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Monday, February 19, 1987

Robbins asks for vote of confidence



Carl Robbins is sworn in as president of student senate last night. (Baer photo)

by Mike Laberge
Staff Writer

Minutes after Christopher Boothby and Carl Robbins were installed as the new president and vice president of student government, Robbins called for a vote of confidence on whether he should hold his newly elected office.

This proposal, introduced at Wednesday's General Student Senate meeting, sparked nearly 30 minutes of debate before it was withdrawn.

"I was informed by a senator that an impeachment resolution was being drafted," Robbins said.

He did not know who was drafting the resolution, he said, and called for the vote of confidence because he felt the impeachment proceeding would make student government look bad.

During debate, numerous senators spoke against the vote of confidence, saying the ticket of Boothby/Robbins had been elected by the student body and should be supported by the GSS.

John O'Dea, off-campus senator, said students knew about Robbins's past arrest record and still voted him into office.

"The students voted for Carl and it is our duty to stand by that vote," he said.

O'Dea said the GSS would be undermining democracy by calling a vote of confidence after students clearly had elected Robbins.

"You are voting either for democracy or against democracy," he said. "(Approximately) 2,300 students voted, they elected this guy, and we should stand by that. We are compelled to do that."

Ed Luchetti, off-campus senator, agreed.

"The students voted for Carl and Chris to represent them," he said.

"You have to balance what you feel with what your constituency feels."

But Mark Tuson, Somerset Hall senator, said because Robbins called for the vote, the senate was obligated to vote on the matter.

"I think it's unfortunate we have to do this. He asked us to stand up and make judgment on him as to whether we have his confidence," he said.

"Do we want this individual representing students next year?" he asked. "I'm going to vote no confidence."

According to the student government constitution, the president of the senate may not place motions on the senate floor. The motion for the vote was placed before the senate by Gary Bresnehan, Knox Hall senator.

Late in the debate, several senators brought up the idea of indefinitely postponing the vote.

And following the near half hour of debate, Bresnehan was persuaded to withdraw the proposal for the vote.

Later in the meeting, John Gallant, Corbet Hall senator, said a student forum concerning the proposed student life fee will be held Thursday, Feb. 19 at 6 p.m. in 100 Nutting Hall.

He said the forum will give students a chance to voice their opinions on the fees to their student government representatives.

David Mitchell, former president of student government, said no administrators will be present at that meeting.

In other business, Eric Ewing was installed as Gannett Hall senator.

Seniors offered class

by Monica Wilcox
Staff Writer

Retired citizens have the opportunity again this year to take courses while vacationing during the 1987 Active Seniors Summer Institute at the University of Maine.

In its third season, the program will offer three sessions and nine institutes and will be supplemented with a variety of social, cultural, and recreational activities on campus and close by at Maine's mountains, lakes, and seashores.

Members of UMaine's Conferences and Institutes Division, the group coordinating the program, are very optimistic about this year's program which begins in June.

"We anticipate a strong enrollment of 300 or more," said Bruce Stinson, acting director of the division. "We've never had to put a cap on it before, but we may have to this year."

Approximately 100 retired people attended in 1985 and the number more than doubled last year with 250 participants.

Kim White, stenographer for the Conferences and Institutes Division, said, "There have been big turnouts in the last two sessions. We're expecting a lot more this year."

Stinson called the program "the university's answer to an Elderhostel program," a national

program for retired citizens.

"It's an opportunity to have the retired people come to Maine to give them a different cultural advantage point," Stinson said.

Housing and food services will be available on campus and White said a \$150.90 fee will be charged per person for each session.

Wanda Albert, records technician of the division, said there would be a few improvements this year.

"We're going to be on line with the other departments which will make it much better this year," Albert said.

The following sessions will be offered: June 15-July 3 — Wellness — Living Life to the Optimum, instructed by Shirley Soares from St. Joseph Hospital in Bangor.

July 6-24 — An Introduction to Chinese Culture will be instructed by Henry Sheng from California State Polytechnic University.

July 27-Aug. 14 — Bridge; U.S. history will be offered and taught by Eleanor Diamond from the American Contract Bridge Teacher Association.

Registration materials and fees must be received by May 15.

For additional information, contact UMaine's Conferences and Institutes Division in Chadbourne Hall.



(Gustafson photo)

Lightnin' to strike

by Matt Mullin
Staff Writer

A well-recognized blues harmonica player will perform in concert at the University of Maine next week to benefit the school's athletic program.

Louisiana Lightnin' will be in concert at the Maine Center for the Arts Feb. 28.

He and Jeff Rand, director of the Black Bear Fund, held a press conference Wednesday to announce that some of the proceeds of this concert will be going to the Fund, the athletic fund-raising arm of the University of Maine.

"A portion of the proceeds will be going to the Black Bear Fund," Rand said.

"Lightnin' approached me three or four weeks ago and mentioned that he'd like to donate proceeds from a show to our athletic program," he said.

Handicapped access "horrendous"

by Marc Larrivee
Staff Writer

Half the buildings on the University of Maine campus are not accessible to handicapped students.

Currently, 32 buildings on campus are fully accessible to handicapped students, and 14 have first floor accessibility, said Owen J. Logue, counselor and coordinator of services for physically handicapped students.

Handicapped student Terry Cole-McGuire said she feels the situation for handicapped students at UMaine is "absolutely horrendous."

"I can't get to financial aid, the dean's office, or the social work department," said McGuire-Cole, a senior majoring in social work.

She said, given the current condition of accessibility on campus, she believes the UMaine administration needs to receive some basic education

about what it is like for a handicapped student to get around campus.

Apart from building accessibility, Cole-McGuire said the manner in which snow plowing is done on campus compounds the problem of mobility for the handicapped.

"There are two handicapped parking places over by Alford Arena, and they (snow plowers) decided to make their

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Chinese researcher works at UMaine

The distance that separates Maine and China is more than mileage. It is a distance of culture and ideology.

Yet, it was the similarities between the two that attracted Xia Guahua to Maine.

Xia, a faculty member at Northeast Forestry University in Heilungkiang Province in the People's Republic of China, has become the first educator from mainland China to receive a research appointment in the forest engineering program at the University of Maine.

UMaine was chosen for his research appointment, Xia said, because the climate, topography and natural resources are similar to that in his native land.

There are other similarities between Heilungkiang Province and Maine, said Xia.

Like Maine, the province's beautiful scenery attracts tourists from all over the world, Xia said, and its forests supply a large percentage of that country's timber needs.

Xia, who holds an academic rank equivalent to that of an associate professor in the United States, arrived in Maine about a month ago and plans on returning to China in late March.

In addition to attending lectures on campus, he has viewed logging operations at Diamond Occidental Forests Inc., and Great Northern Paper Co.

Xia said the U.S. timber harvesting system is more automated than Chinese methods which are labor-intensive. "I have studied a lot of things which will be useful for Heilungkiang Province in the forest industry," Xia said.

Northeast Forestry University is one of the forestry universities in the Forestry Ministry of the People's Republic of China. Founded in 1952, it has an enrollment of about 4,000 students.

Thomas J. Corcoran, UMaine professor of forest resources and forest engineering, has been working with Xia on his research.

"UMaine should benefit from this exchange and others in the future," Corcoran said.

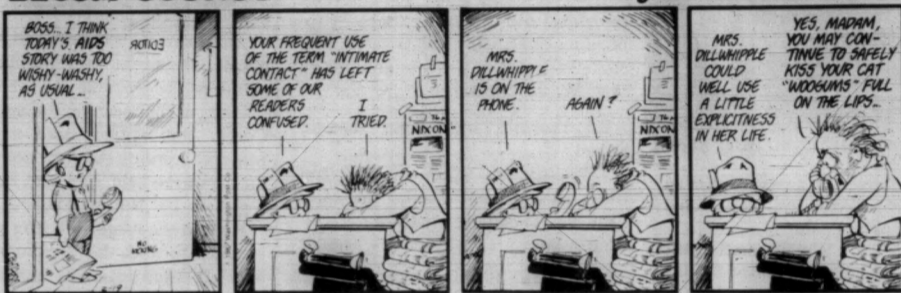
Although there are no specific plans to send a UMaine representative to China, Corcoran expressed the hope that "something will materialize within a reasonable time."

Xia, an unofficial ambassador of good will, said he hopes to encourage future faculty exchanges between the two universities.

"We want to establish a lasting, learning relationship with Maine and my province for a scientific and cultural exchange," he said.

BLOOM COUNTY

by Berke Breathed



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by Jeff MacNelly



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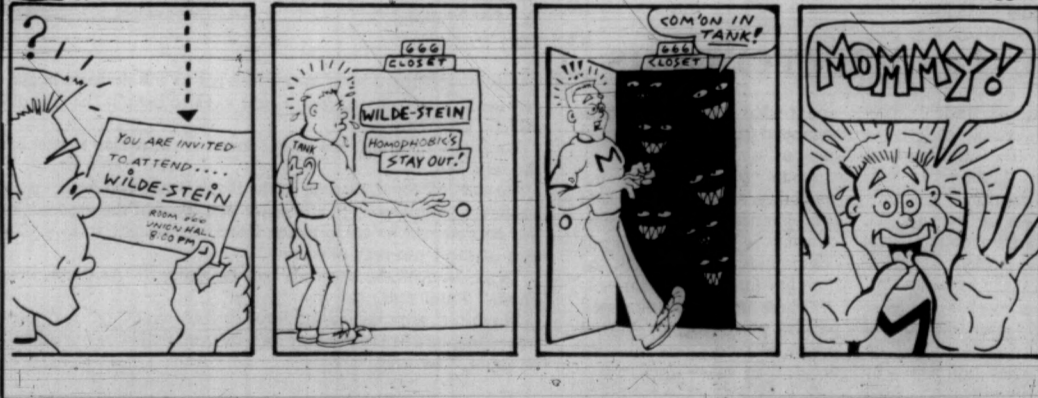
BY GARRY TRUDEAU



STREBBELS

"YO-YO:PHOBIA"

Tom Higgins



Concert

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"He is the first entertainer to approach us with an offer like this. This could be to start of something."

Lightnin', who now lives in Maine, said, "I was on campus for the UMaine versus University of Delaware football game and I saw that UMaine was only one scholarship player away from winning that game."

"The kids have to go out there and play their hearts out, competing with the other team that has more scholarships than they do."

Lightnin' is an alumnus of the University of Delaware and played baseball for that university.

"The university receives about 50 scholarships, as opposed to some Atlantic conference schools receiving as many as 70," Rand said.

Rand said the Black Bear Fund wants to increase the private support of Maine athletics.

"The private support of athletics has really improved over the past years couple of years," he said. "It is our goal, along with that of President Lick to balance athletics with academics and to have a top-notch Division I team."

Lightnin' said, "I hope this sets a precedent to others. You take something as an entertainer and it is important that you give something back."

Lightnin' will be performing with his own six-piece band, and two "greats": Joe Willey "Pine Top" Perkins, and Bill Dickey.

"Pine Top is one of the greatest blues piano players in the world," Lightnin' said. "He has played with Muddy Waters for 17 years, played with The Rolling Stones, and at the White House."

"If you don't know anything about the blues, don't miss seeing a musician of this stature."

He said Bill Dickey was scheduled to perform but he had his van broken in to while in New York, "so we're not too sure about him. But he still has his plane ticket."

Dickey is a world-renowned harmonica player.

One of the songs Lightnin' will be performing is an anti-drug song, entitled "Just Say No."

Lightnin' praised UMaine for its lack of a serious drug and alcohol problem.

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Refuge benefits UMaine

by Melissa Buxton
Staff Writer

Whoever thought a person working on Minuteman missile systems for 12 years would wind up starting a wildlife refuge in Alton, Maine?

Oliver Larouche, director of the Hirundo Wildlife Refuge, bought a chunk of land in 1965 and developed it into a permanent sanctuary for animals.

"There comes a time when you really have to consider what you really want out of life," Larouche said. "After working for GTE/Sylvania in Boston for 29 years I took an early retirement and moved back to Maine."

Upon his retirement, he bought the land and continued to develop it into the refuge, which is a 733 acre tract of land located in west Old Town only 10 miles from the student union.

According to Ray Owen, chairperson and professor of wildlife resources, Larouche bought land and donated it to the University of Maine to help support development of the refuge.

A 1978 issue of *The Maine Campus* reports that the refuge is a trust of the university for the sole purpose of the university. When Oliver Larouche signed the instrument of trust in 1978 it was on the agreement that the land remain a refuge.

There is a trust fund to help produce money for upkeep, maintenance, and research.

Owen said the fund helps provide money for research for students in natural sciences, wildlife, and botany.



(Campus photo)

Besides the trails which are open to snowshoers, cross country skiers, bird-watchers, and photographers, there is a shelter for overnight visitors equipped with beds, furniture, kitchen facilities, and a modern flush toilet system with lavatory.

According to the Sept. 23, 1982 issue of the *Maine Campus*, Larouche has made over 100 swallow nesting boxes and

duck houses to protect the nestlings. Feeding stations have also been erected to provide food all year for birds.

"One of the major uses of the land for UMaine is for class exercises and research," Owen said. Some research projects include an archeological dig in which Indian artifacts were found. There were experiments done with peat bogs and field work for classroom studies is conducted at the refuge, he added.

Access

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snow mound right in the middle of them," she said.

Also, she said the ice on the campus grounds has caused her to fall quite a few times.

Logue said finding the money needed to make buildings accessible to the handicapped is difficult.

"The dilemma is trying to find out how to fund these things," Logue said.

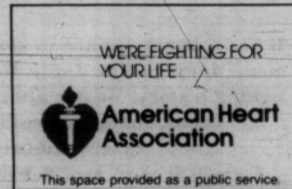
He said making a building completely accessible costs \$100,000 due to the price of elevator installation.

Some of the \$400,000 from the UMaine bond issue that was recently passed was allocated to upgrade handicap accessibility.

Logue said, however, it will probably only be enough to do the necessary work on two buildings.

Wingate Hall, Chadbourne Hall, and North Stevens will be the first to be upgraded because of the type of services housed in those buildings, Logue said.

"Wingate has priority because Career Planning & Placement and Student Aid are there; Chadbourne because University College and other administrative offices are there; and North Stevens because the speech and hearing center is there," he said.



the SCOOP

THE SCOOP, DAY BY DAY

Thursday, February 19 Socialist and Marxist Studies "Iran-Contragate" with Alex Grab, History and Lawrence Reichard, Activist 12:15PM N.Bangor Lounge

Thursday, February 19 Stretching Your Dollars series "The New Tax Laws and Your Investment Strategies" Stephen W.Kennedy and Jean Deighan, Winslow Investment Co. 3:15PM Bangor Lounge

Thursday, February 19 Pat Metheny Concert 8PM Hutchins Concert Hall: call 1755 for ticket information.

Friday, February 20 T.G.I.F. (short musical program) 12:15PM Sutton Lounge

Friday, February 20 LAS VEGAS NIGHT in the Union. Supper in the Bears Den 4-7PM; Gaming tables open 7-11PM; Barrel House Boys in the Den 8-12PM; Don Stratton, Dave Demsey and friends in the Lown Room 8-11PM; Comedians from Boston in the Damn Yankee 8-10PM; Food and Fun all evening

Friday, February 20 MAINE BOUND Final day to register for Boatbuilding (Feb.28) call 1794.

Saturday, February 21 SKI BUSES to both Squaw and Sugarloaf: call 1793 for information.

Sunday, February 22 Lecture by Richard Leakey, Anthropologist from East Kenya 3PM Hutchins Concert Hall FREE!

Tuesday, February 24 Women in the Curriculum "Maria Goeppert Mayer: Nobel Prize Winner in Physics" with Karen Johnson, Assist. Professor of Physics, Bates College 12:15PM Bangor Lounge.

Tuesday, February 24 TRANSITIONS "New Beginnings - Developing Intimacy" with Cheryl S. Pelletier, Clinical psychologist 3:15PM N.Bangor Lounge

Wednesday, February 25 SANDWICH CINEMA video "The Turning Point" 12noon Sutton Lounge.

Wednesday, February 25 SEARCH Study Skills "Test Preparation" with Maxine Harrow 12:15PM N.Bangor Lounge.

Wednesday, February 25 SPEAK UP series "30 Second Seduction" Television advertising: the secrets of the craft. Video and informal discussion 3:15PM Sutton Lounge.

Wednesday, February 25 MAINE BOUND "Wilderness Survival Seminar" 7PM 100 Nutting Hall

Wednesday, February 25 TWILIGHT THEATER video "The Turning Point" 8:30PM Sutton Lounge.

Wednesday, February 25 Maine Masque "The Glass Menagerie" 8PM Hauck Auditorium: call 1755 for ticket information

Thursday, February 26 SEARCH Study Skills "Test Preparation" with Maxine Harrow 12:15PM S.Bangor Lounge.

Thursday, February 26 Maine Masque "The Glass Menagerie" matinee at 2PM and show at 8PM

Thursday, February 26 STRETCHING YOUR DOLLARS "Is Now the Time to Buy Real Property?" with Earl Black, Soucy-Black Agency and Judy Olsen, Broker, ERA Today 3:15PM Bangor Lounge

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CLIP AND SAVE

First "State of University" given



(Campus photo)

AUGUSTA, Maine (AP) — A commitment by the state's leaders to improving the University of Maine System is "at least as important" as taxpayer dollars, Chancellor Robert L. Woodbury told lawmakers Wednesday.

"Indeed, excellence in higher education almost is a matter of public willpower that, once decided, becomes sustained over many years," Woodbury said in the first of the annual "State of the University" speeches required under the 1986 university reform legislation.

"The decision to make excellence our goal is not something imposed on us from outside," he said. "It's one we can make here in Maine, for our reasons, for our benefit, for our sons and daughters, and for ourselves."

He noted that the university is requesting \$45 million in additional state money for the two-year budget cycle that starts July 1, which brings its total request to roughly double what Gov. John R. McKernan Jr. included in his budget. "But I do not want debates over dollars, at this point, as important as they are, to overshadow a more fundamental theme," he added.

Woodbury, who was named chancellor of the seven-campus system last fall, said the university must strive in the years ahead to greatly increase the number of graduates, improve the quality of its programs, and build new partnerships outside the system.

The chancellor said Maine has one of the nation's lowest rates of high school students going on to college and that less than 15 percent of the state's adult

population holds a degree from a four-year college, compared to 19 percent nationally.

Also, he said, a national commission has said the number of college graduates needs to almost double by the turn of the century, to 35 percent of the adult population, to cope with a rapidly changing society.

To attract more students, Woodbury said, the university must make its programs more available, through regional programs and telecommunications networks, to "those who find distance a real barrier" and offer financial, scholastic, and other services to others now unable to attend.

Woodbury said the university must also become more involved with outside institutions, such as the public schools, the vocational-technical institutes, and private colleges, and in discussions about public policy, economic development, and telecommunications.

"The university in the United States has become more central to society's welfare than ever before — central to the economy, to government, to the development of human beings," he said.

In seeking to improve the quality of its programs, he said, Maine's comparatively small system enjoys "a distinct advantage" over "the giant, often impersonal, state institutions" students in many other states attend.

To focus on the potential for reform in Maine, Woodbury said he has invited faculty members and students from throughout the system to a two-day conference next month featuring Ernest Boyer, author of the latest Carnegie study.

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World/U.S. News

"Chemical sink" killing wildlife

RENO, Nev. (AP) — Federal workers in boats and on shore Wednesday picked up some of the 1,500 birds that died along with 7 million fish at a wildlife refuge where the water has become a "chemical sink," according to one scientist.

The U.S. Fish and Wildlife workers planned to burn the birds later in the day to prevent them from contaminating other wildlife, said Ken Merritt, assistant manager at the Stillwater National Wildlife Refuge 60 miles east of Reno. He said nothing is being done with the fish.

The fish probably were victims of the increasing salinity of their evaporating lake and of natural and manufactured

poisons, said Dick Navarre, a fish biologist with the Fish and Wildlife Service in Reno.

"The Stillwater marsh was a very vast, high-quality freshwater marsh at one time," said Ron Anglin, manager of the Stillwater National Wildlife Refuge 60 miles east of Reno. "The only thing the place has ever gotten is man's leftovers since man started messing with it."

A key problem, he said, is the location at the end of the Carson River, where miners dumped mercury, arsenic, and other mining byproducts a century ago and where agricultural pesticides and fertilizer run off today.

"We used to be on the end of the Carson River. Now, we're the end of everybody on the Carson River. What's been used and re-used and re-used and re-used and now we have, really, a sewer," he said.

"The place is just like a chemical sink out there," Navarre said. An outbreak of avian cholera has been diagnosed as the killer of some of the 1,500 water birds that died at the refuge, but testing continued Wednesday to determine what killed the fish, Anglin said. Tests also were to be done on fish-eating birds.

The problem started just before Christmas with the deaths of 500,000 tui chub. It escalated earlier this month when it was estimated that 3 million of

the 8 to 10 inch scavenger fish lined the 30-mile shore of the Carson Sink, 60 miles east of Reno.

At the same time, pelicans, ducks, coots, ravens, gulls, egrets, and herons began dying.

Since all the deaths occurred in the Carson Sink, a normally dry basin along Interstate 80 that was swollen to lake size by the unusually wet years of 1983 and 1984, Anglin said the deaths at first were attributed to the concentration of salts as the lake dried up.

When the problem worsened, U.S. Geological Survey scientists were called in to take water samples. Dead fish and birds were sent to other laboratories for analyses.

Churches counsel youth

NEW YORK (AP) — Spreading repercussions from random sexual activity, including mounting teen-age pregnancies and the AIDS crisis, have prompted churches to step up cautionary guidance about it.

Among adults and youths alike, classes and teaching materials about sexuality are being expanded, emphasizing moral principles against loose sex and its heightened dangers.

Some churches have designated special AIDS liaison officers at local and national levels to bolster compassionate ministry to victims, to dispense information and integrate it with general teachings about sex.

The moves have come among Protestant, Roman Catholic, and Jewish bodies.

The sex instruction, particularly the technical, value-free type offered in some public schools, has brought protests.

Occasionally, some parents also object to church classes about sex, insisting it's a matter for home and family. But the widening scars of casual sex have spurred more church attention to it.

"We're in the middle of a crisis,"

says the Rev. Lynn Coggi of New York, the Episcopal Church's new AIDS consultant, adding that a church-wide educational program about it is under way for old and young.

She says sexuality classes for adolescents, emphasizing responsibility in all relations, are incorporating the AIDS threat in material about sexually transmitted diseases.

Cecile Beam of Nashville, Tenn., coordinator of human sexuality education for the United Methodist Church's Board of Discipleship, says it has begun a new sex education program and is developing staged curricula for it.

"It will deal with human sexuality at all levels," she says, noting the abandonment of a previous sex-education program in 1979 because of controversy.

But the board now has decided that "because so many issues are involved we must deal with it. We cannot afford in the light of the current situation to neglect it any longer."

The AIDS problem "was definitely a factor" in the decision, "but not the only factor," she says, citing the rise of promiscuity, along with parental anxieties.

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Amerika the beautiful

This week the American public is getting the lowdown on what the United States may look like in 1997.

In the reality of the ABC mini-series *Amerika* the Soviet Union reigns supreme from sea to shining sea, and all live beneath the tyranny of the hammer and sickle.

The images are bleak, simplistic and dangerous. Such a depiction of the Soviet Union as an invading force, as Reagan's evil empire, only serves the agenda of those who encourage jingoistic hysteria in this country. The utter distortion of reality which *Amerika* represents promotes the false perception that all suffering in the world can be traced to the evils of Soviet communism; the United States on the other hand is the source of all freedom.

With all the evil of the world safely projected on to the Soviet Union people become unreflective about the actual history of the United States. A history which includes stealing land from Native Americans, slavery, the dropping of the bomb on Hiroshima and Nagasaki, the bloody invasion of Vietnam and countless other military interventions of Third World nations with the purpose of protecting American economic and political interests.

As if the collective American historical memory is not already short and distorted enough, without *Amerika* coming along to reinforce people's perverted sense of reality. The danger is that if people are gullible enough (and unfortunately

many are) to buy the false reality *Amerika* is selling, then the Us vs. Them mentality becomes more entrenched. Thus, the leaders in Washington, claiming to be working against "those most evil Soviets," can continue the arms race, aid the Contras in Nicaragua, remain complicit with the apartheid state of South Africa all without people questioning their motives.

Obviously, this one poor excuse of a mini-series cannot by itself have that much of a detrimental affect. However, if placed in conjunction with media images which continually promote the perception that the United States is beyond reproach people should take the time to recognize what is fact and what is mere fiction.

With the everpresent threat of nuclear war, it is our responsibility as Americans to come to terms with our past and the current state of our nation, so that we may have a future to look forward to.

Mare Larvee

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Matt Mullin

A day in the life

Since the majority of people writing letters to the editor complained that we do not pick rational topics for our columns I've decided to take everyone of you out there on a little tour of the dear old *Daily Maine Campus*.

The paper is located in the bottom of Lord Hall. Our location is described as being in suite 7a, but why anyone would want to call a place buried in the ground with only two windows a suite is beyond me.

Once you find your way to Lord there are convenient signs telling you where to go. Following them will most likely lead you outside because we really do not like visitors. If you find yourself outside don't feel dumb, you are not the first one.

The key to finding the *Campus* is to ask one of the secretaries in the office. Some helpful landmarks are the soda and candy machines in the reading room. This room is where reporters and production staff go to stare at the food that they cannot afford to buy.

If you ask one of the starving reporters where to go they will be most helpful, but be careful they don't charge you money for the information.

The entrance to Dungeon, as it is affectionately known, consists of a long flight of steps going down, a long way down. About halfway down these steps a peculiar odor will attract your attention. This smell can be one of two things, either its the editors two dogs, or the chemicals used in the developing machines. Don't worry it washes out.

As you come away from the stairs, on your right you may see Tina Baldwin smoking a cigarette, don't talk to her because she will ask you to write something for the *Verbatim* section.

The newsroom is also on your right. Inside you can find four or five reporters at any given moment. The reporters are the ones swearing and yelling at the archaic word processors, and abusing the worthless phone system.

The office of our editor is on the left. The screen across the door is to keep her "little monster" from eating any furniture. The monster also goes by the name Thunder and is a fun little beastie that will be more than happy to play with you since everyone else ignores him.

One of our more popular people down here is Jan. I do not know how to spell her last name, and if I did there would not be enough room for it.

Another person you may see is a slightly obnoxious person in a baseball hat sleeping on a pile of newspapers by the mailboxes. Feel free to wake me up if you see me, I'll definitely ask you for money or to bring me food.

— Matt Mullin is a sophomore journalism major who got a haircut but is still waiting on dinner with Topper Headon.

Response

Fighting fees

To the editor:

Give the campus one week and what happens? Everyone just forgets about President Lick's Mandatory Fee. If nobody gives a shit, he'll get his money. And what are the funds suppose to be used for? Education? No. Sports. I don't know about anyone else, but I came to Maine for an education. What would YOU rather be compared to: MIT or Texas A&M?

Now let's talk about the Union. Here we have a money making business. We have a small convenience store, a MONEY MAKING ENTERTAINMENT CENTER, and a book store. Now where does all that money disappear to? You can't tell me that they don't make any profit. How much does it cost to run video machines owned not by UMaine but by Canteen? And the bookstore isn't just charging wholesale prices plus overhead costs. How much do these places make a year???

And Dr. Lick only wants \$885,000 this next year. What happens after that? Would you like to try for an extra \$500,000 the year after? And are any programs planned to get the students back in the dorms? How about extra money to plow the students' parking lots? Improvement for the cafeterias?

When is the university going to act like a business and not cut costs, but see where the existing money can be used to attract more students by attracting companies who want to hire KNOWLEDGEABLE GRADUATES??

Lay down and let the administrators demand more and more money. I'm glad I'm a senior leaving before the mandatory fee. Remember don't complain if the fee goes through if you don't let someone know what you think about the fee. Call President Lick's office and let him know what you think of the fee.

Arnold D. Rich
Estabrooke

Progressive prob

To the editor:

In response to the D.J. — Oh Laura, you're such a martyr! How do you get through the day?

A few questions, please. If you don't like "progressive drivel," why did you take a spot on a progressive show? If you woke up and realized you just couldn't do one more show — why didn't you get someone to fill in for you?

This management, that so forcibly removed you, is practicing and learning for their careers, not just taking three hours a week to play their favorite tunes. In practicing for their careers, they have to go by a few of the rules that the big boys play by — this includes keeping some sort of consistan-

cy to their format. The management here happened to pick a format that has proven to be most conducive to a college atmosphere — i.e. progressive.

If you don't like what you're doing — (we're doing) try to change it from within — get more people to call in. You must have heard of the term "proper channels." There are shows more conducive to that type of music at different times — what is odd is that you were unaware of them and you still get indignant because you couldn't play what you wanted, when you wanted. Were you really surprised that you were kicked off the air?

Peter Hallisay
John Lucier
Michael Krall

Campus "too crowded" for Residential Life news.

To the editor:

This week of February 14—20 has been designated as "Academic Week" in Stewart Complex. A committee of six Resident Assistants, including myself, and a Resident Director have for the past month been planning a variety of social/educational programs for complex residents. Our aim has been to help students improve upon study skills, raise their GPA's, and have some fun while participating in the activities.

Why haven't you read about Academic Week in the informative *Daily Maine Campus*? Because of an over-abundance of campus news, that's why. Since it was my responsibility to promote Stewart Complex

Academic Week by contacting the *Daily Maine Campus*, and since I know how many students read the "student" newspaper, I requested that a volunteer writer from my dorm write the article and submit it through the appropriate channels, which she did. We had hoped the article could be published on Friday, the day when the week's activities began, so the article was submitted on the Wednesday before. After the article failed to

appear in Friday's edition, the volunteer writer called the *Campus* to inquire about it. She was told that it would be in Monday's edition instead because they didn't have space in Friday's edition for it. Okay, I ac-

cepted that since it was the day before Valentine's Day.

Monday's *Campus* came. No article. Tuesday's edition — nothing. On Tuesday afternoon I decided to call the *Daily Maine Campus* to find out why the article hadn't been printed either Monday or Tuesday. I was told that Monday's edition didn't (again) have space for it, and by Tuesday "they" figured it was too late to be relevant.

That attitude explains why we don't see more Residential Life happenings published in the *Daily Maine Campus*. Why should individuals take the time to submit articles if there's "not enough room" to print them?

Linda Buck
Stewart Complex

Religious tolerance advised

To the editor:

I am writing in response to Donald Hoverson's article published on Feb. 11 concerning religion. I, among others, am offended by his close-minded views and harsh criticisms generated toward Christianity. Everyone is entitled to his/her own opinions and views on political, personal, and religious issues, however, I feel

his liberal expression was displayed in very poor taste. He said that using Jesus' name in vain is no worse than saying his name, Exxon, or Nabisco, but I strongly disagree. Jesus does have a tangible existence to Christians and believers and that should not be ridiculed. Christians do not repeat the same phrase several thousand times a day: Praise Jesus... click ... Praise Jesus... Praise Jesus as

he obviously viewed. Does he contain any respect for other people's beliefs of faith? Granted he is not in support of religion of any type or form, but has he ever heard of constructive criticism?

Anne-Marie Smith
Cumberland Hall

UMaine development praise

To the editor:

I wish to commend the University and, in particular, the office of the vice president of academic affairs for initiating a new drive for academic excellence here at the university.

The office is sponsoring a faculty development workshop

in June that will focus on "... what constitutes masterful teaching, how one can improve toward that goal, how technology can assist teachers, and what support services are available." A \$1,000 stipend will be paid to each participant.

It is this kind of work that will pull "dear old Maine" in the right direction; upward and

onward to higher education. A good place to start is to teach those who will teach us, the students. I hope that the faculty take advantage of this workshop so that we all might benefit in the coming semester from dynamic and fruitful classes.

Benjamin Tupper
Somerset

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When writing...

The *Daily Maine Campus* welcomes letters to the editor and commentaries from people who care enough to want their opinions voiced. Letters should be 300 or less, and commentaries should be about 450. In order to verify the validity of letters, we must have a name, address and telephone number.

Although the newspaper welcomes anonymous letters, it will not print them unless a special arrangement for withholding the name has been made with the editor.

The *Maine Campus* reserves the right to edit letters and commentaries for length, taste and libel.

Win a pizza!

Just by filling out this survey

We at *The Daily Maine Campus* would greatly appreciate it if you would take the time to answer this survey. We are interested in knowing how the audience thinks we can improve.

Simply mark off your answers, fold this page so that our address is clearly displayed, and drop it in campus mail. You don't need to include your name, unless you want to be eligible to win a pizza.

Thanks for your input.

Results will be published Feb. 24.

1. How many days per week do you see *The Daily Maine Campus*?
- 5 days
 - 4 days
 - 1-3 days
 - none
2. How many days per week do you read two or more items in *TDMC*?
- 4-5
 - 2-3
 - 0-1
3. (Persons who read the paper fewer than two days per week) Why don't you read *TDMC* more often?
- not enough time
 - it's not available
 - not interested
 - other
4. Rate the local news coverage.
- excellent
 - very good
 - good
 - fair
 - poor
5. Rate the national news coverage.
- too much
 - not enough
 - a good balance
6. How would you rate the reporting in *TDMC*?
- always balanced
 - balanced
 - seldom balanced
7. Rate the quality of staff written articles.
- excellent
 - very good
 - good
 - fair
 - poor
8. During your time at UMaine, do you think the student newspaper has:
- improved substantially
 - improved
 - stayed the same
 - gone down hill
9. Which section of the newspaper do you like the best.
- front page
 - response page
 - comics
 - editorial page
 - magazine
 - world/U.S. news
 - sports
10. Rate the sections of *TDMC*.
- front page
 - response page
 - comics
 - editorial page
 - magazine
 - world/U.S. news
 - sports
11. Rate the appearance of photos in *TDMC*.
- excellent
 - very good
 - good
 - fair
 - poor
12. Rate the use of photos in *TDMC*.
- excellent
 - very good
 - good
 - fair
 - poor
13. Rate the appearance of the editorial page.
- excellent
 - very good
 - good
 - fair
 - poor
14. Rate the quality of the editorials.
- excellent
 - very good
 - good
 - fair
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15. Rate the quality of the columns on the editorial pages.
- excellent
 - very good
 - good
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16. Do you like the fact that the *Verbatim* section has returned?
- yes
 - no
 - don't care
17. What kinds of articles would you like to see in *Verbatim*. Please rank them in order of preference.
- fiction
 - in depth interviews
 - new features
 - point/counterpoint
 - columns
 - commentaries
18. How important are cartoons to you as a reader?
- very important
 - important
 - not important
19. How well do you enjoy the student drawn cartoon *Screwballs*.
- very
 - somewhat
 - not at all
20. Should *TDMC* have:
- more comics
 - fewer comics
 - same amount of comics
21. Rate the sports coverage in *TDMC*.
- excellent
 - very good
 - good
 - fair
 - poor
22. Which of the following would you like to see more sports coverage of?
- club
 - women's
 - intramural
23. Do you like the new sports conference standing and weekend schedule chart that appears each Friday?
- yes
 - yes, but it should include more
 - no
24. Should there be a weekly listing of intramural sports standings?
- of all teams
 - of some of the more popular sports
 - not at all
25. Should more national sports be included on a regular basis?
- yes, if it is college sports
 - yes, in a brief format like "News Briefs"
 - no
26. Is the use of profanity in cartoons, letters to the editor, commentaries, and columns offensive?
- all the time
 - often
 - rarely
 - never
27. Do you think *TDMC* should edit letters and commentaries to exclude profanity?
- always
 - sometimes
 - never
28. Which of the following areas of the university community would you like to see spotlighted in a weekly column?
- faculty and staff news such as workshops and promotions
 - fraternity and sorority news
 - non-traditional student news
 - dormitory news
29. What form of advertising appeals to you most?
- alcohol
 - food
 - coupons
 - percent off
 - clothes

Please fold along the dotted lines, with address showing, tape or staple it together, and place this survey in the campus mail. Thanks.

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News Briefs

Reagan refuses to discuss Irangate

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Reagan refused to answer questions Wednesday about the Iran-Contra scandal, while Defense Secretary Caspar Weinberger said the administration had secretly provided intelligence information to both sides in the Iran-Iraq war.

Reagan maintained his 2½ month silence while Robert Gates was undergoing a second, tough day of questioning at his Senate confirmation hearing to take over as CIA director. Elsewhere in Congress, the Democratic-controlled Senate Foreign Relations Committee voted narrowly to cut off further aid to the Contra rebels fighting the Nicaraguan government.

Reagan seemed in no mood to field questions on the controversy when reporters were permitted into the Oval Office before his meeting with Israeli Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir.

"I'm not going to take any questions on that situation" until after a presidential commission files its report on the Iran-Contra affair on Feb. 26, Reagan said. He refused to elaborate on his previous comment that mistakes had been made and declined to identify who had been guilty of the errors.

AIDS testing too expensive for state

PORTLAND, Maine (AP) — Maine's director of disease control has reservations about a federal proposal to have states test people for reservations about a federal proposal to have states test people for exposure to AIDS when they apply for marriage licenses or check into hospitals.

While widespread testing can be useful in checking the spread of the disease, "the expense would outweigh those epidemiological benefits," said Dr. Lani Graham.

The federal Centers for Disease Control has proposed that states consider requiring blood tests for all applicants for marriage licenses and for anyone entering a hospital.

The CDC proposal, Graham said, is only a topic of discussion and will be debated at a national meeting of state epidemiologists at the end of the month.

Maine health officials believe that such a testing program would not be the most efficient way to spend money in Maine to curb the AIDS epidemic, said Graham.

She said the pre-marital tests would not reach the groups considered to be most at risk from acquired immune deficiency syndrome: homosexuals, bisexuals and intravenous drug users.

Darrell desires Daytona 500 win

DAYTONA BEACH, Fla., (AP) — Daytona International Speedway, the shrine of stock car racing, had just about reduced Darrell Waltrip to prayer.

The three-time Winston Cup champion has conquered most of the NASCAR stock car world, but there still is a giant gap in his career resume.

Waltrip, winner of 70 races and more than \$7 million since he began racing in the NASCAR stocks in 1972, never has won his sport's big one — the Daytona 500.

Nor has the 40-year-old racer visited victory circle at the July 4 Firecracker 400 here.

"I don't really like to talk about it because I start to feel frustrated," said the driver from Franklin, Tenn. "It could make a fellow start talking to himself or saying a few prayers."

Actually, the 2.5 mile, high-banked trioval has not brought Waltrip to his knees, yet. The easy-going driver was smiling as he talked about his problem here.

"Really, I just try to approach this like any other race," said Waltrip, who will be trying for the 15th time to win the big one when the green flag falls Sunday.

"It's not like I have a mental block about the track," he said. "I know how to drive it, and the 11 wins I have here show I know how to win here."

Waltrip was referring to victories in four qualifying races, four late model sportsman races, a modified race, a round of the International Race of Champions and a Bush Clash.

Waltrip finished second in the 1979 Daytona 500 and has been third each of the past three years. In 14 Firecracker 400s, Waltrip has finished second twice and been in the top five six times.

USSR says Begun fully pardoned

GENEVA (AP) — Soviet authorities have signed an unconditional pardon for imprisoned Jewish activist Josef Begun, a Soviet official said Wednesday.

Samuel Zivs, head of the Soviet Anti-Zionist Committee and Vice President of the Soviet-American Friendship Association, said Soviet President Andrei Gromyko or one of his deputies signed the pardon Tuesday night.

Zivs was in Geneva for the current session of the U.N. Human Rights Commission.

Earlier Wednesday, Yelena Bonner, wife of Nobel Peace Prize laureate Andrei Sakharov, said in Moscow there were no news of the 55-year-old Begun.

Georgy Arbatov, head of the Soviet Union's U.S.A.-Canada Institute, said in a televised interview last weekend that Begun already had been freed. But on Tuesday, Soviet Foreign Ministry spokesman Gennady Gerasimov said authorities would "most likely" free Begun.

Begun's family has said officials at Chistopol Prison, about 500 miles east of Moscow, told them Begun still was imprisoned there.

Begun was sentenced in 1981 to seven years in prison for alleged anti-Soviet activities.

Minimum wage change requested

BAR HARBOUR, Fla. (AP) — The Reagan administration could make a subminimum wage for teen-agers a condition of giving support to a proposal to raise the minimum wage, frozen for six years at \$3.35 an hour, Labor Secretary William E. Brock said Tuesday.

The AFL-CIO executive council, which is meeting at this seaside resort this week, on Tuesday called formally for raising the minimum wage in steps to \$4.61 per hour. The labor federation also said it wants a mechanism that will automatically increase the minimum wage annually after it reaches \$4.61.

Brock told reporters the White House has not decided how to address the issue.

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Toys found to be medically helpful

NEW YORK (AP) — If the Nobel Prize for medicine could be given to a toy company, Nasta Industries would be a shoe-in.

Not once but twice in the past year, this small manufacturer of cheap electronics for children has produced toys with unplayful applications — giving voice to those who could not speak and aiding the hearing impaired.

"We were as surprised as anybody" by the serious uses to which the toys were put, said Scott Spiegel, Nasta's director of sales.

It all started when an Omaha, Neb., man discovered that with the aid of a Transformers Voice Synthesizer — a \$10 item that makes a child sound like a robot — he could speak after his cancerous larynx was removed.

Then in December, an 80-year-old Tulsa, Okla., woman found another use for the Super Amplifier, an \$8 toy that allows children to don headsets and, with a gun-like receiver, amplify sounds 20 feet away. Totsy Carlson discovered that in some circumstances, the Super Amplifier was better than her hearing aid.

"She's hearing things she hasn't heard in years," said Sue Bolding, Carlson's daughter. "There are so many things she has missed. ...We put on Christmas tapes and she was singing along."

Spiegel said it's too soon to say whether sales of the Super Amplifier were affected by news of its medical application. But he said half a million Transformers Voice Synthesizers have been sold, and numerous hospitals have asked Nasta for donations of the robot-like toys.

The voice toy actually has come full circle. Inventor John Bloomfield of Hilton Head Island, S.C., said it all started when he and his children visited a friend who had recently lost his larynx to cancer.

The machine, Bloomfield said, was simple: The device pumped a tone through a tube into his friend's mouth, and by moving his lips the man was able to articulate words.

Bloomfield took the workings of the \$300 machine and simplified them, merging many of the functions into a single computer chip. His device was installed by Nasta in one of the popular Transformer robots.

"The toy version is just that — it's a toy version," Bloomfield said.

But when Bloomfield heard that some patients were using the devices, he took

another look at his invention. "We didn't recognize the real problems of patients in the hospital after surgery," he said.

So Bloomfield, who previously had invented an electronic stethoscope, transformed his Transformer toy into an improved voice synthesizer called P.O. Vox. or post-operative voice. At \$65, it costs far less than previous models.

At Nasta, meanwhile, they're all in a state of shock.

First, came the voice synthesizer. "We weren't marketing it as a voice box," said Spiegel. "We were marketing it as a toy robot."

Then, when Nasta executives were in Hong Kong, where the company has a plant, they learned that the Super Amplifier had found a new use. Spiegel's father read about Carlson and sent him a clipping.

Lobster on every plate stirring controversy

AUGUSTA, Maine (AP) — Using poetry and posters for emphasis, about a dozen people took sides on the lobster license plate controversy Wednesday, giving arguments on whether the state should provide plain plates to Maine motorists who want their tags lobster-free.

New white license plates with red and blue writing and red lobsters in the center are scheduled to be phased in as the official state plate beginning in July.

Rep. Mary H. MacBride, R-Presque Isle, told the Legislature's Transportation Committee that she is sponsoring the bill to provide plain plates because so many people object to the crustaceans.

Many Mainers resent having to promote a specifically coastal product, especially one they cannot afford, she said.

"Other people do not want to have, as they put it, a dead lobster on their cars," she added.

Joe Eragitano, the Saco school teacher whose students spearheaded the campaign for the lobster plates, argued that the lobster is not a promotion, but rather a symbol of the state.

"There are a lot of people against the lobster plate, but there are a lot more for it," he said. He unrolled posters showing the geographic range of supporters of the lobster plates and some of the

research his students did to back their proposal.

MacBride played a tape of a verse that aired on a radio station in her district: "To all who hear, the kids were great, but keep the lobsters off our plate."

She also questioned an estimate by the Legislature's Office of Fiscal and Program review that providing plain plates would cost the state more than \$400,000 in the fiscal year that starts July 1.

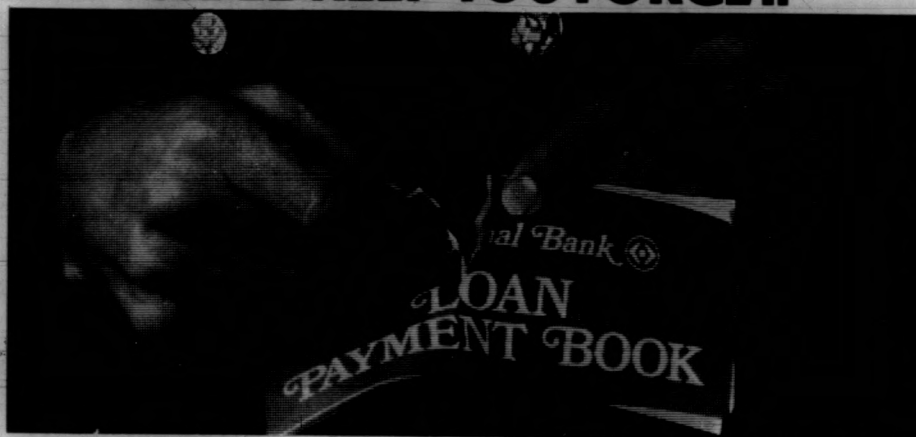
Rep. John Lisnik, D-Presque Isle, called the lobster plates a question of freedom of choice. "A person shouldn't be forced to advertise a particular product," he said.

But Tammy Pelli, 11, one of Eragitano's students, said "having two plates shows a lack of unity among the people of our state."

Another student, Tricia Grace, 13, added that if non-lobster plates are distributed, "we won't feel like we accomplished something really great for our state."

Lisnik contended that part of the civics lesson the lobster plates have provided for Maine schoolchildren should be that "one Legislature is not bound by a previous Legislature." The 112th Legislature voted in favor of the lobster plates by a margin of 181 to 5.

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LaRouche followers face fraud charges after raids

CONCORD, N.H. (AP) — Citing the arrest of 16 followers, supporters of Lyndon LaRouche on Wednesday reiterated their belief that the frequent fringe candidate is the target of those who wish to derail his 1988 presidential bid.

Calling the raid "scandalously illegal," Richard Black, LaRouche's New England coordinator, said Tuesday's arrests in Virginia reminded him of Soviet "KGB thugs beating the heads of Jewish dissidents."

Black said the arrests were meant to terrify LaRouche's staff and to scare away voters who would campaign for LaRouche in a presidential race.

"It sends a message to the American population that if you affiliate with (LaRouche's policies) ... then you will be targeted" by LaRouche foes who wish to stop him from becoming a nationally elected leader, Black said.

Sixteen LaRouche followers face securities fraud and other charges stemming from what Virginia prosecutors say is \$30 million in allegedly fraudulent loans solicited from people around the country.

Virginia authorities arrested 10 LaRouche supporters in Leesburg, Va., where LaRouche makes his headquarters, and three were arrested in Baltimore. Authorities said more arrests are planned.

At a news conference in New Hampshire to protest the raids, Black and retired Air Force Maj. Robert Patton, an unsuccessful 1986 U.S. Senate candidate from Rye, N.H., said the arrests resulted

from a personal vendetta by government officials and members of the Democratic Party to discredit LaRouche.

The Virginia charges are in addition to a 125-count federal indictment charging other LaRouche followers, his 1984 presidential campaign committees and other corporations and committees with credit card fraud, conspiracy to obstruct justice and criminal contempt.

Those charges were brought late last year by a grand jury in Boston stemming from fund raising by the LaRouche organization in New England.

At the news conference on Wednesday, Black and Patton said LaRouche followers are not soliciting loans in New Hampshire but are raising money, primarily by selling door-to-door subscriptions to periodicals published by the LaRouche organization.

Black and Patton said LaRouche foes fear his stands on many issues, including an economic revamping of the international money market.

LaRouche, who believes the international banking system is near collapse, favors turning the United States Federal Reserve System into a de facto national bank that would oversee rapid growth of investment in agriculture, manufacturing, and export-financing.

LaRouche believes the three greatest issues facing America are the rapid spread of acquired immune deficiency syndrome, AIDS, an economic collapse and a national defense system that fails to counteract terrorism.

Gunmen grenade hotel in fierce Beirut fight

BEIRUT, Lebanon (AP) — Druse gunmen hurling grenades stormed the Commodore Hotel and drove out Shiite militiamen Wednesday in one of the fiercest fights of a four-day battle for control of Moslem west Beirut.

Both sides ignored threats by Syria to send in troops with shoot-to-kill orders unless Shiite and leftist gunmen stop their struggle for domination of the city's Moslem sector. Syria supports all the factions involved.

Pools of blood splattered the lobby of the seven-story Commodore, once the headquarters of foreign correspondents. Rockets punched huge holes in its walls before the assault, and many air conditioners were blown away.

Police said at least 25 fighters were killed and 80 wounded in street battles around the Commodore and the American University in Beirut just off

Hamra, the Moslem sector's main commercial street. That raised the toll since fighting began Sunday to at least 65 killed and 280 wounded.

Some of the fiercest combat swirled around the Commodore and the annex that houses offices of The Associated Press, CBS and NBC television and the Kuwaiti newspaper *Al-Qabas*.

Glass shards and cartridge cases littered Hamra and side streets. Cars with shattered windshields and shot-out tires smoldered on sidewalks.

Shop fronts were blasted out and buffet-riddled manikins lay in piles of glass.

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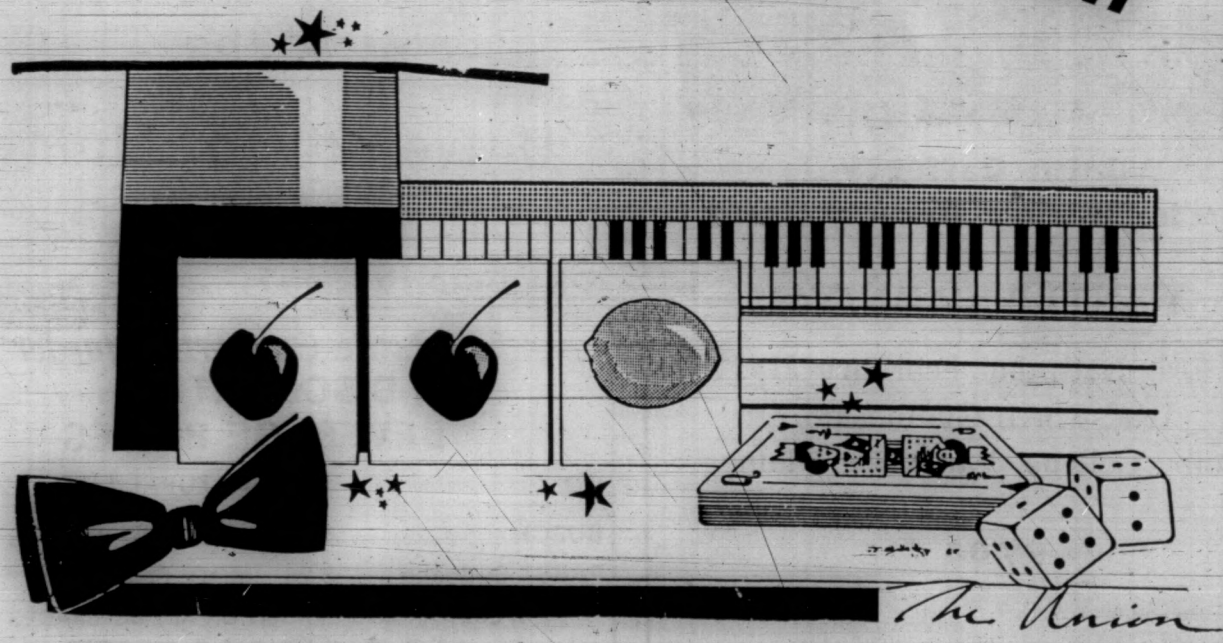
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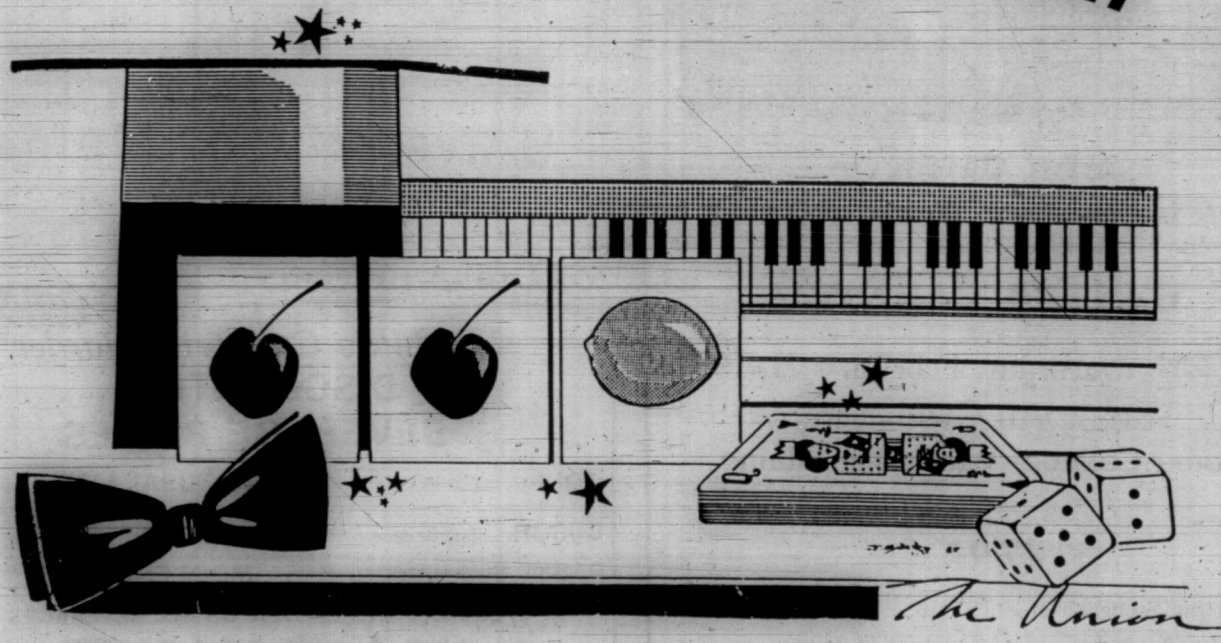
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Sports

DePaul's Meyer leads Coach of Year candidates

NEW YORK (AP) — DePaul coach Joey Meyer laughed at the news that he led nominations announced Wednesday for The Associated Press Coach of the Year in college basketball.

"I'm flattered," he said. "I never really thought about it. This is just my third year. I'm so used to the shadows, it doesn't jibe with my mentality."

Meyer received 316 points and 12 first place ballots to 308 for Iowa's Tom Davis, who also had 12 first place votes. John Chaney of Temple was third with 11 firsts and 296 points followed by Jerry Tarkanian of Nevada-Las Vegas, who had 16 first place votes and 268 points. Paul Evans of Pitt was fifth with 167 points and three first place votes.

Balloting was conducted among the college basketball poll writers and broadcasters who participate in the weekly AP Poll. They voted for five coaches, with a first place vote worth 10 points. Nominees got 8 for second, 6 for third, 4 for fourth and 2 for fifth.

Bob Knight of Indiana (96 points), Purdue's Gene Keady (92), Cliff Ellis of Clemson (75), Providence's Rick Pitino (74) and Dean Smith of North Carolina (72), completed the top 10 finishers, who all appear on the final ballot. Last year's winner, Kentucky's Eddie Sutton, did not receive a vote.

The same panel will vote next month for Coach of the Year and the winner

will be announced at the Final Four in New Orleans.

Meyer served as assistant coach at DePaul under his father for 13 years. Twice during that period, in 1980 and again in 1984, Ray Meyer won the AP honor. Joey Meyer still refers to his father as "Coach."

"I struggled the first two years after I took over from Coach," Meyer said. "You can make excuses, you can feel sorry for yourself. It was getting to me. We were not playing well and it was a difficult two years."

"In the long run, I think that helped, though. It hit me between the eyes that I don't have all the answers. Some assistants think they do."

Meyer said his father, who travels with the team doing radio and television work, helped him over the rough times.

For his first two years as coach, Meyer said he often second guessed his own moves.

"When you struggle, you feel like you need to do something different," he said. "I went through a lot of struggles. This year, I decided not to worry about things. If (what I do) is wrong, it's wrong. Winning makes life a lot easier."

Meyer's team which finished 18-13 last year, is ranked No. 4 and went into Wednesday night's game against Iowa with a 23-1 record.

James back in action for Atlanta Braves

ATLANTA (AP) — As a 22-year-old rookie in 1984, Dion James won the center field starting job in Milwaukee and batted .295. But the Brewers later gave up on him because of a recurring shoulder injury.

Now he is heading for the Atlanta Braves' spring training camp, looking for a chance to prove he's back to the shape he was in three years ago.

"This is really better than a good break for me, it's a great break for me," said James. "I learned you can't take anything for granted. I want to go out and do the job. There's no pressure on me. I've been through the pressure."

"I think I'm stronger physically and mentally," he said. "I'm playing the best baseball of my life. I'm back to where I was in '84."

James's downfall with the Brewers began in spring training 1985, when he dived for a fly ball and suffered a dislocated right shoulder. He was out for six weeks.

He reinjured the shoulder soon after returning during the regular season and had to undergo surgery.

Then, his older brother, Anthony, was paralyzed by a broken neck suffered in an automobile accident, causing an emotional strain for James.

After the 1985 season, the Brewers dropped James from their roster and no team was willing to gamble the \$50,000 needed to take him in the major league draft.

His attitude had gotten so bad that "we didn't want him on our club," said former Brewers minor league coach Mike Paul.

"I've been through a lot, and I'm stronger for it," James says now. "I'm proud of the fact that I've been around, but I'm still young and know how to handle adversity. It's only getting better for me now."

Two events changed him, James said. The first came when he was body-surfing in Hawaii on an off day while playing with Vancouver of the AAA Pacific Coast League last season. He was hurled into the sand by a large wave and there was no pain in his shoulder.

"I had the fear of getting it hurt again and I'd played that way," James said. "Now I knew it was 100 percent and I didn't have to worry about it."

The second event was his acquisition by the Braves for outfielder Brad Komminsk.

"It was like night and day, the difference in Dion," said Paul, now a coach with Oakland in the American League. "In '85, he didn't care much. In '86, he was changed completely. He was a pleasure to be around. He worked his way back. He's a major league player. He deserves the chance."

James finished 1986 with a .282 batting average, six home runs, 25 doubles, and 55 runs batted in for Vancouver. He then played in the Dominican Republic winter league and batted .353, second in the league, with 13 doubles.

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Track team third in Eastern meet



by Michael Bossi
Sports Writer

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Maine was narrowly outdistanced by Southern Connecticut University, and the University of Massachusetts, which finished first and second respectively.

Coach Jim Ballinger stated overall that the team ran well, especially 400-meter runner Mike Norman.

"Mike qualified for the New England Championships in the 400-meter dash with a time of 50.09 seconds which is something he hadn't done yet this season."

Coach Ballinger also credited pole vaulter Dan Nealey who finished first with a vault of an even 14 feet.

UMaine was also helped by two second place finishes. In the triple jump Dan Crocker jumped forty four feet-two inches, and the distance medley relay team consisting of Robin Hays, Dan Martin, Brian Warren, and Bob Cuddy posted a time of 10:33.

The Black Bears captured third in the 25lb weight event, long jump, and the one mile relay, with John Callahan, Tim Dyer, and Bob Howard, Sean Hight, K.C. Latham, and Norman placing in their respective events.

Coach Ballinger attributed the team's third place finish to the consistent performance of his runners.

"Overall we did pretty much as we expected, and I am quite pleased with our third place finish."

The Black Bears travel to the University of Vermont this Saturday for a dual meet between the two northeastern schools.

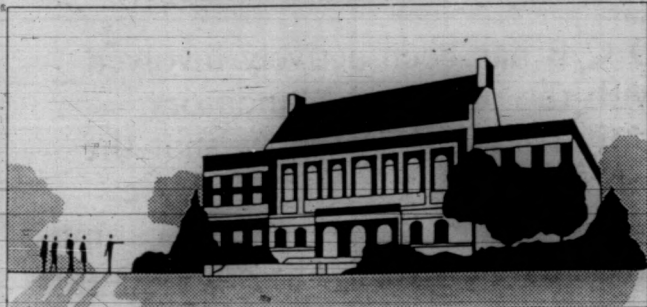
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OCB MEETINGS

Every Wednesday - 4:00 p.m. in
the Memorial Union. All off campus
students welcomed. Get involved.
Have an idea? Bring it to us.

COFFEE HOUSE

Every Thursday (except Feb. 29 due
to the Pat Metheny concert)
Movies ** Music

OFF CAMPUS BOARD

would like to thank Joel Katz and
his staff at the Maine Center for the
Arts for their cooperation and sup-
port in making the Arlo Guthrie
concert a success.

We would like to urge students to
support concerts at U-Maine.
Without this support, future con-
certs will be in jeopardy.

OCB

will be holding elections for Presi-
dent and Vice President in March.
For more information contact the
OCB office.

581-1840
or room 1955 upstairs in the Memorial Union.

Mandatory University Life Fee???

O C B has been actively involved
with the proposed Mandatory
University Life Fee. Now that the
proposal is out in the open, we
would like to know how off-campus
students view this. The students do
have a say on this proposed Man-
datory University Life Fee. If you
do not like it let us know. If you
like part of it let us know. If you
like all of it let us know. For us to
represent off-campus students fairly
we need to know how you feel. If
you have questions on this and
future implications we may be able
to answer them. Remember, students
do have a voice. Use it.

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