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## Hate crimes rock Portland

As Benjamin Kowalsky walked to the Old Port early on the morning of Feb. 22, he heard something whiz past his ear. Three men threw rocks at him as he ran to Milk Street. "They cornered me, one in front and one in back, shouting 'faggot!'" he said. The men kicked Kowalsky nearly unconscious, breaking his nose.

Three days later, a woman was abducted and raped on Munjoy Hill. Some 70 people calling themselves Women Against Rape protested on March 4 (right).

And on March 5, an exhibit of AIDS prevention posters was destroyed by a vandal. That night, angry protesters again took to the streets, decrying the gay-bashing and vandalism — and the *Portland Press Herald* column they say caused them. See page 2



## Class action

Vintage Repertory Co. presents "Audience," Vaclav Havel's semi-autobiographical sketch of his experience as a "banned person" in his own country. It's the story of Vanek, playwright and political dissident, who's been banished to work in a brewery. There he discovers that he and the brewmaster, intellectual and blue-collar Joe, speak different languages — which makes for theatre that really hits the Marx.

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## Cub Scouts can't bear gay mom

By Paul Karr

Like most American boys, Portland third-grader Nicholas Westervelt wanted to join the Cub Scout pack that meets near his Munjoy Hill home. He went to a few weekly meetings, liked what he saw, and decided to sign up.

But the Scouts never cashed his mom's registration check. That, said his mom, is because she's a lesbian.

"I was told I would not be welcome," said Nicholas' mother Terry, "and Nick was made to feel very uncomfortable."

"The national organization sets the membership criteria," responded Robert Denlinger, scout director for the Pine Tree Council, a local chapter of Boy Scouts of America.

"And we abide by it." "Why should it matter?" asked ex-Scout Nicholas.

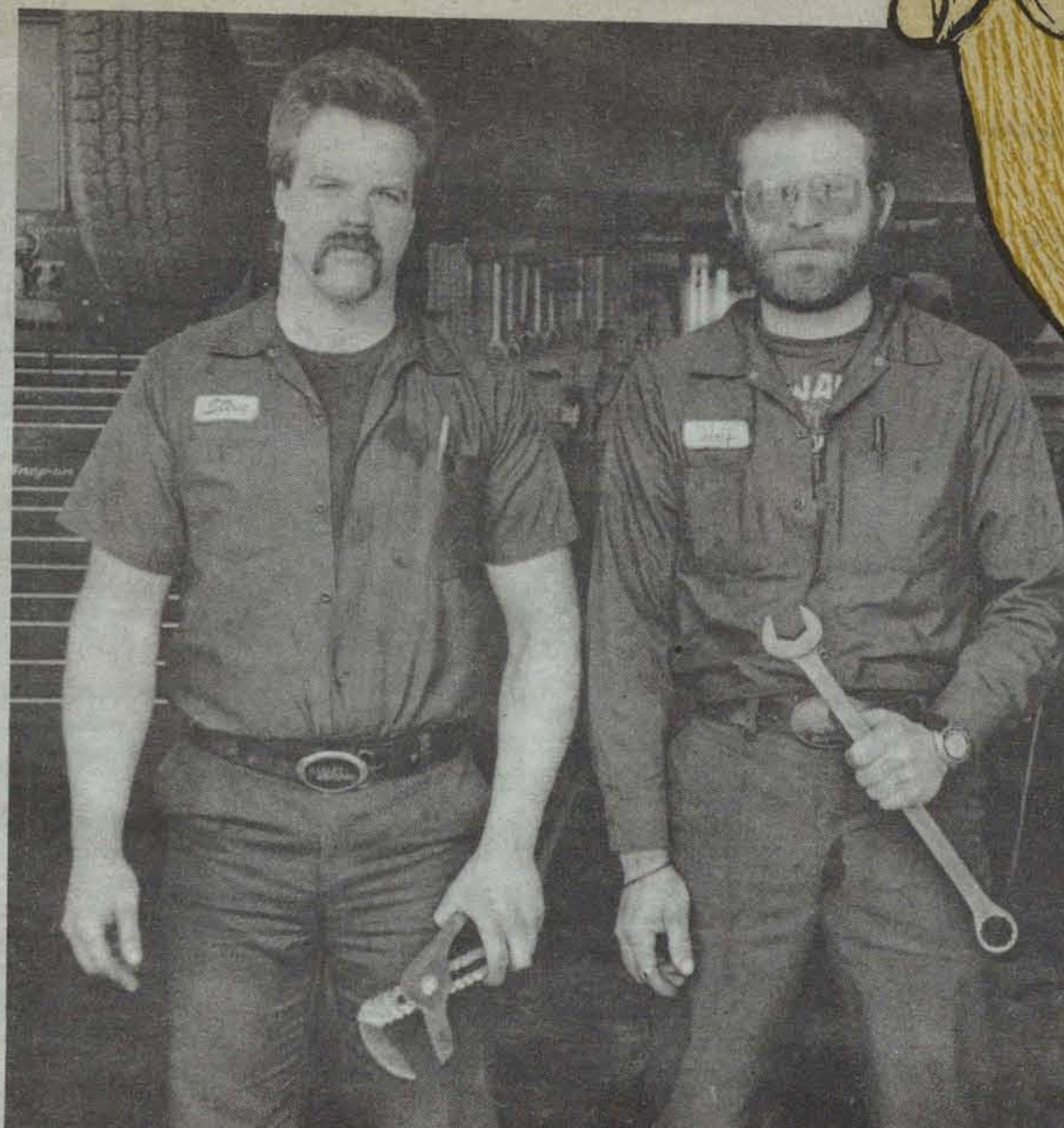
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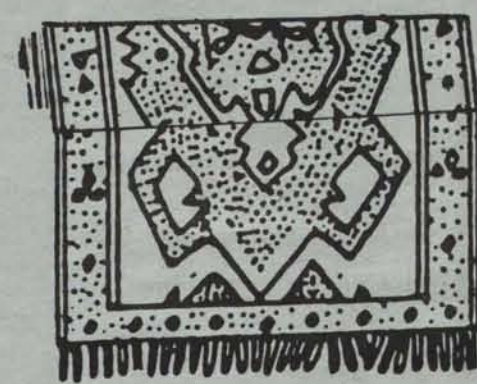
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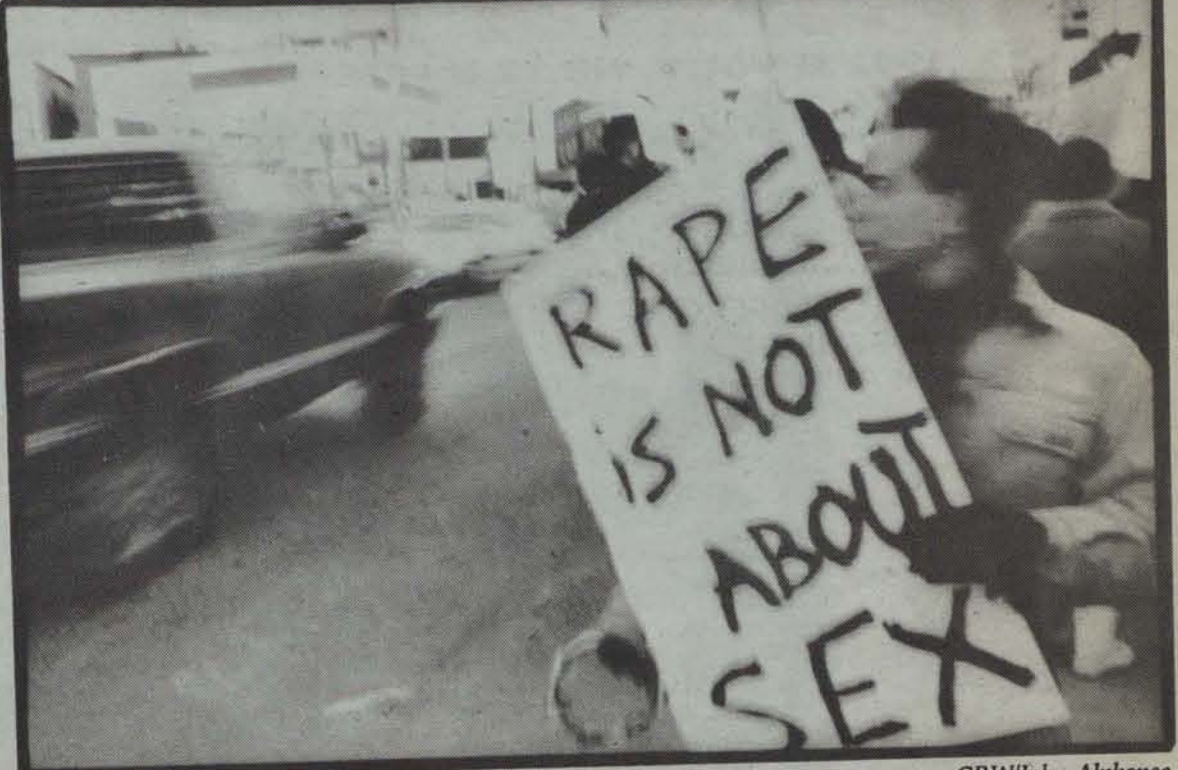
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**Newsbriefs Weekly**

A review of the top news stories affecting Greater Portland:  
March 4 through March 10, 1992.

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**Feminists lash out against recent rapes**  
A protester waves a sign at passing cars during the March 4 protest of recent rapes on Munjoy Hill and at the Maine Mall. Feminists Against Rape organized the protest at the corner of Washington and Cumberland avenues — where the woman who was raped on Feb. 25 was abducted.

**THE WORST OF PORTLAND: HATE CRIMES**  
**A beating, an art defacing and protests expose a raw wound between gays and straights**

*From front page*

As two men wrestled Benjamin Kowalsky to the ground and began kicking him in the face with heavy motorcycle boots, he pleaded with them to stop.

"They kept saying, 'We're gonna kill you, you faggot. Have you had enough?'" said Kowalsky, who has AIDS. "I said yes. And they said, 'No, you haven't, because you're not dead yet.'"

Kowalsky staggered to Monument Square and dialed 911. An ambulance took him to Brighton Medical Center, where he was treated for bruises and cuts, then released. X-rays later revealed a broken nose and fractured cheekbone.

Portland Police Lt. Mark Dion, head of the department's Hate Crimes Unit, said incidents like this are fairly common. His unit has logged about 30 reports of gays being beaten or taunted in Portland since the unit began recording them in 1990. An unknown number of those incidents have also gone unreported.

"They told me this beating fit a pattern," Kowalsky said, "and that there are groups that teach this sort of thing, neo-Nazis."

Police are still searching for the attackers described as being between 17 and 22 years old, two with partly shaven heads. Kowalsky said he could identify the men if he saw them again.

"It was another hate crime, an assault on the whole gay and lesbian community," said Edie Hoffman of the activist group Queer Nation, "and articles like M.D. Harmon's incited it."

Hoffman referred to Portland Press Herald columnist M.D. Harmon, who penned a Feb. 24 criticism of the exhibit. In that column, Harmon called the exhibits "no-holds-barred homosexual pornography" and "a direct attack on basic morality and common standards of public decency."

"The incident is still under investigation," said USM spokesman Robert Caswell. "We're talking with people who were in the area during the incident, but so far there is nothing new to report." Caswell said Portland police had also been contacted.

The 250 posters from 50 countries encouraged condom use and depicted intimate homosexual and heterosexual scenes including nude male buttocks, an erect penis and gay men hugging. The exhibit had previously been shown in Europe, Canada and the United States.

**Marchers storm Old Port**

That same night, frightened by the beating and angered by the vandalism, about 100 marchers paraded through Portland's Old Port to protest hate crimes against homosexuals. When they reached the spot where Kowalsky had been beaten, they poured a blood-like substance onto the ground.

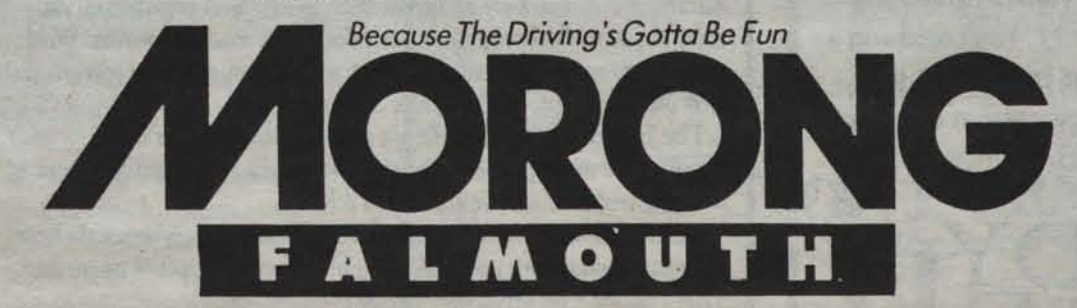
"That was to show people that queers bleed red, too," said protester Hoffman. "It's the same as if a straight person were beaten, even though people on the right consider us freaks." Hoffman said the vigil spread "a message of solidarity and power."

"People will become more aware that things like this happen," said Kowalsky. "It happens every place. It's created by an atmosphere of hate and intolerance."

*Paul Karr*

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**Brown wins Maine, but will it count?**

Presidential candidate Jerry Brown swept through a late round of rural Maine caucuses, giving him a statewide win over rival Paul Tsongas — but party officials have yet to decide whether or not the last-second scores will count.

Brown won an overwhelming majority of delegates in the 53 caucuses organized by Brown forces on March 8. The boost would give Brown a narrow state victory over Paul Tsongas, and hand Brown an additional delegate to the national convention in June.

But Maine Attorney General Michael Carpenter — and Maine Democratic Party officials — may have to decide whether those extra votes count.

At issue is a state Democratic Party rule that set a March 8 deadline on caucuses. A conflicting 1983 state law requires caucuses to be held by the first Sunday in March.

If Brown campaign staffers request a ruling, Attorney General Carpenter could decide that party rules supersede the state law in this case. The state Democratic Party would then have to rule if the new caucuses were legal. "The party's credentials committee has the power to approve or disprove caucuses," said Lennie Mullen, executive director of the Maine Democratic Party.

But the Democratic National Committee is also challenging the late caucuses. "That is because, when our plan was submitted, the 14-day window for late caucuses was inadvertently omitted from the delegate selection plan," said Mullen. So Brown staffers may end up arguing their case before the national committee.

**Navy ordered to discharge objector**

The U.S. Navy has been ordered by a federal judge to discharge a seaman apprentice who says his religious beliefs prevent him from being in the military.

Stephen K. Leonard, 23, who was based at the Brunswick Naval Air Station, first asked the Navy to discharge him as a conscientious objector in January 1990.

Leonard became a born-again Christian in 1985, but signed up for a four-year Navy stint in 1989. He says, however, that he came to realize he could never kill anyone.

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**politics & other mistakes**

By Al Diamond

**Aquarium seeks state bucks**

Fish is supposed to be brain food. Apparently, no one at the Gulf of Maine Aquarium is eating any.

How else can we explain the group's decision to ask the Legislature for an \$18.2 million bond issue to build an aquarium in Portland at a time when the state is struggling to save vital services, and the voters are prepared to rip the political life out of anybody who wants to spend money on non-essentials?

Gulf of Maine Executive Director Alan Lishness brushed aside such petty concerns. Lishness said the bond issue would create jobs, and would more than pay for itself over the next 20 years through the increased sales and income taxes the aquarium would generate. He cited a survey the Gulf of Maine folks did showing about two-thirds of the state's voters approved of the idea of a publicly funded aquarium in Portland.

Trouble is, the survey was done in December 1990. Since then the state's economy has been through six budget crises, the announcement that Loring Air Force Base would close and the Visigoth loan workout policies of Recoll Management Corporation.

Despite all that, Lishness doesn't believe attitudes toward an aquarium bond issue have changed significantly. He did not say whether he believes in UFOs, Bigfoot or a living Elvis.

The Gulf of Maine Aquarium originally planned to raise about half the cost of construction from local and county government. The rest would come from a fund-raising drive. But after nearly a decade of panhandling the group had managed to collect only about \$2.5 million from private donors.

As for public money, Cumberland County voters OK'd a \$3.5 million bond for the aquarium in 1989, but the cash was contingent on the city of Portland coughing up an equal amount, which never happened. So the county money is in limbo. In the meantime, the cost of the project has ballooned from \$15 million to more than \$18 million.

Lishness conceded there's little chance the aquarium can ever raise the construction cash without massive state aid. Most astute observers of the political process (the person who writes that politics column for Casco Bay Weekly, for instance) think there's almost no chance a bond issue for the aquarium will win the two-thirds vote needed to pass the Legislature. And those same observers are even more convinced that if such a bond issue did manage to pass, it would run into the same voter frenzy that did in most of the bond issues on last November's ballot.

Lishness and the other Gulf of Maine supporters may be continuing the struggle to build an aquarium on the Portland waterfront out of dedication or delusion. But it's pretty clear this project has been sunk by the recession, and the bubbles have just about stopped coming up.

**Cole cash for civic league**

An alert reader sent us a copy of the Christian Civic League of Maine's monthly publication "The Record" with an accompanying note pointing out that the newsletter was sponsored in part by Cole Farms Restaurant in Gray.

At the time this issue of "The Record" was published, Cole Farms was co-owned by admitted child sex abuser Warren Cole.

The connection to Cole would be embarrassing for any organization, but is doubly so for the League, which has long campaigned against the gay rights bill on the grounds that it threatened "the future happiness, security and well-being of our children and grandchildren" (from a letter sent to League supporters in April 1991).

League Director Jasper Wyman said he had never met Cole, and was "shocked" by the case. "I was told this establishment was a Christian business," he said. "Had I been aware of (the abuse) we'd never have accepted the ads."

**Will voters cotton to Otten?**

My recent listing of potential Republican gubernatorial candidates had at least one glaring omission. Sunday River Ski Resort General Manager Les Otten has been testing the waters for the last six months or so, but he's very coy about his intentions.

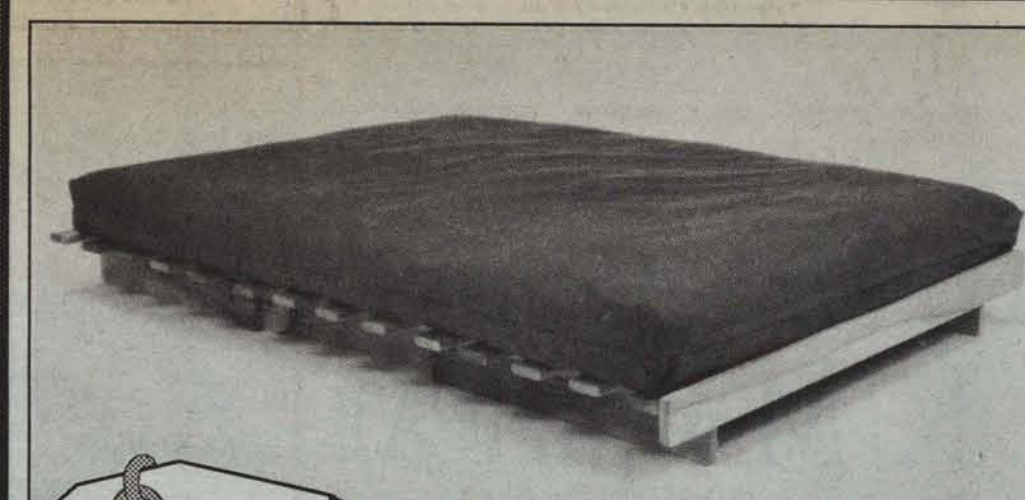
"The better leaders don't get into politics," Otten said. "In business you deal with problems based on logic and facts. In politics you have to answer with emotion and attacks on people's character. It doesn't really bother politicians if somebody calls them a slimeball."

On the other hand: "The state needs some leadership, and that's something I can do effectively. I'm not going to rule it (a run for the Blaine House) out."

Otten calls himself "an independently leaning Republican" from a "populist Democratic household." He sprinkles his conversation with references to former independent Gov. James Longley and unsuccessful gubernatorial candidate John Menario. So don't be shocked if Otten skips the GOP primary hurly-burly in 1994 and runs as an independent.

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## Newsbriefs Weekly

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pay raises they had earlier approved (Newsbriefs, 2.27.92).

Portland City Manager Robert Ganley had earlier predicted the unions could lose up to 15 jobs if they hadn't voted to defer their annual pay hikes.

### Green-bashing bill dead on arrival

Lawmakers killed a bill to put basic environmental reviews on hold, after its creators refused to defend it before the Energy and Natural Resources Committee.

The bill would have done away with the need to obtain environmental permits for gravel pits up to 25 acres, subdivisions and some buildings, projects in wetlands and transportation works.

Not even the Environmental and Economic Council of Maine (EECOM), a group of businessmen attempting to use the current recession as a tool to trash Maine's environmental regulations, bothered to testify in favor of the bill they had created.

The bill was variously characterized as stupid, reactionary, trash, short-sighted, inappropriate and laughable.

EECOM, with a name that deceives supporters into thinking it is a group concerned for the environment, contends that DEP over-regulation stifles business growth in the state. EECOM chairman Alton Cianchette said his group is active in all legislative initiatives to trim environmental regulations.

Sen. Bonnie L. Titcomb said the bill "reveals a disturbing strategy by some to use the current economic recession as an excuse to rampage over Maine's environment."



### Prostitutes busted in Portland

Police arrested two women at the Nu Body Health Club in connection with what they called a \$3 million-a-year prostitution ring operating among Boston, Portland and Montreal.

The arrests followed a four-month investigation into "women being shuttled from Massachusetts to engage in massage-oriented prostitution," said Lt. Mark Dion of the Portland police.

Boston police arrested five people they say are connected with the prostitution ring, including George L. Chandler, one of the owners of Nu Body. Boston police estimated the prostitution ring made about \$3 million a year.

### No condoms in Bush-ville

School district officials have banned the distribution of condoms at Kennebunk High School after ACT UP activists passed out condoms and AIDS awareness flyers on the edge of school property last week.

Leo Martin, superintendent of School Administrative District 71, said the district will use "all lawful means" to keep condoms from being distributed at the school.

But the school cannot prevent the members of the Portland chapter of AIDS Coalition to Unleash Power (ACT UP) from giving away condoms on public property, including the gravel outside the school driveway. Kennebunk police said they will assist the district in keeping ACT UP away from the school but acknowledged the group had a right to be on public property.

ACT UP spokesman Dennis Lyons says the district's actions won't stop his group from trying to educate students on AIDS prevention.

"Whether or not they get condoms, they're going to know what's going on," he said. "People need to be educated. That's why we're doing this."

### Freeport finally shells out clamming licenses

Two men who camped in front of Freeport Town Hall for 46 nights finally got the clamming licenses they'd been waiting for.

The pair, competing for the only two available clamming permits, took no chances of someone jumping their places in line and camped out in sleeping bags in front of the Town Hall doors for the last night. No one challenged them.

James Gilbert and Antonio DiPietro filled out their paper work and paid their license fees at Town Hall shortly after the doors opened at 8

a.m. on March 3.

Despite their circumstances, Gilbert and DiPietro did not become friends. They are fishermen, after all.

On Feb. 22, after five weeks in line, their dispute exploded when Gilbert and friend Scott Hubert entered DiPietro's camper. After a struggle, DiPietro's brother, James, took a gun from Hubert, and two shots were fired inside the camper. Nobody was injured.

Worried town officials said they will devise a new method of distributing licenses next year.

"I guess we fixed that pretty good," said Gilbert. ■

Reported by Paul Karr, Monte Paulsen and The Associated Press

## weird news

### Weighty issues...

• A 380-pound man stopped a robber of a Denver convenience store — by sitting on him.

Police reported that Wiley Logan entered the store at about 3 a.m., walked to a checkout lane, placed the cashier in a choke hold, and took money from the cash drawer. Logan then fled the store. A security guard chased and tackled him nearby.

"I sat on him," said Kilborn. "I didn't want to break his leg," he added. "But he wound up with a compound fracture, bones sticking out all over the place."

• A 634-pound Wisconsin man facing a light jail sentence was sent instead to a tougher facility better equipped to deal with him.

Leo O'Kane was sentenced to 13 months in a Crawford County jail for possession of marijuana with intent to deliver. But the judge sent O'Kane to prison instead because his weight presented problems that the local jail was not prepared to tackle.

"In this case, (the prison option) is better for him and the county," said the judge. "He'll get medical treatment right there."

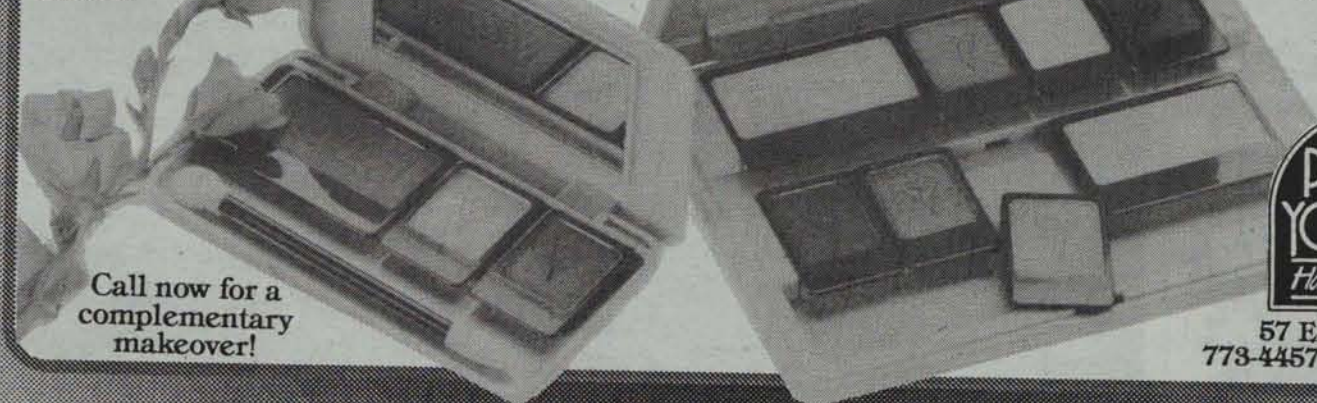
• A 1,116-pound burrito was cooked up by University of California students hoping to get into the Guinness Book of World Records.

The 20-foot-long burrito broke the previous 700-pound record.

"The highlight came when a drummer from the pep band did the drum roll for the last glob of guacamole," said the school's dean. "It was quite thrilling."

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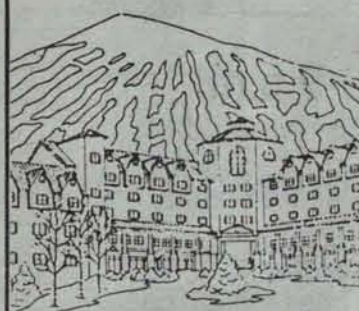


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## letters

### Irrelevant fiction

I couldn't decide between metaphors: This issue (2.27.92) is so full of shit no one can use it for toilet paper, or this issue has so much mental masturbation in it that I'm surprised (at the risk of being sexist) the pages aren't stuck together.

S. U. HALL III

S. M. Hall III  
Scarborough

### Hawk-eyed readers

On page 24 of CBW 2.27.92 is a picture of two cats. They are called leopards (*panthera pardus*) in the article. They're cheetahs (*acinyonx jubatus*).

George Stratton

George Stratton  
Portland

### Give Brown equal time

The big news story on March 4 was Clinton's first win. Didn't Jerry Brown have his first win? Why is the media so afraid of giving Brown equal time? Could it be because he doesn't take large campaign bribes and can't afford to buy large ads or network time?

How much has each candidate spent so far, per vote? I would like to see how much a vote cost!

James R. DeVou  
Portland

### Stop the abuse of women

Walking down Congress Street after leaving the anti-rape protest sponsored by Feminists Against Rape on Washington Avenue on March 4, I observed a man in a car stop at a red light roll down his window, and shout the following verbal abuse to a woman: "Hey, baby, want to get fucked? Want to take a ride?"

I would like to ask this

man: Why did you feel the need to humiliate, terrorize and verbally abuse another human being? Did shouting this make you feel more powerful? Or did you think it was funny? What are you afraid of? And how would you feel if such a comment were made to (or overheard by) your mother, sister or daughter?

Ask yourself these questions the next time you see, read or hear about a physical, verbal or sexual abuse committed against a woman. Ask them the next time observe the commercial exploitation, sexual harassment, political or legal injustices perpetrated against a woman. Ask yourself these questions the next time a woman is raped in America (every six minutes). If you do, you will find yourself asking these questions day and night, just as we, who are your mothers, sisters and daughters, do.

Abusing women will not make you more powerful. Ending the abuse will.

Annie Seikonia  
Annie Seikonia  
Portland

### Dump the incumbents!

This letter is not aimed at any given topic, but at the total frustration that most of us are feeling over our nation's current situation....

The problem seems to be the people we elect. We have a government run by "career politicians" - people who set out in life to get and hold a job at our expense....

So how do these people do it? On one hand, as George Nathan said in the late 1800s, "Bad officials are elected by good citizens that do not vote." That is a very important point. The unfortunate other point is that we as a people allow ourselves to be conned by these idiotic commercials, knowing full well that we are not getting half of what we are promised but wanting to believe that

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At the state level we have Jock McKernan and John Martin. Boy, now there is a pair. If you added their IQ's together and deducted two points, we would have to water them once a day. They don't want gambling at the same time they are running seven lotteries, horse racing, bingo, etc. They will pass any stupid law that MADD comes up with and at the same time sell us the liquor - in a time of "economic crisis." (Don't you love that term? You're not unemployed, you are either the victim of an economic crisis or the victim of an economic downturn.) They refuse to cut the size of the Congress, give themselves a raise, and Gov. McKernan adds \$40,000 to his personal staff while eliminating 2,500 state workers.

The city of Portland responds to the competition from the Maine Mall, whose main attraction is free parking and accessibility, by widening the sidewalks, eliminating as much parking as they can, then expecting you to pay at a parking garage and walk a mile or so to shop. And who gets a cut of your parking fees? The city of Portland. Who gets the \$5 to \$50 ticket fee if you don't pay your meter fee? Right again, it's the city of Portland. Anyone who believes that the city is not in the parking business for the money should take Toto and go back to the land of Oz and stay there.

The answer? Let business people run a business - let the politicians fumble, bumble and fiddle fart around in Washington, Augusta and city hall.

R.S. Harris  
Falmouth

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# Entertainment Weekly

Submissions for Entertainment Weekly sections must be received in writing on the Thursday prior to publication. Send your Calendar and Listings information to Ellen Liburt, Casco Bay Weekly, 551A Congress St., Portland, ME 04101. The Casco Bay Weekly Calendar: 10 days and more ways to be involved, get involved and stay amused.

Go where the wild things are, March 13.



him play... Konitz will try anything." Try him at 9 or 11 p.m. Admission's \$15 at the door of 20 Danforth St. Call the cool hotline at 772-8114 for details. ♦ Portland poet Ken Rosen will read from his new book, "Longfellow Square" — a lyrical compendium of nature-oriented verse — tonight at 7:30 at Raffles Cafe Bookstore, 555 Congress St. Rosen is the author of three previous collections of poetry, and was the winner of the 1988 Maine Arts Commission Poetry Commission. He teaches literature and writing at USM. Call 761-3930 to square away further details. ♦ Yo La Tengo, former acoustic warriors, have gone electric mental. Some of this group's guitar stuff is really out there. You can experience their transformation in person tonight at 7:30. Admission is \$5. See you at Zootz, 31 Forest Ave. Call the club warriors at 773-8187 for mental notes.

### 13 FRIDAY

♦ Bestiality in Brunswick: Mystic Paper Beasts, a Connecticut-based theatre company of international renown, will perform tonight at 7:30 at Brunswick's Longfellow School. Using masks, acoustic music and dance, Marya Ursin and Daniel Potter will perform "Dream of the Zodiac," the story of a small beast as she follows the sun through the animal houses of the zodiac in order to understand herself better. Attending a Paper Beasts performance, said one reviewer, is like "attending a three-ring circus, with an Ionesco play going on in one ring, a concert in the second, and a ballet in the third." Tix are \$3 for adults, \$10 for families. Proceeds will benefit the non-profit Arts Are Elementary. Call 725-7061 if you're into bestiality.

### 12 THURSDAY

♦ cafe no coup: Paul Licher and David Snow, proprietors of Portland's hottest jazz forge, have scored a major musical victory for Portland. Lee Konitz, American alto saxophonist and winner of the 1992 Jazzpar Prize (the world's only grand international jazz award), will be appearing tonight at the cafe. Konitz, said *The New Yorker*, "surprises you no matter how many times you hear

♦ Soca to you: If March has chilled your bones, zip on over to Zootz tonight, when you'll meet the man from Montserrat who drove audiences into a fevered



Contemplating sax. Do it Thursday, March 12.

frenzy with his 1984 chart-topper "Hot, Hot, Hot." Arrow, king of soca (soul Calypso), will set the club on fire with his 12-piece Caribbean Calypso band. "Even though we're politically conscious and aware of situations," says Arrow, "the message in my music is for people to have a good time... They're always hearing about problems in the world, like starvation and apartheid, and I feel sometimes people need a break from it." Let Arrow soca to you with his rhythmically riveting dance tunes tonight at 9. Papa Loves Mambo will open. Admission is \$9 at the door of 31 Forest Ave. Call 773-8187 for an apolitical message.

### 14 SATURDAY

♦ Park protectors: The Maine Olmsted Alliance for Parks & Landscapes is a group of volunteers dedicated to the preservation and protection of

Maine's historic designed landscapes. The group will present a series of lectures this spring, including today's offering, "Maine's Designed Landscape Legacy: Past, Present and Future," by Alliance trustee and architectural historian Elizabeth Igleheart. Hear this guardian of green from 9 a.m.-2 p.m. in Moulton Union, Bowdoin College, Brunswick. For more info call 781-3659.

### 15 SUNDAY

♦ Thelma & Louise are back. They're better (or worse) than ever. Hailed as the Butch Cassidy and the Sundance Kid of modern feminist film, Susan Sarandon and Gena Davis star in "Thelma & Louise," which chronicles the road trip of two best friends leaving their unsatisfying home lives to journey westward, ever westward, on the lam from the law and omnipresent males and symbols of males watering the barren landscape. Critics praised the film for casting women in roles usually assumed by men: roles of power and control over their own lives. But is it truly empowering to cast women in men's roles? And do Thelma & Louise really have any choice over the road ahead of them? See it

(again) and decide for yourself. Call The Movies at Exchange Street for other dates and times: 772-9600.

### 16 MONDAY

♦ If they only had a brain: Avant-garde folk-rock trio Scarecrow Assembly do have two guitars, a cello and ex-straw-dinary voices. They'll use 'em when they perform tonight at 7 at the Westside Restaurant, 58 Pine St. Suggested donation is \$2, which goes to performers. Call 773-8223 to scare up more info.

### 17 TUESDAY

♦ Free to be, you & me: The Cumberland County Libertarian Party will hold an organizational meeting tonight at 7:30 at the Great Lost Bear Restaurant, 540 Forest Ave. With more than a million members nationwide, the Libertarians are the third largest political party in the United States. They're committed to the ideals of freedom, personal responsibility and limited government. Very limited. If you're interested in these ideals, you're invited to join the party! Feel free to

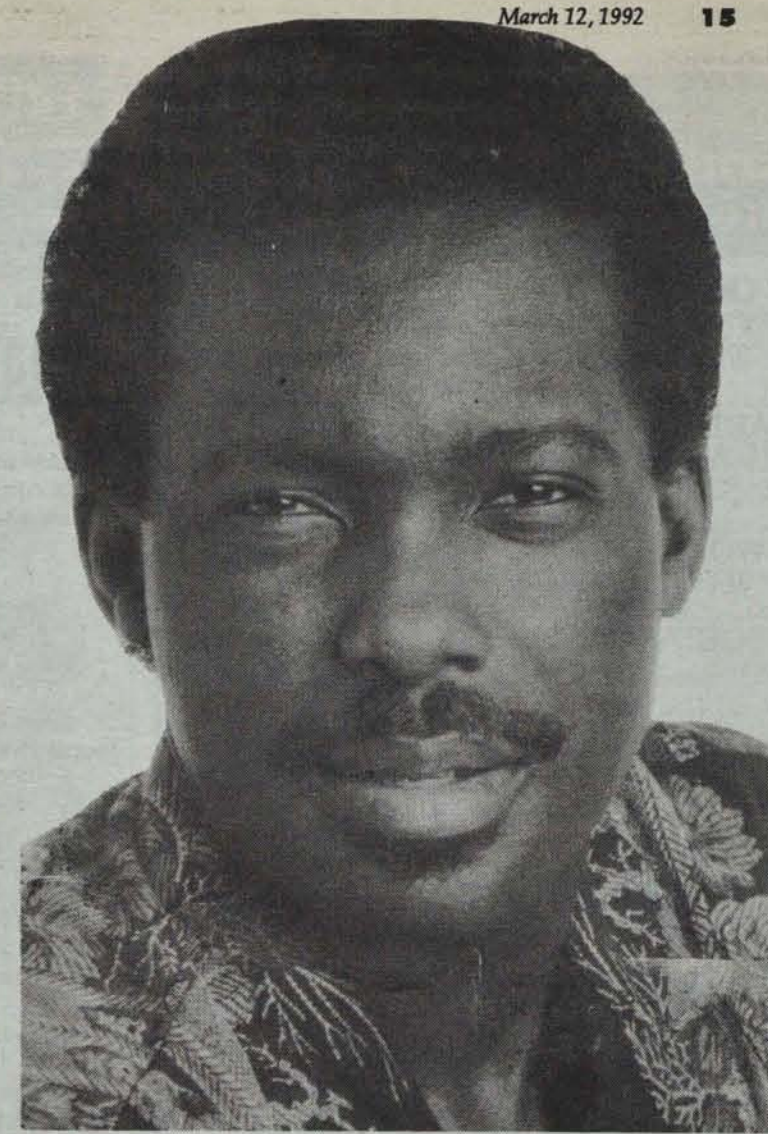
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### 18 WEDNESDAY

♦ Free, experimental, cutting edge theatre: Theatre fans, rejoice! Portland Stage Company's "A Little Festival of the Unexpected" begins today at Portland Performing Arts Center, 25A Forest Ave. A white-hot constellation of writers, composers and performers will celebrate music, language and imagination for five stellar days. For the complete schedule, see page 18.

### 19 THURSDAY

♦ Massage madness at Raffles: Hobble on down to Raffles Cafe Bookstore today (and March 17 & 18 as well), and massage therapist Elliott Cherry will give you a 10-minute, seated mini-massage. You'll also receive a coupon for a free drink, any free drink — though being the health-conscious, literate, New Age hipster you are, you'll probably choose sodium-free seltzer. The good news: It's free. The bad: You have to keep your clothes on. Call 761-3930 for more madness.



Find an Arrowhead Friday, March 13.

### 20 FRIDAY

♦ Show & tell for adults: If you've been wondering what the Union of Maine Visual Artists does, here's your chance to find out. UMVA will be taking care of business tonight at a meeting from 7-8:30. Since the organization has no board of directors, theoretically every member is a board member. Very artistic, very egalitarian. Bea Gordon, who's in charge of membership for the group, admits that the set-up is ripe for a coup, but points out that such political machinations take a lot of energy. After the meeting at 8:30, members — or newcomers — will show current work or slides thereof, and (if they're brave) talk about their art. Don't miss this opportunity to check out what the UMVA is all about at the Maine Writers and

### 21 SATURDAY

♦ From both sides, now: Tonight from 5-7, the Baxter Gallery at Portland School of Art will hold a reception for "As Seen by Both Sides," an exhibition that brings together 82 works of art about the Vietnam War from Vietnamese and American artists. The exhibit marks the first time since the war ended in 1975 that Vietnamese art has been seen in this country. All the Vietnamese and most of the American artists are veterans of the war. The gallery's located at 619 Congress St. There will be a gallery talk March 26 at 6 p.m. Tours by veterans are also available by calling the gallery at 775-5152.

### Cheap thrill: Comics 101

♦ Zow! Bif! Wap! Holy Toledo, Batman! It's a mini-course on "Comic Book Art — The Creator's and Publisher's View," Friday, March 13, from 7-9 p.m. ♦ Yeah, you heard right, punk. A panel of comics creators and publishers — including Greg S. Baisden, managing editor of Tundra Publishing, the cutting-edge comic people who brought you Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles — will deliver a historical retrospective of how comics developed in America up to the 1950s; a brief talk on horror and crime comics, focusing on issues of censorship; a short history of comics up to the present; and a demidiscourse on the vocabulary and idiom of comics. (In Comic Book Land everything is abbrev.) ♦ Comics 101 will conclude with an extended question and answer period exploring the current state of the comics market, the renaissance in comics' popularity and the viability of comics today both artistically and commercially. ♦ The course takes place in Luther Bonney Auditorium, USM Portland. Tuition is \$10 for adults, \$5 for children under 16, Ninja Turtles admitted free. For more comic relief call Maurice Harter at 773-0847.

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### WHAT'S WHERE

*Continued from 10-day CALENDAR*

*Due to scheduling changes after CBW goes to press, moviegoers are advised to confirm times with theaters.*

**General Cinemas**  
Maine Mall  
Maine Mall Road, S. Portland  
774-1022  
Dates effective March 13-19  
**Hand That Rocks the Cradle (R)**  
1:30, 4:15, 6:50, 9:15  
**Final Analysis (R)**  
1:05, 3:45, 7, 9:35  
**My Cousin Vinny (R)**  
1:35, 4:20, 7, 9:35  
**Fried Green Tomatoes (R)**  
1:20, 4:10, 7:15, 10  
**Shining Through (R)**  
7:20, 10:05  
**The Great Mouse Detective (G)**  
1:15, 3:15, 5:15  
**Wayne's World (PG-13)**  
1, 3:10, 5:30, 7:35, 9:45  
**Stopt Or My Mom Will Shoot (PG-13)**  
1, 3, 5, 7, 9

**Hoyts Clark's Pond**  
333 Clark's Rd., S. Portland  
879-1511  
Dates effective March 13-19  
**No March 14, 7:40 showing of Once Upon A Crime**  
**The Cutting Edge March 14 only**  
**Beauty and the Beast (G)**  
1:40, 4:30, 6:50  
**Hook (PG)**  
12:30  
**Prince of Tides (R)**  
3:20, 6:30, 9:15  
**Medicine Man (PG-13)**  
1, 3:50, 7:10, 9:30  
**The Gladiator (R)**  
9  
**The Cutting Edge (PG)**  
7:30  
**Once Upon A Crime (PG)**  
1:30, 4:20, 7:40, 9:45  
**The Lammover Man (R)**  
12:50, 3:40, 7, 9:25  
**Hear My Song (R)**  
1:10, 4, 7:20, 9:35  
**American Me (R)**  
12:40, 3:30, 6:40, 9:20  
**Article 99 (R)**  
1:20, 4:10, 7:30, 9:40

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A sentimental, humorous but pungent account of a cross-cultural love affair between a Uganda-born Indian woman and a black man from Mississippi.

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An unhappy wife and a coffee shop waitress escape from their unpleasing lives by embarking on a spontaneous road trip.

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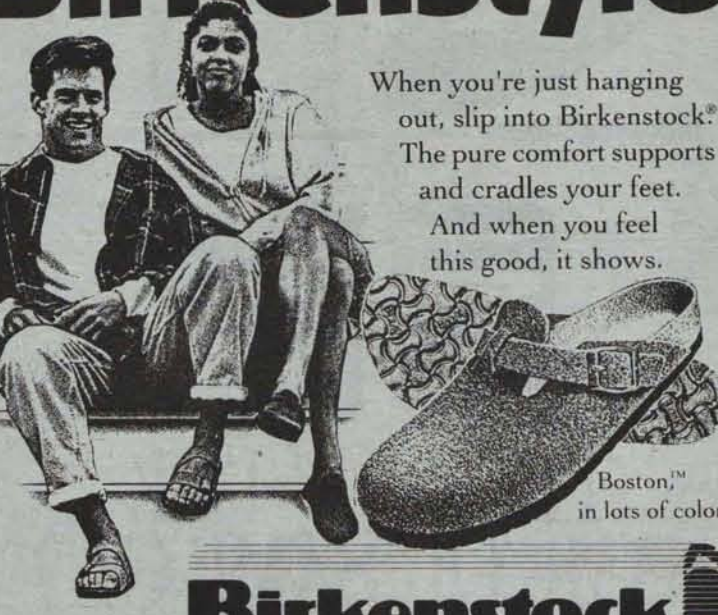
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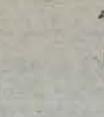

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**"Circles of Madness: Mothers of the Plaza de Mayo"**  
Reading by Chilean poet Marjorie Agosin, whose latest collection of poems is about people who vanished during the Argentinian military dictatorship of 1976-83. March 13 at 7 pm in Chase Hall Lounge, Bates College, Lewiston. Free. For further info call 786-6330.

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**Auditions**  
**Theater's "Antigone"**  
scheduled for March 17 at 7 pm, 155 Brackett St, Portland. For further info call 774-1502.

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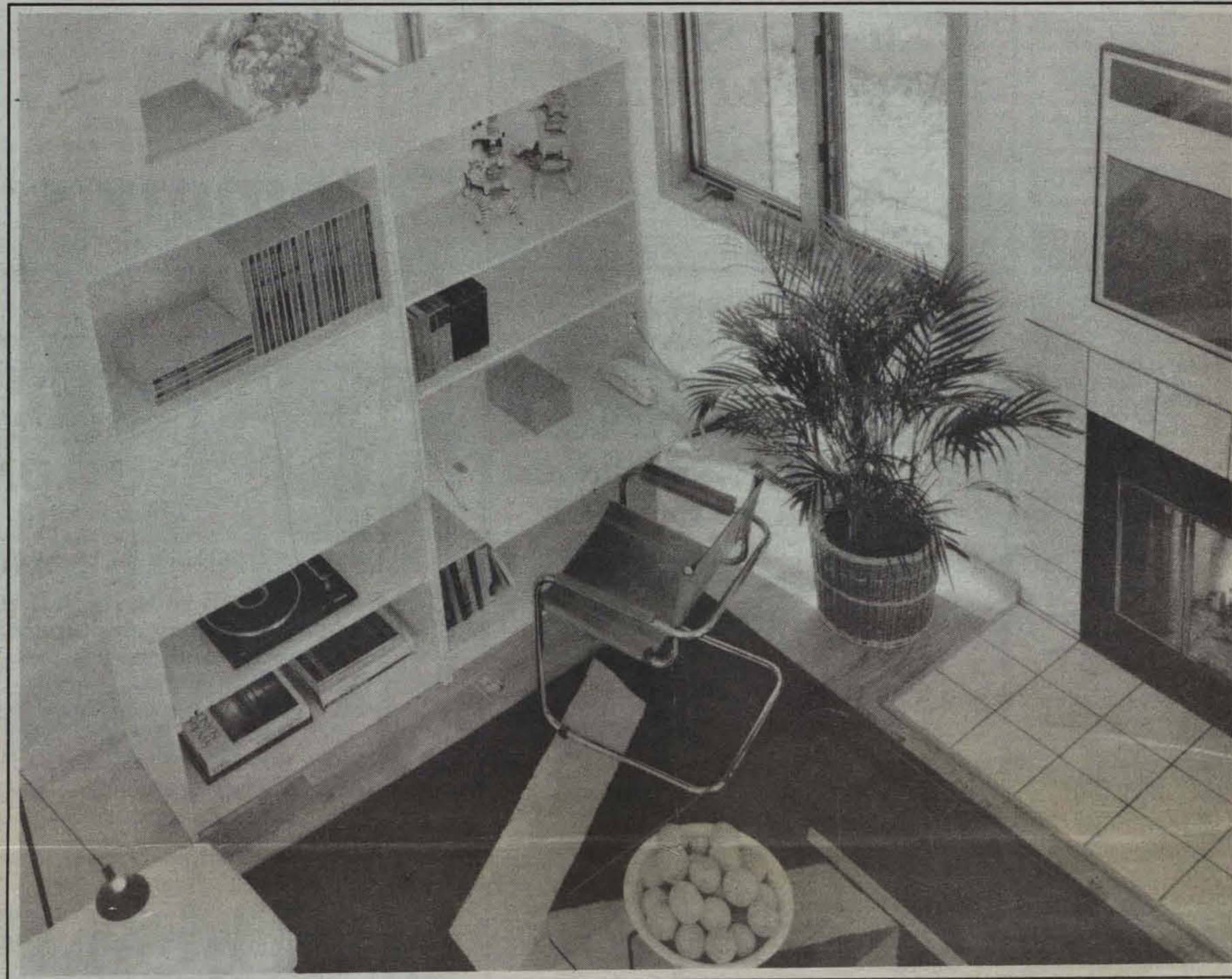


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