spell on these two that will make them fall in love with whomever they first lay their eyes upon when they awake. As you can imagine, things go awry and the two men end up being madly in love with Helena and disgusted with Hermia. Again, the four unfortunate lovers perform their ridiculous dance, only this time, Hermia is the outcast.

Meanwhile, the blue-collar townspeople are preparing to put on a play for the king and queen at the wedding of Demetrius and Helena. Nick Bottom, one of Shakespeare's most colorful characters, is the over-eager actor, willing and able, according to himself, to play every role in the play. The other five members of the cast, in their 1980s yuppie tennis outfits (a decent modern interpretation of the char-

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From the home office at Beta Theta Pi

Top Ten Signs you have a Bad Professor

- 10) The only tests he gives you are hernia tests.
- 9) He repeatedly cites old episodes of "Three's Company."
- 8) He stops class every couple of minutes and asks you, "How do you pronounce this word?"
- 7) When apologizing for being late for class he keeps mentioning his parole officer.
- 6) While he dances on the speaker at Geddy's he keeps asking you if you understood the required readings.
- 5) He teaches BIO 100.
- 4) Your political science professor keeps trying to explain Mayor McCheese's place in the bicameral legislature.
- 3) Constantly wears a T-shirt that reads "Don't worry about the quizzes, but be careful of the testes."
- 2) He claims his T.A. is Jack Daniels.
- 1) Your math professor keeps dropping his pants and yelling, "Let's put the 'Log' back in Logarithms."

By Eric Simonds

Kay Gardner



Composer-performer Kay Gardner will perform improvisations on world flutes and percussion and original song and piano works Saturday, Nov. 23 at 8 p.m. at the Unitarian-Universalist Church, 120 Park St., Bangor. Tickets are \$5, children under 12 will be admitted free. (Courtesy Photo.)

• In the theaters

'Star Trek: First Contact' – a dark science fiction drama

(AP)—As part of the national consciousness, "Star Trek" has the advantage of being recognizable to almost anyone. But as science-fiction esoterica with legions of nit-picky fans, it also faces a tough time emerging from its often insular universe.

What makes a "Star Trek" movie work, then, is its ability to be the best of both worlds — good "Star Trek" and good entertainment. The franchise's eighth feature film, "Star Trek: First Contact," does this and more.

It's all here — taut adventure, time travel, the most spectacular visual effects of any "Star Trek" movie and some of the most terrifying villains in science-fiction history. And, oh civilization as we know it is at stake.

A vampirish cyborg culture called the Borg, thwarted by the USS Enterprise in its attempts to penetrate Earth and absorb its culture, travels back in time to April 4, 2063 — the date of Earth's first contact with aliens. The Borg's goal: to absorb Earth's civilization before it had any capacity to fight back.

We meet Zefram Cochran (James Cromwell), the hard-drinking, cynical inventor of the faster-than-light method of travel known

as "warp drive" ("Scotty, I need warp nine — now!"), who is living in a post-World War III camp in Montana and building a warp-capable ship in a missile silo. The Borg, led by their queen (Alice Krige) try to stop his first warp flight, thus preventing "first contact" by passing Vulcans who notice the trip.

What makes this film above average is the balance struck between action and characters.

Director Jonathan Frakes, who also plays Commander William T. Riker, the Enterprise's first officer, has — as Leonard Nimoy did when he directed earlier films — an intimate knowledge of the "Star Trek" tradition. Frakes knows instinctively when to move the story along and when to stop and delve into a character.

The character he chooses to explore most, of course, is Capt. Jean-Luc Picard (Patrick Stewart), who was "assimilated" by the Borg collective six years ago. Picard was rescued by his crewmates, but not before he had been implanted with Borg machinery and scarred psychologically.

Stewart, a Shakespearean actor who always has brought an impressive amount of depth to Picard, shines here as a raw, ragged man coming unhinged and confusing valiant battle with revenge — against the "hive" that absorbed him. Also enchanting are the scenes between the Borg queen and Lt. Commander Data, the android whose most

fervent desire is to be human. To turn Data against his ship, she introduces him to tactile sensation, binding him to a table, grafting a piece of skin onto his arm and gently blowing on it in a chillingly sensual scene.

The Borg justify their existence by absorbing cultures and knowledge, then using it to absorb some more. In them, we see a cold, metallic villain very relevant to events in our world today: a tug between the natural and the synthetic, between the organic and the computerized, between the individual and the "collective."

This is a dark drama — darker, perhaps, than the late "Star Trek" creator, Gene Roddenberry, might have liked. In every other way, this continues his tradition, tempering his utopianism with a gritty reality and timeless themes that are the very reasons "Star Trek" remains relevant today.

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acters), become quite annoyed with Bottom, who wanders off. He is changed into a beast by Puck as part of an experiment to see if he can make someone fall in love with such a ridiculous creature. He succeeds, only the victim is Titania, the Queen of the Fairies. Another humorous dance was the dance between the beastly Bottom and the delicate and lovely Titania.

The final scene of the piece finds all of the couples back together at the hilariously clumsy performance of Pyramis and Thisbee, a parallel within the play, by Bottom and the gang.

"A Midsummer Night's Dream" is a comedy. It takes the idea of love and breaks it down into five different parts. The five parts are the five couples. Lysand-

er and Hermia, are the straightforward "captain of the football team and head cheerleader" couple. Demetrius and Helena, are less flashy, more down-to-earth. Oberon and Titania are the fantasy couple, and Bottom and Titania are a fluke. Finally, Pyramus and Thisbee are the romantic Romeo and Juliet-esque couple. Through these five couples, Shakespeare spins a web of confusion that reeks of order.

The Queensland Ballet certainly did Shakespeare justice in their rendition of his colorful play through spectacular dance and musical interpretations. Although the company didn't follow the play line for line, it explores the major themes, while remaining true to the symmetry of the original.

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• State news

Proposed natural gas pipeline through Maine gathers support, opposition

AUGUSTA (AP) — Thousands of jobs, more money pouring into the budgets of dozens of Maine cities, and cleaner, cheaper energy to boot.

A Boston-based consortium that wants to build a 729-mile system of natural gas pipelines stretching from Canada to Massachusetts unveiled a rosy report Thursday predicting these and other benefits.

But first, the \$975 million project needs to pass the scrutiny of federal and state regulators, as well as win the support of residents who may not want a 24-inch underground pipeline next door.

"I suspect there will be some people who will have some concerns about the pipeline coming through their communities," said Charles Colgan, a University of Southern Maine professor who helped Maritimes & Northeast Pipeline and a consulting firm produce the report.

"However, the history of these projects in other parts of the country, and even in Maine ... show that the environmental impacts over the long term are pretty minimal from the pipeline itself," said Colgan, an associate professor of public policy and management.

The proposed system would take natural

gas from an offshore field near Sable Island, Nova Scotia, and distribute it through Canada, Maine, New Hampshire and Massachusetts. The main line would pass through the southern part of Maine, from Wells to Woodland.

Most of Maine currently uses heating oil and electricity, although a natural gas pipeline connects Portland to Lewiston-Auburn.

"We are in support of bringing natural gas to Maine industries because it helps reduce air pollution, as long as it can be sited sensitively and along appropriate routes," said Judy Berk, a spokeswoman for the Natural Resources Council of Maine.

Gene Guilford, president of the Maine Oil Dealers Association, said natural gas was not all it claimed to be. Not only does gas cost more to use than heating oil, he said, but new oil burners release near-zero levels of smoke.

"No one is going to be able to sell natural gas in Maine less expensively than you can sell heating oil. It isn't going to happen," Guilford said.

A competing proposal also is in the works. Portland Natural Gas Transmission System is seeking approval to run a \$251 million line between the U.S.-Canada border near Jay, Vt., to Haverhill, Mass.

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"I may be underestimating the people of Maine when I say this, but I don't believe they'll support the 2 percent increase in compensation," MacTaggart said.

MacTaggart said funding for the increase will have to come from revenue generated by increases in enrollment and tuition.

The fifth and last goal is to maintain state investment in system facilities.

"One could argue, although no one really has done this so far, that we should not have been deferring maintenance all along,"

MacTaggart said.

MacTaggart also said each campus in the system must increase enrollment, participate in aggressive fundraising, create partnerships with employers in the state, create partnerships with each other and set internal priorities.

MacTaggart said he and the trustees are working to get as many people as possible involved in supporting UMaine System.

"We're engaging in a pretty aggressive and hopefully systematic effort to try to

begin involving activist citizens and business leaders and ordinary folks into a wonderful institution and a very important part of the community," MacTaggart said.

Sally Vamvakias, chairwoman of the Board of Trustees, informed the faculty about the search for a replacement for UMaine President Frederick E. Hutchinson, who will retire at the end of June.

"Initially we are going to have a pre-search consultant come in and that individual will be talking to the appropriate people

regarding the priorities of the university as well as the desired characteristics of the your next leader," Vamvakias said.

An 11-member search committee will include three trustees, three UMaine faculty members and one each of a professional staff member, a classified staff member, a student, an alumnus or alumni and an administrator. The committee will pick the final candidate.

Vamvakias said she expects the committee will decide on a replacement by early summer.

Bunker

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"The only thing you've got are solid walls," Claude Junkins of Facilities Management said. According to Junkins, heating and plumbing are nonexistent, exposed wiring is stapled to the walls, asbestos lines the ceiling and fire safety violations would need to be looked into.

The idea of students volunteering their time to fix the bunker comes with its own set of safety problems.

"Students need to be licensed to do any heating, plumbing and electrical work," Treadwell said.

Junkins said, "Facilities will provide you with a list of what needs to be done." Environmental and Public Safety, he added, would also have their own lists of issues to deal with.

"I don't want to see this idea put on the back burner," said Jim Lolar, a member of the Musicians' Coalition on campus. "That's my main concern."

For the last two months, the Musicians' Coalition has been combing the campus to find a facility that could fill UMaine's void in musical culture, coalition member Andy Howard said.

"Red tape was a problem in the Ram's Horn. Things are brought up to code and the codes change," Howard said. He said he doesn't

want the same thing to happen to the bunker.

Other issues included money, or rather, lack of money, and ideas for fundraising.

"We are all aware that we need a set of goals and avenues to follow," Mittelstadt said.

Junkins said, "We could easily sink \$250,000 out there and fix it up the way it should be fixed. I don't think that's really unrealistic when we look at some of the other renovation projects."

Mittelstadt, Schramke and Hamann believe the students would be able to raise the money needed to complete whatever needs to be done. They're just waiting for the green light.

Lolar said, "I would like (for the university) to see the many steps that it will take to do this as, not as blockades, but just as work that has to be done. Rather than have the attitude of 'Look at all the stuff we have to do — it just can't be done,' I would like to see, 'Look at all the stuff we have to do — how long is it going to take?'"

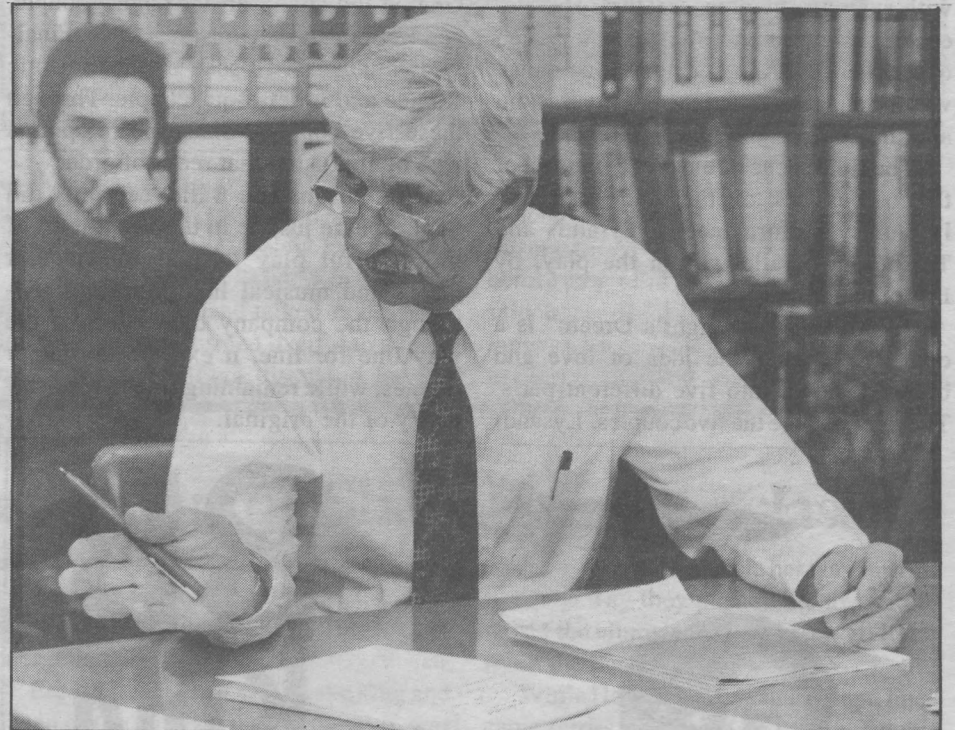
"There's a building that's vacant," Mittelstadt said. "And it's been vacant for many years. We think it could be used for something productive instead of just sitting there."

The next step for the group is to complete a formal proposal to submit to the UMaine

system board of trustees.

Any questions, comments or recommen-

dations can be e-mailed to the group at bunker@sparc2.umeres.maine.edu.




Assistant Director of Facilities Management Jim Treadwell explains to students the many high-cost improvements that would be required to convert the Civil Defense Bunker to a student entertainment space. (Dave Gagne Photo.)



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The Morality of Animal Testing

Jeff Tuttle

The popular concept of human superiority over all others in the animal kingdom may have some biological and technological validity, if you listen to the scientists. But in our infinite arrogance we have condemned many of those we consider inferior to lives of servitude and suffering — all in the name of human progress.

Animal rights activists have been largely unsuccessful in their attempt to convince the American public that the animals we eat, and upon whom we conduct biomedical experiments, are worthy of our mercy. This should come as no surprise in a nation known for its exclusiveness and unwillingness to face a sometimes brutal reality.

According to Rutgers Animal Rights Law Center, more than 8 billion animals are consumed for food every year in the United States alone. More than 100 million animals are used for experiments, and millions more are used for entertainment in rodeos, circuses, zoos and movies. The numbers are staggering and animal rights activists, an often disparaged group, have good reason to be concerned for the welfare of these living, breathing, thinking entities.

Citizens of the United States must address these concerns and decide whether animals have a fundamental right to exist outside the institution of slavery. We have to decide whether animals have their own destinies and whether humans should be in the powerful position of determining their fate and denying them the basic right to life.

Researchers who use animals in their experiments will argue that the conditions in which these animals are kept are usually better than that of the typical house pet. Their cages are cleaner and their diet is healthier. This may be true, and it may be true that many researchers genuinely care for the animals they study. Their attachment to these animals, however, does not justify their ability to inflict pain and ultimately decide their fate.

Those who justify this animal exploitation will point to the need for advancement in the field of medicine. They will say these animals are vital to their research efforts and vital to the survival of the human race. Despite their current adherence to this inhumane practice, researchers must move forward in their efforts to utilize cell and tissue cultures in their efforts and discontinue the use of live animals. In a medical profession known for its progressive methods and intelligent practitioners, abandoning this arcane practice should be within reach.

To justify the use of animals in medical research, a clear distinction must be drawn between humans and other members of the animal kingdom. That distinction has not been sufficiently drawn. In fact, animals are chosen for this brand of research solely because of their similarity to humans.

Many mammals used for research purposes have been shown to possess complex mental faculties, and although dogs, cats and monkeys make up only three percent of the animals used for biomedical research, the reasons for using animals solely to benefit the human race are flawed and rooted in arrogance, ignorance and a basic disregard for life.

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

Kathryn Ritchie

Imagine being locked in a wire cage against your will, unable to stretch your legs and being attended to only when a scientist wants to inject you with experimental chemicals or run you through a maze. Unfortunately, this nightmare is a reality for millions of experimental lab animals.

It seems so cruel. The harshness of the testing comes from the fact that these animals never get love or companionship. They are born to die a tortuous death, devoid of any positive experiences. They are at the mercy of science, used for a variety of experiments, from testing new cosmetics to trying to find a cure for AIDS. The latter seems like a noble cause to die for, but the creatures cowering in the corners of their steel cages probably don't think so.

The testing for cosmetics is pure evil. Little bunnies shouldn't be poked in the eyes with mascara until they bleed in the name of fashion. And yet, about 14 million animals die each year because of cosmetics testing.

Dooming thousands of animals to a certain death while finding the cure for mankind's diseases seems very much like playing God. Perhaps it would be better if these animals were played with or exercised, but it's hard to picture scientists racing against time to find a cure for AIDS picking up a cat and letting it snuggle on his or her lap.

A recent study shows that people feel more strongly against experiments done on cute animals (cats, monkeys and rabbits) than those done on ugly ones (pigs, frogs and rats). That survey just reflects society's demented obsession with beauty; if they're ugly, they deserve to die.

It could be argued these same pigs could be slaughtered for bacon, or that these same cats could be euthanized in an animal shelter if they aren't adopted in time. But it seems more torturous to prolong their death with needles and tests.

The issue of animal testing brings into light the larger issue of animal rights. How much freedom are our furry friends entitled to? The Animal Welfare Act currently requires scientists about to use vertebrate animals in experiments to consider other options first. A plethora of centers are currently searching for alternatives for these scientists (one may be computer simulation).

Any doubts to the inhumane procedures that occur during testing can easily be put to rest after a cruise through the Internet, which contains several graphically disturbing pictures of animals in pain.

With all the technological advances as of lately, we should really be above the need to dominate and torture the animal kingdom. Other ways to experiment are out there for those humane researchers to use.

(Kathryn Ritchie is a junior journalism major and the assistant city editor of The Maine Campus.)

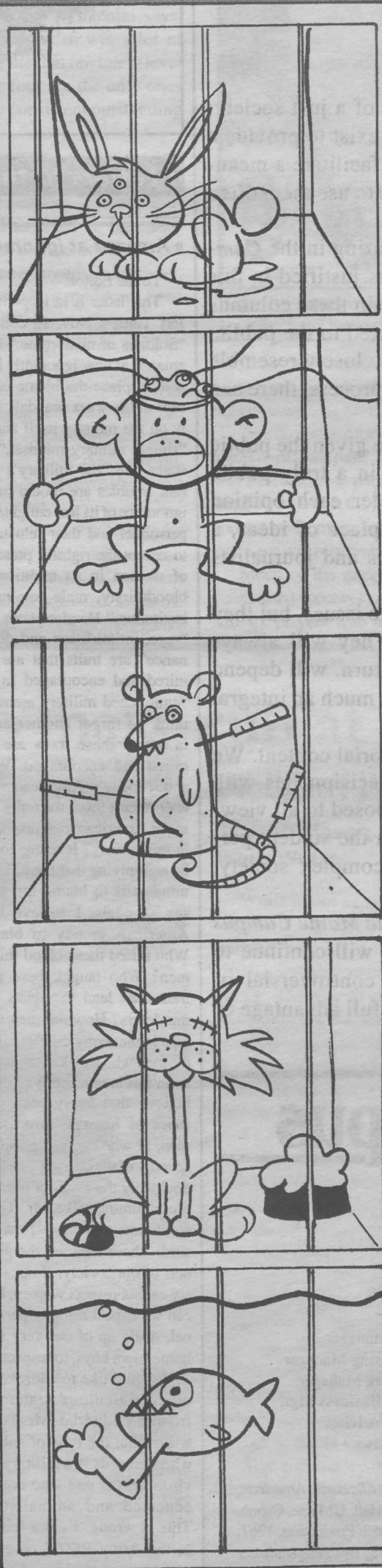


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Editorial

• Editorial

Marketplace of ideas

*"Let the truth and falsehood grapple;
whoever knew truth to be worse in a free and open encounter
... Though all the winds of doctrine were let loose
to play upon the earth, so truth be in the field,
we do injuriously by licensing and prohibiting,
to misdoubt her strength."*

— John Milton

The free expression of ideas is the foundation of a just society; and the opinion pages of *The Maine Campus* exist to provide a forum for students to express their ideas and facilitate a meaningful dialogue. We at the *Campus* encourage readers to use them often and wisely.

While the ideas presented in recent columns appearing in the *Campus* have angered some, we feel their expression was justified in this free forum, and the merit of the views expressed within these columns should be weighed by readers. If all ideas are presented to the public, individuals are then able to choose which ideas most closely resemble their beliefs and reject those that do not. Without this process, there can be no meaningful discussion.

Historically, the opinion pages of a newspaper have given the public a voice and the opportunity to express their views in a truly public forum. Whether it be outrage or praise, we consider each opinion valuable and a welcome contribution to the marketplace of ideas, a concept for which esteemed philosophers, politicians and journalists have much respect.

Disagreeable columns can and will emerge in future issues, but they will never be designed to gauge reader response. They will always represent the sincere opinions of the writer, who, in turn, will depend on the reader to judge the content. Education is just as much an integral function of the paper as the reporting of news.

The Maine Campus makes no apologies for its editorial content. We portray no one opinion as an absolute truth. That decision lies with every individual reader, who must insist on being exposed to all viewpoints. This level of exposure is designed to broaden the student perspective and prepare students for an increasingly complex society, defined by its ideological variance.

In the tradition of Milton's marketplace of ideas, *The Maine Campus* editorial policy will not be altered. This philosophy will continue to ensure that all voices are heard, whether they be controversial or popular. Readers should expect nothing less and take full advantage of the opportunity to disseminate their beliefs.

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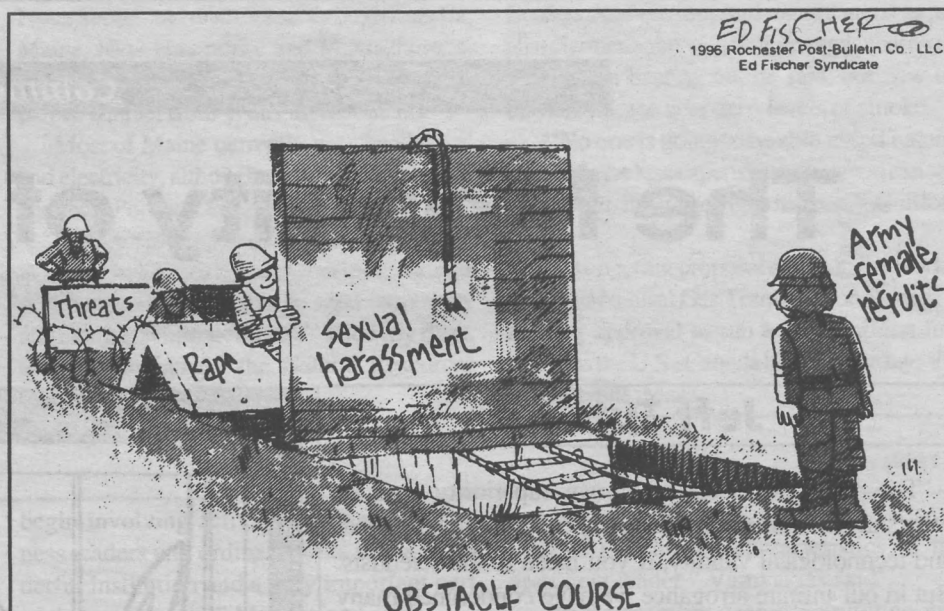
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• Letters to the Editor

• Amazed at ignorance

To the Editor:

This letter is in response to Jeff Tuttle's Nov. 18 column, "Soldiers of misfortune." I am amazed at how ignorantly he is able to place the blame of recent military sex scandals solely on the military itself and its "simple military mindset." He states that "the military's current troubles are rooted in the ignorance of its less enlightened personnel and their reluctance to accept the rightful presence of women in its traditionally bloodthirsty, male-dominated institution." He also states that "rage, intimidation and dominance" are traits that are admired and encouraged in the "entrenched military arena." I think he forgot another arena in which these traits are admired and encouraged. What about today's American society? Aren't these the traits that make American men respected in our society? It seems to me he is implying that the military mindset is to blame for these sex scandals. I believe it is American society to blame. Who raised these blood thirsty men? Who taught these men traits that lead to rapists and murderers? How are men who rape in the Army different from the man who attacked the woman in this area recently? I don't believe that every man who rapes or harasses women or men, or who cannot "grasp the severity of the charges" are "undoubtedly the result of military programming" like Mr. Tuttle would like to believe. How absurd! These men are the products of our society. If our society cannot respect women, how can we expect military personnel, made up of our very own home-town boys, to respect us?

I would like to address another ridiculous statement from this editorial. Mr. Tuttle writes that the type of soldier who succeeds in a military environment is one who is "uneducated and animalistic." This is wrong. I am a female in the Army ROTC program here on campus. I am about to be commissioned as an officer in the United States Army and

I can tell you that I will be proud to serve with any of my male counterparts in the program that are also future soldiers. They are not animalistic and they are not uneducated, yet I know that most of them will succeed in the military environment, regardless of the traits that Mr. Tuttle believes necessary to do so.

We have to remember that the institution that Mr. Tuttle criticizes so harshly is made up of regular American citizens. They are not from a society that possesses different values from us. They are our brothers, friends, uncles and fathers. They are like you, Mr. Tuttle. They were raised in the same ignorance. It is not a "new breed of soldiers who can retain their identity, value the contribution of women to society and adhere to the moral code" they protect, that is needed to change the simple military mindset. What we need is a new breed of Americans can do this. If our society offered men who could do this before they joined the service, then I don't think the military or the American society would have such problems with rape and harassment.

Melissa A. Boucher
Old Town

• A little respect

To the Editor:

It comes as no surprise to me that the editor-in-chief of *The Maine Campus* has resorted to fantastic claims about our "ruthless fighting machine," the U.S. military. The preposterous accusations come from a newspaper that didn't even allow one word of coverage to veterans on Veteran's Day and donated one column on Page 5 to an AP article on honoring our veterans in the following issue. It seems that "Saint" Tuttle has already jumped on the anti-military bandwagon, and he hasn't even graduated to a full-time journalist yet. It seems as though he has the facts slightly confused. I was in the Army for five years and I don't recall any "stunted intellects" or "uneducated and animalistic soldiers." "Saint"

Tuttle also made reference to the fact soldiers losing their identity made them resort to acts of regression and violence. Speaking from experience (not from watching Dan Rather or reading *The Boston Globe*), the fact of the matter is those soldiers who won't give up their identity are the ones who act inappropriately. And, believe it or not, the military has a much higher moral standard for its soldiers. For example, adultery is a punishable offense under the UCMJ (show me a civilian employer who does this).

Another thing that bothers me is the fact that the military is talked about with negative connotations by students and faculty alike on an almost daily basis on campus. Who does everyone think the U.S. military is, some alien power wanting to overthrow everything which is good? I'll tell you who we are. We're your sons, daughters, fathers, mothers, brothers and sisters. We're normal, everyday people. And I personally know several of these fine young men who have been smeared on dropzones, had their faces half-blown off, gotten shot by AK-47 (and had their bodies shown off like trophies by Somalis), to list a few. I will not stand idly by and allow for such feces to be spewed forth from the mouths of such "educated" people. Let's not get politics confused with our veterans.

I'll end quoting the Army Field Manual on leadership (FM 22-100): "For a few moments, the fate of an Army and a nation rested on the shoulders of 358 farmers, woodsmen and fisherman from Maine. They were led by a colonel who was a seminary graduate and who had been a professor of languages less than a year before the battle."

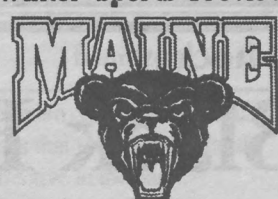
For those of you who don't know the impact the 20th Maine had on the outcome of the Civil War, it was quite inspiring. Let's start giving respect where respect is due. Let's start showing our veterans some hard-earned and long-overdue respect.

B. Drew
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Winter Sports Preview



1996-'97

For the University of Maine Black Bear men's basketball team Ramone Jones, Terry Hunt, John Gordon and Allen Ledbetter are:

The Big Four

By Scott Martin
Sports Editor

It takes five players to make a basketball team. Most people will tell you it takes six, seven or maybe even eight to be a successful basketball team.

Well, John Giannini knows entering the 1996-97 season- his first as the University of Maine men's basketball coach- that he has four very good players, and will rely on them to make his team a winner.

"We have four players who are going to play as much as physically possible," Giannini said. "They are the only ones who are ready to compete against the best teams on our schedule, night in and night out."

Those four players are seniors Ramone Jones and Terry Hunt and sophomores John Gordon and Allen Ledbetter. Jones, Gordon and Ledbetter played instrumental roles in Maine's 15-13 season last year that included a third-place finish in the North Atlantic Conference (now called America East.) Hunt returns to the Black Bears after sitting out last season with a broken leg.

Giannini continually states that what he calls his "core group" will make the difference for the Black Bear this season. "Those

four I flat out told them they have to carry us night in an night out," Giannini says. "I'm optimistic that we can win a lot of games, but I'm realistic that our talent level is such that our top four are the only ones who are ready to be consistent outstanding college level players."

In order to fill the role they need to, the core four will have to play close to 40 minutes a game. Thus far in the preseason they have averaged about 37 minutes. This could be the major problem as none of the four has averaged more than 28 minutes a game at any time in his career. Jones is the only player who started every game last year, averaging 29 minutes a game.

"The way we run our practices, we'll be ready," Jones says.

"No," Hunt said when asked if he was concerned about physical breakdown, "because the preseason conditioning we went through really got our cardiovascular up. As long as we can stay healthy we shouldn't have any problems at all."

Playing with little depth is nothing new to the Black Bears, but it is new to Giannini. Last year, as head coach of Division III champion Rowan College, Giannini had enough depth to run the ball. His teams averaged about 90 points a game.



Ramone Jones is one of four Black Bears head coach John Giannini calls his core four and will be expected play extensive minutes this year. (Lachowski File Photo.)

Twice his team scored 130 points. In order to score that many points, you must have a deep bench- something Maine isn't accustomed to.

"We do not have the talent to play the way my teams have in the past," Giannini says. "The best way for this team to play is to make sure that our best players are on the floor as much as possible and that we are more disciplined than some of the teams we will play with more talent and depth."

Much of the reason for the Black Bears unexpected success last year was depth. They had six players who averaged more than 27

minutes a game in conference play. Three of those six, Greg Logan, Casey Arena and Matt Moore, have graduated, leaving Jones, Ledbetter and Gordon as the only member of the 96-97 team who played significant minutes.

In the past, the lack of depth affected Maine and often the Black Bears would falter at the end of games. Last years team didn't. They showed that early on when in its third game of the season, it watched

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•Women's basketball

Black Bears look to make run at third straight title

Blodgett, Porrini must lead young Maine team

By Josh Nason
Sports Writer

While junior superstar Cindy Blodgett's success is a given going into the 1996-97 season, there are a lot of things for head coach Joanne Palombo-McCallie's team that aren't. The play of captains Stacey Porrini and Sandy Carver, a mostly underclassmen team, and how they handle their non-conference schedule will answer a lot of questions from fans that want to see the team advance past the first round in the NCAA tourney.

The Bears are looking to win a third consecutive America East Conference (formerly the North Atlantic Conference) title, and third consecutive NCAA tourney berth. Last year's record of 27-5, which included an 18-0 conference record, was the best in the program's 21 years.

In non-conference play, the Black Bears went 6-5 with wins over Santa Clara, UNC-Charlotte, Villanova and UMass. However, their losses to national powers Ohio State, Alabama, George Washington, and USC were by an average of 28 points, with a low of four to Santa Clara.

The preseason America East poll released last week had Maine once again ranked No. 1 for the third year in a row. The top four spots (Maine, Vermont, New Hampshire, Hartford) are exactly the same as last year. After winning all of their conference games

last year by an average of 26.3 points, the same results are expected of the Black Bears this year. Palombo is not concerned with the relative lack of competition, and how it will affect the team's play against the stronger opponents it will face.

"My theory is you really need to perform regardless of anyone you're playing and perform at the highest level," Palombo said. "We were challenged a great deal last year, and on many occasions we rose to the occasion. We are the target, and I think that is the best role for us to be in because we are assured of getting everybody's best game."

Playing at a high level will be essential as the Black Bears will play arguably their toughest non-conference schedule in years. They head into action this weekend with two big games on the road against George Washington, which bounced Maine from the NCAA tourney last year 83-67, and James Madison University. Later in the season they face Western Kentucky University, and at the Big Four Classic in Greensboro, NC, take on both Wake Forest and North Carolina.

Maine returns eight players, led by captains Blodgett, Porrini and Carver. Blodgett was a District I Kodak All-American and led the nation in scoring with 27.8 points per games. She needs

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Junior guard Cindy Blodgett will be looked upon to lead Maine to a third-straight America East title. (Geyerhahn File Photo.)

Ice hockey

Black Bears fight obstacles, struggle early



Black Bear Shawn Wansborough is a leader a young Maine team that has struggled early and is off to its worst start in ever in Hockey East. (Page File Photo.)

By Bill Stewart
Sports Writer

After being placed on probation by the NCAA nearly five months ago, the University of Maine hockey team knew it was engaging in a battle so many fear they will lose.

However, the on ice the story is almost the same, as the Black Bears are off to their worst start ever in Hockey East play.

"I'm happy with the way team has played," interim head coach Greg Cronin said. "However, I am not happy with our record."

Maine is off to a 4-4-1 start, but only two of those wins have come against Division I opponents. Although the team is struggling the quality of the teams it has faced is far from average.

"Five out of our nine games have come against nationally ranked teams," Cronin said. "We've gone up against Michigan, Lake Superior St., Colgate, and UNH."

The Bears opened the season with a loss against the defending national champions in Michigan, but then followed with an impressive victory against Lake Superior State.

Although Maine rests in last place in Hockey East with an 0-3-1 league record, the statistics show they should have much more than four wins thus far into the season.

The Black Bears have outscored their opponents 36-31 this year and are averaging four goals per game. Maine also has a .796 penalty killing average, and has outscored its opponents 16-10 on the power play.

Freshman forward Jason Price acknowledged the support for the team isn't at an all-time high, but the team is working harder

than ever.

"We're hearing that," said Price. "I think everyone has put us down, but we're going to be fine. We're better than every team we've played except Michigan."

Freshman goaltender Alfie Michaud also reflect on the tough start for the Black Bears, things should be turning around shortly, he said.

"Luck is not on our side," Michaud said. "We're all working hard but we're just not getting the breaks."

Michaud has compiled 3.44 goals against average in his first season in collegiate hockey. He has started all nine games for the Bears this season.

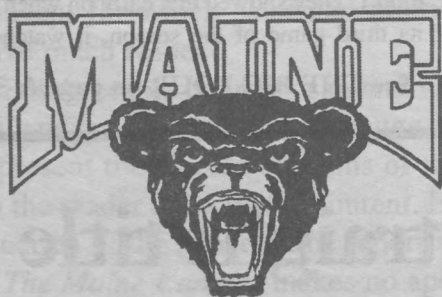
On the ice this year, Maine is led offensively by forwards Steve Kariya, Shawn Wansborough, Bobby Stewart and Dan Shermerhorn.

Kariya leads the team in goals with five, while Wansborough leads the team in total points. Cronin believes that at this point in the season no one is off to a career breaking start, but he is impressed with the play of his teams.

"We haven't been scoring enough goals," Cronin said. "Steve (Kariya) has played well and Shawn Wansborough has about to come into his own, but if you look at the stats we don't have any stand-outs."

There is no secret Maine won't produce any Hobey Baker candidates this year, but instead will have a much more

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Black Bear Athletics Student Ticket Distribution Schedule

HOCKEY

Jan. 17 vs. Providence
Jan. 18 vs. Providence
Jan. 31 vs. Boston College

Feb. 2 vs. Merrimack
Feb. 18 vs. New Hampshire

Feb. 21 vs. Boston University
Feb. 22 vs. Boston University
March 1 vs. UMass-Amherst

WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

Jan. 24 vs. Drexel
Jan. 26 vs. Hofstra
Feb. 9 vs. New Hampshire
Feb. 13 vs. Delaware

Feb. 15 vs. Towson St.

MEN'S BASKETBALL

Memorial Union
9-11am & 1-3pm
Monday, December 2

Monday, January 27

Monday, February 10

Monday, December 2

Monday, January 27

Alfond Arena Ticket Office
8:30am-4pm
Tuesday, December 3

Tuesday, January 28

Tuesday, February 11

Tuesday, December 3

Tuesday, January 28

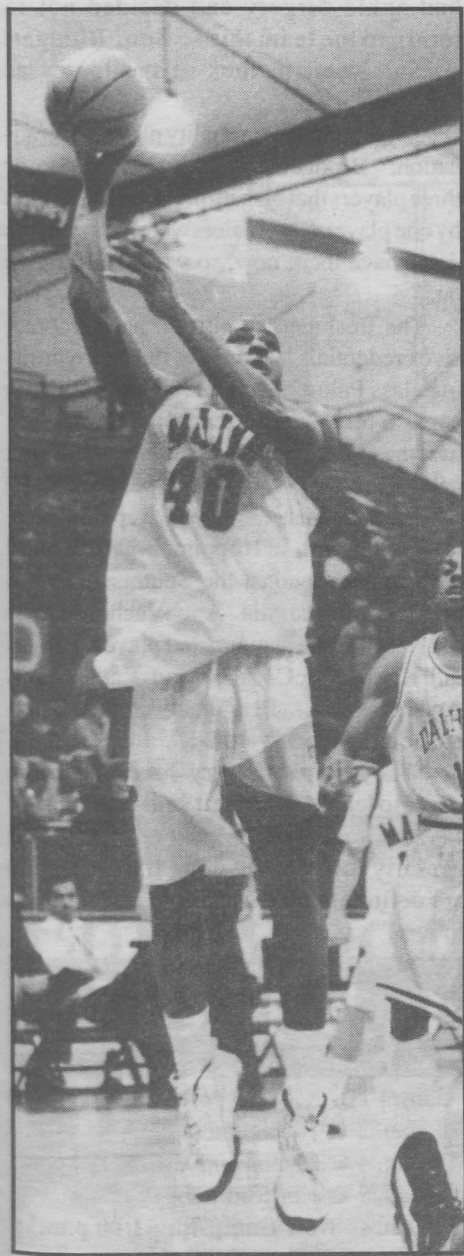
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The Big Four



Allen Ledbetter (Gagne File Photo.)

Boston University come from 12 points down with less than five minutes remaining to take a one-point lead with 10 seconds remaining. But Maine had enough left to pull out a 62-60 win as Gordon hit a three with seven seconds left.

Flashback two years, and you see a team with depth much like this year's team: It didn't have much. Former Black Bear coach Rudy Keeling had Arena, Ken Barnes, Moore and Jones as his only players who played a lot of minutes. Hunt and Logan missed a large portion of the first half of the year and Chris Collins saw limited action due to an ankle injury.

Now Giannini has his own depth problems to worry about. Angelo Thomas, Rashaan Thompson and Don Long are the only other upperclassmen on Maine's roster, with freshman Dade Faison, Corey Thibodeau, Josh Nash and Bryan James contending for minutes as well. Outside his core group not one of Giannini's player has averaged more than seven minutes a game. To make matters worse, Nash and Thibodeau have been limited because of injuries and asthma respectively.

"After that core group, there is very little experience," Giannini says. "As a coach I would like a bit more depth and talent. There is no question we need several of our other players to play significant roles."

Long will probably be the other starter at center, with Thomas, a big man (6'10") with a sweet touch, also seeing plenty of minutes. Faison has impressed both coaches and veterans with his play at the point and should help ease the load on Gordon as well as Hunt and Jones. Gordon, Jones and Faison will more than likely make up a three guard rotation. When Jones and Gordon are in together they will switch between the two guard positions. Faison and Gordon shouldn't see too much time on the court together,

because of their size, 5'10 and 5'11 respectively, but if they do Gordon will play the two guard.

"I'm sure Dade Faison and John Gordon will play together at times, but most of the time we'll only play one of the two point guards," Giannini says.

The core four realize how important it will be for players other than themselves to step up.

"We have the core group and if the role players can step up and play roles, we should be able to be very successful," Hunt says.

"Everyone's been working hard and playing hard," adds Jones. "I think what will happen is, due to who's playing well and who's been doing well in practice—they'll get in. Everyone brings in something different. That's a good thing for Coach, he can put different people and get different things."

Ramone Jones, Terry Hunt, John Gordon and Allen Ledbetter will be under a lot of pressure, and each of them has proven they are capable of getting the job done.

As a freshman, Gordon stepped up as a leader of the Black Bears in his first game. Fresno State was the team and Jerry Tarkanian was the coach. Gordon wasn't intimidated by the 9,000 some Bulldog fans and drained 11 points. It was just the start of things to come as Gordon finished the season as a member of the NAC All-Rookie team and the Black Bears leading scorer, averaging 13.2 points a game. Gordon is excited about the pressure situation ahead of him.

"I like that kind of challenge," Gordon says.

Ledbetter, also a freshman last year, averaged 7.4 rebounds a game, alongside Logan who

averaged 10.7 rebounds a game. Ledbetter has put on 15-20 pounds this year, which should make him more effective in the paint.

Ledbetter gave the Black Bears a scare this summer when he complained of heart palpitations. After a number of tests, the sophomore was cleared to play. With that, the Black Bears breathed a huge sigh of relief.

"(His heart) was a great scare," Giannini said, "because if we should lose one of our core group I think we can win some games in that situation but over the long haul there is no way we can win at nearly the same level."

Jones brings a defensive staple to the Black Bears. He has proven over the last three years he can shoot down the best athletes in America, holding Vermont's Eddie Benton, the nation's fourth leading scorer last year, to just two points in the teams first match up last year.

The most intriguing and possibly most important of the four will be Hunt. Injury prone in his five years at Maine, Hunt will be asked to carry the bulk of the load offensively. In the past, Hunt has proven he is capable, averaging 18.8 points over the last five games of the 1994-95 season, which included outbursts of 26 and 20 points versus New Hampshire and Hofstra respectively. Hunt is a slashing, athletic guard, who has the potential to average 20 points a game.

Lack of depth is something no team likes to be faced with. It makes teams adjust. It makes your top players log big time minutes, which is can be both physically and mentally exhausting. But it also keeps a teams best players on the floor for the majority of the game. The Black Bears are counting on this to lead them to greener pastures in March—i.e. the NCAA tournament.

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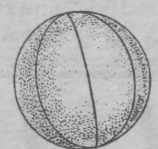


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Women's hoops

914 points to break the school and the America East all-time scoring mark. The Clinton native is also an All-America candidate, a preseason candidate for the Naismith Award, and an America East All-Conference selection. She said that the intensity is still there to

get back to the NCAA's, and may be even more so than in past years because of all the new faces on the team.

Porrini begins her senior year coming off an impressive junior campaign when she averaged a double-double (12.3 ppg and 10.3 rebounds per game)

and set a conference mark for blocks in a season with 64. The 6'4" center was named to the NAC All-Tourney team in 1995-96, and is also a member of the preseason America East All-Conference squad. She will be counted on to help bring along 6'7" freshman center Jessie Bruyere, the tallest player in America East this season.

Carver played in every game last year, becoming a starter after the first four. The 5'9" guard averaged 4.5 points and 3.3 rebounds a game last season. She is looking forward to a squad of mostly new faces, and thinks the schedule this year will be more challenging than in years past.

The rest of the returning players will need to contribute more than they have in the past. Senior forward Kelly Stubbs and sophomores Klara Danes, Andrea Clark, Kelly Bowman and Gabrielle De-Shong combined for only 1.3 ppg and 1.2 rpg last season, and will need to help pick up the offense and defensive intensity left behind by the graduation of Steph Guidi (8.3 ppg, 3.7 rpg), Catherine Gallant (7.1 ppg, 5.8 rpg), Stacia Rustad (5.7 ppg, 2.4 rpg), as well as Trisha Ripton (7.7 ppg, 3.5 rpg), who

had ankle surgery and decided not to return to the team this season. Blodgett doesn't want to look at the losses as negative.

"Every team loses quality players to graduation," Blodgett says. "It may be two or three players that pick up the slack left behind by one player. The seniors were great, but we don't have them now, so we have to move on."

The freshmen coming in have impressive credentials and may be the best recruiting class Palombo has had since she's been here. 6 foot 4 inch forward Jamie Cassidy has made her presence felt in exhibition games thus far, scoring 22 points and 10 rebounds against the Czech Republic, following up with a 10 point, eight rebound performance against the Southern District Spartans of Australia. Amy Vachon started the Czech game at guard and played well, as did Kristen McCormick and Katie Clark. And reports from Bear practices have Bruyere coming along very well.

"They all work very hard and seem eager to learn," Blodgett said. "When you say something to them, generally you don't get dirty looks or anything like that. They are definitely on the same page, and want to win."

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Ice hockey

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rounded team. A similar situation to 1995 when the Bears went to the NCAA Championship game against Boston University.

Forward Price compares this year's team to that of the Florida Panthers in the NHL.

"We don't have to worry about any superstars on this team," Price said. "You look at the Florida Panthers—they don't have any superstars either, but they'll be back in the NHL Finals."

Although it is a bold prediction from Price, just how far can these Bears go? Or rather, how far will the NCAA let them go?

"Everyone's excited and roaring to go," Price said. "We're a young team, but we'll be o.k."

The Bears will entertain UMass-Lowell this weekend in a pair of critical games for the team. The following weekend Maine

will travel to Burlington, Vt. where it will look to defend their Governor's Cup crown they captured last year.

As Maine prepares for its final stretch run in debating with the NCAA, it's also looking to turn things around in the league.

With the presence of a young team, coupled with some key injuries, Maine is still looking for the right combinations with the right players.

With many players still making the slow transition to college hockey, it is just a matter of time before everything should come together.

"I'm adjusting to college hockey," Michaud said. "I'm not where I want to be, but it will come. We're working as hard as we can, but it just takes a little time."

1996-97 University of Maine Winter Sports Schedule

Women's Basketball

Nov. 22 @ George Washington TBA
Nov. 24 @ J.M.U. 2:00 p.m.
Nov. 29 **Dead River Classic**
Brown, Oklahoma State, Loyola (Maryland)
Nov. 30 **Dead River Classic**
Consolation and Championship Game
Dec. 5 @ Hofstra 7:00 p.m.
Dec. 7 @ Drexel 1:00 p.m.
Dec. 14 @ Western Kentucky 7:30 p.m.
Dec. 22 **Rhode Island 1:00 p.m. (Portland)**
Dec. 28 @ **Big Four Classic**
Maine, North Carolina, Wake Forest, Greensboro
Jan. 2 **Northeastern 7:30 p.m.**
Jan. 4 **Boston University 1:00 p.m.**
Jan. 7 **Hartford 7:30 p.m.**
Jan. 11 @ UNH 1:00 p.m.
Jan. 16 @ Towson State 7:30 p.m.
Jan. 18 @ Delaware 1:00 p.m.

Jan. 21 **Vermont 7:30 p.m.**

Jan. 24 **Drexel 7:30 p.m.**

Jan. 30 **Hofstra**

Feb. 1 @ Vermont 1:00 p.m.

Feb. 9 **New Hampshire 1:00 p.m.**

Feb. 13 **Delaware 7:30 p.m.**

Feb. 15 **Towson State 1:00 p.m.**

Feb. 21 @ Boston University 7:00 p.m.

Feb. 23 @ Northeastern TBA

Ice Hockey

Nov. 22 **UMass-Lowell 7:00 p.m.**

Nov. 23 **UMass-Lowell 7:00 p.m.**

Governor's Cup Hockey Classic @

Burlington, VT

Nov. 29 **UMass-Lowell 5:00 p.m.**

Nov. 30 **Consolation Game 4:00 p.m.**

Championship Game 7:00 p.m.

Dec. 6 @ Boston College 7:00 p.m.

Dec. 7 @ Boston College 7:00 p.m.

JC Penney Hockey Classic

Dec. 20 **Dalhousie University 8:00**

p.m.

Dec. 21 **Consolation Game 4:00 p.m.**

Championship Game 7:00 p.m.

Denver Cup @ Denver, CO

Dec. 27 **Air Force 4:00 p.m.**

Dec. 28 **Consolation Game 4:00 p.m.**

Championship Game 7:00 p.m.

Jan. 3 @ Providence TBA

Jan. 4 @ UMass-Lowell 7:00 p.m.

Jan. 10 @ Merrimack 7:00 p.m.

Jan. 11 @ Merrimack 7:00 p.m.

Jan. 17 **Providence 7:00 p.m.**

Jan. 18 **Providence 7:00 p.m.**

Jan. 24 @ Northeastern TBA

Jan. 25 @ Boston University 7:00 p.m.

Jan. 31 **Boston College 7:00 p.m.**

Feb. 2 **Merrimack 2:00 p.m.**

Feb. 14 **UMass-Amherst 7:00 p.m.**

Feb. 15 **UMass-Amherst 7:00 p.m.**

Feb. 18 **New Hampshire 7:00 p.m.**

Feb. 21 **Boston University 7:00 p.m.**

Feb. 22 **Boston University 7:00 p.m.**

Mar. 1 **UMass-Amherst 7:00 p.m.**

Men's Basketball

Nov. 23 **University of Southern Maine 12:00 p.m.**

Nov. 25 **Liberty 7:30 p.m.**

Great Alaska Shootout @ Anchorage, Alaska

Nov. 28 **Maine vs. Alaska 12:00 a.m.**
Alaska Standard Time

Nov. 30 **Consolation Games 5:00 p.m.**
Championship Games 8:00 p.m.

Dec. 3 **Husson 7:30 p.m.**

Dec. 6 **Hofstra 7:30 p.m.**

Dec. 8 **Drexel 1:00 p.m.**

Dec. 13 @ Youngstown TBA

Mount St. Mary's Classic @ Emmitsburg, Maryland

Dec. 27 **Mount St. Mary's, Maine, UNC-**

Games TBA

Jan. 2 @ Northeastern TBA
Jan. 4 @ Boston University 1:00 p.m.
Jan. 7 @ Hartford TBA
Jan. 11 **New Hampshire 1:00 p.m.**
Jan. 16 **Towson State 7:30 p.m.**
Jan. 18 **Delaware 12:30 p.m.**
Jan. 20 @ St. Louis University TBA
Jan. 24 @ Drexel TBA
Jan. 26 @ Hofstra TBA
Jan. 30 **Vermont 7:30 p.m.**
Feb. 1 **Hartford 1:00 p.m.**
Feb. 5 @ Marquette 7:00 p.m.
Feb. 8 @ New Hampshire 7:30 p.m.
Feb. 13 @ Delaware 7:30 p.m.
Feb. 15 @ Towson State 1:00 p.m.
Feb. 17 @ Vermont 7:30 p.m.
Feb. 20 **Northeastern 7:30 p.m.**
Feb. 23 **Boston University 1:00 p.m.**
Men's and Women's Swimming/Div-

ing

Oct. 25 @ Connecticut 5:00 p.m.
Oct. 26 **America East Relays/NU @ Boston, MA TBA**
Nov. 9 **Vermont 12:00 p.m.**
Nov. 16 **Holy Cross 11:00 a.m.**
Nov. 23 @ Northeastern 12:00 p.m. (women)
Nov. 24 @ Central Connecticut State 12:00 p.m.
Dec. 7 **Boston University 12:00 p.m.**
Jan. 3 **Xavier University TBA**
Jan. 25 @ Boston College 12:00 p.m.
Feb. 1 @ New Hampshire 2:00 p.m.
Feb. 5 @ Colby 6:00 p.m.
Feb. 14-16 **America East Championships TBA**
Feb. 27-28 **ECAC Championships-TBA**
Mar. 1 **ECAC Championships-TBA**



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• University College

Holiday bazaar in Bangor to raise money for scholarship fund

By Matt Woodman
Staff Writer

College isn't cheap. For many students, when they're given their diplomas they're also given a payment book for their student loans, which can run into the thousands of dollars. The faculty, professional and classified staffs at University College in Bangor are trying to do something to make it a little easier for some of the students there.

In an effort to establish a scholarship fund for the college, the campus will host its first annual Holiday Bazaar Saturday

from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the College Center Ballroom on Texas Avenue in Bangor.

"Our goal is to raise \$1,000 from this first event, with most of that money coming from the renting of tables, the selling of donated goods on our white elephant tables and a percentage of the profits from the Pine Tree Cafe (a cafe on campus that will be open for the event)," said Wayne Evancheck, computer cluster and network manager at the college, who, along with Kate Kevit, coordinator of admissions and financial aid, is organizing the event.

Evancheck said the bazaar will feature 51 tables that will hold a variety of crafts

and gifts. While Christmas gifts and decorations will be the staple at many tables, other goods will range from dried flowers and hand-crafted creations from driftwood to NASCAR material and books for children. The event will also include entertainment for young and old alike.

"We're going to have a kids corner and games for kids as well as face-painting," Evancheck said. "The Bangor Clown Association will also be there to help with the face-painting, make balloon animals and entertain everyone. The Penobscot Banjo Company, the Bangor Community Cho-

rus and the Chorus of Maine are all scheduled to perform."

A handmade doll house, donated by Jim Davitt, associate professor of legal technology at the college, will be raffled. Evancheck said past doll houses made by Davitt have been valued at \$1,600. Admission to the bazaar is free and the organizers are expecting a large crowd.

"We're hoping for a large turnout. We have been posting flyers all over the area and we are going to put some signs up at the major arteries in town to make it easy for people to find us," Evancheck said.

• Police blotter

Saturday, Nov. 16:

A burglary occurred in Somerset Hall between 3 p.m. and 11 p.m. According to Lt. Stormann, the burglar(s) broke a window to enter the room. Compact discs and clothes were reported missing.

A theft occurred in Cumberland Hall between 2 a.m. and 3 a.m. A cellular phone valued at \$200 was reported missing.

Three students were referred to Judicial Affairs for breaking ceiling tiles on the fourth floor of Knox Hall.

Monday, Nov. 18:

Machaon Stevens of Somerset Hall was arrested for unlawful furnishing of a scheduled drug and possession of drug paraphernalia. Stevens is scheduled to appear in Bangor District Court Jan. 10.

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December 3: Sanford Phippen: *Kitchen Boy*, 3 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.

December 3: John Gottman: *Why Marriages Succeed or Fail*, 12:15 - 1:45 p.m.

December 5: Michael White: *A Brother's Blood*, 2 p.m. - 4 p.m.

December 11: Brian Swartz: *An American Homecoming*, 1 p.m. - 2 p.m.

December 14: Melissa Sweet: *Snowman on Sycamore Street*, *Bat Jamboree*, *Pinky & Rex* and others, 12 p.m. - 2 p.m.

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Style & the Arts

• Music

U.S. tour ends in fine fashion for Billy Bragg in Boston

By Mike Reynolds
Staff Writer

Billy Bragg captured some of the finest moments of his career Saturday night in Boston on the last stop of his 1996 U.S. tour, with an excellent two-hour performance. Bragg's show was moved at the last minute from the Orpheum to a much smaller club, the Avalon, because of a lack of ticket sales and publicity.

Surprisingly, the club was packed with more people than it could hold, and people who were looking for a relaxing place to sit were out of luck. There were few seats, and those were reserved for the friends of the club.

The opening act, Robyn Hitchcock, who was in the influential band Soft Cell twenty years ago, was good but uninspired. The highlight of Hitchcock's set was when Bragg joined him on his last song, which many cheered, maybe because it was Hitchcock's last tune, and because of Bragg's brief appearance.

A few minutes later, Bragg returned to the stage, solo. I wasn't sure what to expect, but his recent albums are lush with instrumentation. My hesitation about the show was gone by the middle of the first verse of "This Guitar Says Sorry." His vocals and guitar skills are impressive, more impressive than most of the singer-songwriters I've seen.

During the first few minutes, Bragg told of the problem of where he would be in America on election night. In pondering possible places, he wittingly decided the safest place would be Vancouver, British Columbia.

Bragg kept his intensity alive with

blistering versions of such classics as "Cindy of a Thousand Lives" and "An Accident Waiting to Happen." Before the latter he told the crowd about a 15-month labor dispute at the Detroit Free Press and sarcastically dedicated the story to scabs of the world.

As the evening progressed, Bragg showed legendary storytelling as well as musical abilities. Bragg told stories about everything from Strom Thurmond's acceptance speech to his utter disgust for baseball.

Bragg never faltered during the evening and played a solid set of old and new songs. His newest songs are given a new dimension on stage. "Brickbat" will become a future classic, with the passion he puts into its performance. Bragg was at his finest when playing his folk classics, namely "Greetings to the New Brunette" and "Levi Stubbs Tears." Bragg's solo setup also allowed a beautiful reworking of "Sexuality," with a slower acoustic rendition that truly showed his tremendous voice persevered after more than a month on the road.

Bragg left and returned to encore with "Northern Industrial Town," a somber ballad about the struggle to maintain a peace in Belfast, Northern Ireland. His next song, "Sugardaddy," was a testament to Bragg's talent. I had figured this song would never be done solo because of the high vocal range it reaches, usually requiring a duet. The entire club stood silent in awe as he sang, and no one expected anything more.

He returned, playing a revised and humorous version of "Great Leap Forward" and followed with a spirited "There



Billy Bragg is perhaps Britain's finest singer-songwriter today. (Courtesy Photo.)

is Power in a Union." Bragg followed that with one of his oldest and best-known songs, ending with "A New England"

After the show, a handful of fans and reporters hung out and talked as the Avalon quickly transformed itself into a techno dance club. Bragg discussed his ap-

pearance at the Woody Guthrie Tribute concert and how he had to teach Bruce Springsteen a verse of a song 15 minutes before they were to play it on stage. Bragg said he would be back next year for a longer tour with his band and possibly try to play somewhere north of Boston.

• Dance

Queensland Ballet gives musical adaptation of Shakespearean classic

Doug Weitz
Staff Writer

The Queensland Ballet was established in 1960. It is one of the oldest and most successful Australian Performing Arts Companies. Wednesday night it performed two sets at the Maine Center for the Arts:

The first an interpretation of Jacqui Carroll's "Scheherazade," and the second a unique performance of William Shakespeare's "A Midsummer Night's Dream." The latter is the one I will concentrate on.

The piece, which is a play within a play, began with a solo by Puck, the mischievous young fairy, and with a few min-

utes of daring steps and leaps to a wonderful score by Felix Mendelssohn, the audience was introduced to the fun-loving, energetic and curious character.

Enter Titania and Oberon, the king and queen of the fairies; Oberon shows power and stubbornness and Titania a love for nature and regal influence. As Puck danced around in amazement, the two danced together at a distance, showing their perfection as counterparts. The costumes for these three carefully sculpted characters were of equal splendor: Oberon in a deep indigo, Titania in a shimmering navy and Puck in a playful green. Around the simple yet elegant set, they danced, conjuring feelings of magic to match the myth of fairies.

In another part of the woods, entered four young lovers, Lysander, Hermia, Demetrius and Helena. In the play, their relationships are relatively complicated. The ballet left out the dramatic details, but illustrated a crucial aspect: Both Lysander and Demetrius were in love with Hermia, casting Helena out. They even gave Helena a pair of "Revenge of the Nerds" glasses to give insight to Hermia's being the more traditionally beautiful of the two women. The two men danced circles around the lovely Hermia while Helena

constantly tried to muscle her way into the fun. The way they pushed her away conveyed the clumsiness but preserved fluidity in the performance.

While Helena and Lysander slept, Puck came across them and danced up and down the stage, kicking his heels high in the air. He had been watching the dysfunctional love triangle-plus-one drama from afar and decided he could solve the problem. He puts a spell on these two that will make them fall in love with whomever they first lay their eyes upon when they awake. As you can imagine, things go awry and the two men end up being madly in love with Helena and disgusted with Hermia. Again, the four unfortunate lovers perform their ridiculous dance, only this time, Hermia is the outcast.

Meanwhile, the blue-collar townspeople are preparing to put on a play for the king and queen at the wedding of Demetrius and Helena. Nick Bottom, one of Shakespeare's most colorful characters, is the over-eager actor, willing and able, according to himself, to play every role in the play. The other five members of the cast, in their 1980s yuppie tennis outfits (a decent modern interpretation of the char-

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From the home office at Beta Theta Pi

Top Ten Signs you have a Bad Professor

- 10) The only tests he gives you are hernia tests.
- 9) He repeatedly cites old episodes of "Three's Company."
- 8) He stops class every couple of minutes and asks you, "How do you pronounce this word?"
- 7) When apologizing for being late for class he keeps mentioning his parole officer.
- 6) While he dances on the speaker at Geddy's he keeps asking you if you understood the required readings.
- 5) He teaches BIO 100.
- 4) Your political science professor keeps trying to explain Mayor McCheese's place in the bicameral legislature.
- 3) Constantly wears a T-shirt that reads "Don't worry about the quizzes, but be careful of the testes."
- 2) He claims his T.A. is Jack Daniels.
- 1) Your math professor keeps dropping his pants and yelling, "Let's put the 'Log' back in Logarithms."

By Eric Simonds

Kay Gardner



Composer-performer Kay Gardner will perform improvisations on world flutes and percussion and original song and piano works Saturday, Nov. 23 at 8 p.m. at the Unitarian-Universalist Church, 120 Park St., Bangor. Tickets are \$5, children under 12 will be admitted free. (Courtesy Photo.)

• In the theaters

'Star Trek: First Contact' – a dark science fiction drama

(AP)—As part of the national consciousness, "Star Trek" has the advantage of being recognizable to almost anyone. But as science-fiction esoterica with legions of nit-picky fans, it also faces a tough time emerging from its often insular universe.

What makes a "Star Trek" movie work, then, is its ability to be the best of both worlds — good "Star Trek" and good entertainment. The franchise's eighth feature film, "Star Trek: First Contact," does this and more.

It's all here — taut adventure, time travel, the most spectacular visual effects of any "Star Trek" movie and some of the most terrifying villains in science-fiction history. And, oh civilization as we know it is at stake.

A vampirish cyborg culture called the Borg, thwarted by the USS Enterprise in its attempts to penetrate Earth and absorb its culture, travels back in time to April 4, 2063 — the date of Earth's first contact with aliens. The Borg's goal: to absorb Earth's civilization before it had any capacity to fight back.

We meet Zefram Cochrane (James Cromwell), the hard-drinking, cynical inventor of the faster-than-light method of travel known

as "warp drive" ("Scotty, I need warp nine — now!"), who is living in a post-World War III camp in Montana and building a warp-capable ship in a missile silo. The Borg, led by their queen (Alice Krige) try to stop his first warp flight, thus preventing "first contact" by passing Vulcans who notice the trip.

What makes this film above average is the balance struck between action and characters.

Director Jonathan Frakes, who also plays Commander William T. Riker, the Enterprise's first officer, has — as Leonard Nimoy did when he directed earlier films — an intimate knowledge of the "Star Trek" tradition. Frakes knows instinctively when to move the story along and when to stop and delve into a character.

The character he chooses to explore most, of course, is Capt. Jean-Luc Picard (Patrick Stewart), who was "assimilated" by the Borg collective six years ago. Picard was rescued by his crewmates, but not before he had been implanted with Borg machinery and scarred psychologically.

Stewart, a Shakespearean actor who always has brought an impressive amount of depth to Picard, shines here as a raw, ragged man coming unhinged and confusing valiant battle with revenge — against the "hive" that absorbed him. Also enchanting are the scenes between the Borg queen and Lt. Commander Data, the android whose most

fervent desire is to be human. To turn Data against his ship, she introduces him to tactile sensation, binding him to a table, grafting a piece of skin onto his arm and gently blowing on it in a chillingly sensual scene.

The Borg justify their existence by absorbing cultures and knowledge, then using it to absorb some more. In them, we see a cold, metallic villain very relevant to events in our world today: a tug between the natural and the synthetic, between the organic and the computerized, between the individual and the "collective."

This is a dark drama — darker, perhaps, than the late "Star Trek" creator, Gene Roddenberry, might have liked. In every other way, this continues his tradition, tempering his utopianism with a gritty reality and timeless themes that are the very reasons "Star Trek" remains relevant today.

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acters), become quite annoyed with Bottom, who wanders off. He is changed into a beast by Puck as part of an experiment to see if he can make someone fall in love with such a ridiculous creature. He succeeds, only the victim is Titania, the Queen of the Fairies. Another humorous dance was the dance between the beastly Bottom and the delicate and lovely Titania.

The final scene of the piece finds all of the couples back together at the hilariously clumsy performance of Pyramis and Thisbee, a parallel within the play, by Bottom and the gang.

"A Midsummer Night's Dream" is a comedy. It takes the idea of love and breaks it down into five different parts. The five parts are the five couples. Lysand-

er and Hermia, are the straightforward "captain of the football team and head cheerleader" couple. Demetrius and Helena, are less flashy, more down-to-earth. Oberon and Titania are the fantasy couple, and Bottom and Titania are a fluke. Finally, Pyramus and Thisbee are the romantic Romeo and Juliet-esque couple. Through these five couples, Shakespeare spins a web of confusion that reeks of order.

The Queensland Ballet certainly did Shakespeare justice in their rendition of his colorful play through spectacular dance and musical interpretations. Although the company didn't follow the play line for line, it explores the major themes, while remaining true to the symmetry of the original.

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• State news

Proposed natural gas pipeline through Maine gathers support, opposition

AUGUSTA (AP) — Thousands of jobs, more money pouring into the budgets of dozens of Maine cities, and cleaner, cheaper energy to boot.

A Boston-based consortium that wants to build a 729-mile system of natural gas pipelines stretching from Canada to Massachusetts unveiled a rosy report Thursday predicting these and other benefits.

But first, the \$975 million project needs to pass the scrutiny of federal and state regulators, as well as win the support of residents who may not want a 24-inch underground pipeline next door.

"I suspect there will be some people who will have some concerns about the pipeline coming through their communities," said Charles Colgan, a University of Southern Maine professor who helped Maritimes & Northeast Pipeline and a consulting firm produce the report.

"However, the history of these projects in other parts of the country, and even in Maine ... show that the environmental impacts over the long term are pretty minimal from the pipeline itself," said Colgan, an associate professor of public policy and management.

The proposed system would take natural

gas from an offshore field near Sable Island, Nova Scotia, and distribute it through Canada, Maine, New Hampshire and Massachusetts. The main line would pass through the southern part of Maine, from Wells to Woodland.

Most of Maine currently uses heating oil and electricity, although a natural gas pipeline connects Portland to Lewiston-Auburn.

"We are in support of bringing natural gas to Maine industries because it helps reduce air pollution, as long as it can be sited sensitively and along appropriate routes," said Judy Berk, a spokeswoman for the Natural Resources Council of Maine.

Gene Guilford, president of the Maine Oil Dealers Association, said natural gas was not all it claimed to be. Not only does gas cost more to use than heating oil, he said, but new oil burners release near-zero levels of smoke.

"No one is going to be able to sell natural gas in Maine less expensively than you can sell heating oil. It isn't going to happen," Guilford said.

A competing proposal also is in the works. Portland Natural Gas Transmission System is seeking approval to run a \$251 million line between the U.S.-Canada border near Jay, Vt., to Haverhill, Mass.

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"I may be underestimating the people of Maine when I say this, but I don't believe they'll support the 2 percent increase in compensation," MacTaggart said.

MacTaggart said funding for the increase will have to come from revenue generated by increases in enrollment and tuition.

The fifth and last goal is to maintain state investment in system facilities.

"One could argue, although no one really has done this so far, that we should not have been deferring maintenance all along,"

MacTaggart said.

MacTaggart also said each campus in the system must increase enrollment, participate in aggressive fundraising, create partnerships with employers in the state, create partnerships with each other and set internal priorities.

MacTaggart said he and the trustees are working to get as many people as possible involved in supporting UMaine System.

"We're engaging in a pretty aggressive and hopefully systematic effort to try to

begin involving activist citizens and business leaders and ordinary folks into a wonderful institution and a very important part of the community," MacTaggart said.

Sally Vamvakias, chairwoman of the Board of Trustees, informed the faculty about the search for a replacement for UMaine President Frederick E. Hutchinson, who will retire at the end of June.

"Initially we are going to have a pre-search consultant come in and that individual will be talking to the appropriate people

regarding the priorities of the university as well as the desired characteristics of the your next leader," Vamvakias said.

An 11-member search committee will include three trustees, three UMaine faculty members and one each of a professional staff member, a classified staff member, a student, an alumnus or alumni and an administrator. The committee will pick the final candidate.

Vamvakias said she expects the committee will decide on a replacement by early summer.

Bunker

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"The only thing you've got are solid walls," Claude Junkins of Facilities Management said. According to Junkins, heating and plumbing are nonexistent, exposed wiring is stapled to the walls, asbestos lines the ceiling and fire safety violations would need to be looked into.

The idea of students volunteering their time to fix the bunker comes with its own set of safety problems.

"Students need to be licensed to do any heating, plumbing and electrical work," Treadwell said.

Junkins said, "Facilities will provide you with a list of what needs to be done." Environmental and Public Safety, he added, would also have their own lists of issues to deal with.

"I don't want to see this idea put on the back burner," said Jim Lolar, a member of the Musicians' Coalition on campus. "That's my main concern."

For the last two months, the Musicians' Coalition has been combing the campus to find a facility that could fill UMaine's void in musical culture, coalition member Andy Howard said.

"Red tape was a problem in the Ram's Horn. Things are brought up to code and the codes change," Howard said. He said he doesn't

want the same thing to happen to the bunker.

Other issues included money, or rather, lack of money, and ideas for fundraising.

"We are all aware that we need a set of goals and avenues to follow," Mittelstadt said.

Junkins said, "We could easily sink \$250,000 out there and fix it up the way it should be fixed. I don't think that's really unrealistic when we look at some of the other renovation projects."

Mittelstadt, Schramke and Hamann believe the students would be able to raise the money needed to complete whatever needs to be done. They're just waiting for the green light.

Lolar said, "I would like (for the university) to see the many steps that it will take to do this as, not as blockades, but just as work that has to be done. Rather than have the attitude of 'Look at all the stuff we have to do - it just can't be done,' I would like to see, 'Look at all the stuff we have to do - how long is it going to take?'"

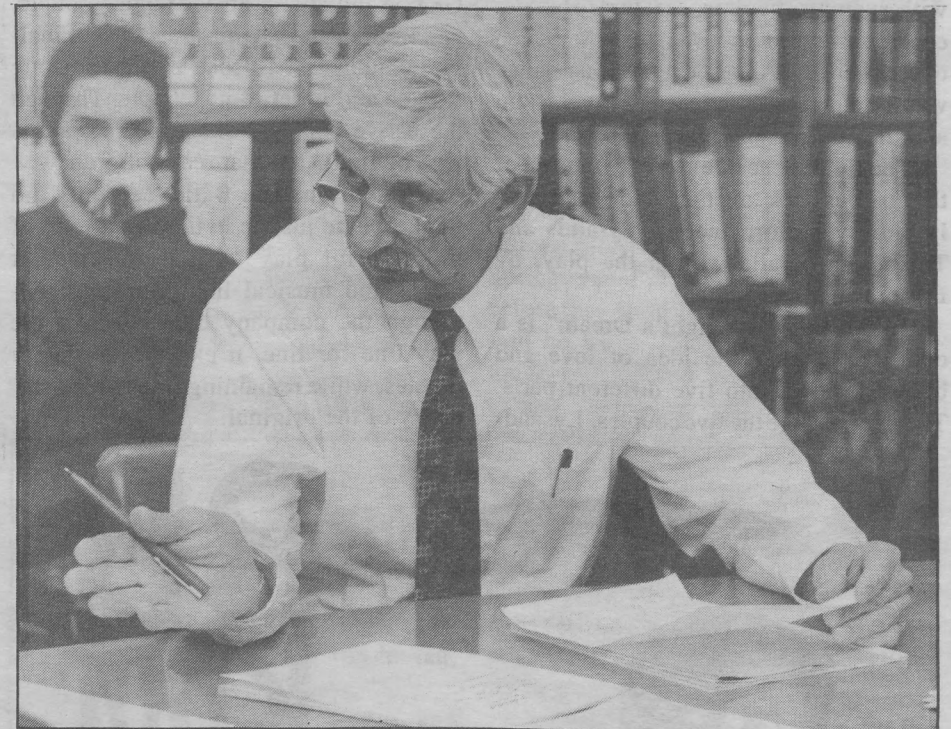
"There's a building that's vacant," Mittelstadt said. "And it's been vacant for many years. We think it could be used for something productive instead of just sitting there."

The next step for the group is to complete a formal proposal to submit to the UMaine

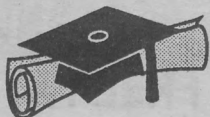
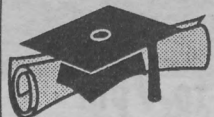
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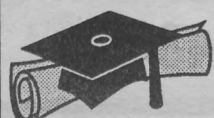


Assistant Director of Facilities Management Jim Treadwell explains to students the many high-cost improvements that would be required to convert the Civil Defense Bunker to a student entertainment space. (Dave Gagne Photo.)



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The Morality of Animal Testing

Jeff Tuttle

The popular concept of human superiority over all others in the animal kingdom may have some biological and technological validity, if you listen to the scientists. But in our infinite arrogance we have condemned many of those we consider inferior to lives of servitude and suffering – all in the name of human progress.

Animal rights activists have been largely unsuccessful in their attempt to convince the American public that the animals we eat, and upon whom we conduct biomedical experiments, are worthy of our mercy. This should come as no surprise in a nation known for its exclusiveness and unwillingness to face a sometimes brutal reality.

According to Rutgers Animal Rights Law Center, more than 8 billion animals are consumed for food every year in the United States alone. More than 100 million animals are used for experiments, and millions more are used for entertainment in rodeos, circuses, zoos and movies. The numbers are staggering and animal rights activists, an often disparaged group, have good reason to be concerned for the welfare of these living, breathing, thinking entities.

Citizens of the United States must address these concerns and decide whether animals have a fundamental right to exist outside the institution of slavery. We have to decide whether animals have their own destinies and whether humans should be in the powerful position of determining their fate and denying them the basic right to life.

Researchers who use animals in their experiments will argue that the conditions in which these animals are kept are usually better than that of the typical house pet. Their cages are cleaner and their diet is healthier. This may be true, and it may be true that many researchers genuinely care for the animals they study. Their attachment to these animals, however, does not justify their ability to inflict pain and ultimately decide their fate.

Those who justify this animal exploitation will point to the need for advancement in the field of medicine. They will say these animals are vital to their research efforts and vital to the survival of the human race. Despite their current adherence to this inhumane practice, researchers must move forward in their efforts to utilize cell and tissue cultures in their efforts and discontinue the use of live animals. In a medical profession known for its progressive methods and intelligent practitioners, abandoning this arcane practice should be within reach.

To justify the use of animals in medical research, a clear distinction must be drawn between humans and other members of the animal kingdom. That distinction has not been sufficiently drawn. In fact, animals are chosen for this brand of research solely because of their similarity to humans.

Many mammals used for research purposes have been shown to possess complex mental faculties, and although dogs, cats and monkeys make up only three percent of the animals used for biomedical research, the reasons for using animals solely to benefit the human race are flawed and rooted in arrogance, ignorance and a basic disregard for life.

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

Kathryn Ritchie

Imagine being locked in a wire cage against your will, unable to stretch your legs and being attended to only when a scientist wants to inject you with experimental chemicals or run you through a maze. Unfortunately, this nightmare is a reality for millions of experimental lab animals.

It seems so cruel. The harshness of the testing comes from the fact that these animals never get love or companionship. They are born to die a tortuous death, devoid of any positive experiences. They are at the mercy of science, used for a variety of experiments, from testing new cosmetics to trying to find a cure for AIDS. The latter seems like a noble cause to die for, but the creatures cowering in the corners of their steel cages probably don't think so.

The testing for cosmetics is pure evil. Little bunnies shouldn't be poked in the eyes with mascara until they bleed in the name of fashion. And yet, about 14 million animals die each year because of cosmetics testing.

Dooming thousands of animals to a certain death while finding the cure for mankind's diseases seems very much like playing God. Perhaps it would be better if these animals were played with or exercised, but it's hard to picture scientists racing against time to find a cure for AIDS picking up a cat and letting it snuggle on his or her lap.

A recent study shows that people feel more strongly against experiments done on cute animals (cats, monkeys and rabbits) than those done on ugly ones (pigs, frogs and rats). That survey just reflects society's demented obsession with beauty; if they're ugly, they deserve to die.

It could be argued these same pigs could be slaughtered for bacon, or that these same cats could be euthenized in an animal shelter if they aren't adopted in time. But it seems more torturous to prolong their death with needles and tests.

The issue of animal testing brings into light the larger issue of animal rights. How much freedom are our furry friends entitled to? The Animal Welfare Act currently requires scientists about to use vertebrate animals in experiments to consider other options first. A plethora of centers are currently searching for alternatives for these scientists (one may be computer simulation).

Any doubts to the inhumane procedures that occur during testing can easily be put to rest after a cruise through the Internet, which contains several graphically disturbing pictures of animals in pain.

With all the technological advances as of lately, we should really be above the need to dominate and torture the animal kingdom. Other ways to experiment are out there for those humane researchers to use.

(Kathryn Ritchie is a junior journalism major and the assistant city editor of The Maine Campus.)

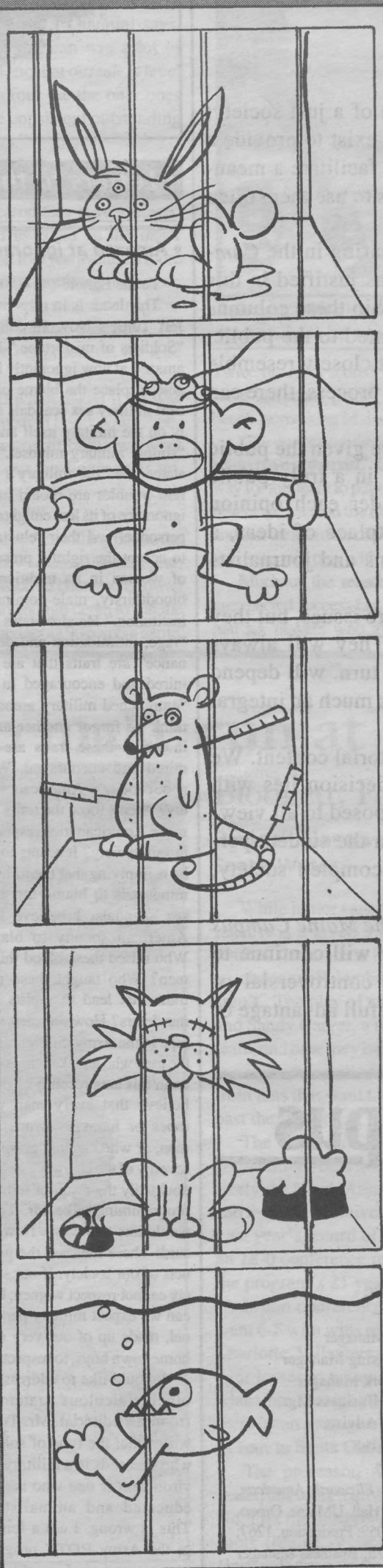


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Editorial

• Editorial

Marketplace of ideas

*"Let the truth and falsehood grapple;
whoever knew truth to be worse in a free and open encounter
... Though all the winds of doctrine were let loose
to play upon the earth, so truth be in the field,
we do injuriously by licensing and prohibiting,
to misdoubt her strength."*

— John Milton

The free expression of ideas is the foundation of a just society; and the opinion pages of *The Maine Campus* exist to provide a forum for students to express their ideas and facilitate a meaningful dialogue. We at the *Campus* encourage readers to use them often and wisely.

While the ideas presented in recent columns appearing in the *Campus* have angered some, we feel their expression was justified in this free forum, and the merit of the views expressed within these columns should be weighed by readers. If all ideas are presented to the public, individuals are then able to choose which ideas most closely resemble their beliefs and reject those that do not. Without this process, there can be no meaningful discussion.

Historically, the opinion pages of a newspaper have given the public a voice and the opportunity to express their views in a truly public forum. Whether it be outrage or praise, we consider each opinion valuable and a welcome contribution to the marketplace of ideas, a concept for which esteemed philosophers, politicians and journalists have much respect.

Disagreeable columns can and will emerge in future issues, but they will never be designed to gauge reader response. They will always represent the sincere opinions of the writer, who, in turn, will depend on the reader to judge the content. Education is just as much an integral function of the paper as the reporting of news.

The Maine Campus makes no apologies for its editorial content. We portray no one opinion as an absolute truth. That decision lies with every individual reader, who must insist on being exposed to all viewpoints. This level of exposure is designed to broaden the student perspective and prepare students for an increasingly complex society, defined by its ideological variance.

In the tradition of Milton's marketplace of ideas, *The Maine Campus* editorial policy will not be altered. This philosophy will continue to ensure that all voices are heard, whether they be controversial or popular. Readers should expect nothing less and take full advantage of the opportunity to disseminate their beliefs.

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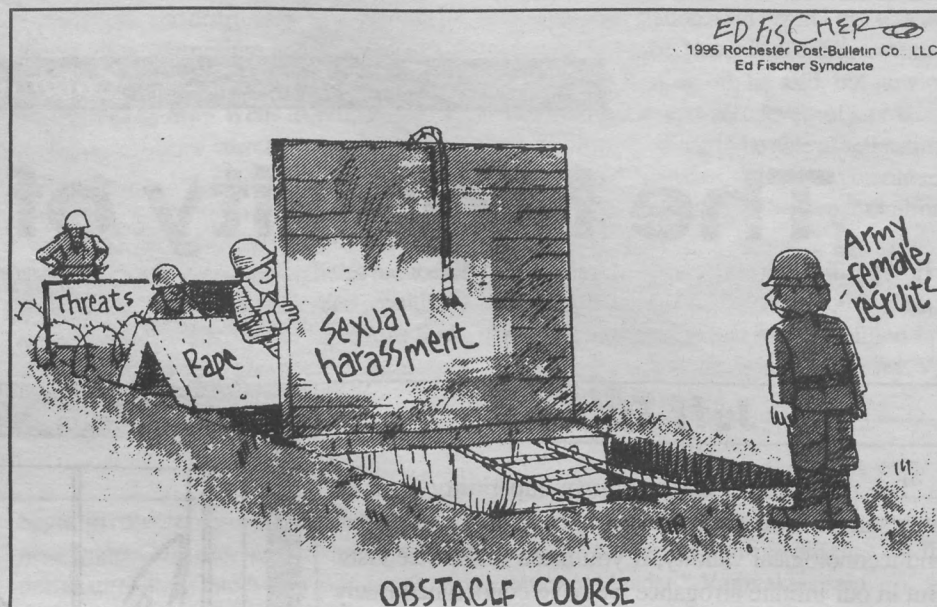
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• Letters to the Editor

• Amazed at ignorance

To the Editor:

This letter is in response to Jeff Tuttle's Nov. 18 column, "Soldiers of misfortune." I am amazed at how ignorantly he is able to place the blame of recent military sex scandals solely on the military itself and its "simple military mindset." He states that "the military's current troubles are rooted in the ignorance of its less enlightened personnel and their reluctance to accept the rightful presence of women in its traditionally bloodthirsty, male-dominated institution." He also states that "rage, intimidation and dominance" are traits that are admired and encouraged in the "entrenched military arena." I think he forgot another arena in which these traits are admired and encouraged. What about today's American society? Aren't these the traits that make American men respected in our society? It seems to me he is implying that the military mindset is to blame for these sex scandals. I believe it is American society to blame. Who raised these blood thirsty men? Who taught these men traits that lead to rapists and murderers? How are men who rape in the Army different from the man who attacked the woman in this area recently? I don't believe that every man who rapes or harasses women or men, or who cannot "grasp the severity of the charges" are "undoubtedly the result of military programming" like Mr. Tuttle would like to believe. How absurd! These men are the products of our society. If our society cannot respect women, how can we expect military personnel, made up of our very own home-town boys, to respect us?

I would like to address another ridiculous statement from this editorial. Mr. Tuttle writes that the type of soldier who succeeds in a military environment is one who is "uneducated and animalistic." This is wrong. I am a female in the Army ROTC program here on campus. I am about to be commissioned as an officer in the United States Army and

I can tell you that I will be proud to serve with any of my male counterparts in the program that are also future soldiers. They are not animalistic and they are not uneducated, yet I know that most of them will succeed in the military environment, regardless of the traits that Mr. Tuttle believes necessary to do so.

We have to remember that the institution that Mr. Tuttle criticizes so harshly is made up of regular American citizens. They are not from a society that possesses different values from us. They are our brothers, friends, uncles and fathers. They are like you, Mr. Tuttle. They were raised in the same ignorance. It is not a "new breed of soldiers who can retain their identity, value the contribution of women to society and adhere to the moral code" they protect, that is needed to change the simple military mindset. What we need is a new breed of Americans can do this. If our society offered men who could do this before they joined the service, then I don't think the military or the American society would have such problems with rape and harassment.

Melissa A. Boucher
Old Town

• A little respect

To the Editor:

It comes as no surprise to me that the editor-in-chief of *The Maine Campus* has resorted to fantastic claims about our "ruthless fighting machine," the U.S. military. The preposterous accusations come from a newspaper that didn't even allow one word of coverage to veterans on Veteran's Day and donated one column on Page 5 to an AP article on honoring our veterans in the following issue. It seems that "Saint" Tuttle has already jumped on the anti-military bandwagon, and he hasn't even graduated to a full-time journalist yet. It seems as though he has the facts slightly confused. I was in the Army for five years and I don't recall any "stunted intellects" or "uneducated and animalistic soldiers." "Saint"

Tuttle also made reference to the fact soldiers losing their identity made them resort to acts of regression and violence. Speaking from experience (not from watching Dan Rather or reading *The Boston Globe*), the fact of the matter is those soldiers who won't give up their identity are the ones who act inappropriately. And, believe it or not, the military has a much higher moral standard for its soldiers. For example, adultery is a punishable offense under the UCMJ (show me a civilian employer who does this).

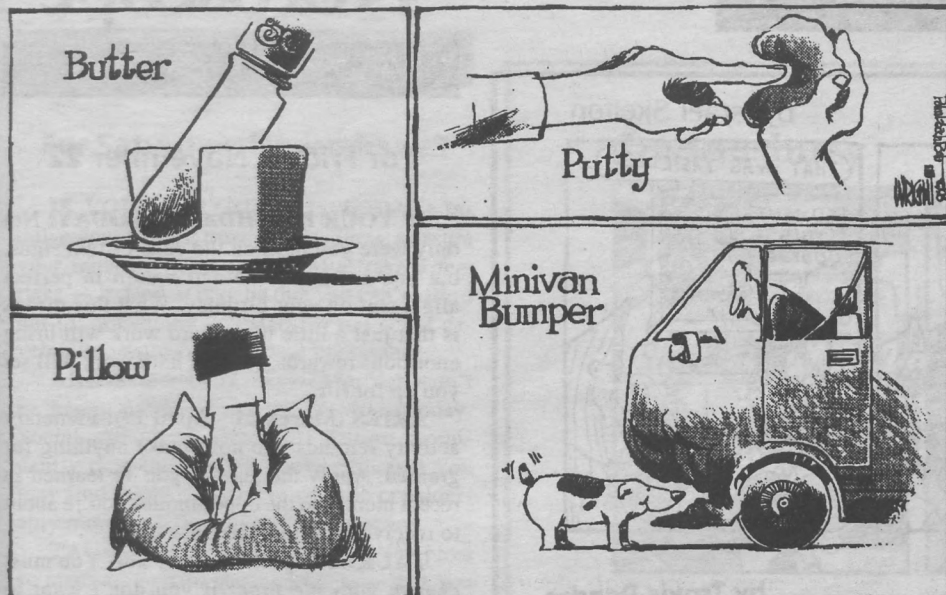
Another thing that bothers me is the fact that the military is talked about with negative connotations by students and faculty alike on an almost daily basis on campus. Who does everyone think the U.S. military is, some alien power wanting to overthrow everything which is good? I'll tell you who we are. We're your sons, daughters, fathers, mothers, brothers and sisters. We're normal, everyday people. And I personally know several of these fine young men who have been smeared on dropzones, had their faces half-blown off, gotten shot by AK-47 (and had their bodies shown off like trophies by Somalians), to list a few. I will not stand idly by and allow for such feces to be spewed forth from the mouths of such "educated" people. Let's not get politics confused with our veterans.

I'll end quoting the Army Field Manual on leadership (FM 22-100): "For a few moments, the fate of an Army and a nation rested on the shoulders of 358 farmers, woodsmen and fisherman from Maine. They were led by a colonel who was a seminary graduate and who had been a professor of languages less than a year before the battle."

For those of you who don't know the impact the 20th Maine had on the outcome of the Civil War, it was quite inspiring. Let's start giving respect where respect is due. Let's start showing our veterans some hard-earned and long-overdue respect.

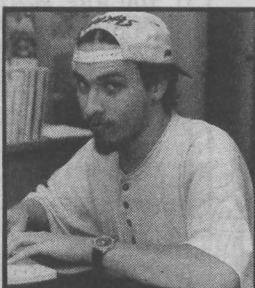
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OpEd



• The Other Side

A humble nod of thanks



Scott Labby

As I sit here, wondering when someone is going to firebomb *The Maine Campus* editorial office ...

Thanksgiving. Kind of a silly name for the holiday, if you think about it. How many of us will actually sit down and "give thanks" next week? We might as well call it "Oh, Yeah, That Stuff About the Pilgrims' Day" or "Jesus, Am I Going To Stuff My Lazy Ass And Drink Enough Beer To Melt My Damn Liver! Day." Impossible to fit on the calendar, but far more accurate.

At any rate, I figure the only thanks most of us will offer next week will be to whoever cooked dinner. But isn't there anything else to be thankful for?

Well, ayuh! How about frat parties, all 422 vice presidents and the future Nobel laureates who run Student Government? But of course, they receive our glowing approval all year long. There are others who go unnoticed and without praise, which may be because of a single variable: They deserve it. (Imagine!) A humble nod of appreciation, then:

Janitors: You know, I see these people around, cleaning up our messes, ensuring we don't float away in a river of muck, and I think: Don't they ever feel compelled to just beat one of us into a stupor? Every time I talk to one of the custodial types, I'm stricken by how much more intelligent they are than the average student. One suspects they realize this as well. You want social injustice? I go to my Spanish class and some moron who looks like a New Kids on the Block reject sits in the back of the room and talks to himself for 50 minutes. I leave class, walk down the steps and encounter a janitor and a professor discussing the Cold War. Is this someone who should be cleaning some punk's vomit? At any rate, much respect to all those who make sure we don't choke to death on our espresso grounds. We can survive sans Fred, but

you can't be replaced.

Office support staff: If the entire administration staged a walkout, would you notice? Right. If the secretaries left, this entire place would break down. It's frightening how often they're the only people who know anything. Ask yourself: How many times have you received a straightforward, sensible answer from a suit? On the other hand, I'm pretty sure we all realize who we depend on for crucial information, and who gets the job done in office after office, in countless departments. When I have a problem, a question or any request that requires actual work instead of polysyllabic nonsense, I

run to the folks at the front desks. It stuns me that many of these people balance coursework, families and a full-time job that involves being taken for granted by people who should know better. Show me a senile monkey and I'll show you a viable alternative to one-third of the administration. If the real office professionals go on strike, however, watch your university grind to a screeching halt.

Cafeteria Workers: Good Christ, I would never want to have to work in food service again. I'm amazed that we never hear reports about dining commons workers attacking one of the countless jerks they're forced to wait on every day. They patiently fill food orders like "Gimme summadat, 'kay?" They scrape the crud off plates, fill up coffee mugs, mop floors, accept condescension and sneers, then return to their families, books or both, usually without a thank you. Well, here's a shout in your direction. The next time someone disrespects you, dump that sausage Tuscany down their shirt.

And a final word to all the classified workers: Anyone who has given the subject any thought understands which individuals enable the university to function.

Those above you might have more money and far less work, but you have respect and admiration from a great number of us. Happy Thanksgiving.

(Scott Labby is a senior history major and a columnist for *The Maine Campus*.)

• Column

Empty pockets, no class



James Wright

I'm feeling a bit oppressed lately, and awfully light in the pockets. Either I'm trapped in a state of paranoid confusion or somebody is really out to get me.

It seems that the loan I applied for a long time ago is still somewhere out in the cosmos. Shall I digress?

You see, if you're really rich, you should have no problem affording a college education while driving a new Saab 900 Turbo to classes. If you're really poor, you probably won't drive a nice car, but then any state school will take care of your tuition if you show some promise. Everyone likes to root for the underdog. If you're somewhere in the middle, then you're grabbing your ankles with Uncle Sam behind you. Ah, the perils of the middle class continue.

My middle-class father makes a salary that would qualify me for financial aid if I were dependent on him. So would my middle class mother's. However, when you combine the two together, my middle-class family makes too much money for me to receive any grants or "free money." Fair enough, I have to pay full price to attend this school. I have no problem with that (I do, but that's another column).

What I do have a problem with is the constant run-around the Financial Aid Office, the "student assistance" office, gives me each time I check the status of that mysterious loan. What I've discovered is the college loan process is full of red tape and the road to financial security is lined with "they didn't tell me" work-study students telling me to wait longer. It's an insult that the institution I've spent three long years at and have given a lot of money to doesn't seem to care one way or the other if I starve or get kicked out of my apartment. Each time I go to the Financial Aid Office, I talk to a different person, each with different answers to the same old problem: Where is my money? They sure as hell don't know.

This money I'm supposed to receive, which is a reimbursement for the room and board fees no longer used on campus, is depended on by countless upperclassmen now living in Orono and Old Town. The funds can usually cover rent for a semester and should foot the food bill as well for the first semester. Here it is, almost December, and I haven't seen one damn penny. Anyone who lives off campus and relies on

such loans to pay for their education knows what it's like to wait until the last days of October to receive that reimbursement check that pays for just about everything from macaroni and cheese to the phone bill.

Now for the part I really don't understand: The banks don't lend me the money directly, they pay the school. If there's any money left, I get the rest.

The loan, which is in my name (I know this because I'll be paying for it for the next 10 years) isn't given to me to decide what to do with it. We students can't be trusted with money. It's like that shotgun my grandfather gave me when I was but a wee lad. My father has had that 30-aught-6 ever since, probably to protect me from shooting my foot off.

The idea of shooting brings me back to the Financial Aid Office. Approximately a month or more ago I trotted down to Wingate Hall to seek some answers as to where my money is. They told me I hadn't even filed. Interesting. So I filled out another form for Stafford Loans (which I already did this summer) and gave them what they told me to give them. This began another long waiting period, which I'm sure will be resolved before I resort to Ramen noodles and Natural Light. Not quite.

A few weeks ago I went back to check my status, and they told me I needed tax returns from my parents, my signature on countless documents and a little more patience. You think you could have told me that the last time I came in? They needed my tax information as well, but chose not to tell me this. Here's the kicker: Meanwhile, the bill for my account that I had accumulated and hadn't paid because of my lack of money, got me withdrawn from all of my classes with no prior notice. That was awfully nice of them to do. I mean, I like to go to classes and take tests for no credit. It's an extra challenge.

The loan application and award process is more complicated than a Rubik's Cube to the colorblind. Moreover, it takes too damn long. I'm only one of several students still waiting for the tardy loans. Perhaps the delay is my fault, but no, no it's not.

I've collected more tax information and signed more documents than Joe Dimaggio at a card show. I'd sell my soul to the devil if that would get my loan. I should tell him I want a Saab, too.

(James Wright is a senior journalism major who will soon be accepting handouts.)



Entertainment

Your Daily Horoscope

By Sally Brompton

For Friday, November 22

IF YOUR BIRTHDAY IS TODAY: Not only were you born on the cusp of two signs, but you have the Sun and Saturn in perfect alignment on your birthday. What this means is that just a little bit of hard work will bring enormous rewards. A lot of hard work will set you up for life.

ARIES (March 21 - April 19): Planetary activity reminds you not to take anything for granted. Apply the lessons you've learned in recent months to the opportunities you're about to receive and you'll be unbeatable.

TAURUS (April 20 - May 20): You must change with the times if you don't want to get left behind. This may not be easy for someone as dogged as you. Think how you would benefit from a change in your financial situation — then start making those difficult decisions.

GEMINI (May 21 - June 20): You would be happier with your lot in life if you stopped blaming your troubles on other people. Relationships are difficult at the best of times without inventing reasons to argue.

CANCER (June 21 - July 22): What matters now is not what you know but how you apply that knowledge on a daily level. Forget about theories — they don't mean a thing unless they have practical uses. You don't need words, you need work: The harder you work, the better you'll feel.

LEO (July 23 - Aug. 22): You feel sure that what you're planning to do is right, even though you know not everyone will agree with you. Don't let the critics knock you out of your stride but don't just ignore them either. They have genuine concerns, so make the effort to explain your position.

VIRGO (Aug. 23 - Sept. 22): There's a way to balance family and financial commitments with the demands of your social life, but you'll need to be determined. Too many people have a claim on your time because you don't like to say no. You may have to be firm to others today in order to be kind to yourself.

LIBRA (Sept. 23 - Oct. 22): You know what you're doing and you know why you're doing it, so don't waste time going over old ground trying to convince yourself that your motives are right. There comes a time when you must act first and worry about it later — better still, don't worry about it at all.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23 - Nov. 21): Starting today, you can transform your life. If you make a wish it will probably come true, even if you later decide to change your mind. For that reason alone it's essential that you have a clear idea of what you desire — more to the point, that you really desire it.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22 - Dec. 21): You have the key, you have the confidence, now all you have to do is unlock the door. The door in question is the one you've been dreaming of opening for the past four weeks. Pinch yourself to prove you're awake, then put the key in the lock.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22 - Jan. 19): Don't give up on something today just because it's difficult and you fear you aren't up to the task. It may seem the easy way out, but later you'll wish you had stuck with it, if only for a few extra days.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20 - Feb. 18): This should be a highly positive time for you as the planets make aspects which will change your life for the better. Certain developments may at first be disturbing, but before the year is out you'll realize it was these that made all the difference.

PISCES (Feb. 19 - March 20): This should be one of those days when everything falls into place. They may not always fall into the places you want them to fall, but at least you know why certain things are happening and why it's pointless to struggle against fate.

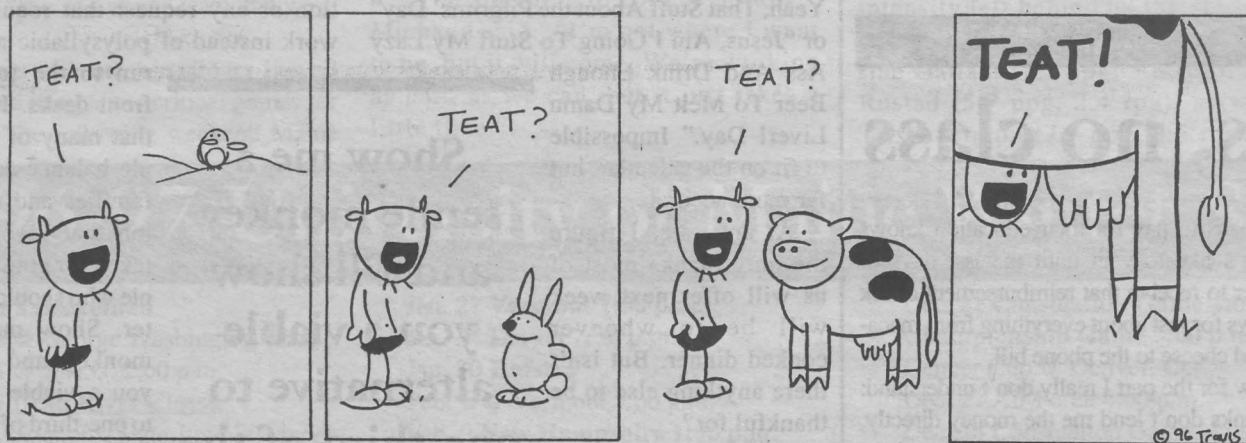
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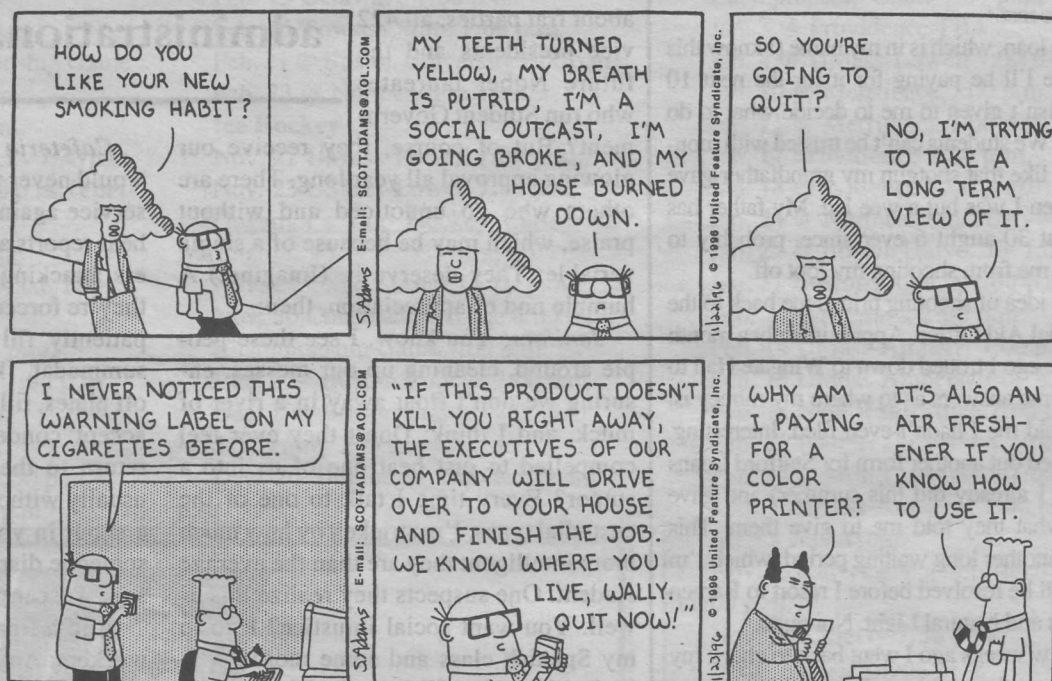


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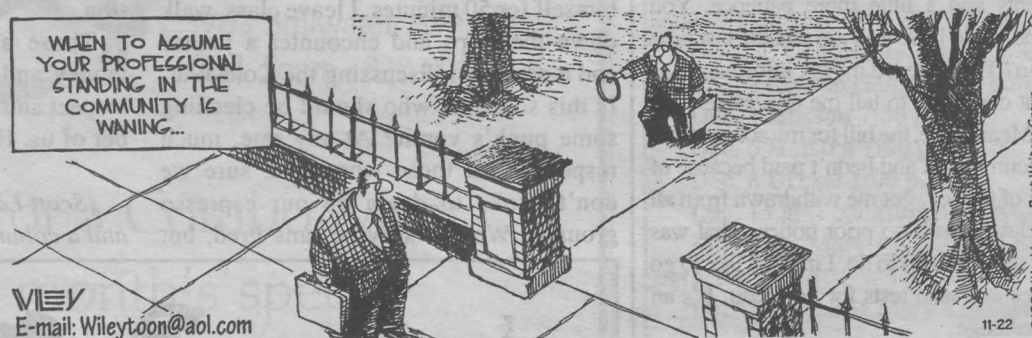


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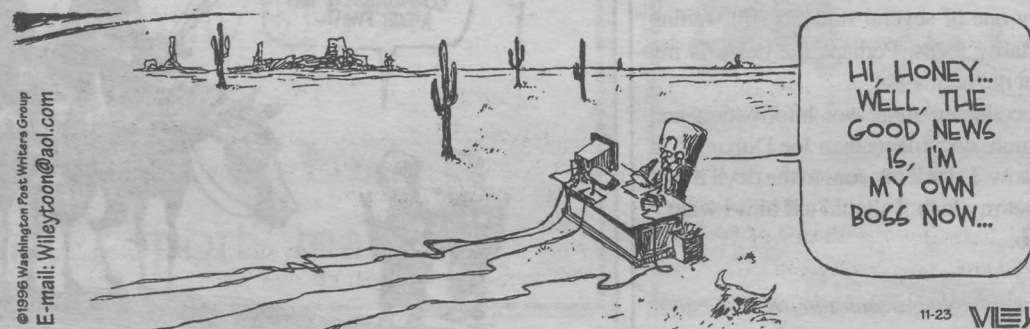


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Your Daily Horoscope

By Sally Brompton

For Saturday, November 23

IF YOUR BIRTHDAY IS TODAY: Indulge your whims; trust your instincts; treasure your fantasies. You can afford to take a few risks — indeed, it may be that you can't afford not to. Something you start for fun could develop into something of great importance.

ARIES (March 21 - April 19): You won't be happy unless you're on the move today. Social and travel plans will feature prominently over the next 48 hours, although you may find that you have to part with considerably more cash than you were expecting.

TAURUS (April 20 - May 20): You have so many options to choose from now that you are probably getting confused. And confusion could easily turn to anger if, having started one thing, you realize you should have started something else. Monday's Full Moon will reduce your options considerably.

GEMINI (May 21 - June 20): Some brave decisions are called for this weekend — brave in that you don't really want to make them but know that you must. There is also the subconscious realization that if you don't make them now they will be made for you.

CANCER (June 21 - July 22): Time is a great healer, but work helps too, especially if it makes the time pass quicker. Planetary influences increase your work load, and this weekend's aspects will add more on top of that. Get stuck into your tasks and you'll soon forget why you were so depressed.

LEO (July 23 - Aug. 22): An open mind is a marvelous thing, but it is possible to be too open to outside influences. This weekend you must be careful what you choose to believe in. Some people will believe in anything — you, of course, are too sensible for that.

VIRGO (Aug. 23 - Sept. 22): Speak up or forever hold your peace. If you have something to say this weekend, say it and have done with it, even if it annoys someone you don't really want to offend. If you keep quiet to spare someone's feelings you will both regret it.

LIBRA (Sept. 23 - Oct. 22): You may be in something of a dilemma today, simply because you have several options to choose from and don't know which to choose. A gathering of old friends may be tempting but if they are that old and that friendly they won't mind, just this once, if you go somewhere else.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23 - Nov. 21): Venus, planet of love, enters your birth sign today, lifting your spirits and helping you see the good in yourself and others. Family and financial problems will never be far from your thoughts, but at least you'll begin to see them in their true perspective.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22 - Dec. 21): You may be friendly and fun to be with 99 percent of the time, but once in a while you reveal a tough streak completely at odds with your easygoing nature. Tomorrow could be one of those times. If you decide to pick on someone, be sure you're in the right.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22 - Jan. 19): This promises to be a dramatic weekend. But, in this case at least, disruptive does not necessarily mean destructive. On the contrary, something new and exciting is about to come into your life.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20 - Feb. 18): Aquarians are reputed to stick by their views and opinions, as are Leos, Scorpios, or Taureans. Which is why, if you're involved with anyone born under any of these signs this weekend, you must be sure not to discuss issues on which you differ.

PISCES (Feb. 19 - March 20): Those who think they can take advantage of you today are guilty of a serious error of judgment. You may talk gently, but you're nobody's fool. If others try to capitalize on your kindness, generosity or goodwill, let them know that you don't need them.

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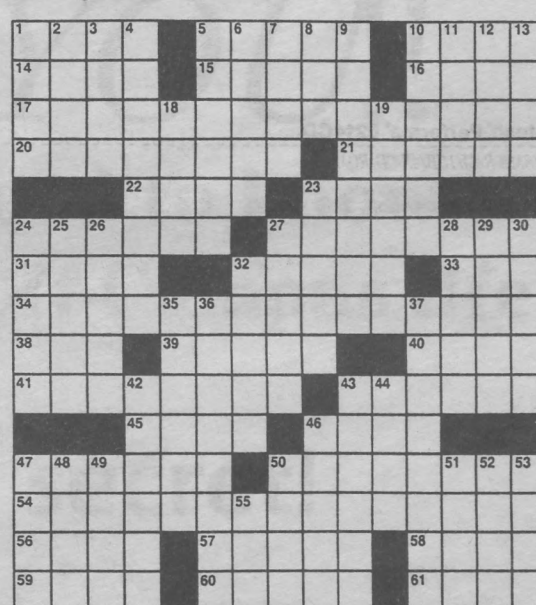
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- 23 Like some type: Abbr.
- 24 Beatles music co.

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- 27 Foodstuffs
- 31 Hosiery shade
- 32 Cropped up
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- 40 "Born Free" lioness
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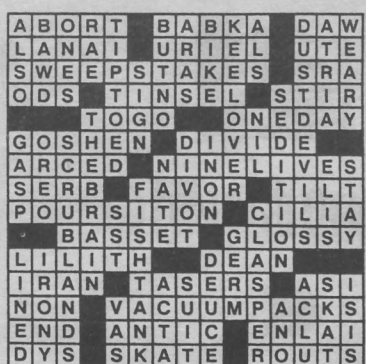
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Puzzle by Randolph Ross

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National News

• Aviation reform

NTSB continues investigation into problems at FAA, ValuJet

MIAMI (AP) — Federal inspectors monitoring the ValuJet were overworked and sometimes approved policy manuals for the rapidly expanding airline without scrutinizing them, an official testified at a crash hearing today.

Robert Bruce, the Federal Aviation Administration's head inspector for ValuJet, said his office had difficulty keeping pace with the low-cost carrier's meteoric growth. At one point it was putting too many pilots through training for inspectors to handle.

"We had reached a point last year that ValuJet was putting 40 pilots through their training program each month," Bruce told members of the National Transportation Safety Board. "I had to borrow inspectors from other offices for flight checks. We were still falling behind."

The testimony drew a sharp comment from John Goglia, chairman of the NTSB's investigative panel looking into the May 11 crash in the Everglades that killed all 110 people aboard.

"I am troubled by your workload," Goglia said. "Your job is to protect the public's safety in travel. If the system prevents you from doing that, we're going to find out why."

Goglia's comments prompted applause from family members of Flight 592 victims attending the hearing.

The FAA has been criticized by its own inspectors and relatives of the victims for lax oversight of potentially deadly cargo.

Improperly stored oxygen-generating canisters in a cargo hold are blamed for a deadly fire that disabled the plane shortly after takeoff.

Also today, another FAA official said the agency is now hiring scores of new inspectors to check for hazardous cargo aboard passenger airliners.

The FAA also plans to pursue criminal charges against anyone who improperly sends hazardous materials aboard commercial aircraft, said Bruce Butterworth, the head of the FAA's security operations.

"You're going to see some of the biggest criminal cases you've ever seen," Butterworth told NTSB members.

ValuJet has blamed its outside maintenance company for not putting safety caps on the canisters.

Butterworth didn't say who would be targeted in any criminal cases, but previous testimony from FAA indicated those facing charges could range from the shipper of the materials to the people who loaded it on a plane, if they have knowledge it was illegal.

The ValuJet crash also is the subject of a criminal probe by federal authorities.

Butterworth and other FAA officials

who have testified before the NTSB conceded that hazardous materials inspections have declined sharply in the past three years because staffers have to deal with terrorism and other threats.

In an effort to improve its inspections, the FAA will hire 118 new employees for its hazardous materials program, including 110 inspectors, Butterworth said. It currently has about 300 inspectors.

When asked by NTSB investigators how the FAA plans to crack down on undeclared hazardous materials aboard airliners, Butterworth noted the difficulty in detecting the cargo.

"If it doesn't tick, doesn't leak, doesn't break open, doesn't catch fire, you'll never know it's there," he said. "You do it by data, you do it by instinct, you do it by expertise."

The FAA doesn't inspect hazardous material at maintenance stations, like the one where SabreTech Corp. stored the oxygen generators for ValuJet.

The fully charged generators sat around SabreTech's maintenance hangar for weeks until, in a housecleaning move, they were packed up and driven to ValuJet's cargo area for a flight to airline headquarters in Atlanta.

Two other airlines, Delta and TWA, were also shipping oxygen generators until recently, NTSB documents show.

TWA shipped only its own generators and had approval to do so, company spokesman John McDonald said today. He said they were always discharged before being packed into approved, properly labeled containers.

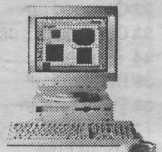
Delta spokesman Bill Berry said Delta halted all canister shipments when ordered to do so by the FAA in the wake of the ValuJet crash. He said one canister was shipped inadvertently a few days later because an employee missed the instructions about the FAA order, but "it was simply a mistake."

Last December, a Delta oxygen generator discharged and caused a fire in an airport area where the canisters were being disposed of, Berry said. It was not near an airplane or waiting to be loaded onto a plane, he said, adding that an investigation showed no signs of sabotage in the fire.

Delta halted shipping used canisters shortly afterward, Berry said, but shipped new ones until the FAA order a few months later. Even when the airline was shipping canisters, he said, it was careful to follow safety measures.

The canisters, which contain a mixture of chemicals, can generate heat up to 500 degrees when they are triggered to provide oxygen to passenger emergency masks. The canisters aboard Flight 592 were not for use on the plane.

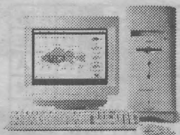
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• By the numbers

Astronomical figures in statistical report track U.S. life

WASHINGTON (AP) — The 116th annual compilation of America by the numbers is on sale, its shiny green covers hiding a mass of tables and statistics that tell the tales of birth and death, purchase and sale, love and hate that are daily life in America.

Almost 11,000 babies are born every day in this country, and 6,000 people die. Some 7,000 marriages begin, and 3,000 end in divorce.

There are 27 million transactions at automated teller machines every 24 hours. The post office handles 495 million pieces of mail.

The 1996 edition of the Statistical Abstract of the United States, which reports all that and so much more, went on sale Thursday. It's a 1,022-page volume jammed with 1,468 tables chronicling the incidental and the important.

"All that goes on in a single day in America is hard to imagine," said Glenn King, chief of the abstract staff at the Census Bureau.

Births and deaths have been chronicled for centuries in church Bibles and government listings.

Last year, 3,961,000 new Americans were born, an average of 10,852 a day. At the same time, 2,329,000 people died, an average of 6,381 a day.

It takes some slightly older numbers and dissects them in more detail to find that of 4 million births in 1993, 12.8 percent were to mothers who were still teen-agers, and 31 percent of the new moms were not married.

White women accounted for 3,150,000 of the babies, blacks for 659,000, Asians for

153,000 and American Indians for 39,000. Hispanics, who are included in other races, totaled 654,000.

There were 105 boys born for every 100 girls, a statistic that evens out in mid-life. Males' shorter life spans — 72.3 years compared with 79.0 for females — mean elderly women outnumber old men.

In 1994, 9.1 marriages and 4.6 divorces and annulments occurred among every 1,000 people. That's down from 9.8 marriages and 4.7 divorces in 1990, and 10.6 marriages and 5.2 divorces in 1980.

The median age for a first marriage in 1990 was 24.0 for women and 25.9 for men, up from 21.8 for brides and 23.6 for bridegrooms a decade earlier.

While marriage may be slipping in interest, Americans are spending more time with their ATM machines, posting nearly 10 billion transactions last year. That's nearly double 1990's total. In 1980, the Census Bureau didn't even bother to collect statistics on the machines.

The book reveals that 62.1 million personal injuries were recorded in 1993, 170,137 a day, including 14 million sprains and strains, 12 million open wounds and 8 million fractures.

The most likely victims were men aged 18-to-44. Women in that age group came in second.

The 180.7 billion pieces of mail handled annually by the post office include 96 million first-class pieces, 71 million third-class items and 10 million or so newspapers and magazines.

There were 12.3 million motor vehicles

made in the United States in 1994, including 6.6 million cars and 5.6 million trucks and buses. The volume also shows 6.5 million motor vehicle accidents that year, which killed 40,700 Americans and injured 3.2 million.

In 1994, 784 people were killed in recre-

ational boating accidents, 706 in private plane crashes, 611 in railroad accidents, 239 on airlines and 76 in rapid-transit wrecks.

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• Housing secretary

Cabinet member Cisneros resigns, cites personal finance as reason

WASHINGTON (AP) — Housing Secretary Henry Cisneros said Thursday he will leave the Cabinet, the seventh in a string of advisers who won't be staying for President Clinton's second term.

In a letter to Clinton, Cisneros did not provide a reason for his departure, although he has said he might need to seek a higher-paying job outside government.

"I have concluded that I cannot ask to be considered for service in the next four years," Cisneros wrote in the letter, a copy of which was obtained by The Associated Press.

Half the members of Clinton's 14-person Cabinet have now indicated they will be leaving.

Earlier Thursday, Cisneros told reporters he had had conversations with several mayors mentioned as possible successors, including Norm Rice of Seattle, Dennis Archer of Detroit and Bill Campbell of Atlanta.

"I don't want to indicate the substance of conversations or who's in consideration or who's not," he said. But he added that he was "exploring interest levels" in the HUD post.

Some administration officials have been backing Cisneros to become chairman of the Democratic National Committee.

There has been speculation for weeks that Cisneros might leave, in part because of an ongoing investigation into whether he lied to the FBI about payments he made to ex-girlfriend Linda Medlar. Cisneros did not mention the controversy in his letter.

He did say he would have liked to remain as secretary of housing and urban development to "help build on the progress we have made" on urban issues.

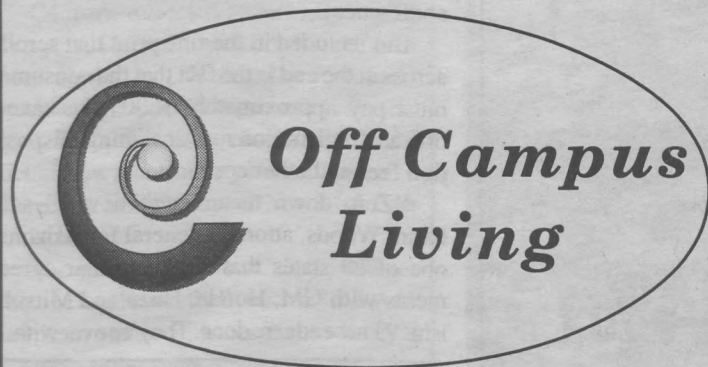
"I have worked the last four years to advance your hopes for America's communities," Cisneros told Clinton. "I have constantly grown in my respect for the clarity of your vision for the American future, for your judgments and for your tireless dedication."

Cisneros said in his remarks to reporters that he had been weighing personal financial questions that raised doubts about remaining in government. "It depends essentially on a personal calculation of what I can afford," he said.

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• Zero money down

Consumers angered over 'hidden' costs on car leases

WASHINGTON (AP) — Lease a car for just a penny down? Nice, but don't count on it, the government said Thursday in announcing that five major automakers have agreed to stop burying important leasing costs in the fine print at the bottom of their advertisements.

From now on, details of those costs — such as taxes, title and registration fees — must be displayed as boldly as the print that blares "Zero Down," said Federal Trade

Commission chairman Robert Pitofsky.

"These disclosures are important and add hundreds and thousands of dollars to the cost," he said at a news conference. "The problem is they are not readable and they are not understandable."

The agreements with the FTC require General Motors Corp. and the U.S. subsidiaries of Honda, Isuzu, Mazda and Mitsubishi to include clear and understandable cost information in their nationwide advertising.

One-third of all new cars in this country are leased. That figure is expected to grow to half of all cars by the turn of the century, said Mary Ponder of the Consumer Federation of America.

Leasing is an appealing alternative among shoppers who can't afford to buy a new car, the average price of which has climbed to \$21,600, said the National Automobile Dealers Association. Monthly payments for a new car can be up to 50 percent higher than the

monthly cost of a leased vehicle.

"That seems to be the bottom line, 'How much do I pay each month?' and that isn't the whole story," Ms. Ponder said.

But car leases also have led to a growing number of consumer complaints as shoppers gripe that they often don't know before they get to the showroom how much it will cost to drive away a new set of wheels.

"I don't think people are that naive," said Don Peck, vice president of Bob Peck Chevrolet in Arlington, Va. "They know they're going to have to pay taxes and tags and a security deposit. Even on ones with zero down."

Donna Reichle, spokeswoman for the National Automobile Dealers Association, believes consumers know to look at the "small print for those hidden costs."

"Leasing provides a great way to get that monthly payment down and still get that vehicle you desire," she said.

In September, the Federal Reserve Board approved new rules to reduce confusion over car leasing contracts by requiring dealers to give consumers a single page explaining the agreement's key elements. That would include the base price of the car, the monthly payment and how it was calculated, and possible penalties for ending the lease early.

The requirement takes effect in October 1997 with the goal of helping consumers quickly understand important transaction terms.

None of the five companies that settled with the FTC admitted wrongdoing. The consumer protection agency has brought actions against individual dealers over similar allegations, but this was the first FTC case against car makers.

The agreements do not require refunds for consumers who believe they were cheated on a lease deal.

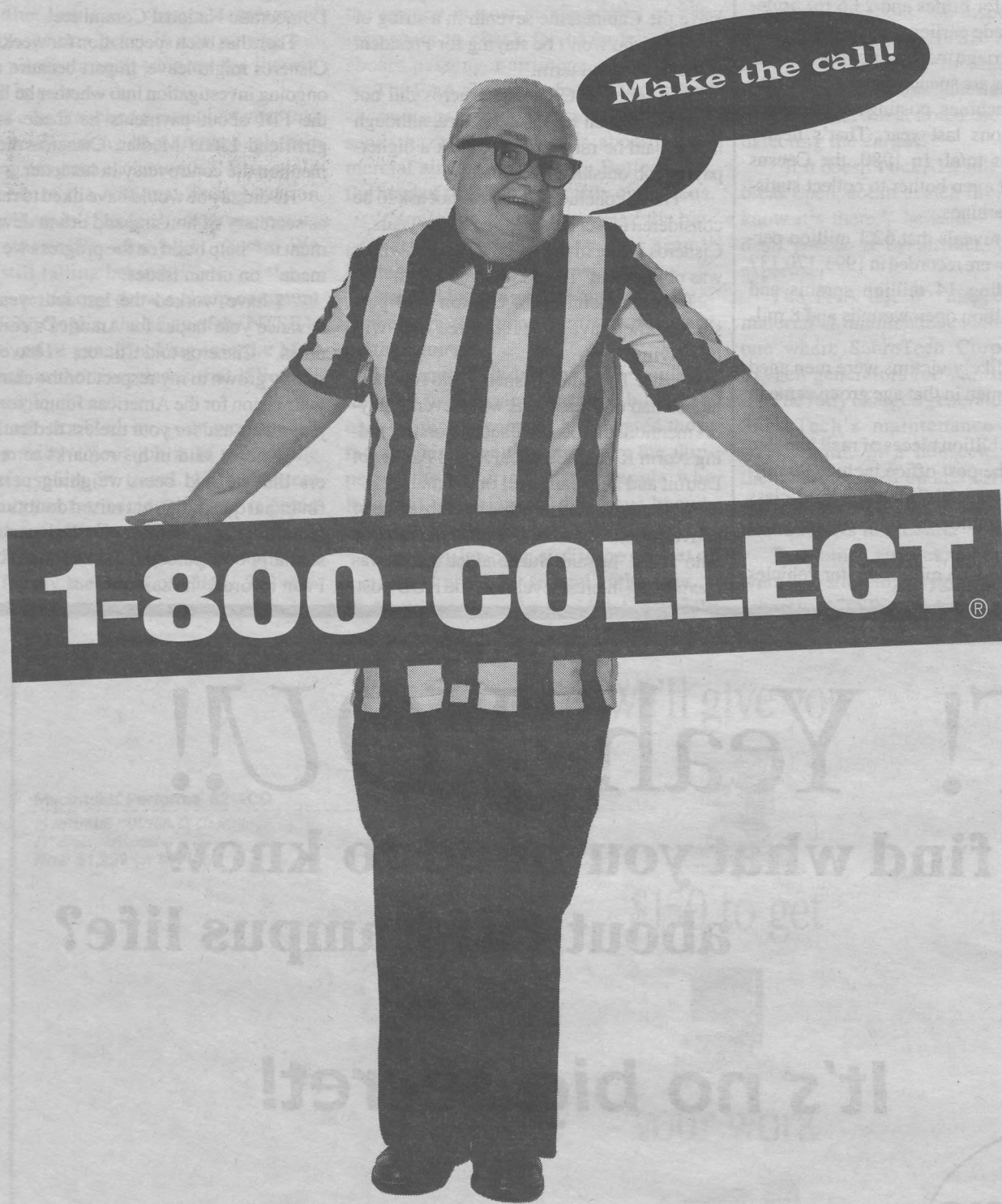
The commission will decide whether to make the agreements final after a 60-day period for public comment.

Pitofsky said the advertising was deceptive because consumers were led to believe they could lease a new car for almost nothing when that wasn't the case. He said the FTC would also review advertising by other car companies.

A Honda television ad, for example, shows an odometer scrolling backward to \$0000 and offers a zero-down, short-term lease. "\$0 Down and \$289 a month for 30 months," said the ad, which was played at the news conference.

But included in the fine print that scrolls across at the end is the fact that the consumer must pay approximately \$600, plus taxes, title and registration fees at signing, disposition fees and other costs.

"Zero down means zero down," said Grant Woods, attorney general for Arizona, one of 23 states that struck similar agreements with GM, Honda, Isuzu and Mitsubishi. "These ads are done. They're over with."



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Sports Briefs

Olajuwon's heart back to normal

HOUSTON (AP) — Hakeem Olajuwon was released today from the hospital where he had been treated for an irregular heartbeat that could sideline him for up to a week.

Doctors performed further tests, including an exercise test stress, before releasing the Houston Rockets center from The Methodist Hospital. The tests showed no problems, and Olajuwon was to begin a supervised workout Friday. It could be a week, though, before he plays again.

"I'm feeling fine," Olajuwon, 33, said in a statement. "This happened before, and it was just the same thing. I will be back on the court as soon as possible."

His heartbeat had returned to normal Wednesday after doctors used a defibrillator to restore the proper rhythm. He will not be under medication.

Team physician Bruce Moseley had said Wednesday that doctors were optimistic about the test results. They do not believe the irregularity, similar to one Olajuwon suffered in 1991, stems from any degenerative condition.

"Barring unusual findings in further tests, we hope and expect that this will resolve and that he will go on and do very well," Moseley said.

Olajuwon developed an irregular heartbeat after drinking a glass of cold water at halftime Tuesday night.

The abnormal rhythm, or arrhythmia, appears similar to the 1991 episode that led to Olajuwon missing seven games, Moseley said.

Calipari's contract fixed

NEW YORK (AP) — New Jersey Nets coach John Calipari has reached an agreement in principle on the contract clause that has delayed his signing, according to published reports.

Calipari, expected to formally sign a five-year, \$15 million contract in the next three weeks, met Wednesday with team president Micheal Rowe to resolve questions about the offset clause that would dictate how much money he would receive if fired, the Daily News and New York Post said today.

The agreement means Calipari will not become head basketball coach at UCLA as had been rumored, according to today's Boston Globe, which also reported the deal. Calipari has denied speculation that he might be in line for the job at UCLA, where Jim Harrick was fired last week.

"We're not saying who got what, but both sides are satisfied with the language in the agreement," Rowe told the Daily News. "We met last Thursday and again today. I should be reduced to writing in about two weeks or so."

An unidentified team source told the Daily News that the offset clause, which was not in the original agreement, was out and that Calipari "got what he wanted, plain and simple."

• Ice hockey

Black Bears not panicking yet

By Larry Rogers
Sports Writer

After stumbling out of the gates to its worst-ever start in Hockey East play, interim Maine hockey head coach Greg Cronin summed this weekend's two-game set with Massachusetts-Lowell: "It's our biggest series of the year," he said.

But Cronin insists the Bears aren't panicking. There are still 20 league games left and plenty of time to make up ground.

And besides, why should they panic? Maine currently boasts the league's top power play (6-for-20, .300) and the second-best penalty kill (17-for-20, .850), despite being 0-3-1 in league play.

"It just defies any sense of coaching logic," Cronin said.

Maine's success on the power play will be put to the test this weekend by UMass-Lowell's solid penalty killing. The River Hawks have snubbed 44 of 50 (.880) man-down situations in eight games overall this season.

The big key for Maine will be freshman

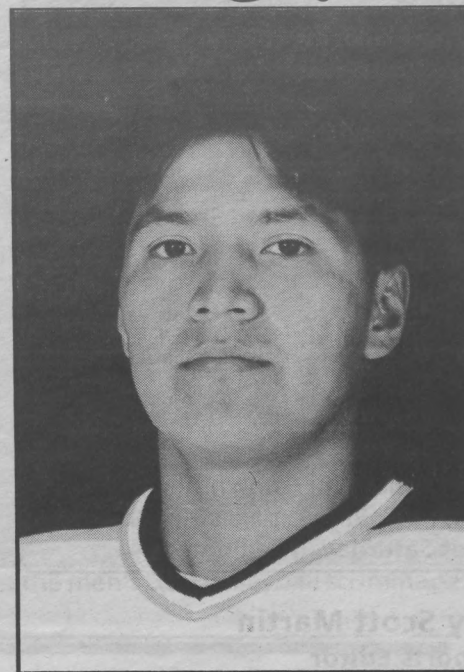
goalie Alfie Michaud's play. Michaud has struggled in his last four games, stopping just 83 percent of the shots he's faced.

Despite Michaud's struggles, Cronin maintains that he and the team still have a ton of confidence in the freshman.

"He's never had a goalie coach before this year," Cronin said. "He has a history of stopping a large percentage of pucks shot at him. I told him this week. Just stop the puck. I've got confidence and the team's got confidence that he can stop it."

The Black Bears continue to battle injuries as senior captain Reg Cardinal joined the long list of wounded Bears this week after coming down with the flu. The hard-nosed forward could miss both games. However, forwards Scott Parmentier and Jason Vitorino will return to the lineup after missing last weekend's New Hampshire series with injuries. Senior defenseman Jason Mansoff is questionable with an infected elbow.

Freshman forward and defenseman Jason Price will stay at defenseman this week after impressing Cronin last weekend while



Reg Cardinal won't play for the Black Bears this weekend. (File Photo.)

filling in for the injured Mansoff. Shawn Man-

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• Women's basketball

Black Bears looking for revenge

By Josh Nason
Sports Writer

The beginning of the University of Maine women's basketball team's drive to what it hopes will be a national title begins this weekend with two important games on the road against George Washington Friday and James Madison Sunday.

Maine has won 14 season openers in its 21-year history, including the last three by an average of 10 points.

The Black Bears' preseason has consisted of two exhibition games, an 81-71 victory over the Czech Republic and a close 75-74 overtime win against the Southern District Spartans of Australia. Cindy Blodgett averaged 27 points a contest while Stacey Porrini averaged 14 points and almost 16 rebounds a game.

GWU routed the Bears 83-67 in the first round of the NCAA tournament last season, their first-ever meeting. Tajama Abraham led the Colonials with 22 points. Blodgett had 25 points for Maine. Abraham, a senior, is back for GWU after leading her team with 19.5 ppg, 7.4 rpg and 92 blocked shots. GWU is com-

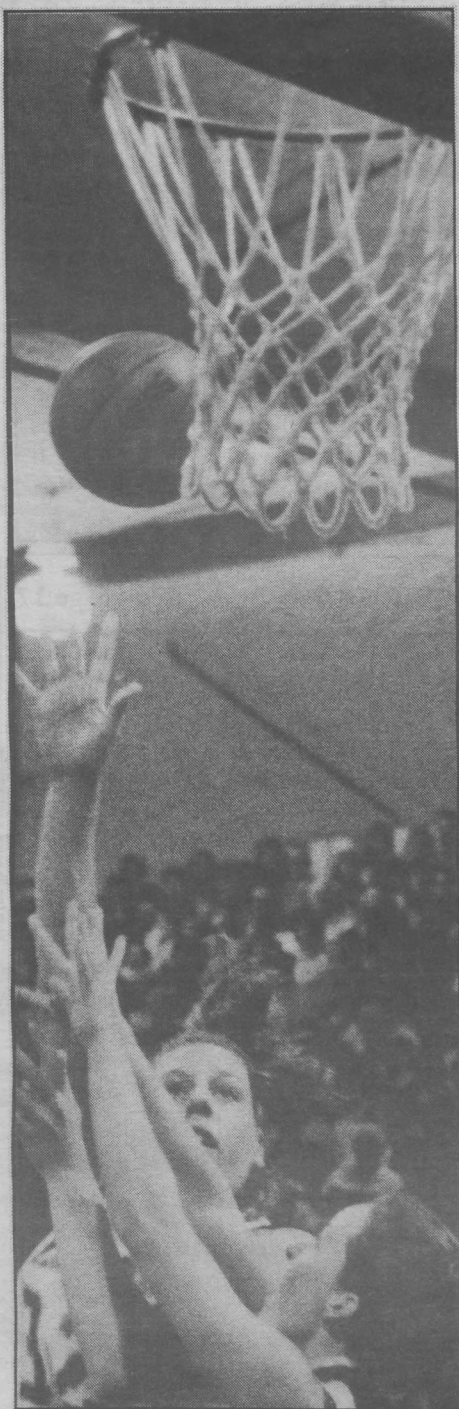
ing off a 70-44 loss to Old Dominion in the first round of the preseason Women's NIT.

The last time Maine met JMU was in 1992, a 71-54 win for the Bears. Senior Holly Rilinger leads the Dukes into their season opener, coming off a year where she averaged 15.8 ppg, and was a All-Colonial Athletic Association second teamer for the second season in a row. Senior forward Sarah Schrelb (14.3 ppg, 9 rpg) will also give the young Bear forwards a challenge.

Head coach Joanne Palombo-McCallie realizes that to make a splash on the national scene, which she said they have been trying to do, the team needs to "beat some teams at their home court, pull off some upsets that way, and certainly with the schedule, we have a chance to do that I think there's an incredible hunger for us to do as well as we can, and get some national recognition. We'll see whether we can achieve that or not."

In other news: While a lot of attention has been placed on Blodgett's run at the

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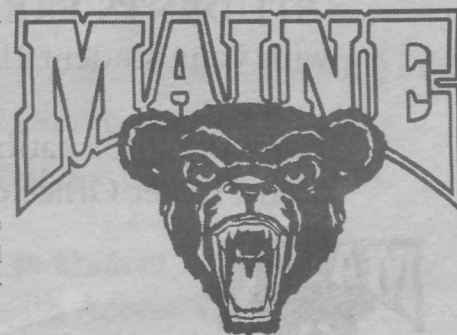
Senior Stacey Porrini. (Gagne File Photo.)

Student-Athlete of the Week

Patrick Benoit of the University of Maine men's swim team has been named the UMaine Student-Athlete of the Week.

A junior at Maine, Benoit has made the dean's list every semester he's attended the university.

He's also won a bronze medal at the Student-Athlete Recognition Awards and been named to the America East Honor Roll two years in a row.



• Men's hoops

The Giannini Era begins Saturday



John Giannini (shown here coaching Rown College) makes his Maine debut Saturday. (File Photo.)

By Scott Martin
Sports Editor

Letdown can be a problem when a team knows it's facing a lesser opponent. Motivation can be a problem if a team thinks it should win hands down.

John Giannini hopes that in his debut the University of Maine men's basketball team will show the maturity not to let down its guard when it opens the season against Division III University of South-

ern Maine.

"I'm hoping that we've overcome that by developing a work ethic," Giannini said. "There is the notion that a coach is a motivator, and that is in part true. But I think it is far more important to have a work ethic. When you have a work ethic you work hard for every practice and every game. When you're talking about motivation it is applying that you need to be motivated for certain games."

Although the Black Bears are a relatively young team (only two seniors and one junior) Giannini feels his team is smart enough not to take the Huskies lightly.

"The older guys are mature and the younger guys know they have to continually work hard and improve to be key factors. So I'm not that worried about that," Giannini said. "I very much hope that we will work hard every game, whether it be against Southern Maine or Kentucky."

On the other hand, Southern Maine will be ready to knock off its Division I rivals. The Huskies went 10-15 last season and are entering a new era, just like the Black Bears. Dan Costigan takes over for Al Sokaitis as USM's head coach.

"We should be emotionally ready to play," Costigan said. "We're the underdog, but might be the underdog a lot this season, so we better get used to it. I hope we can go out and play the way we've

practiced."

USM has practiced to be a run-and-gun team. The Huskies lack height and need to play pesky defense to try to outrun their opponents. The Huskies' tallest players are both 6-foot-3 sophomores Byran Hill and Chirs Sparks.

"We'll be fun to watch and easy to cheer," Costigan said. "We'll be small, so we need to get up and down the floor."

What little Giannini knows about the Huskies is what he will try to exploit.

"The first game of the season is extremely difficult to prepare for because you are playing a team with new personnel that has never played a game before. So you have nothing to go on," Giannini said. "We know they are a very small team and they are trying to play up tempo. I think we have to assume that's what they will do against us."

HOCKEY CAPSULE

What: UMass-Lowell vs. Maine
Where and When: Alfond Arena, Friday and Saturday, 7 p.m.

Team Records: Maine 4-4-1 (0-3-1 in HE); UMass-Lowell 5-3 and 3-3

The Series: Maine leads 31-19-1

Key Players: Maine - RW Shawn Wansborough (4 goals, 7 assists, 11 pts), C Cory Larose (2-7-9), C Steve Kariya (5-4-9), D Jason Mansoff (4-4-8), C Dan Shermerhorn (4-4-8), G Alfie Michaud (4-4-1, 3.44 GAA, .848 save %); UMass-Lowell - F Neil Donovan (4-9-13), F Greg Kochler (3-6-9), F Marc Salsman (6-3-9), F Ryan Sandholm (2-6-8), D Chris Libett (2-5-7), G Scott Fankhouser (2-1-0, 4.07, .875)

Outlook: Maine faces its biggest series thus far this season after getting off to its worst start ever in Hockey East (0-3-1). Coach Tim Whitehead's River Hawks have been playing more disciplined than in past years and are off to a 3-3 start after being picked last in the preseason coaches' poll. Maine captain Reg Cardinal will likely miss both games because of a flu virus. The Bears will need two solid games out of struggling freshman goalie Michaud to win.

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soff will move from defense to the fourth line and skate with Vitorino and Matt Oliver.

Maine's top line this week will feature Steve Kariya centering Shawn Wansborough and Parmentier. Wansborough was red-hot last weekend against UNH, registering three goals and two assists.

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MEN'S BASKETBALL CAPSULE

What: Southern Maine vs. Maine
When and Where: Alfond Arena, Saturday at noon

Key Players: Maine - G John Gordon (13.2 ppg, 1.8 apg last year), G Ramone Jones (9.5 ppg, 4.0 rpg), FTerry Hunt (12.3 ppg, 5.4 rpg 1995-'96); F Allen Ledbetter (8.1 ppg, 7.4 rpg); C Don Long (1.3 ppg, 1.2 rpg) **Southern Maine** - G Frank Billings (11.1 ppg), G Dave Segal (7.8 ppg), C Tony Fortin (freshman), F Jeff Bodge (freshman).

Outlook: The Black Bears have a chance to start the season with a win playing the Div. III Huskies. Maine has to keep its head and not get too confident. The Huskies need to run on the Black Bears, as they have a height disadvantage. Maine needs to play its normal slow-down game and not fall into USM's trap.

WOMEN'S HOOPS CAPSULE

What: Maine vs. George Washington and James Madison

Where and When: Charles E. Smith Center, Friday at 3:30 p.m. and JMU Convocation Center, Sunday at 2 p.m.

Team Records: Maine 0-0, GWU 0-1, JMU 0-0.

Key Players: Maine - G Cindy Blodgett (27.8 ppg, 5.3 rpg last season), C Stacey Porri (12.3 ppg, 10.3 rpg), G Sandi Carver (4.5 ppg, 3.3 rpg); GWU - C Tajama Abraham (19.5 ppg, 7.4 rpg), G Lisa Cermigiano (13.1 ppg, 34% three-point shooter); JMU - G Holly Riling (15.8 ppg), F Sarah Schreiber (14.3 ppg, 9 rpg), G Nyesha Baisey (5.3 ppg).

Outlook: Maine would love to upend the Colonials after getting bounced by them in the NCAA tourney last year. Atlantic-10 champ GWU has four starters returning from last year and is a team that advanced to the round of 32 last year in the NCAA tourney. But against nationally-recognized teams, Maine hasn't been so lucky. It might have an easier time with JMU, even though it fields an experienced club. A win over either club would be a plus for the Black Bears and a positive way to start the season.

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school and conference all-time scoring marks, Porri is nearing a milestone of her own. She needs nine blocks to break the school record of 147, set by Rachel Bouchard. Porri already holds the single-season record of 79, set a year ago. With another 166 points, Porri will reach 1,000 career points and become the eighth player in Maine history to get 1,000 points and 500 rebounds.

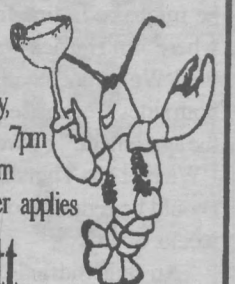
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• Column

It's all in the numbers

By Ryan Robbins

Somebody needs to tell the Baseball Writers Association of America that winning isn't everything.

Last week, writers in National League cities outright robbed Kevin Brown of the Florida Marlins of the N.L. Cy Young, giving the award to John Smoltz of the Atlanta Braves. And writers in American League cities almost gave that league's Cy Young to Andy Pettite of the New York Yankees. Thank God Toronto Blue Jay Pat Hentgen won.

Apparently the writers don't have a clue about the worthlessness of gauging pitchers by wins and losses. Instead, the writers prefer to cater to the casual fan's fascination with wins and losses. There's another, more meaningful, statistic the writers might want to look into: the earned run average.

A pitcher's ERA is by no means a perfect statistic, no statistic is. But it comes pretty damn close. Brown dominated the National League, posting a 1.89 ERA in 233 innings pitched, the only ERA below 2.00 in either league for a pitcher with more than 162 IP. Smoltz's ERA was pretty good at 2.94 in 253 2/3 IP, but nowhere near challenging Brown's.

But wins talk louder.

Smoltz made it no secret he shouldn't have won the award: "(Brown) had a great year," he told The Associated Press last week. "If he played for the Atlanta Braves, he would have won the Cy Young."

Notice to the writers: The Cy Young Award is for each league's most outstanding pitcher. It is not for the league's best pitcher with the best run support.

Did anyone tell the writers Smoltz won a lot more than Brown because the Braves won 96 games while Brown's lowly Marlins won a meager 80? Brown would have had a handful more wins than Smoltz if he'd played for the National League's best team.

Rather than explain to the casual fan why Brown (17-11) was a better pitcher with a worse won-lost record than Smoltz's (24-8), the writers decided to be lazy. After all, they told everyone in June that Smoltz would win the Cy Young, so they had to make good on their promise.

In the American League, Hentgen was

lucky to beat Pettite in one of the closest A.L. Cy Young votes. Hentgen won by only 6 votes, much too close for comfort. Hentgen had Pettite beaten hands down. Pettite's ERA was an unimpressive 3.87 (eighth in the league) in 221 IP, while Hentgen's was the league's second best at 3.22 in 265 2/3 IP. Hentgen teammate Juan Guzman was the only A.L. pitcher to post an ERA below 3.00, but he pitched only 187 2/3 innings.

But the writers don't get it. They didn't even realize Boston's Roger Clemens was better than Pettite. Unfortunately for Clemens, he didn't have much run support from his teammates and wound up with a 10-13 won-loss record. But he did have an ERA 0.24 better than Pettite's — in more innings pitched. How many votes did Clemens get? None.

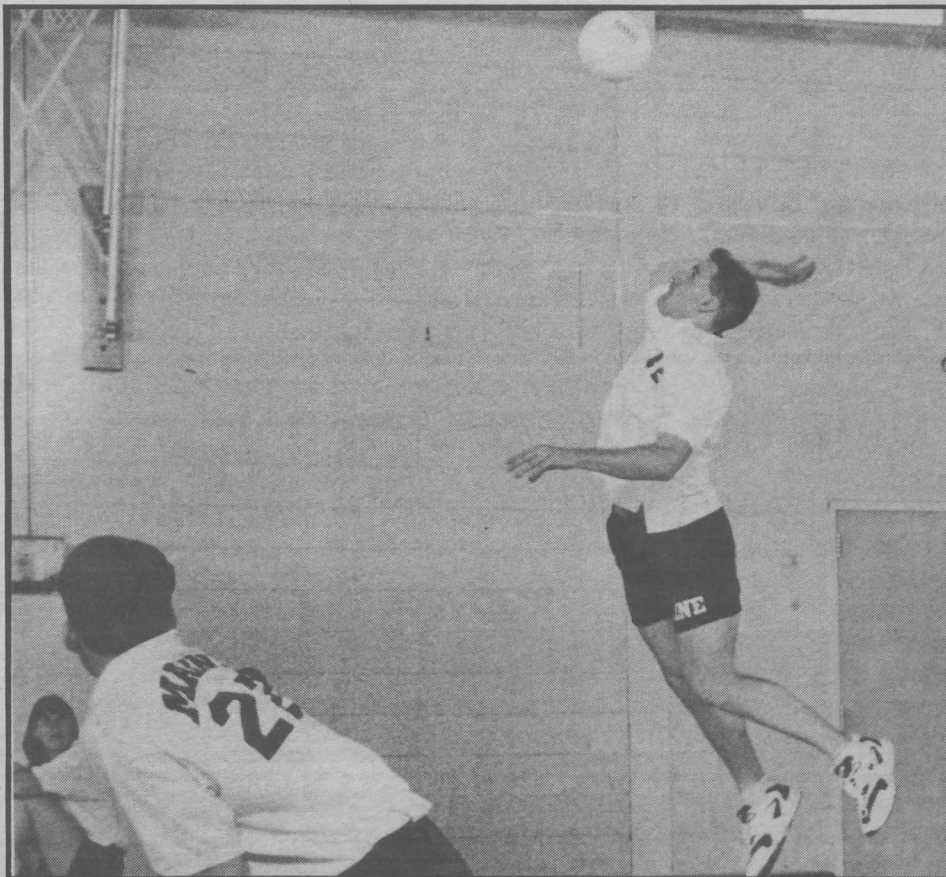
The N.L. Cy Young mockery is reminiscent of the 1990 A.L. Cy Young voting in which teammates of Oakland's Bob Welch wowed the writers by scoring more runs than Welch allowed 27 times. While Welch was no slouch with a 2.95 ERA, Clemens was much better with a 1.93 ERA in only 10 fewer innings pitched. But, hey, Welch was 27-6 and Clemens 21-6, right?

The writers argue wins do mean something, that somehow pitchers like Pettite or Smoltz put their teammates at ease on the field and at the plate. If this is so, why were the Braves more relaxed when Smoltz pitched than when Greg Maddux pitched? Even with an off year, Maddux was better than Smoltz with an ERA 0.22 lower in only eight fewer innings pitched. But poor Maddux, he won just 15 games and lost 11.

For the season, Smoltz' Braves averaged 4.78 runs per game compared to Brown's Marlins, who averaged 4.25 runs per game. Of course Smoltz won seven more games than Brown. And in the American League, Pettite's Yankees averaged 5.38 runs per game against the Blue Jays' 4.73 runs per game. And with so much run support, Pettite should have won more games than he did, but he didn't because of his weak ERA.

But everyone loves a winner.

(Ryan Robbins is a copy editor for The Maine Campus and gave up three unearned runs in a 1984 Little League game, losing 3-0.)



Maine's Mark LaCasse hits a jump serve at the men's club volleyball scrimmage Saturday. (Amy Sierra Williams Photo.)

• NCAA

Louisville gets two year probation

LOUISVILLE, Ky. (AP) — The Louisville basketball program, sidestepping more severe penalties, was placed on two years probation by the NCAA for 10 rules violations.

The school, a traditional basketball power, was cited by the NCAA for violations concerning recruiting, extra benefits and preferential treatment.

The school avoided more severe sanctions, such as postseason eligibility and a ban from television.

Louisville coach Denny Crum, clenching a rolled-up program in his trademark sideline habit, was relieved over the lenient verdict announced Wednesday.

"I'm proud of our program," he said. "It's impossible to control everything. Nobody wants to be on probation, but I feel good about this outcome and I feel good about the process."

The school sent a 31-page report to the NCAA in February that uncovered nine of

the 10 violations. The internal investigation might have spared the program from the more severe penalties.

"This case is an indication that presidents are taking some control," said David Swank, chairman of the NCAA Infractions Committee. "You're still going to get violations, but when the university finds out about it and takes the steps the University of Louisville did, it's an indication of a real commitment to compliance. This was a model response."

Louisville will implement an educational program on NCAA legislation and all student-athletes will have to fill out car registration forms at the start of every school year as part of the probation.

Other requirements under the probation include sending the basketball staff to an NCAA compliance seminar and recertifying the school's athletic policies.

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• Golf

Els, Westner share lead

CAPE TOWN, South Africa (AP) — Tom Lehman and Steve Jones trailed Ernie Els and Wayne Westner of South Africa by 10 strokes after Thursday's first round of the World Cup of Golf as the United States tried for a record-tying fifth straight title.

"Freddy and Davis were the Dream Team but we certainly didn't look like Dream Team II out there today," Lehman said referring to Fred Couples and Davis Love III, who won the last four World Cups for the U.S. team.

Lehman, the British Open champion, and Jones, winner of the U.S. Open, both shot 73s to be at 146. Els and Westner were at 136 after they both shot 68s.

Playing in wet, rainy conditions, the 30 two-man teams started three hours late and were allowed to improved their lies in the fairway.

Els, the former U.S. Open champion, and Westner capitalized on their knowledge of the Erinvale Country Club course outside Cape Town to make 11 birdies between them in compiling an 8-under-par total.

Surprising Denmark was two strokes back at 138, paced by the day's lowest round, a five-under 67 by Thomas Bjorn, while Rene Budde shot a 71.

Scotland was third at 139 on Paul Lawrie's 69 and Andrew Coltart's 70.

The World Cup is a stroke-play competition in which the nation with the lowest two-man team total after four rounds wins. There is also an individual medalist winner.

The U.S. won the last four World Cups with Love the individual winner last year and Couples the winner in 1994.

The United States won five team titles in a row starting in 1960 with squads that included, Sam Snead, Jack Nicklaus, Arnold Palmer and Jimmy Demaret.

Love and Couples decided not to defend their title this year in part because Couples is trying to cut down on long plane trips because of his chronically sore back.

Lehman said he still believed he and Jones could win despite his double bogey

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and another four bogeys between them against only four birdies.

"Steve and I struggled today but we're not giving up," Lehman said. "There are still three rounds to go and we're in with a chance."

Els and Westner said their biggest problem was the attention as the crowd favorites.

"We were nervous to begin with but

after that we gave 110 percent in front of the home fans," said Els, who dropped his only shot of the day at the par-4 18th when he pulled his pitching wedge approach into a bunker.

"That was disappointing because the 18th was a potential birdie hole, but we'll certainly take that start," Els said.

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The announcement ended a 1 1/2-year ordeal that started with a report by The Courier-Journal concerning phone calls made to a Louisville recruit by a volunteer strength coach.

Louisville president John Shumaker said he is worried about probation tarnishing the school's image.

"This is a warning signal to us, but I take comfort in the fact the NCAA recognized that we did everything we could to conduct a hard-nosed investigation and make sure we took the corrective action to make sure this doesn't happen again," he said.

The NCAA accepted various penalties that the university imposed against itself.

The case arose from questions concern-

ing former player Samaki Walker's use of two cars during the summer and fall of 1995. It eventually included improper contacts with recruits made by former volunteer strength coach Jimmy Thompson and improper phone calls and contacts made by former assistant coach Larry Gay.

"We've put safeguards in place now that will allow us to better monitor those kinds of issues," Crum said. "We should be more on top of things from now on."

Louisville, not ranked in the preseason poll, opens Saturday at home with an exhibition game against the Puerto Rican national team. The regular-season opener is against Montana State on Nov. 29 in the Big Island Classic in Hawaii.

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