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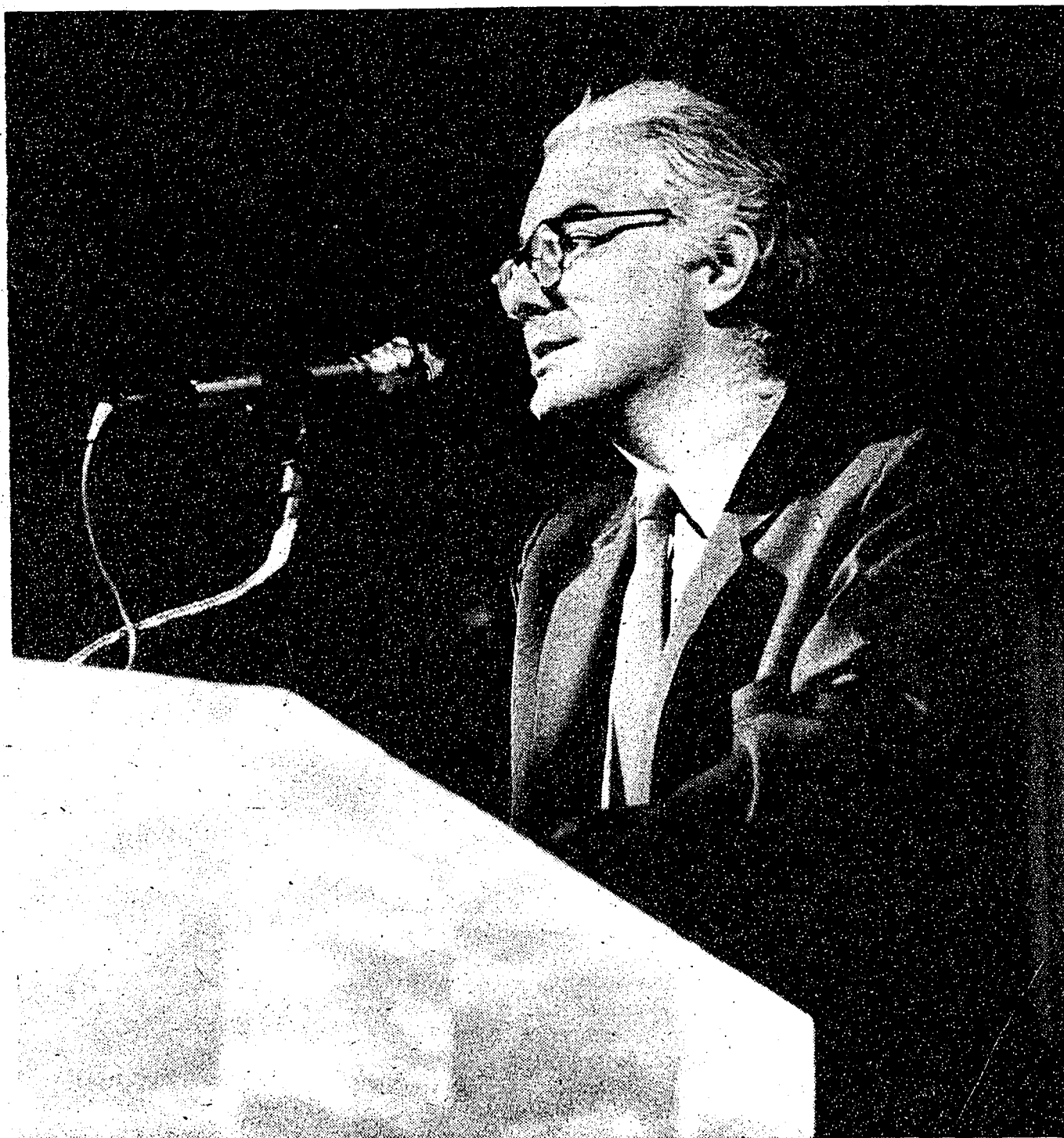


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David Black, journalist, speaks to students about AIDS and the disease's societal consequences
photo by David Coleman

Stu-J Hearing

by Herrick Wales and Patricio Silva

Last Sunday an audience of some 30 people crowded in to the Hurd Room in Roberts Union for the Student Judicial Board hearing regarding a Colby Student's alleged assault of a Colby security officer. Three lawyers were present along with sixteen student witnesses who delivered their testimony. At the end of the eight hour hearing (one of the lengthiest in Stu-J history) the board found the defendant guilty of assault, and recommended immediate suspension with the option of returning for the fall term. This recommendation was then forwarded to the Dean's office. As of Wednesday, there was still no comment as to their final decision.

The incident occurred on February 22 at a dormitory at approximately 1:30 am. The security officer had responded to a call that night made by dorm staff to assist in breaking up a room party. Physical contact had been engaged and the debate and controversy focused on whether or not the accused student had deliberately assaulted the security officer.

At the outset of the hearing, a substantial portion of time was devoted to procedural questions asked by lawyers representing both the plaintiff and the defendant. For

example, the issue whether or not electronic recordings was permissible at the hearing had to be settled. The Board resolved that the lawyers' advisory role was to be an advisor and to make statement; no recordings were allowed.

Additionally, the student's lawyer had asked for a postponement until after criminal proceedings had taken place. The plaintiff's lawyer, however, stated that such an action would result in the possibility of innumerable delays such as the process of subpoenaing witnesses. The Board withdrew to consider the request for postponement for under an hour until they decided to reject the motion.

There was also the issue regarding the presence of the assistant District Attorney for Kennebec county, brought forth by the student's lawyer. He requested that the D.A. be removed since his client was placed in a difficult and untenable position. However, the Board concluded that this hearing was open to the public in accordance with the power given them in the Colby Constitution.

The hearing took place after such issues were resolved by the Board. Approximately four hours were devoted to the listening of the testimony and eye witness accounts of students present at the time of the alleged assault. The accused

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"The Diseased Years: AIDS"

by Chris Smith

Last Wednesday evening, March 11, professional journalist David Black read a passage from his book entitled "The Diseased Years: AIDS" to a relatively small audience in the Commons Room. The reading was enlightening in that it opened people's minds to AIDS' related issues that have been overlooked, matters which desperately need to be addressed by society. More specifically, while still recognizing the medical attentions AIDS must be given, Black seemed most concerned with the extent to which the disease has and will affect societal behavior. "For when AIDS has finally left us, while only a small percentage of the population will have been affected by AIDS, everyone will have been deeply affected by the fear of AIDS."

To illustrate his point, Black began the talk by describing the many inaccuracies often cited and the extent to which society is being immersed in the AIDS culture. For example, due mostly to sensationalized articles and the press' fascination with "celebrity AIDS," most people believe that if a cure is not soon discovered,

AIDS will spread through the general population of the U.S. Many have based such predictions on the tragic pattern of AIDS in Africa, a scenario which he said would most likely not be imitated in the U.S. Black bases his view on the different conditions of the two populations and the way in which AIDS is contracted.

While the disease is principally sexually transmitted in the U.S., other means of transmission such as malnutrition, bad water and overuse of vaccination needles in general poor living conditions play a much more active role in the spread of the disease in Africa.

Moreover, Black suggested that heterosexual men and women are relatively safe from the disease. Again, he pointed to the fact obtained during his research. He stated that about 200 cases of AIDS have been reported in women in the U.S. almost all as a result of bisexual partners or unclean needles.

Furthermore, there has been only one case of a man contracting the disease from a woman.

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Casino night a success

by Betsy Kuller

Casino Night, 1987; how deliciously dry it was after the Gangreen party which was given on the previous night. After green death, not many people wanted to even think about, let alone look at any alcoholic beverage, at least for the time being.

Casino Night was sponsored by B.A.R. (Better Alcohol Responsibility) and Student

Activities. B.A.R. hired a special company which specializes in setting up casino parties for gambling and fund-raising, and consequently wiped out most of their budget for the rest of the year. Hank Whittenberg, Chip Gavin, and Rob Cloutier (all B.A.R. members) helped immensely in the entire setup.

There were 10 blackjack, 2 acey deuce tables, a roulette, a "Wheel of Fortune," and a craps

table. The casino company's director taught about 35 Colby students and faculty how to deal. Though some learned more successfully than others, everyone found it exciting to learn the process behind the famous international scene. Most of the tables were packed throughout the Casino Night, which lasted from 9pm to midnight, when an auction was held to sell prizes that people

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The Black Jack table attracts many on Casino Night last Friday.

photo by David Coleman

Inside:

Stu-A elections are next week. Read those candidates statements. See p. 6.

In trotting onto the playing field of power, Mrs. Reagan exhibited a zest for combat. See p. 9.

The Alcohol Policy Committee has been formed in response to recent events involving the liquor inspector on campus. See p. 12.

Colby has reestablished itself as one of the elite of New England Division III hoops. See p. 13.

LETTERS

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Who can you trust?

We human beings have this incurable problem. It is trust. We all too often foolishly believe that others will work in our best interests whether it be in politics or in more mundane matters like automobile repair. Unfortunately, this is a fallacy. Generally, those who we think work for us end up working for themselves. This has been demonstrated in the current state of affairs of the U.S. government. The Iran-Contra scandal exhibited the inability of the President to adequately serve the people with the abuse of his executive power. If nothing can be done about human trust, perhaps Ronald Reagan would be better off working as an automobile mechanic. At least, he would be easier to fire.

In light of the more gloomy aspects of our society and human nature, it seems practical to call your attention to the Stu-A elections that will be held next week. You owe it to everyone and yourself to consider in whom you wish to entrust power. The ability to influence change and reform depends upon your action. Read the candidates statements in this edition (p.6) and then digest what has been said. Ask yourself whether each of the candidates has had the sufficient experience in student leadership to act responsibly in an important position. After, select those individuals who you believe will be most likely to work in the best interests of all.

Although Stu-A is certainly not as grand an organization as the United States government and you will not have the honor of having Ronald Reagan as your fearless leader, these elections are nevertheless very important. We hear a lot about student apathy at the Colby Echo. It is up to you as voters to elect individuals who will make this campus exciting: socially, culturally, and academically. Help to combat apathy, not promote it. The persons whom you elect are those whom you are trusting to lead you for the next year. Be careful with this power and you will help prevent abuses from occurring. If you don't vote wisely and then become dissatisfied with the state of student government next fall, only you are to blame.

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Hall staff selection a problem

To the Editors:

At last, the Echo puts an article about student government on the front page. Too bad I think the article as a whole was worthless. Sorry Ms. Staff Writer, but if you had to coddle to an administrator (in which you may have had personal motives) at least you didn't have to do it at the expense of the Executive Board, Board of Governors, and the student body. Because the article in last week's Echo was so one-sided to McPhetres-Maisel's point of view, I'd like to offer a rebuttal to a few of her points and leave it at that for now.

1) "it was from...ignorance, and not the facts, that the accusations of unfairness have developed."

I have known exactly how the process worked since last year, and the Board of Governors realizes where the problems arise in the selection process. Unfortunately, writing the process off as student

ignorance isn't a way out.

2) "the process is a selection, not an election."

Shouldn't all aspects of Colby have checks and balances involved? Don't faculty tenure decisions, as well as most other Colby processes take into account student input? What gives McPhetres-Maisel the right to be a dictator on the mechanisms of the selection process.

3) "she would have never agreed to letting the board choose hall staff interviewers...because that is not their job. They are not qualified to make those decisions."

Can we please come down from our ego trips. The students of the hall staff know best what kinds of jobs the staff is doing. The Governors are the student representatives. They are able to pinpoint the responsible hall staff which would be most qualified to interview next year's candidates.

4) McPhetres-Maisel

HR/RA article misleading

To the Editors:

We are writing this article to let the students know that the people involved in the writing and presenting the HR/RA proposal are appalled by the article written by Ingrid Ekstrom in last week's Echo.

The way in which she researched the article was ludicrous, and much of the information that she gave was quite misleading. (It should be noted here that most of Ingrid's misinformation came directly from the Associate Dean of Students office.) We are disgusted at the way in which Joyce McPhetres-Maisel can make a commitment to student government and then totally disregard that commitment and do just what she agreed she would not do. McPhetres-Maisel told the student government that the Board of Governors would be able to choose all of the students that were to participate in the HR/RA selection process. She then went out and chose the senior HR's and RA's that were to be part of the interviews.

Our attempt in this article is to set the records straight and show the student body what the

Board of Governors was able to accomplish regardless of McPhetres-Maisel's deceit. For some reason Miss Ekstrom and McPhetres-Maisel listed the new selection process as if they were just restating the previous system. In the previous system, McPhetres-Maisel had the final say in who was to be chosen as HR or RA; now it is a system where the committee has the final say. It was only after quite a bit of work by the Stu-A Executive Council and the Board of Governors that this new system was established, giving the power of selection to a committee.

In conclusion we would like to say that we are very upset at the way in which this article was written and in the way in which McPhetres-Maisel totally disregards and disrespects the views and goals of the student body. We believe that it is the job of the Associate Dean of Students to work with, and not against, the students; this is something McPhetres-Maisel needs to learn.

Sincerely, John McNinch,
Stu-A Parliamentarian, and
Tom Ferris, Perkins - Wilson
Governor

disagrees "with the priority that is now given to experienced hall staff."

The Board of Governors agrees that qualified hall staff may be away for junior year. The point is that an RA knows what the job entails. The experienced RA will be better able to advise and counsel new RA's since they have already gone through the job. If two candidates are applying for HR and have roughly the same qualifications, the experience candidate should be given priority.

Seemingly, the Staff Writer did not understand the depth of the problem, therefore, she was unable to realize that there is much more to the hall staff issue than just the selection process. When the hall staff process is completed, I will write my version of the HR/RA proposal and the problems encountered along the way. Look for future Stu-A President editorials. My office hours are 8:30-9:30 am Monday and 12:00-1:00 pm Wednesday.

Thanks,
Michael W. Ashley,
Stu-A President

Setting the record straight

To the Editors:

To set the record straight:

There were inaccuracies in two of last week's letters to the Editors Re: Sanctions in disciplinary matters.

1. In the case of snowballs thrown at the Arbo's truck, the Dean's office recommendation was for probation for the rest of the semester and a letter of apology.

Neither suspension nor expulsion was recommended.

2. Reference was made to an alleged rape case four years ago which allegedly resulted in social probation.

In the past 13 years there has never been a rape case heard in a Dean's hearing or a Judicial Board hearing.

It is unfortunate and potentially destructive for individuals to comment on situations without obtaining accurate information first.

Janice Seitzinger

Responsibility and alcohol

To the Editors:

In his recent letter to the Echo Mike Misner called for the dismissal of a Colby security officer on the grounds that she was "too small and too incompetent to make anyone feel secure." He finds that her presence at a "predominantly male beer party" causes "conflict and challenge" and that this somehow indicates some incompetence on her part.

In my opinion, the existence of this challenge and conflict does not reflect poorly upon Debbie West but instead shines a

revealing light on these intoxicated Colby students. It does not indicate inefficiency on her part, but rather the faulty judgement and juvenile behavior of the challengers. If it requires a highly threatening male security officer to maintain order on this campus, then perhaps it is time that some Colby students became a little more mature in regard to their drinking habits. If Debbie West is only "effective in becoming a victim" as Misner has suggested, what of the female student who attends one of these parties? I have this

notion that a security officer's job should extend far beyond the breaking up of drunken male brawls. If that is not the case here at Colby then perhaps the recent criticism of the behavior of Colby students in the Echo is not without good reason.

Finally, there are subtle implications in Misner's letter that trouble me. This association of "woman" with "incompetence" and "victim" is unsettling. Debbie West is a highly trained individual and certainly qualified for her job.

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What's going on?!

To the Editors:

What is going on? Colby College is here by and for the students. We pay close to \$60,000 for our education at Colby and it is my understanding that it is the contributions of ex-students (alumni) that give the school its life's blood as well. We are paying this institution for a four year service, and after graduation, some of us keep contributing. As any person or institution that is hired to perform a service, it would seem that the "school," or at least that arm of it that is supposed to be the student voice in the Administration - the Dean of Students - should respond to the rather serious critiques that have been leveled at it in the letter pages of the Echo in the past few weeks.

The suspension of a student, it would seem to me, is not a project that one enters into without a great deal of consideration and forethought. We are talking about a loss of at least \$7,500 and an irrevocable black mark on the student's reputation. The letters in the Echo have implied that this is not true - but what is going on?

I am asking for President Cotter and Dean Seitzinger to make a coherent address to the student body either directly or through the Echo (preferably both) to explain the Administration's position regarding suspensions, the actions that warrant a suspension, whose decision it is, etc. I use the word "coherent" to indicate that we (the students) have the right to an accurate, understandable, thorough, and unambiguous account of what the school's policy is, has been, and will be.

A few of the questions that must be answered are:

1. Is there any consistency in policy (i.e. severity of "crime" and corresponding punishment across the years)?

2. Are certain "undesirable" groups or individuals singled out to be "eliminated" if they slip up (in Reaganese this would be "neutralized"). Although this would not be admitted to - in a subjective judgement certainly the possibility exists for administrative bias, how often and to what extent does this bias enter the decision making process?

3. Does the Dean of Students give equal treatment to all sides of an issue, as it should (innocent until proven guilty), or does the school only collect evidence for the "prosecution"?

4. If it is argued by the Dean's office that Stu-J recommends punishments - to what extent is their recommendation determined from the top? Certainly the Dean's office gives the Board some guidelines or implied expectations of punishment. Whether officially, in casual conversation, or in the selection of the judges, the Dean's influence must be present - but to what degree?

I asked the above series of questions because the Dean's Office has been accused of being negligent on all accounts. Is this true? Can we have an honest answer? Should a student/administration "Tower Commission" be established to re-evaluate suspension policy? We, the students, are the school. We do not want hedging or sidestepping. We have a right to know what is going on.

David Sullivan

Institutional racism

To the Editors:

My friend Bev Hawk and I were sitting around one day talking about the trip both of us had taken to Kenya in January. Because the experience was so incredible, we both had made some major decisions: Bev felt she needed to push for a Junior Abroad Program in Kenya and I decided that I wanted to live there in some capacity, whether it be volunteer or as a student. Talking several times together about the frustrations both of us were having, I took it upon myself to write a letter, a plea actually, to the students of Colby and especially the administration who seem to believe that programs to countries other than Europe are useless and no Colby student would want to attend. Maybe someone will see things a little differently and somewhere down the road other people will want to teach in Kenya or go to school there and have that option.

What I am actually talking about is, and this is a scary word so be patient with me, institutional racism. I wasn't even aware that the problems I was encountering, and the problems that other people encounter when they want to go to study in a Third World Country, actually had a name.

But unlike the phrase implies, it has very little to do with Martin Luther King-style racism, or South African apartheid. No, institutional racism is much more subtle, and does not necessarily include an understanding of black, but certainly the business as usual, colonialist, imperialist heritage of the British where learning is judged on a specific euro-centric continuum. The model of the best, the most challenging academic institution is found in England at Oxford, or Paris the Sorbonne, or at Harvard in the U.S. For post-colonial countries, there is no hope that their institutions could ever equal those in Europe, that is simply not feasible. But there is an assumption here that learning takes place only within the university and that underdeveloped countries are big black vacuums. In the European Educational Model, that is true, for the life in Germany, though perhaps culturally different, is still very much like life in the U.S. In Kenya and other countries, that is simply not true. Learning takes place constantly outside the classroom environment, because standards are not the same here and people live without a

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Bowen on tenure

To the Editors:

On the assumption that the discussion about tenure proceedings will forever be an ongoing one, I hope here to offer reassurance to the unreassured, untenured.

Gimbel, Nelson, and every untenured person should, and has every right to, question the tenure system at Colby. That the system is imperfect, flawed, terrifying, and secretive, is beyond doubt. I am certain that the system has made mistakes, mistakes of two sorts: 1) it has given tenure to people who have quit taking the jobs of

teacher, scholar, and public servant seriously; and 2) it has not rewarded tenure to some people who have been truly worthy. In short, "tenure mistakes" can be found, both here on campus and, no less regrettably, on campuses other than Colby's where our loss has meant some other college's gain. In either case, such mistakes are reason enough for feelings of deep regret and profound grief.

Personally, I'd rather not be responsible for helping to make such grievous errors, for helping to make such weighty

decisions about a colleague's "worth" (defined here quite narrowly, referring only to the candidate's tenurability). It's not enjoyable, the decision-making process is time-consuming and often confrontational, it causes a lot of soul-searching, loss of sleep, anxiety, and on occasion estrangement from colleagues whom you know and respect. It is a thankless task, but one which we all know must be performed. Like democracy, it is a poor system, but is probably better than all the other

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Another view

To the Editors:

I feel the publication of "A Simple Questionnaire" in the Echo is a blatant statement of pro-homosexual tendencies. Colby College, however, is not composed entirely of homosexuals, they are a minority. I realize that as a minority they need to express themselves as much as heterosexuals do. I have not seen any Questionnaire aimed at homosexuals from the heterosexual community, although it is evident that anti-homosexual feelings run through the community.

I don't like this "questionnaire" - it is obviously just another slanted, unrealistic attempt at sarcasm by the homosexual groupies. The Questionnaire is not an effective way to express homo-

sexual viewpoints, it only makes them look bad. They are trying to make us (the heterosexuals) see how they are oppressed. They try to make homosexuality an acceptable institution, they want to make it appear "natural."

Homosexuality is not natural, if it were we would not have developed. From a biological viewpoint the main goal of any individual is to pass on his/her genes to subsequent generations (reproduce). An organism which can effectively do this has a relatively high "fitness" value, assuming most offspring survive. An organism which can't pass on his/her genes to subsequent generations has a fitness value of 0, "unfit." I would hardly consider an individual with a fitness

value of 0 to be considered a natural state of being or tendency. It is obviously unnatural.

This statement (Questionnaire) put out by the gay community only reinforces the attitudes of the majority heterosexual community, which is that the gay community feels that everyone puts them down and oppresses them. If they weren't so blatantly outspoken people wouldn't notice them or bother them. They don't want that. They want attention and they use the cry of discrimination to get it.

Heterosexually,
Albert Languet and Andy
Levin

last week's ad

From the Association of Gay Psychologists; sponsored by The Colby College Gay & Lesbian Informational Phoneline 872-3635

A SIMPLE QUESTIONNAIRE

1. What do you think caused your homosexuality?
2. When and how did you first decide you were a heterosexual?
3. Is it possible that your homosexuality is just a phase and that you may grow out of it?
4. Is it possible homosexuality stems from a neurotic fear of others of the same sex?
5. If you've never slept with a person of the same sex, is it possible that all you need is a good gay or lesbian lover?
6. To whom have you disclosed your heterosexual tendencies? How did they react?
7. Why do you heterosexuals feel compelled to seduce others into your lifestyle?
8. Why do you insist on flaunting your homosexuality? Can't you just be what you are and keep it quiet?
9. Would you want your children to be heterosexual, knowing the problems they would face?
10. 97 percent of child molesters are male heterosexuals. Do you consider it safe to expose your children to heterosexual teachers?
11. Even with all the social support marriage receives, the divorce rate is spiraling. Why are there so few stable relationships among heterosexuals?
12. Why do heterosexuals place so much emphasis on sex?
13. Considering the menace of overpopulation, how could the human race survive if everyone was heterosexual like you?
14. Could you trust a heterosexual therapist to be objective? Don't you feel she/he might be inclined to influence you in the direction of her/his own leanings?
15. How can you become a whole person if you limit yourself to compulsive, exclusive homosexuality, and fail to develop your natural, healthy homosexual potential?
16. There seem to be very few happy heterosexuals. Techniques have been developed to help you, if you really want to change. Have you considered aversion therapy?

Another view on alleged assault

To the Editors:

When Echo readers set eyes on the letter Mike Misner wrote to the editors in order to "shed light on the extremely poor handling" of "the incident where a student allegedly accosted Security Guard Debbie West," little did they realize that the "light" of the story is as sickly-looking as the conscious Ultra-violet rays you soak up at Tan-O-Rama.

While Misner claims that the actions of Colby Security were "outrageous," when they "waited outside the student's room 2 hours after the incident" and "banged on the door throughout the night," he also claims the injustice that Security and the Colby Administration created in not wondering after the well-being of the student. STOP. Misner has left out an important factor here. Since I was present at "The Scene" from the moment of the alleged assault and then to 2-3 hours later, (in the adjoining dorm) I know, as well as just about everyone else who was involved with the scene, that after the alleged assault, after the R. A. successfully pried the student from West, who, by the way, was pinned to the ground, no one saw either hide nor hair of him for at least 4-5 hours. Yes, the student took off faster than a cat on a hot tin roof.

Therefore Colby Security and the Administration may very well have been showing concern about the student by looking for him. He obviously had been drinking heavily, and

he could have hurt himself, as well as possibly other people who were hanging around that late as well. Misner doesn't seem to realize that Security's responsibility is to other members of the college as well. What's more, the fact that West is a security guard, however "small and incompetent" does not erase the fact that she was assaulted. If it were a female student assaulted, the student might have gotten in even more trouble. The difference is that West and the Administration had the guts to press charges for the alleged violation of the law. A student might not, because of the "Scandal" and hassle it might create.

And here's something even more interesting. Misner was not even there throughout the alleged incident. He had hurt his head and was taken to the Health Center for stitches. He wasn't even at this particular scene after he was allowed to leave. He went to the Heights afterwards and did not return until the wee hours of the morning.

Now this is the part where I get angry. How can Mike Misner actually think that the problem lies in the administration and the fact that he thinks West was a liability to Colby Security? "Certainly, her presence in a male beer party will result in conflict and challenge..." True, but whose fault is it that when you guys get together for a beer party you don't have the intelligence, discretion, and maturity to control yourselves enough not

to break the law, impinge on someone else's rights, and hurt yourselves in the ridiculous process? Is it her fault? Are we going to "dismiss" Security Officer Debbie West, "reveal" a "disorganized and negligent administration," and twiddle our thumbs while questioning authority and getting a little attention for ourselves in the process? What rebels are we in thinking the problem lies in something other than ourselves, and that making a lot of noise will solve it?

Maybe the Administration is disorganized as far as discipline goes, as Misner pointed out in an example where a student "recently appeared before Stu-J for throwing snowballs at an Arbo's truck and the dean's office recommended suspension." But it's really disturbing how many people are lying to themselves about this incident. While the stories that have appeared in front of Stu-J stating that the student did, on his own, assault Security Officer West, are consistent, the other stories have discrepancies and often contradict one another. How can we have an efficient disciplinary system when we can't even acknowledge the truth? And in light of this, I beseech each one of us to think about the values by which we want our college community to stand, and by these standards, show the Administration that we can honor and handle a freer, more consistent, and lenient system of discipline.

Betsy Kuller

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lot of what we would consider necessities - a decent shower, a hairdryer, different clothes to wear. Learning is growing, and the administration, by denying my access to this, is not doing what I am paying it to do. Come on Colby, wake up. We are here as students to be as challenged as we possibly can, to examine new and different things and to make sense of our world. What kind of world can

that be if we are only allowed to go to places that might challenge us intellectually but not emotionally, or physically. I'm not saying that Africa is for everyone, it isn't, but I think everyone would like the option to be challenged in such a way and not made to feel as though, a colleague of Bev's put it so well, they are taking the journey to the Red Spot on Mars.

Melissa Tuck

• Responsibility

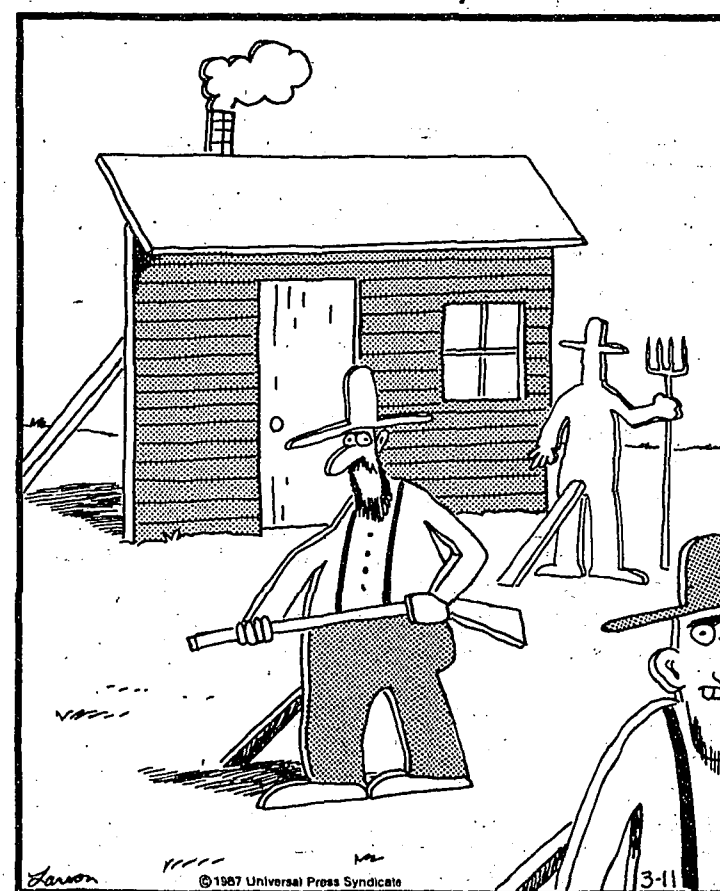
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The suggestion that she be dismissed was obviously the product of some distorted

reasoning. It is my hope that other male students on campus do not share Misner's opinions.

Sheri Batchelder

THE FAR SIDE

By GARY LARSON



The fake McCoys

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options.

The question of time spent on each case has been raised; I repeat, it is a time-consuming process. Gimbel quoted me correctly in stating that between "three to five hours" are spent reviewing each candidate's box (letters, evaluations, personal statement, etc.) This is hardly enough time to spend in making such a consequential judgement about another person's life. Yet, this is the amount of time spent on the box alone; additional hours, usually in the evening, are spent reading the candidate's publications (in the case of books, this might be five or six hours). Too, each of the nine members of the committee spend at least this much time on each case, bringing the total committee person hours spent to 27 to 45 hours per candidate for the boxes alone. Speaking only for myself, I rest easier knowing that others will likely pick up relevant facts that I might overlook.

But does time spent translate into fair consideration? No one can answer this question to the satisfaction of tenure candidates, but I can say that the time spent is quality time: sequestered alone in a small office with no windows, isolated from noisy Eustis business, with short breaks in order to regain powers of concentration is quality time.

But is that enough? Would even 500 committee person hours be adequate to the impossible task of rendering a fair judgement?

I do derive some comfort - and urge untenured people to follow suit - from the democratic and representative features of the committee, one which forces social scientists like myself to listen attentively to the more informed views of, say, humanities members of the committee when one of their own is being judged.

But even their expertise sometimes does not convince me to accept their evaluation of a particular candidate. Ultimately, each of us alone must cast our secret ballots according to what we think is appropriate, fair, and just. At such moments, I better understand Camus's admonition that we all must act, but act as if we might be wrong. Little comfort, I realize, to those rightfully terrified of an uncertain future. But this is the best assurance of my empathy for your ungodly situation.

Finally, I appreciate that these words of reassurance must seem awfully self-serving and self-justifying, and so they are. I am only too aware that the tenure system, here or anywhere else, seems similar to the fraternities that we not so long ago abolished. The rites of initiation into the permanent "fraternity" of scholars is a feudalistic holdover that the untenured "pledges" are con-

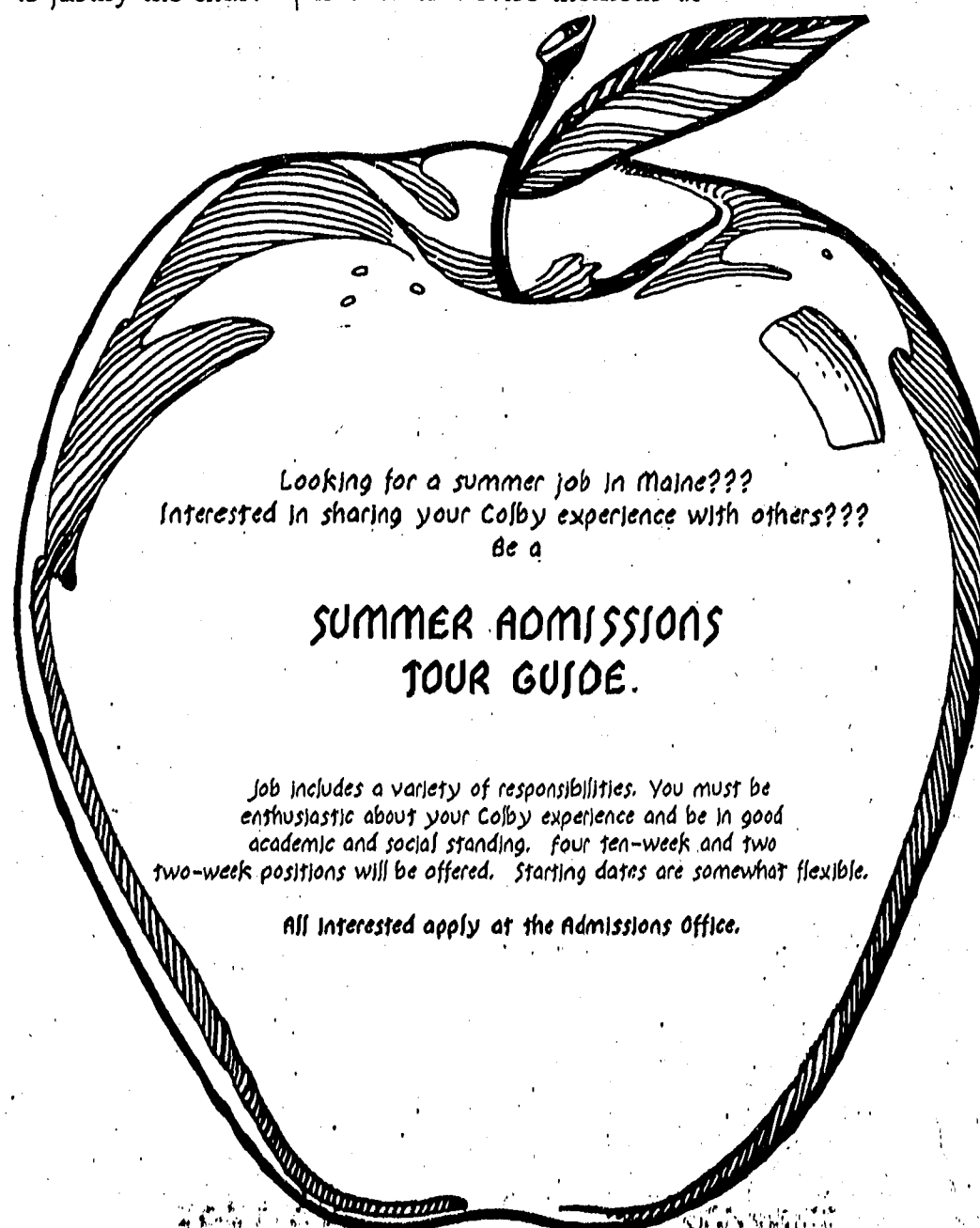
demned to endure.

Yet the goal of the tenure system is to guarantee academic freedom; lousy means for a noble goal. It is difficult, therefore, to justify the method while easy to justify the ends.

Recently voiced complaints by untenured persons justifiably lament the means; I personally hope that they continue to be voiced, at least until such time that this community of scholars is able to devise methods of

judging that are as just as the goal of academic freedom which we all seek to protect.

Roger Bowen



FEATURES

Thursday, March 19, 1987

Women's studies conference

The Third Annual Colby College Women's Studies Conference entitled "Vision and Revision: The Challenge for the '80's" will be held this weekend, March 20th-21st, on the second floor of Roberts Union. Guest speakers as well as members of the Colby faculty will be giving presentations on various topics of concern to women today. No advance registration is required

for attendance at the conference sessions, however students should inform Nancy Mackenzie in Career Services if they plan on attending any of the specially scheduled conference meals. Conference sessions are free to everyone; all are encouraged to attend.

The schedule of events for the Women's Studies Conference is as follows:

FRIDAY, MARCH 20

4:00-5:30 WINE AND CHEESE RECEPTION

5:30-7:00 DINNER

7:00-8:00 KEYNOTE ADDRESS-Karen M. Gershman, M.D., faculty member of the Maine-Dartmouth Family Practice Residency and Medical Director of the Maine Veterans Home, will speak on "Liberating the Waiting Room: New Perspectives on Women and Medicine."

8:00-10:00 ENTERTAINMENT AND SOCIAL HOUR featuring songs by women members of The Occasional Chorale and a showing of "Master Smart Woman" a film about Maine writer Sarah Orne Jewett by Augusta filmmaker Jane Morrison who died tragically in January while working on a film project in Kenya. A tribute to Morrison will accompany the showing of the film.

SATURDAY, MARCH 21

8:00-9:00 am BREAKFAST

9:00-10:15 SESSION I (choose one of the following)

Women in Intimate Relationships, led by feminist psychiatrists Nancy Coyne and Kethy Frye. Career Services Library.

Feminist Pedagogy, Feminist Mentoring, or Simply "Good Teaching," a panel facilitated by Dana Birnbaum, U. Maine. Whitney Room.

The Man and "The Woman": A Lacanian Reading of Perfume and Men's Cologne Advertisements, an audiovisual presentation by Garry Leonard, English Department, Colby College. Hurd Room.

Women's Health Care, led by Kathleen MacPherson, USM, Psych Classroom.

Woman Power: Resetting the Political Agenda, Karen Heck, Maine Women's Lobby. Smith Room.

10:30-11:45 SESSION II (choose one)

The Bisexual Option, Virginia LaCrow, USM, and Jessica Bahros, both of the Maine Bisexual People's Network. Career Services Library.

How to Enjoy the Wonderful Crisis of Middle Age, Caroline Day, Colby College, Virginia Dersch, Sociology Department, Colby College, and Arley Carman Clark, National Book Award-winning author and columnist for the Camden Herald. Whitney Room.

A Woman Artist's Journey, a slide program by Patricia Reis. Hurd Room.

Talking About Sexuality, Shannon King and Judy alton, KVCAP Family Planning Center. Psych Classroom.

Postmortem Pregnancies: Legal and Ethical Issues in Sustaining Pregnancies in Brain-Dead Women, Julien Murphy, USM. Smith Room.



The Cotters speak to students at an informal "fireside chat."

photo by Chip Gavin

Cotters host forum

by Chip Gavin

On Tuesday, March 10, at 7pm, President and Mrs. Cotter met with about 20 students in an informal fireside chat in Leonard Lounge. President Cotter spoke first, explaining his role as President of Colby. After this introduction, both President and Mrs. Cotter fielded questions from the group.

President Cotter explained that in his role he is responsible for an entire spectrum of activities. Administratively he meets with the Deans of the College on a weekly basis and handles difficult disciplinary cases as they arise. He is also responsible for making the final decision regarding faculty tenure.

The president went on to explain the other side of his role, that of public speaker, fundraiser, servant on many government education committees, scholar, and lobbyist for education. The president explained that occasionally he

finds it appropriate to lobby political figures as Bill Cotter and not as President of Colby College. Point in case, he recently wrote to Senator Cohen, using personal stationery, urging him to vote against 40 million dollars in Contra Aid.

Perhaps the most provoking question of the evening asked was if there were "any future plans to deal with fraternities or if the administration is comfortable with their just being no more houses." President Cotter responded saying "There isn't any plan" and we will probably reiterate the rationale for abolishing the fraternities and "appeal to people to make the choice not to join." He also stated that "the aspects of fraternities that were particularly criticized are pretty much gone." The elements of fraternities that remain that are disturbing are those that put pressure on individuals to join, when perhaps they don't want to.

President Cotter made

reference to students and parents complaining to the Dean's office about the pressure on freshman athletes to join fraternities. "In the longer run," he said, "the college is in a terrible dilemma, it doesn't want to be a police agency, it doesn't want to be seeking out people... On the other hand the college has officially abolished fraternities," so if students or parents complain about pressure to join, "the deans can't turn their heads either."

Other questions from students focused on a wide variety of topics. The discussion touched on: expanding field house and locker room facilities, installing an all-weather outdoor track, selling the Colby ski hill, broadening the range of COOT trips, the prices charged by the Bookstore, expanding Colby's anthropology staff, the low percentage of women and minorities on Colby's Board of Trustees, expanding the art/music facilities, and Tenure Policy at Colby.

Gang green

by Eric Mitchell

I first noticed them on Monday morning. After exiting Robert's for breakfast, I climbed the stairs and saw the first one. A small sign read Gang Green. Immediately following these words, I noticed the guest list included Dr. Ruth, Fred Rogers, and Barry Manilow. I

smirked and proceeded towards the lobby. Another announcement lept out at me. It stated, "A night you will be sure to forget." By this time I had the feeling something big was going to happen. I quickly eliminated the possibility of an all campus party, after all, it was Alcohol Awareness Week.

I became more suspicious when I went to retrieve my voluminous campus mail. While carefully selecting which pieces of information would be placed in the circular file, something made me look up. I was staring eye to eye with Sleepy, a leprechaun. He too had something to say about Gang Green. He boasted, "It's fun." This was all I needed to know.

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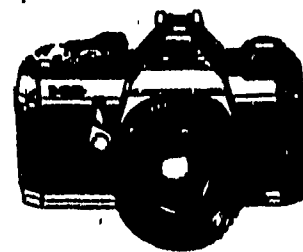
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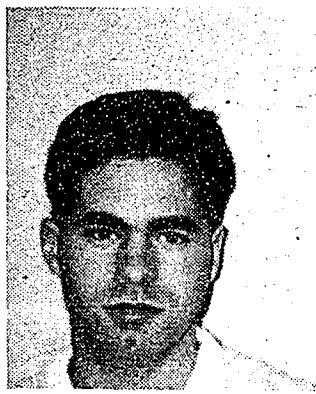
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Tom Ferris
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I am running for Stu-A President because my ideals and my experience can best represent the student body as a whole. I am a member of the Educational policy committee, I am the chairman of the committee that is investigating and working on improving the new intramural system, and most importantly I am currently the Stu-A Parliamentarian, which makes me a member of the Board of Governors and one of the seven voting members of the Stu-A executive council. As a member of the Stu-A executive council I have been working with Mike Ashley and Heather Cameron, the current President and Vice-president, on an almost daily basis. I have gained, in this position, experience and insights into the way a Stu-A President must act in order to get the proper results. This is far stronger than the experience that could be gained in any other position.

Tom Ferris and I are both very enthusiastic members of the board of governors. Although I am very willing to voice my opinion, I am also very willing to listen to the people around me. I understand that not all of my opinions coincide with those of all the students. This is why I feel that it is my job to surround myself with people representing the views of all of the student body, since, as Stu-A president, I shall be a representative of all the students, not just a select few.

The first matter that I would like to look into is the 7% increase in tuition this year after having an 11.5% increase just last year. Tom and I would start on that this year. If elected we would have the opportunity to address the Board of Trustees in April and find out their exact justification for the increase and make sure that this increase is beneficial to our educational system as a whole.

If elected Tom and I would like to look into many other

possibility of expanding the course selection for Jan Plan. We would like to see the office of the Registrar attempt to send out the course election packets to the students before registration so that students would know if they needed to go to registration; this would make the entire registration process less hectic for all of those involved. We would like to see if there is any possibility of getting cable T.V. on campus and we still want to work on creating an intramural system that the entire Colby community will be able to enjoy and participate in.

Some of the other issues that have been of some concern and that have been expressed to us are the issues of more campus parking so that there will be an alternate to illegal parking and also better campus lighting. Even though Colby is a private college, it is also accessible to the public on all sides. We believe that it would be much safer for our student body if we had more adequate campus lighting. Another concern is the development of a diverse social and cultural life on campus. There has been a trend during the last years for the social and cultural committees to focus on the same type of events and lectures. Tom and I feel that there are many different types of activities that can be offered to diversify the activities on campus.

In conclusion, I believe that Tom and I are the best choice for Stu-A president and Vice-President. We work for the student body, not the administration. We will reflect the student body's voice to the Board of Trustees and we will inform the student body of the events that occur in the administration. Our combination of proven leadership and experience will provide Colby with a strong and effective student government.

Turmoil (tur-moil) n. Confused motion; disturbance; tumult.

The events of the past few months have created much turmoil in the Colby College Community. Some recent and controversial J-Board decisions, coupled with the recent changes in the liquor policy has incubated an "us" versus "them" attitude between we students and the administration. There is also the ever present question as to whether the commons system is working and there are those annoying problems such as student parking, that need to be dealt with.

As far as the J-Board is concerned, there should be some structure and specific criteria supporting the decisions that are made. We must ask ourselves, "Does the punishment fit the crime?" Perhaps if some criteria were

established, there would be more consistency to the decisions.

The liquor policies are, unfortunately and for the most part, out of our control due to state and federal laws. Despite this, we are a community and we have the ability and responsibility of dealing with our own problems. After all, doesn't the College try to encourage us to act like adults? A program developed by the Student Association and the Board of Governors concerning the liquor policy might alleviate the pressure on the school by the State of Maine, and, eventually make Colby the "fun" institution it once was.

Since returning to campus this past fall those students who owned cars were faced with fewer convenient parking places. Why did we (not me, I don't own a car) lose some of

our places, and how can we get them back. Let's face it, most of us hate to walk halfway across campus to park our cars. And God forbid we park our cars "illegally," because Arbo's will come and tow us away. This represents \$25.00 that could be invested in pizza, and instead it's contributing to the soaring profits of a private corporation that we students have grown to

hate. A possible solution might be to have B & G tow the cars that must be towed, and revenues generated by the fines or towing charges funneled back into a scholarship fund.

Finally, is the Commons system working? We all know the answer to this question. What are some of the goals of the Commons system and how does the administration plan to attain these goals? The administration must be made to realize that many students are unhappy and that some changes are needed to make Colby the institution the students want.

Of course, these are only a few problems, and who knows if any of them will actually be able to be solved. We don't have any catchy slogans or gimmicks to get us elected, but what we do have, is the desire and tenacity to make Colby begin to reach its full potential. So trust us (our mothers do).



Amy Rasimas
Stu-A President



Bill Auersweld
Stu-A Vice President



Jeff Farley
Stu-A President

School spirit and student voice are virtually non-existent on Colby's Campus. Through effective and experienced leadership, there exists the potential to focus on these aspects and promote change throughout the Colby community. It is imperative that we, as students, emphasize our needs and complaints so that change can occur. Through developing a greater variation and greater amounts of activities and events, we can enhance campus life and school spirit. Rather than intently focusing inward towards the Commons, it is the Student Association's duty to look outward towards Colby, and thus, to the student body as a whole.

There are specific issues which need to be addressed. Foremost, there is a definite need to develop an alcohol policy which not only decreases probable cause, but more importantly, does not undermine student's social life. Through coordinating special activities in conjunction with athletic events, attendance and school spirit can increase. The Intramural system needs re-evaluation and participants should have the option to receive P.E. credit on attendance. Most importantly,

students must be encouraged to take interest in important issues and activities. Rather than remaining insignificant and passive, student voice must be fostered and advanced.

In order for student input to be promoted and considered, it is imperative for student leaders to be experienced and responsive. To have an effective student government, leaders must be competent in dealing with all issues and members of the administration. We feel that we have both the experience and enthusiasm to promote this change. Through our combined experiences as Johnson Commons President, Governor, Class President and members of various all-campus committees, we have established a knowledge of Colby's governance and administrative structure and processes. An effective student government requires a balance between experience and innovative ideas and goals. Through your vote, you can establish and enhance student voice and involvement in the development of responsive student leadership.

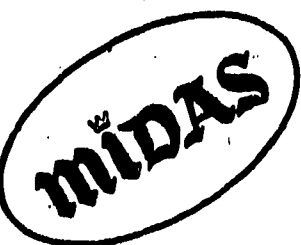
We would appreciate your consideration and support.

Amy Rasimas and Bill Auersweld

My name is Jeff Farley and I am running for the Stu-A presidency with Demetra Giatas as my vice-president. Demetra and I work very well together, having both been governors in Mary Low Commons, and we know that we can provide the effectiveness and the enthusiasm that the positions require. I have the experience to do the job effectively. Having been a governor, Mary Low Commons president, serving on the Student Affairs and Educational Policy Committees of the Board of Trustees, I am confident in my ability to do the job that Colby students expect. As Stu-A president and vice-president, we have many goals.

Our first goal is to break the monotony of Colby social life. Instead of the usual DJ and keg party; more money should be spent on live bands. We will be more imaginative and most importantly maintain the policy of drawing big name bands like Squeeze, Talking Heads, etc. to Winter and Spring Carnivals. We will spend more money and promise to make social life the best in Colby history.

We also feel that Colby students should be educated as to the effect of alcohol and the continued on page 7



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law, but we also feel that Colby's liberalism concerning alcohol should be protected against an overzealous liquor inspector. Colby is one of the few schools left in the country where the alcohol policy is liberal. We will be firm in our stance to maintain this tradition.

One of our major goals is to make the Administration aware of the students that live on campus and off. Example after example shows the Administration disregarding student government decisions and student interests. Also, the Administration is taking the hard line against students and bringing them before J-Board for minor incidents that ends up increasing the gap between student and College. Student government and student interests need to be taken seriously by the Administration. We will take a hard stance in upholding student's rights and force the Administration to recognize these rights.

In order to achieve this goal, it is crucial that there be a reorganization in the decision making process. As it stands now, the Commons System, which is an excellent student government system, has no weight in the decision making process. Why is it that student opinion is oftentimes left at the wayside on issues that affect our daily life? We want decisions on college issues to reflect the interests of the student body. As Commons president this year I have worked out a plan to increase student input on all issues that affect student affairs. If elected, Demetra and I will not accept any alternative other than full acceptance by the Administration of a plan that will insure that student opinion will be heard and counted when dealing with college issues.

Room Draw and Intramural systems should not be governed by the Commons System. In the Room Draw system students should have free access to any room on campus, regardless of commons. The unity that the Commons System desires will not develop regardless of whether or not there is Commons retention or an all-campus plan. If people want to stay in their commons then in an all campus plan they will choose to stay. Students should not be forced to stay.

The same also applies to the Intramural system. It seems that the Administration is forcing the Commons system into many aspects of college life that it doesn't need to be concerned with. As Stu-A president I will make sure that the student's interest is represented. Let's go back to

the days of I-play and forget the Commons Cup.

Demetra and I have the experience and enthusiasm to effectively represent the students and the college's interests on issues that affect Colby. Action needs to be taken soon in order to correct the immediate problems of both an overbearing Administration and liquor inspector. We feel that we have the solution to these and many other problems, but we need your support. Please vote for Jeff Farley and Demetra Giatas.

Jeff Farley and I would make a great team as Colby's President and Vice-President of Stu-A. We have complimentary styles which help us work well together as well as with other people, including students, faculty and administrators. One of our main goals is to start building a more unified campus. Although we respect the Commons System, we realize its limitations and can see ways to improve it. This would, among other things, strengthen Colby's campus at the social level by building unity of student body rather than diversity of commons.

My experience as a governor in Mary Low Commons (sitting on the Board of Governors) and this past semester serving as Administrative Assistant in Johnson Commons have helped me gain an understanding of Colby governance. This is essential to become most effective at the positions Jeff and I seek nomination in. I have no doubts Jeff would fulfill his role as president at his best potential, and as his vice-president I would strive for the same success.

Intramurals at most schools play a major role in the unity of the college as a whole. Colby had that unity when I-Play system was used. The Administration in its attempt to incorporate the Commons System into traditional college activities like room draw and I-play, created the Commons Cup to further promote the Commons system. Unfortunately since then Intramurals have become disorganized and unpopular. Jeff and I will see to it that the Commons Cup is scrapped and Intramurals takes on the tradition it should. Other problems exist on campus, some of which Jeff has dealt with in his statement. We will work diligently to solve the problems that students face with social life, school policy, and the Administration.

I hope you'll support Jeff and me in our campaign. We are interested in the well-being of the campus and the student body, and would work to support the best interests of the College.



Dave Rand
Stu-A Treasurer

The position of Stu-A is important and demanding. To do a thorough job one must have the energy to work hard and the experience to succeed. It should not be an endeavor undertaken as a learning process, but a task that is performed by a person knowledgeable of budget preparations and the Stu-A system. I believe I have the skills and enthusiasm to do a great job as Stu-A Treasurer.

As an Administrative Science major I have learned the basics of proper budget preparation. However, this does not give me the knowledge necessary to be a good Treasurer, but my practical experiences do. As the Vice-President/Treasurer of the '86 Men's Rugby Club, one of my responsibilities was to draw up and work with the club's budget. I not only learned how to prepare a budget but also the process of submitting a club budget to the school. As Administrative Assistant of Lovejoy Commons for the past two years I have learned a great deal about working within budgetary constraints. This position also requires me to be a member of the Stu-A Finance Committee which helps the Treasurer make decisions about budget requests. Although the Committee was not very active this year I would like to increase their input to make it a more democratic process.

As Treasurer I would like to set up better guidelines as to what the exact role of Stu-A should be for special events. For example, the funding for the recent Racism Workshop by Dr. King was collected from many different sources with most of it coming from the individual Commons when in fact it would have been possible for it to come directly from Stu-A. I would also like to expand the role of the position so the student body would have more input on such things as tuition costs and Spa price increases.

With my proven ability to work hard, openness to new ideas, and the skills I have learned from education and experience, I feel I am the best candidate for Stu-A Treasurer.



Bob Murray
Stu-A Treasurer

To the Members of the Student Body:

If you take into consideration the amount of tuition you pay to go to Colby, it is important that you know how it is spent. On March 23 you will elect someone to be in charge of allocating approximately 150,000 dollars to the various clubs and organizations at Colby. This will require careful budgeting, efficient allocation of funds, coordination of auditing procedures through a finance committee and a lot of organization.

As student manager of Dana and Foss dining halls, I have been directly involved in organizing student employment. I have worked on the creation of new job opportunities for Colby students. During the month of January, I was hired by the Seiler's corporation to cut budget costs by reducing inventory. This employment experience included the careful reduction of a \$30,000 dollar budget to a \$12,000 budget.

So what does this all mean to you? This means that I have the necessary experience to ensure that money allocated to the Student Body will be divided up equitably.

Vote Bob Murray for Stu-A Treasurer on Monday.



Lauren Kossow
Stu-A Financial Chair

The members of the executive board represent you, as a student. The upcoming year promises to be a successful one, with the election of qualified candidates. In order for student organizations to be best served, a competent and dedicated person must be elected to the position of Finance Chair. I feel I hold the qualities to undertake the responsibilities of this position.

The most important function of the Treasurer is to prepare the annual budget and to allot funds to student clubs within predetermined financial restrictions. Additional responsibilities include auditing accounts and co-ordinating the re-allocation of funds as necessary, throughout the year.

My training as an Economics major, and as a current member of the finance committee has

familiarized me with the duties of the Treasurer. As both winter and spring carnival chair, I have exercised these skills. The successful organization and budgeting of the carnivals has enabled us to bring more popular bands and a greater variety of entertainment to Colby. With this continued financial initiative, we will have the means to pursue a wide array of students interests.

If elected, I am determined to commit the necessary time and effort to ensure that all student organizations receive the funds they fairly deserve. I plan to manage Student Association money diligently, in the best interest of the Student Body as a whole. This will entail closely monitoring expenditures to see that funds are not being wasted, when they could be better used. Vote for the more qualified candidate who will work for you. Vote Lauren Kossow.



Mark Enger
Stu-A Social Life

In running for Social Life Chair of Student Activities, I feel that the candidate needs to be familiar with the planning process and the execution of a social event. In running for this position, the candidate must have experience and knowledge of the direction in which Colby's Social Life is headed. This year, social life at Colby has made great strides in providing a better and more diverse calendar. I am glad to say that I played a part in this progress. Being a member of the Mary Low Commons Social Committee and of Student Activities Social Committee, I have experience in the many aspects of Colby's Social Life. The core of my experience for this position has come from being a part of Winter and Spring Carnival Committees. I am Chairperson in charge of Hospitality for both of these events and have learned a great deal as to how Colby's social life works. From my experiences with Colby's Social Life, I feel that I am the best candidate for the position and am looking forward to working with you next year.

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Gang green

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the guest list, I encountered something unusual. Sleepy neglected to inform me that it was expensive to participate in this happening. I needed four dollars to attend this event. So, to finance the price of admission, I sold my car. I then realized Gang Green was the only event on campus that evening and the host applied the basic theory of capitalism in determining the entrance fee. (In all fairness I should mention a Controlled Drinking Experiment was scheduled in the Spa, but it was cancelled.) Now I knew I was in for something special. On Friday the thirteenth, I purchased my ticket and waited with much apprehension as the infamous nine o'clock hour approached.

I arrived at the Student Center just after nine. I was not alone. Many others had gathered in fear of not getting their money's worth. My heart could not stand the anticipation anymore. When it was my turn to enter the Commons Room, I almost collapsed. Inside, the lighting was green and festive banners hung with messages of encouragement for all. For many, these banners foretold their fate.

The room filled quickly with eager students ready for an unforgettable night of fun. As time passed, the dance floor and stage became crowded with many satisfied customers. Although the threat of the liquor inspector as well as Safety and Security's sporadic I.D. checks was evident, people

remained relatively relaxed. There were signs posted at each exit instructing everyone about the recently enforced Open Container Law.

Into the night people danced to the most appropriate songs for this occasion. Everybody enjoyed themselves as they waited for the main event. It began shortly after midnight. "Louie, Louie" boomed out of the sound system and all eyes were on center stage. Then out he came. To express his appreciation to all who attended this grand festival, he offered various articles of his clothing to the stunned audience.

When it was all over, people were unwilling to leave, but who could blame them? It was an incredible evening, why should it end? However, one had to sympathize with the clean-up crew. The floor became a sea of green, littered with familiar paper objects. In the end, as I found my way homeward, I wondered if it was a dream. When I awoke Saturday evening, my suspicions were confirmed.



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"Fighting Drunk"

by Ellen Krause

Last Wednesday night a crowd of 100 people gathered at the Heights Community room during Alcohol Awareness Week to see the movie-video "Fighting Drunk." The original twenty-five minute video was filmed at Dartmouth College, created by a student and depicted various aspects of college drinking.

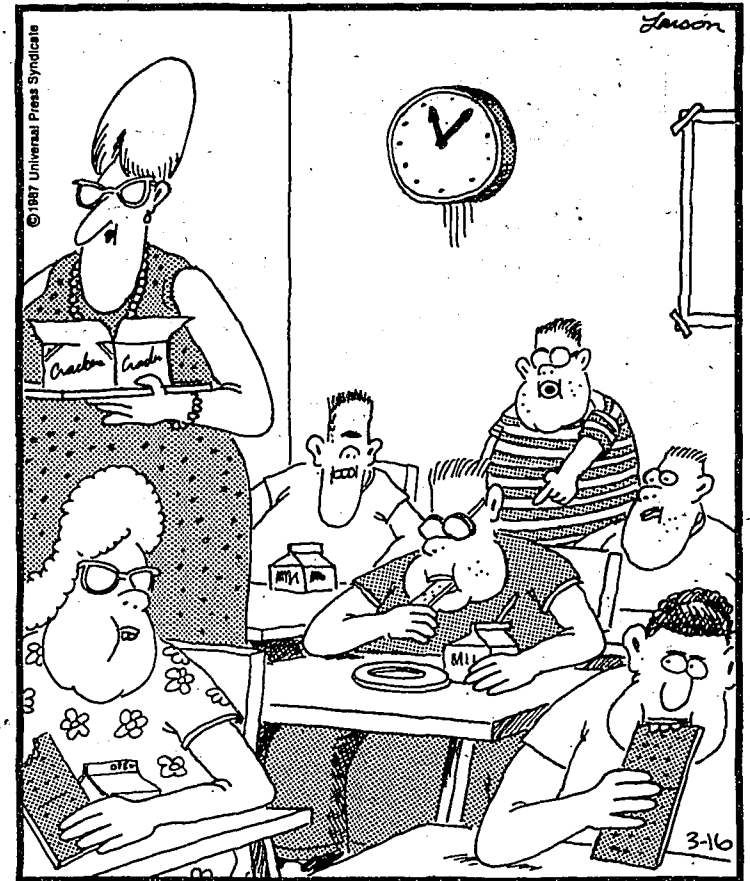
The movie making student attended fraternity and private parties in order to film real life drinking in the college community. Taking his camera around during Dartmouth's Summer Carnival to capture students with a frisbee in one hand and a drink in the other.

Highlighting the video were candid interviews with a few students. A male shared his experience with alcohol by relating a personal incident involving bedding down with a woman he didn't know. As a result, he spoke of feeling bewilderment about his actions and self-doubt. The camera man himself described a fight which left him with a broken jaw, while the drunken individuals responsible for his injury walked away unscathed.

I found this video to be an informative and honest exhibit of college drinking. However, the drunken strangers I saw last Wednesday night on the screen bore a striking resemblance to the Colby students at our own student center this past weekend.

THE FAR SIDE

By GARY LARSON



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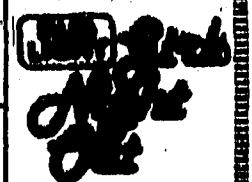
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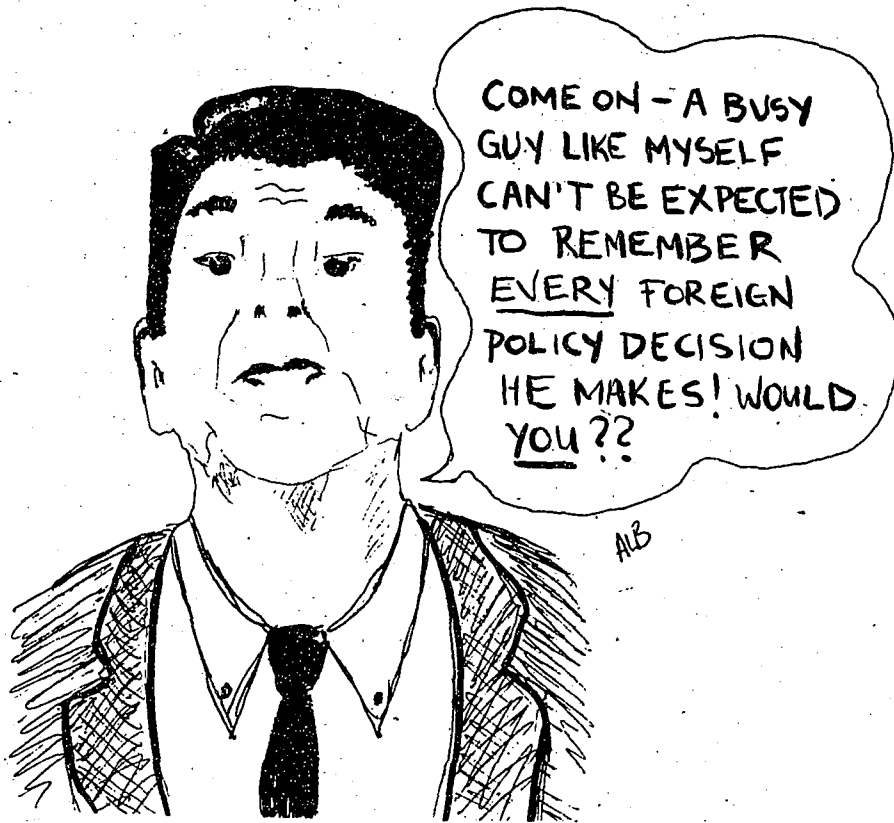
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WASHINGTON - My criticism of Nancy Reagan's successful media ambush of the White House chief of staff (Don Regan had the temerity to suggest that her husband hold a news conference) drew some attention.

President Reagan denounced it as "despicable." The White House pollster Richard Wirthlin earned brownie points by chiming in with "vicious," and Time's Hugh Sidey called it "vitriolic." William Buckley deplored such "vituperation" and George Will pronounced it "rubbish."

I didn't mind being portrayed as Westbrook Pegler to Mrs. Reagan's Eleanor Roosevelt, though FDR's wife never phoned a coterie of media celebrities to bring down Harry Hopkins behind the president's back. And when a columnist called to say "Look, the East Wing is a good source for me and I'll have to polish an apple by taking a pip at you," I freely granted absolution.

What got to me, though, was a message from the editor of GQ, a fashion magazine: "Remember that piece we wanted you to do on 'What to wear to a White House dinner? Forget it!'"

The stimulus for all this goofy gallantry was not, as a New York Times editorial would have readers believe, any suggestion of mine that a First Lady could not have strong opinions on any subject or that the president could not get his advice from any source. That argument knocks down a strawperson. My point was and is that Mr. Reagan is being made to look wimpish and helpless by a wife who has crossed the line from valuable confidante to behind-his-back political manipulator. Why was the president the last to learn of this? Because in Washington, the highest classification of secrecy - far less printable than eyes-only-sensitive-compartment-

ntalized - is "open secret."

In trotting onto the playing field of power, Mrs. Reagan exhibited a zest for combat. Speaking to a camping group, she late-hit her fallen foe: the First Lady brought up the subject of bloodsucking leeches and pointedly boasted: "I know how to get them off. I'm an expert at it." After playing that rough with metaphors, she should not seek refuge in feminism or femininity at a linebacker's essay that responds, "Welcome to the NFL."

She chose her own power teammates, too: if Whitney North Seymour Jr.'s vast staff is too fearful to ask her about any requests for appointments or favors that might have benefited her friend Michael Deaver's clients, the independent counsel should indict himself for malfeasance.

Her switch from helpmeet to handler obscures the issue she chose as her central cause: to protect the Reagan image by preventing him from having to ad-lib more than a few words in public.

Mr. Reagan has not subjected himself to open questioning for 113 days. That is a longer drought than any president since the practice began, excepting only Mr. Nixon during Watergate; Mr. Reagan's disappearance during the 1984 campaign was at least interrupted by debates.

The reason is not mystery. Mrs. Reagan apparently does not believe her husband has the mental acuity or physical stamina to spend the necessary days preparing for a wide-ranging news conference.

That's why we see him looking vigorous reading a set speech and looking full of pep at tightly controlled photo opportunities; it is why Howard Baker must testify he never saw a man filled with such vitality. But this invisible hands-on makes us suspect we live in Oz and it's only Frank Morgan in the Oval Office.

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America takes the fifth

by James Reston
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WASHINGTON - Everything has been examined now about what happened to the U.S. government except the role of the American people. We have blamed everybody but ourselves. It's almost as if the American people had taken the Fifth Amendment or been granted immunity from explaining why they elected Ronald Reagan in the first place.

We couldn't really say he deceived us. The Tower Commission complained about his ignorance of the facts, his carelessness with the truth, his excessive reliance on subordinates, but we knew all that back yonder when he was governor of California.

He was the good-looking, easy-talking type out of Hollywood every mother warned her daughter to avoid - irresponsible but irresistible. We didn't really elect him but fell in love with him.

He followed every old movie script to the letter. He sold us the Brooklyn Bridge in his first term, and took us to the stars in his second. He hocked the family jewels and mortgaged the old house, and got money the new-fashioned way - he borrowed it.

But nothing broke the spell. We knew he couldn't balance the budget by cutting taxes, or get us peace and prosperity with a credit card, but it was such a happy idea, and he was such a nice man, and it made us feel so good.

It wasn't until he was discovered selling guns backstage to the terrorists in Iran, of all people, that we woke up at the beginning of the last act, stunned by the crash.

How could it have happened? What did the American people know and when did they know it? They knew everything from the start and did nothing about it. They like him because they're like him: well-meaning, optimistic, credulous, stubborn and a little bit dumb.

It's not new either. We knew the Japanese wouldn't dare attack us at Pearl Harbor; that the Chinese wouldn't cross the Yalu when MacArthur went beyond the 38th parallel in Korea; that we could rout the Cubans at the Bay of Pigs; that the North Vietnamese would run away when they saw our tanks and planes; that Beirut would settle down when the Marines landed; and with our money and our guns the "freedom fighters" would triumph in Nicaragua.

We knew, too, that what is popular is not always right; that we tolerated slavery for 100 years and had to fight a civil war to get rid of it; that winning an election is not the same as governing a nation, and that sometimes, as Leo Durocher said, "Nice guys finish last."

We still don't know who went South with Col. North's money, or who those "moderates" were who were supposed to swap hostages for guns in Iran, but we know governments often drift into trouble and that there's enough blame around now to cover us all, including the people.

We have another election coming up, however, and it will break our hearts if we don't learn the lessons of these recent events.

"We must adopt the habit," Walter Lippmann wrote over 40 years ago, "of thinking as plainly about the sovereign people as we do about the

politicians they elect."

"It will not do to think poorly of the politicians and to talk with bated breath about the voters. No more than the kings before them should the people be hedged with divinity. Like all princes and rulers, they are ill served by flattery and adulation."

This suggests not only taking a different look at our officials but at ourselves in the 200th year of the Constitution. Our low voting record is an acknowledged disgrace, and the method of choosing and nominating candidates is little more than a television show.

It will probably be even worse in 1988 when the candidates are flying around 13 states on Super Tuesday, appealing to local prejudices instead of the national interest.

We will need to know far more this time about the character and age and health of the candidates, and about the people they propose for their cabinets and staff.

This will or should mean earlier examination of the personal and political record and more direct debates between the nominees without the intrusion of reporters. In short, more attention by the people at the beginning of the election process rather than at the end.

For if we didn't know before, we should know now that history means something, that scandals don't just happen by accident but have deep roots, and that governments and even civilizations have the same fragility as a life.

THE FAR SIDE

By GARY LARSON



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Gipper come on down

by Russell Baker
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NEW YORK - Television news is being wiped out by game shows. It doesn't mean We the Audience of the United States are getting dumber. It just means we don't look to TV for the serious stuff anymore, just for light entertainment.

This is television as foreseen by Fred Allen - "chewing gum for the eyes" - and it explains why we are having this run of inadequate presidents. Presidential politics turned into television long ago, television turned into light entertainment and, inevitably, presidents turned into light entertainers.

We now see the ultimate fruit of the process in poor, bewildered Ronald Reagan, who is light entertainment from toe to pompadour. He is baffled by all the hostility since the discovery that he wasn't much good at governing.

It is tempting to sympathize. Didn't the public know all along that details of governing were not his department? He never pretended to be a details man. That details-of-governing business - that wasn't why the country elected him.

It had had details-of-governing with Jimmy Carter - couldn't keep his hands off any detail, even assigned time on the White House tennis courts, can you believe the guy?

Everybody had laughed about that because look what it got him: the curse of the Ayatollah, ruin, defeat, a loser's reputation as Old Doctor Feelbad, the contempt of the new hands-off White House, so smooth, so wonderful at making everybody feel good, so...so entertaining.

Reagan never said he would manage, and nobody who understood the management of large enterprises ever expected him to. Corporate tycoons adored having him in the White House, but when asked, "Would you hire him to run your company?" recoiled in surprise at the question, as if to say, "Egad, man, are you mad?"

Later, as his detachment from the work grew noticeable even to less astute observers, his

defenders argued that managing was not necessarily part of being president. The essential task, this argument ran, was to create an example of confidence, optimism, spiritual strength and good humor that would inspire these same virtues in the nation.

Presidents like Reagan were bound to result from the game-show campaigning which evolved after politics became television, forcing politicians to entertain or die. Once presidential campaigns ceased to be about running the country and became competitions for television ratings, the chances of getting anybody competent into the White House diminished.

Recent news has exposed us to several men - former Sens. Baker, Muskie and Tower among them - who are, obviously, more competent at governing than Reagan. None of them however, is entertaining enough to have given the gipper of yore much of a tussle in the Nielsen ratings.

It will probably become even harder to get well-qualified people elected president unless the business of nominating candidates is taken away from television. It is this monstrous process - starting with the Iowa caucuses and New Hampshire primary - that provides the entertainment format for turning an election into a game show.

With the connivance of the press, which ought to know better, television uses these two utterly inconsequential events to create an entire season of game shows. The "prize" is the presidency. It is always referred to as "the prize." There is no hint that the winner may soon wish his ego had listened to his common sense when it warned him to stay off television.

As in games shows, too, the "prize" is always presumed to be glorious, despite 200 years of evidence that it is very likely to be a misery. This is consistent with game-show law forbidding "hosts" to disturb a winner's ecstatic spasms by pointing out that the IRS will tax the booty as income, using the inflated price quoted on the

show as its true value.

The importance attached to the few thousand unrepresentative ballots cast in Iowa and New Hampshire is not based solely on the media urge to get a show off to a fast start, but also on the belief of politicians everywhere that Iowa and New Hampshire reveal who has the charm to win in the Nielsens and who doesn't.

The usual result is that competent candidates never get out of the chocks, and as the charm competition heats up with Super Tuesday and other entertaining primaries, teeth and haircuts become criteria of greatness.

The solution? Settle for the lesser evil: abandon the present nominating process and let the party professionals pick the candidates. At least they know who can cut the mustard.

• 113 days

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I believe President Reagan's handlers underestimate the man's resiliency and courage. I do not believe, as do some of Nancy Reagan's defenders, that the president is lazy, slothful, punchdrunk, depressed or suddenly too old to cut the mustard. All his life, through all sorts of public confrontations, he has surprised those who sold him short.

Needed now is a series of unrehearsed meetings with questioners; not just one all-or-nothing conference and back to the bunker until summer, but regular sessions in varying formats that force him to be informed and will let him reassert his leadership. Sure he'll bumble a few - he always has - but he'll be back on the bridge where a president belongs.

If I'm wrong, if Nancy Reagan is right in her protectiveness, it is urgent that Americans find out about it before her husband steps into the room with Mr. Gorbachev. We're the ones who need protecting.

As for GQ, Gentleman's Quarterly, here is what to wear to a White House dinner: no man's collar - and no woman's, either.

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OPINION

Off the Cuff The puppet man

When you cross over the sea from Ireland to France on a ferry boat packed with excited school children and because you are a frugal student and can't afford a berth because you're saving all your money for travelling on the Continent, you sleep beneath a staircase positioned right between the disco and the toilets. All night you don't sleep because of the racing, hollering, pounding kids who constantly cry out "Disco, disco, disco." You're happy when you get off the ferry boat in Le Havre, France. But not that happy.

Le Havre looked to be the most dismal place on earth in the rain. I was trapped in the middle of dockland. It was getting dark, but no matter how brightly I tried to smile through the rain to the passing truck drivers, none of them would stop. All I wanted was a ride out of dockland to somewhere with a bed. After two hours waiting for a ride the gutter started looking really good.

Finally, a trucker from the Shanahan trucking company picked me, "How far ye goin', lad?" he asked.

I checked his seats for comfort and they looked great, "South," I said, "as far as you can take me."

I hopped on board and nestled into the seat, not believing that anything could be quite so comfortable as a truck cab.

"Listen," he said, "I'm heading for Barcelona at a cut-off twenty miles from here so I'm going to have to let you out at the toll booth there."

The truck seat suddenly felt ten times better, and I wondered did I really want to go to Madrid or might Barcelona be better.

"Now I'll tell ye, lad," the trucker went on, "there's another trucker behind me whose goin' to Madrid. When I let you out at the toll booth, you can try your luck with him. But don't tell him I told you anything, OK."

"OK," I said, nodding my head and frowning my brows to show him I was serious. He let me out at the toll booth and I ran for all I was worth back to the Madrid trucker. The first thing I told this new trucker was that his mate two trucks up in the toll line told me he was going to Madrid and could I have a ride. After about thirty seconds of scraping away at his beard stubble, he told me to hop in.

I asked him his name; it was Noel Gilheany and that's all he said for the rest of the drive that night. We drove through the evening, into the night and through the night until five in the morning. Noel's cab seats were bad. They tilted forward so that I was constantly slipping off into the foot well. Between the bouncing of the cab and the slipping, it was all I could do just to keep my head from banging on the roof and my body from checking the sides of the cab. Sleep wasn't even an option.

At five in the pitch-black morning, Noel pulled his rig

into a rest area near Bordeaux, France. Behind us another Shanahan truck pulled in. Noel spoke again, saying this time that it would be too much of a bother to set up both bunks behind the seats, but that there would be no problem sleeping on the top bunk in his friend's cab.

Noel's co-trucker rapped on the side of his door and asked if everything was alright. Noel told him that he had a kid in his truck and could the kid use his bunk. At last sleep was in sight.

Noel's friend came around the front of the truck and I almost ran back into the cab out of fear. A short squat man just under five feet tall stopped to stare at me. A conical hat topped his bulbous face. He had a short, sharp tuft hair shooting out of his chin and a series of thin hairs which together tried to be a mustache. He smoked a long pipe that curled down and then up. He wore coarse dark clothes and a vest that looked like the dried skin of some tortured animal. If it wasn't my imagination then I'm sure the tips of his shoes curled up.

I reasoned that I was letting myself get carried away, and so I followed this man into his cab. In the cab he gave me the top bunk and a blanket the size of a bath towel to cover myself. I laid back fully clothed and closed my eyes, not believing that I was really going to get a chance to sleep.

The man in the bed below me, the puppet man, popped up to my bunk and wrapped his arms around my ankles. My eyes snapped open in disbelief, and there he was staring in grinning through the dark. I tried to reason out that I was in a dream, but the reasoning wouldn't work because the puppet man didn't go away. I tried to yell or move, but I couldn't do either.

After I don't know how long, he finally slipped away. I rolled to the side planning to jump out and run, but the puppet man struck again. This time he wrapped his hands around my chest and pinned me to the bed, his head inches away from face. Again, I was paralyzed. In my life I have never been so out of control, so utterly helpless as that night. The puppet man had paralyzed me with fear. After what seemed like a couple minutes, he dropped away again.

I have no explanation why this man would behave like this except that he really was an Irish puppet or a leprechaun. As far as I know a puppet only wants to get you; when they've got you they don't do anything but scare.

I'm as great a skeptic as the next guy, and I've even convinced myself that the whole incident was some sort of hallucination brought on by lack of sleep. But you never know anything for sure when you get right down to it.

**Daffodil
Days**



B.A.R. sponsored, among other things, "The Seatbelt Convincer."

photo by Dave Coleman

Wake me when it's over

Ya give me fever

Better Alcohol Responsibility.

For some, this is possibly the most limiting, frightening, and downright anti-social term presently circulating about the Colby campus. After a grueling work week of unflinching academic effort and eyestraining, seemingly ceaseless concentration (yeah, right), students want to "kick loose" and have themselves some good ol' academic aftershock fun. Surely this is not a foreseeable goal without the added attraction and wahoo sensation of "beeah." (Yo, dude!)

Casino Night set itself a vastly ambitious goal when it looked to entertain students without the ever-stimulating aid of alcohol. Now don't get me wrong, here. I don't want to come across as a modern day prohibitionist. Certainly we can leave that to our ever persevering, sadly unsympathetic liquor inspector. (Call me a pessimist, but I really don't think she likes us very much. You think she'll attend graduation this year? Guess not.) Still, I think that the evening, as compared to most Colby extravaganzas, is worthy of comment.

This was a genuinely original idea with a good deal of future potential. Gambling, in itself, is an oddity which brings out some fairly humorous, although sometimes scary hidden urges. Overall, aside from a slow auction process and the lack of available dance space and encouragement (possibly the "craps" and "roulette" tables could have been placed in the balconies for added realism and variety), people had a unique and pleasurable evening. Is this a trend? Goodness me, are variety and the "several parties at once" options just over that blue and gray horizon? Nah, but let's have some fun with it, while we have a chance.

Now I don't want to imply that even Colby fosters political corruption and pre-arranged pay-offs; and there are few

people that I know who are as honest or clean cut as Stu-A President Michael Ashley. Still, I happened to be with him when he pulled two complimentary one hundred dollar playing bills out of his mail box. Needless to say, I was disillusioned and even shed a tear for our slighted Colby community. Happily, I was paid a handsome sum to forget the whole thing. (But don't spread it around).

By some coincidence, Stu-A Vice President Heather Cameron won slightly more than \$80,000 during the event. I told you Ashley/Cameron was a winning ticket. Isn't it funny the way these things work out? (Oh, be sure to dress warmly for that Sugarloaf winter weekend, Heather).

The daiquiri alternative was sweet success... and none of the members of this tightly knit, always compassionate Colby family (am. I being overly sarcastic?) pushed in line, holding their cups out with stern expressions, or looked to their friends in order to get served first. Then again, come to think of it, there were no lines. Wonder why.

On a similar note, there weren't too many one night stands at the less than universally attended event. Likewise, despite the competition, there were no visible fights. Course there was this one guy who I'm convinced was cheating. But we settled that outside the gambling arena. (Yup, another pay-off).

Did you ever notice that even the most sedate academic sheds his or her skin when plopped in the middle of a sudden winning streak? Calm deliberation becomes Satan-like drive as the dealer is secretly detested by most big losers. And as you pass one of these player/dealer confrontations, you think to yourself: "Gee, I thought she was never the type to take a swing at somebody. Hope the dealer's nose wasn't broken."

Then again, as far as those dirty dealers go - geeze, they

take those losses away fast. I mean, they don't even give you time to say an emotional good-bye to your funny money. What a world, what a world.

And let's not forget those poor students who lose a small fake fortune, or who don't even get off the starting blocks before they are begging friends for a spare hundred. Why, I'm embarrassed to say that I actually saw one desperate fellow promising academic credits in exchange for a small loan. Still, it was good to see that the dean was participating.

Some people even offered to use real money for just one more playing opportunity. Yes, you've guessed it - they were Economics/Administrative Science majors. Those kooky kids.

Then there was that one guy who spontaneously took all his

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Chenevert and Farkas on alcohol policy

by David Russell

On Monday night Peter Chenevert, Director of Safety and Security, and John Farkas, Stu-A director, were in the Coburn lounge to discuss the new alcohol policy.

Both Chenevert and Farkas stressed the fact that the final responsibility is laid upon the host of the party. It is illegal in the state of Maine to sell alcohol without a license. Farkas illustrated this point by stating that if the liquor inspector asks where the money collected earlier in the day is going, and the response is "to alcohol and entertainment," this is a criminal offense and the host will be held responsible. A better response would be, "to alternative beverages and entertainment."

Serving minors is another criminal offense and is accompanied by a permanent mark on your record, five to ninety days in jail, and a \$100 to \$500 (not \$5000 as previously

reported) fine.

The best way to keep the liquor inspector away is to take away probable cause, said Chenevert. This includes open containers, obvious drunkenness, and reasonable suspicion of serving to minors. The liquor inspector can cite you with a civil offense, which is not permanent and does not carry such steep fines, if you are in possession of alcohol as a minor or have an open container in a public place (regardless of your age). You do not have to be drinking it (in public) and you may even pour it out in front of her (in Colby's case). As long as you have been witnessed in possession of alcohol in public, you may be cited with a civil offense. There has already been an incident in the Spa where a minor student was given a beer to hold and was then cited by the liquor inspector.

Farkas stated that the liquor inspector, when she is here, will be more likely to appear at big events and the Spa. He also

commented that she has not been around as much because the College has asked her to let them try and sort things out.

The issue of Colby Safety and Security and their role came up and Peter Chenevert had several comments. Colby Security is required by law to aid or escort the liquor inspector at her request. They also must rectify any infractions that they witness, they cannot "turn a blind eye." Chenevert also stated that he does not have the manpower to allow Colby Security to do the work of the liquor inspector, carding and checking for other offenses.

Seilers is hesitant to sponsor parties because if they are found in violation, the College, and Seilers will lose their rights to serve alcohol anywhere, including the Spa. Finally, when questioned about the fact that the liquor inspector is armed, Chenevert stated that, "She is a law enforcement officer and she knows how to use it."

Alcohol Policy Committee

by Karen Buckley

The Alcohol Policy Committee has been formed in response to recent events involving the liquor inspector on campus. Following the Winter Carnival fines an emergency meeting was called involving the Stu-A executive board, commons presidents, Janice Seitzener, John Farkas, and Pete Chenevert. The Committee consists of chairman Steve Teplitz, a governor from each commons, a faculty member, and one Student Affairs Committee member.

According to Teplitz, the committee was formed to look into the problem of underaged drinking on campus. The liquor inspector voiced concern over the way parties are run at Colby, which she views as a blatant disregard for the law.

"What we are trying to do is come up with some recommendations that will be acceptable to the liquor inspector, the administration, and the student body," said Teplitz.

Teplitz noted that the committee is looking at three problem areas: underaged drinking at all-campus parties, drinking at the Spa, and public

drinking. He feels that while it may be unreasonable to expect an end to all underaged drinking at Colby, "we do have to make it clear that we are trying to abide by the Maine state law."

The committee has met once so far to discuss ideas. Teplitz hopes some recommendations will be made shortly after Spring Break. A final recommendation will be submitted to the Commons Council and the Dean's Office for approval.

According to Teplitz, Bowdoin has been "under the gun" for about three months now. "It's important for students to understand we can't ignore this. We can't just sit back and hope the liquor inspector goes away, because she won't," said Teplitz. He added that the liquor inspector had made it clear the fact that she will be on campus regularly, as much as every weekend if she feels that is what is necessary.

"It's a difficult job to come up with something acceptable to everyone, but it's something that has to be done," said Teplitz. "It's a problem that's going to be with us for a while and we have to deal with it."

by Chip Gavin

Last week in "Nicaragua: Don't Believe Everything Uncle Sam Tells You" the Echo inaccurately portrayed the reactions of the students who

attended the Jan Plan to Nicaragua. Sighting a Soviet helicopter did not send "everyone to the floor in search of cover." Rather, they remained in their seats until the person

they were interviewing explained that the helicopter was either carrying wounded or mail. The incident was tense but not as chaotic as previously reported.

Student employment

by Paul McDonough

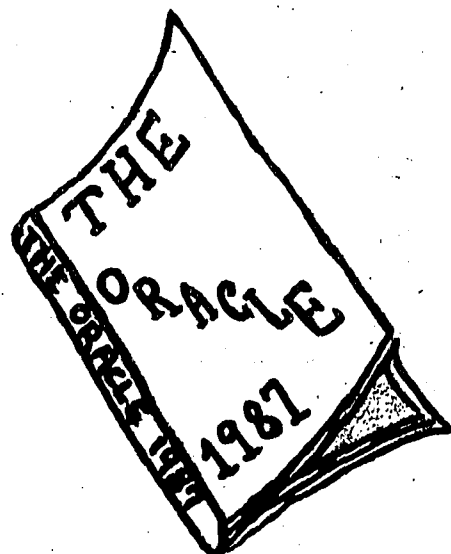
According to Carolyn Keshian, the student Work-Study Coordinator, some important changes have occurred in the area of student employment. Students must now file an action form before being paid. This new procedure, Keshian says, is tied to the new computer system started in January. The concern is that many students have not been filing action forms, and some may not even have been aware of the new policy. Keshian says that the system has been fairly successful. She adds that students not filing an action form slows down the system. She expects personnel to be more strict about this matter this spring. Keshian stresses that if a student wants to be paid, he or she must file an action form. This rule means everyone, including substitutes,

out three days in advance.

Keshian also feels students ought to be reminded of general employment policies. Jobs are tied to financial aid packages so hours vary, however, no upper-classmen may earn more than \$1300 dollars in an academic year. The limit for freshman is \$1200 a year. Jobs vary in terms of pay; either \$3.50 an hour, \$3.67 and hour and \$3.80 and hour. Keshian emphasizes that these pay rates refer to job functions, and not merit. Jobs that require more knowledge or skill, such as research assistants, are generally paid better. Keshian notes that the higher paying jobs are not necessarily more difficult to come by, so that students need not be discouraged from looking for higher-paying jobs. Keshian also states that the financial aid office can help students in locating campus employment.

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Colby basketball reestablishes elite status

by Christopher Watt

After finishing with a very mediocre 10-13 record last year, the Colby men's basketball team looked as if it was headed for a period of drought. After the graduation of all-Americans Matt Hummell and Harland Storey two years ago, who would have thought that our own White Mules would be back vying for the New England title so soon? Despite losing a one point heartbreaker to Framingham State College last Wednesday, Colby has reestablished itself as one of the elite of New England Division III hoops.

The first half of last week's contest saw neither team able

to establish a sizeable advantage. The final five minutes of the opening stanza saw the lead change hands several times. Senior Jeff Evan's 19 first-half points keyed the Rams, but it was Colby who held a narrow 45-44 lead as the halftime buzzer sounded.

Framingham came out of the locker room on fire. The Rams hot shooting from the field (58 % for the game) helped them to forge an 8 point lead with 14 minutes remaining. A combination of the vocal Ram faithful, Colby's dismal shooting performance (40%) and Framingham's domination of the boards (45 vs. 31 for Colby) helped them to achieve this advantage.

But back came the fighting White Mules. Behind senior tri-captain E.J. Perry's 19 second-half points and the general gritty play of the rest of the squad, the Mules were able to surge ahead by 7 with only 3 minutes remaining.

But just as it looked as if the Rams were dead, this see-saw battle began to tilt back their way. With just under a minute to play, the Colby lead was down to 4. Framingham's Angel Grullon drove the lane. The result: foul, good hoop and one. Score: Colby 93, Framingham 92, with about 40 seconds to go. Off went the shot clock, and if Colby could manage a four-corners offense for the remaining ticks, victory was theirs.

Lady luck was not with the Mules this night, however. An ill-advised Colby jumper fell off of the mark and the rebound was scooped up by the Rams. Framingham's Evans was fouled while handling the ball, but he missed the front end of the ensuing one-and-one. As the ball headed out of bounds, the Rams' Marvin Stutson made a diving save, with the ball landing in teammate Jim Hunt's hands right under the Colby bucket. He laid it in and gave Framingham a 94-93 lead with 5 seconds remaining. Despite a timeout, the Mules were only able to get off a desperation 50-footer which wasn't even close.

The Rams were lead by Evans, with 30 points, and

Grullon, who had 25. Perry (30 points) and Matt Hancock (24) lead the way for Colby. Despite such a disappointing loss, the season has been a rewarding one. It was a year which saw 2 players receiving all-New England honors (Hancock, Perry), one being named ECAC rookie of the year (Hancock), one reaching the 100 point plateau (Chris Powell), New England's finest division III coach winning his 250th game and the team coming within one point of reaching the ECAC finals (The team's first playoff victory of the 80's). Thanks, guys, for a very entertaining season!

Pelletier acquitted

by Bill Bullock

On January 30, Alan D. Pelletier of Winslow, ME. was acquitted of the murder of Colby College student Katherine R. Murphy who was beaten to death over 15 years ago. This verdict was reached after twelve days in court.

This case was a national issue, as it concerned evidence that was mysteriously unaccounted for fifteen years later. The prosecution's case relied on witness accounts over fifteen years old. Pelletier's attorney, Daniel G. Liley, had filed a request in district court that the murder indictment be dismissed due to many factors.

For example, Liley said;

*His defendant was not being allowed due process of justice due to sketchy witness accounts over fifteen years old.

*A book found near the body which could have contained fingerprints was reported to be missing.

*Also missing was Pelletier's pick-up truck, which he was allegedly driving on the night of the murder. The truck had been impounded by the Waterville Police Department on Nov. 3, 1971 and was reported to contain a bloodied armrest.

*An umbrella and book found near the body were not tested for fingerprints until 1986.

*Arrest and investigation records of the Waterville Police Dept. for 1971 (the year of the murder) were also reported missing at the time of the trial.

Liley's bid for dismissal was denied and the trial was carried through. Pelletier's case revolved around the sketchy and inconsistent details from the fifteen year old witness accounts. After 12 days in court including two days of jury deliberation, the jury acquitted Mr. Pelletier of murder on Jan. 30, 1986.

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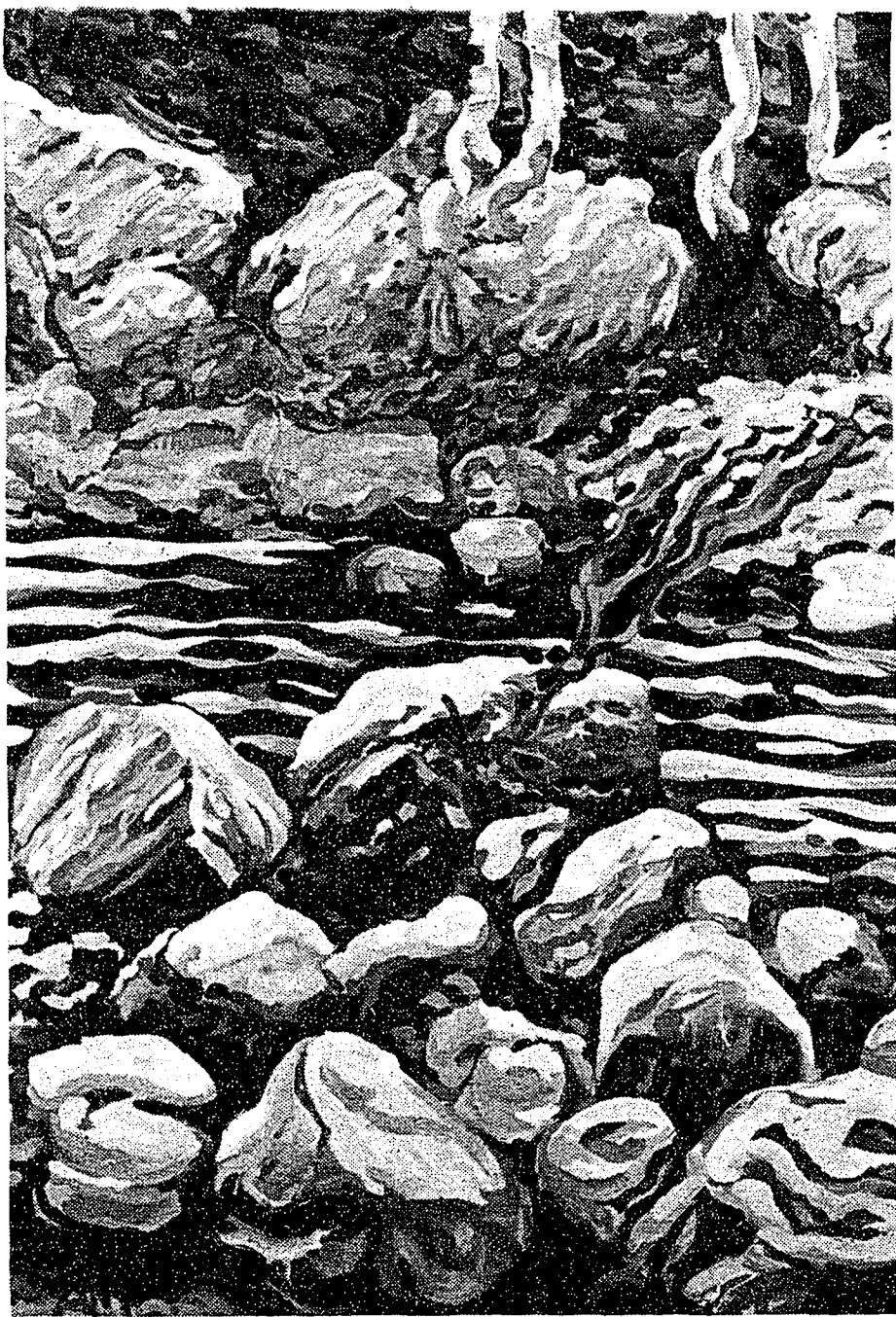
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ARTS/ENTERTAINMENT

Thursday, March 19, 1987



Across the Upper Sandy

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Poetry reading slated

by Ira Sadoff

This Thursday, March 19, at 8 pm in the Robinson Room, Jorie Graham will read from her poems as a part of the Colby Visiting Writers Series. Jorie Graham is one of America's most celebrated young writers: she is the author of three collections of poetry, most recently "The Death of Beauty," published by Ecco Press this spring. Helen Vendler has

written in depth about her work in "The New Yorker," she's been a featured poet in "The American Poetry Review," she's received fellowships from the Guggenheim Foundation and the National Endowment for the Arts. She teaches in the country's most important and prestigious writing program, the Iowa Writer's Workshop. The following poem is taken from her collection, "Hybrids of Plants and Ghosts."

For my Father Looking for my Uncle

The clues are everywhere.
Between the trees, small drafts that make the forest visible.
It takes forever to believe the dead are friendly.

We feel their unwillingness in the pines
motioning their needles in small reprimand.
In West Virginia they are marked with bouquets on the lawn,
at the end of each bouquet, a hand that can't let go,
and each in his own drawer at once hidden and found.

My father buried his brother's ashes here in a jar
with a bottle of rye.
Later, he didn't want him drinking alone.
Where did you go? Fall,

the trees go elsewhere,
leaving behind, with us, their heavier plumage, unfit for travel.
Look beneath the carpet of yellow leaves, or in
the fragments of the broken teacup still tasting of smoke.

Christmas, we opened the calendar windows, one
each day, until we believed there was another indoors,
assiduous, free, a small community, a dream with shutters.

A layman's review

Last Sunday afternoon, in a frenzy of "hyperhomework," I fled from Miller Library in search of a more aesthetic presence. I found myself heading toward Bixler to see Colby art professor Abbot Meader's exhibit, "Near and Far," views from his works from 1984 through 1986.

I expected to see an array of realistic portrayals of nature from varying perspectives; within nature and viewing it from afar. When I entered the museum, I was instantly blinded by bright greens; yellows, blues, and pinks. For me, these colors were catalysts of stress. My heart began to beat; the colors were moving too fast.

My feelings in response to Meader's portrayals of nature were inconsistent with my past

experiences with nature in art, or my past experiences with nature itself. Usually nature represents for me a place where I can escape from all of my phobias, take deep breaths and feel good.

Of the 76 paintings that the Meader machine produced in the past two years, very few of them triggered me to feel that way. Paintings such as "Cross Country Ski Trail," "Blown Down in Lost Pond Forest," and "Sandy River/At the Flume," which were views from within the forest, lacked space or enough depth. As a result, I perceived nature as a powerful source of claustrophobia.

The painted stroke showed little transition between what represented rocks, what represented streams, and what represented trees. I felt like I

was in a spinning blur of color spectrums.

Some paintings did, however, express the vastness of nature and its aesthetic value. These were paintings like "Dawn From Colt's Point," and "Cloud Cover Breaking," which were views of nature from afar.

My favorite piece in the exhibit was "Dryki at Little Lang Pond." This picture placed inside nature, and at the same time allowed me to realize its vastness. The colors of this painting were real and not too extreme.

The photo case also appealed to me. The pictures were arranged beautifully.

Later that afternoon, I sat in Miller Library in the same frenzy of "hyperhomeworkness" that had ignited my escape. The difference was that now I had lost one source of procrastination. I became SLEEPY and could work no more. Thus I headed home.

Nigeria and England: Mokai

by Christine Michaud

For those who are interested in something a bit out of the ordinary to do this weekend, the Colby Performing Arts Department, with visiting artist Yemi Ajibade, will be presenting the play *Mokai* on Thursday, Friday and Saturday at 8:00 pm.

The play is written and directed by Yemi Ajibade, an actor who usually divides his time between England and Nigeria. In England, he has worked with many illustrious companies including the National Theatre of England, the Royal Court Theatre, and the Royal Shakespeare Company where he has performed in many leading roles with some of the world's most accomplished actors. He came to Colby at the invitation of the Performing Arts to teach a mini-course in the Theatre of Africa, and the Black Theatre Movement in Britain. The play *Mokai* is not specifically part of the course, but Ajibade feels

that the two projects combine nicely as the play shows students one of the types of African theatre with which he deals in the class and as Ajibade said, "I thought that it would be very nice to give Colby a taste of it [African theatre]."

The play, Ajibade said, is actually an amalgamation of two completely different cultures, that of the English theatre, with which most of us are familiar, and the traditional African theatre of ritual and incantation. This is uniquely appropriate to this show, as its major themes deal with the clash of cultures in modern Africa, between Christian and pagan city and rural, etc. The play, which was written in Algiers in 1979, came about from a number of different experiences, arising both from Ajibade's childhood experiences with African mysticism and from the military problems in Africa at the time.

After some initial problems in

casting (the last part was cast only this past week) the show is now looking very much like a smooth running professional production. Ajibade's comment

that he had, "Never known people [the cast and crew] to work so hard" is certainly flattering from a seasoned professional. The cast of seventeen features Brad Schlong as Mokai, Brad Spielman as the Pastor, and Cori Brackett as Lya jo. Many of the other actors play as many as four parts. Stage and prop design was done by Professor Stephen Woody and the lighting design is by Peter Knecht.

Ajibade concluded his conversation with the remark, "The water is cold, but the people are very warm." I think that it would be quite appropriate if Colby continued its warm welcome with an enthusiastic response to the fascinating play *Mokai*.



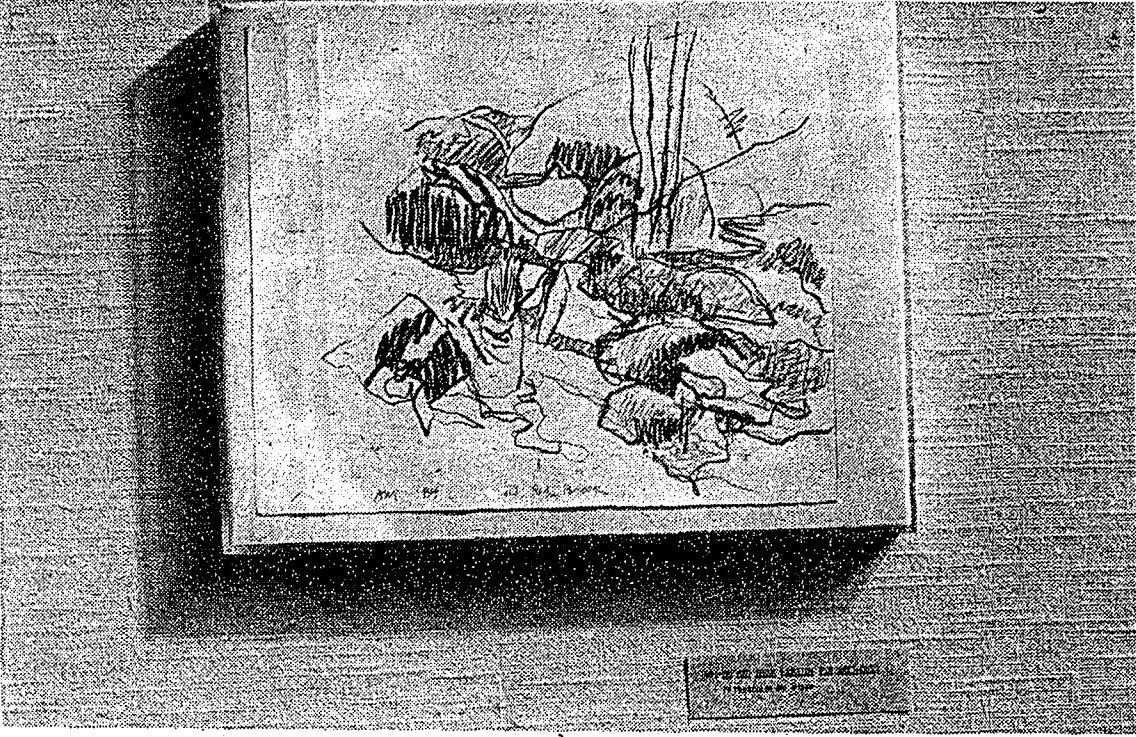
Mokai

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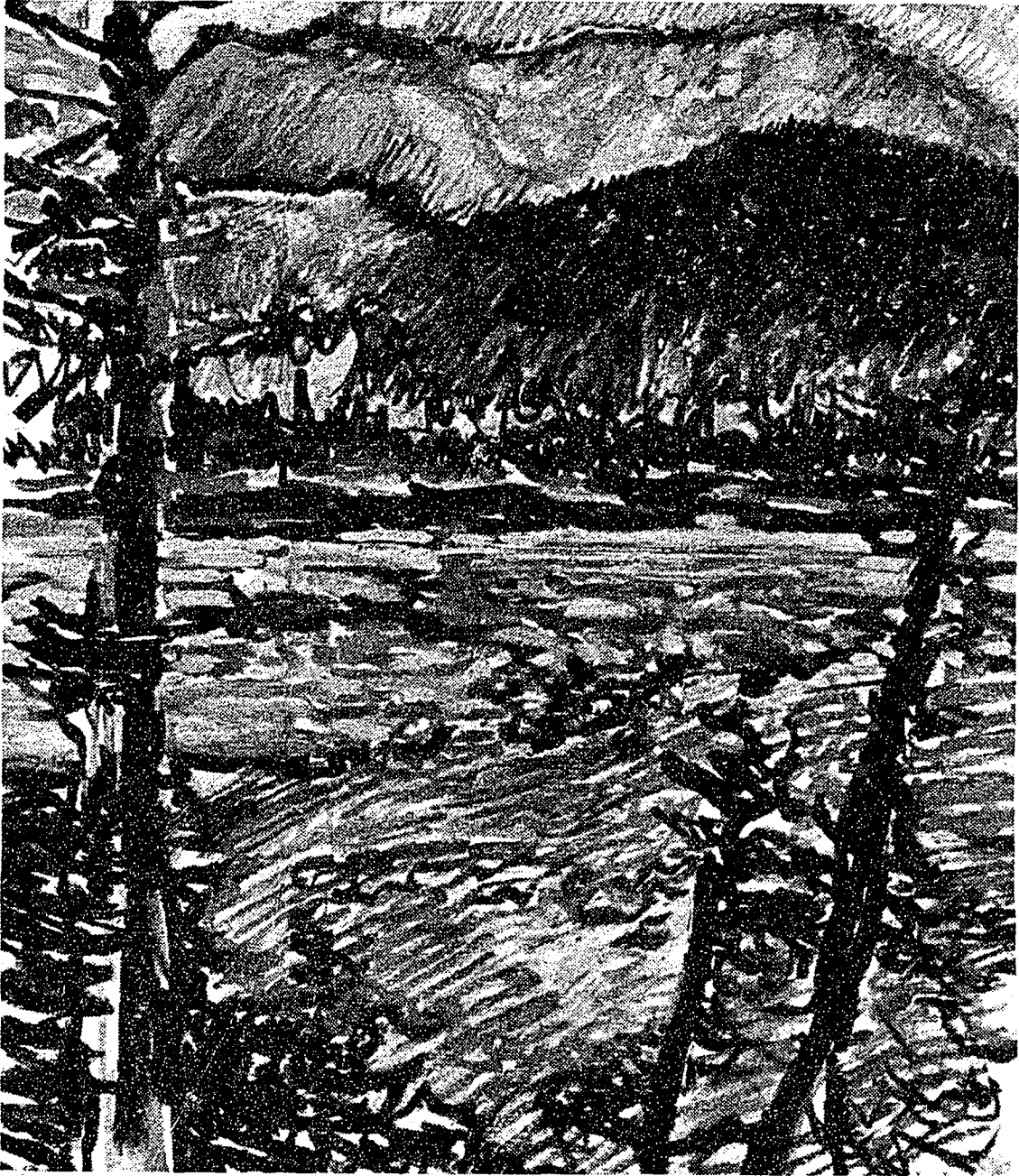
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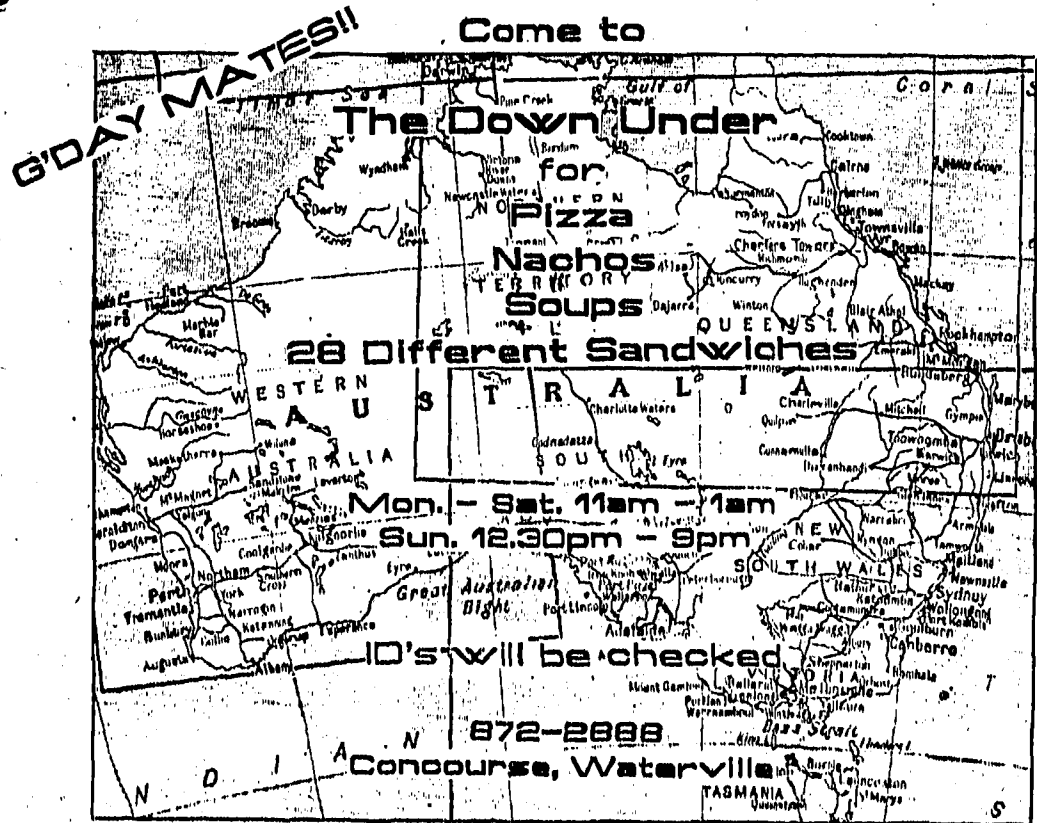
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• AIDS

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Black was most appalled at the way in which the straight community has used AIDS to express their long withstanding fears and prejudices of gayness in general. While the sixties and seventies seemed successful in breaking down barriers of sexual preference and race, he feels that the eighties is most certainly heading in the opposite direction. According to Black, the sexual revolution of the sixties has vanished in favor of sexual conservatism due to fear of AIDS, a phenomena which is pervading all facets of society including political attitudes about homosexuality and sex in general. At one point he asked, "How will the sex=death equality proliferated by AIDS affect our present children's future attitudes about sex?"

Black suggested that homosexuals also need to be aware of the way AIDS is pervasively affecting the way in which they express their sexual preferences. Having attended many Gay/Lesbian conventions across the country, Black cited the various slogans attached to freely distributed pamphlets advertising the various bars and houses where gay sex is offered. "AIDS, the ultimate S.M. trip." "Pump your partner with AIDS." "Die with your boots on and your cock out." "With AIDS you can feel like a freak all over again." Instead of taking serious measures to

practice safer sex, he worries that idolization of AIDS victims as the ultimate plateau in a gay's life is leading to less restrictive sexual practices and perverse behavior in general.

David Black's point was that people need to recognize the full impact of AIDS and begin to take more serious measures to combat the psychological impact of the disease on Western society. In his words, "AIDS needs to be addressed with the courage it demands." At the end, Black offered to answer all student questions. The invitation was met with silence from the sparse crowd.

• Stu-J

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student, however, did not speak on his behalf at the hearing for it was understood that anything that the student said could be used in a court of law against him.

After hearing testimony from all witnesses, the Board ended the hearing and deliberated for some three hours until reaching their decision at approximately 4:30 am.

• Casino Night

could buy with the play money they'd won. Greg Igo and Matt Frymeyer auctioned off a free weekend of skiing at Sugarloaf, dinner for two at The Manor, and dinner for two at "You Know Whose." Three par-

ticipants get out of Arbos towing free cards, a black and white T.V., and a hot tub for two.

There was a DJ, who played a variety of music, oldies to top 40, and the drinks, ironically, were one of the main attractions. There was a free monkey bar which served Strawberry Daquiries, Orange Shakes, and fruit punches.

Sarah Dickison, one of the co-presidents of B.A.R., was responsible for Casino Night. Alcohol Awareness week would not have been half the success it was without Commons Coordinator Jill Glickman. With the participation of much of the Colby Community, we found out that there's not just one kind of party you have to attend if you want to have a great time. Casino Night was the perfect night-cap for a very entertaining and informative Alcohol Awareness week.

• Wake me

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clothes off... Wait a minute, was that Casino Night?

- I particularly noticed those students who basked in the potential of instant success. I didn't have the heart to tell them that there is no such thing - except, of course, in the business world. Anybody got a good stock tip?

So anyway, I surely did have a fun Saturday night, thanks to a little Colby imagination. What could be better? A few people talked about getting trashed after the event, which is a pity, but no news flash. Incidentally, if you don't mind, I'd appreciate a wake-up call, now that this fairly well organized, once a year fun is over. You see, I recently hocked my watch and...



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Dan-

The class of 1987 thanks you for keeping the tradition strong!

Brad-

Is your walk natural or do you just walk like Howard the Duck?

*Congratulations Dudes,

Great party Friday night. Looks like everything came up green.

Brandon is the cutest one year old I have ever seen a picture of and he most certainly is not a jerk.

To Chaplain 2nd sem. senior- Rumor has it that the Blue Light is going to stay on this May due to a particular underclassman.

*To that Hairy Monkey:

Great exhibition at Green Death, but where was Goofy hiding?

Sarah (the boob)-

How are your eyes doing? D and L, your roommates

Mim-

Salve, do you remember which side of the bathroom you live on? Robbins or Peppers? D and L

Suzu-Q/AKA Pebbles

What are your themes and schemes? Mickey or the Muppets? Your Roommates

*To the Friday Night Stripper:

How about you and I get together this Friday. But would you also bring the DONG.

DINO-

How's Roger? Love,Us

Amy P-

Is it (ie) or (ei)? -Friends in Johnson Dining Hall

EGM-

Maybe you should have someone hold your feet next time you wave!

*Mike,

Don't worry. IT isn't THAT small.

I want to know who the 6 couples were "making whoopee" in the Chapel last Friday night!!!

A- Congratulations

Vanna may be in the kitchen but I want the Rat back!

M-

Singapore Slings with an army general? Maybe next time he'll win

Hey Holly,

F... Off! ... Did I really say that?

Judge and Brian-

Nice polaroids! Good exhibition. S.F.J.

34 and engaged???

-2 sober observers

Vote for Bob Murray for Stu-A Treasurer. Paid for by the Bob Murray for Stu A treasurer committee

H- fun weekend. It's always good to meet new people! But 3 nights in a row??!!-J

*Friday Night clean-up crew:

Great job! But weren't you guys cold?

Roommates-

we have to make scheduling changes. It isn't even free at 4 am!! And I keep missing out!!!

Do you have alot of work to do? Yea

Hi Susan! Hi Rosie! We don't have any dirt on you yet, but we're waiting. Have Fun this weekend.

-The Chief

Happy Birthday Alex(on Sunday)

Congrats Jane!

Have a great season.

-LS

MBU-

It's over let's go to Kittery!

LMS

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To my old neighbor:

I'm glad we made time for each other this weekend. Love, Blue Eyes

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To the Queens:

Party Barge may not have cruised this weekend, but ITF sure did! I just hope we're all still speaking to each other by the end of the year. It's been fun. Love DT&B Queen.

Mike P:

Don't think Karen and I didn't take you up on your offer Saturday night because of anything we saw (or didn't see) Friday night, it's just that, well... uh... we... forgot. Love Em.

Luebeckers:

Wir denken immer an Euch - und wuenschen Ihr viel Spass und viel, viel Flensburger Pils! Craig, ich warte... wir sind auch da geuvsen

*How did I get home last night? Where are my pants? Has anybody seen my car?

-- Dukie

SM - Did you ever fix your fly? - BJQ

Teddy P:

Rumors, Rumors, Rumors. I hope the people who started them had as much fun as we supposedly did. K.

Mike - How does it feel to know the intimate details of our lingerie? Woodman Quad

Gary:

I hate you.

Em.

Gary:

I love you.

Em.

Gary:

I hate you.

Em.

Gary:

I love you.

Em.

Gary:

Guess what?

Em.

FQ - yo yacked? What happened Friday night? - BJQ & DTQ

Hey Ginny:

Did you know that you smoked a CIGARETTE Friday night in the Stupid Center? Just thought I'd let you know, EM

Steve,

I hope you liked the flowers.

-Julie

Beware of the next TRI-WANDA KEG. Friday - Same time, same place. Featuring Beer Dave?

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Geoff - Your bed is more comfortable than mine! - K

Rob:

Get a life, we're in, you're not. The Quad next door. I think that says it all.

Will:

We didn't realize you had such an

attraction for bathroom stalls. Hey, we know a girl named Kathleen. Like to meet her?

Sperm and Mace - We love you - JJKSMA

Amy - Thanx for making me happy Friday night - Jen

Kenya woman - Do I get a byline or what? Thanks for the computer! Toubab

Reanne - Thanks for adding another to the list! - Mary

Crinkle - 20,000 and counting!

DTQ-When are you going to put that new hook to the test? Your roomies

Craig in Deutschland - Do you miss your Thingamabobby? Love, Guess who?

Kaari & Mike:

Thanksgiving in D.C!

Get psyched! - Jen

Roger - I love that high tech stereo system of yours.

A-damn:

Get a good night's sleep Saturday night? Hope so. Love being an RA don't you?

Jonathan:

Thanks for our talk on Sunday night. I'm glad I cheered you up... You made me realize a few things. Stay tuned for more and be passive.

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Spook Spook Spookaro, you are just too kuel!!

Bear - maybe we'll have another sleep over party in the ocean.

110 newsletter:

S: is making new friends

K: was back in the spirit of the room this weekend

B: is finally eating again, but wondering about her new beau's do

C: brought Igor into our lives

As long as you have a flexible straw you can be happy.

To the innocent girl seen slinking away from Averill this weekend - we know the truth and FMDC is still on.

Ralph denies responsibility for this weekend's hedonistic behavior (you know who you are).

To the Snarfers:

Your weekend didn't deserve a creative classified. Let's work on it next week guys...

Ski-

I'm psyched!!!

Chem - Love that "sevet" scene - J&M

To my bag lady-in-arms:

Get psyched to lay in the sun only then will you have some fun. The past few weeks have been tough as nails, mostly because it's snowed and hailed.

The work's been perfect and we're feeling fine, But we'll be better once we party all the time:

After break the seeds will be sewed, We'll have a blast before we're too old!

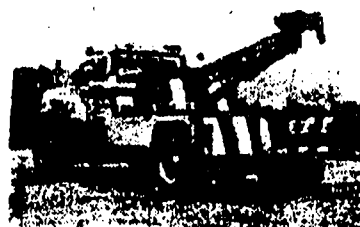
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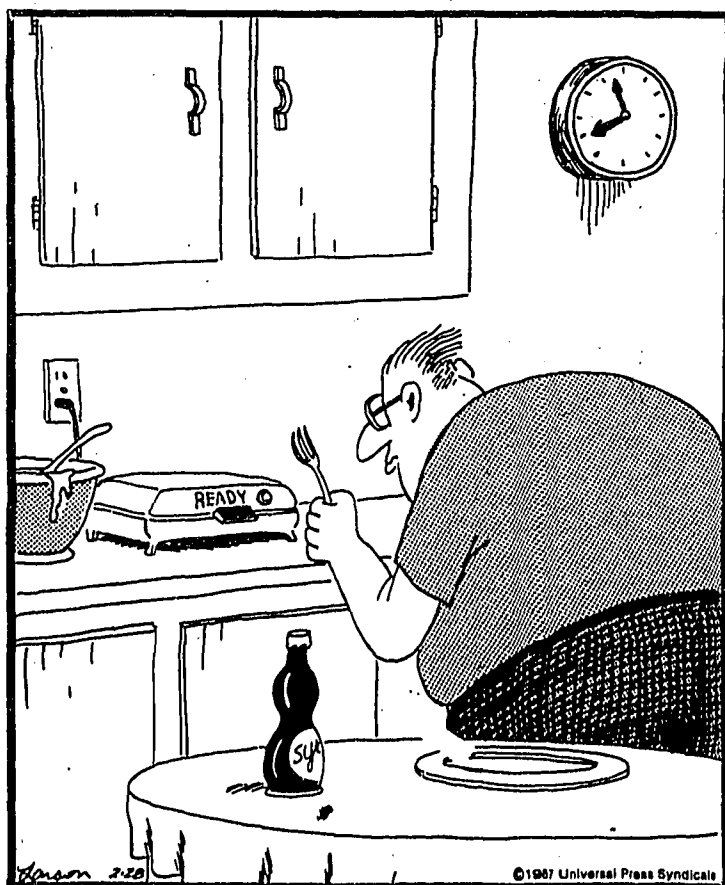


Janet Irgang leads a lecture on the hardships of "Breaking Up."

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By GARY LARSON



Wendell Zurkowitz: Slave to the waffle light

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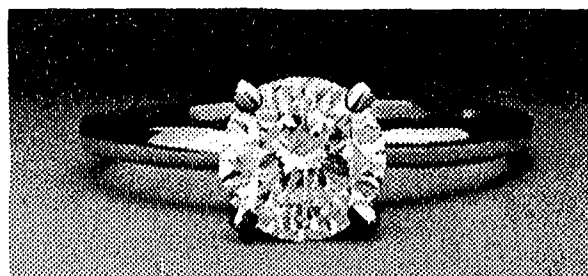
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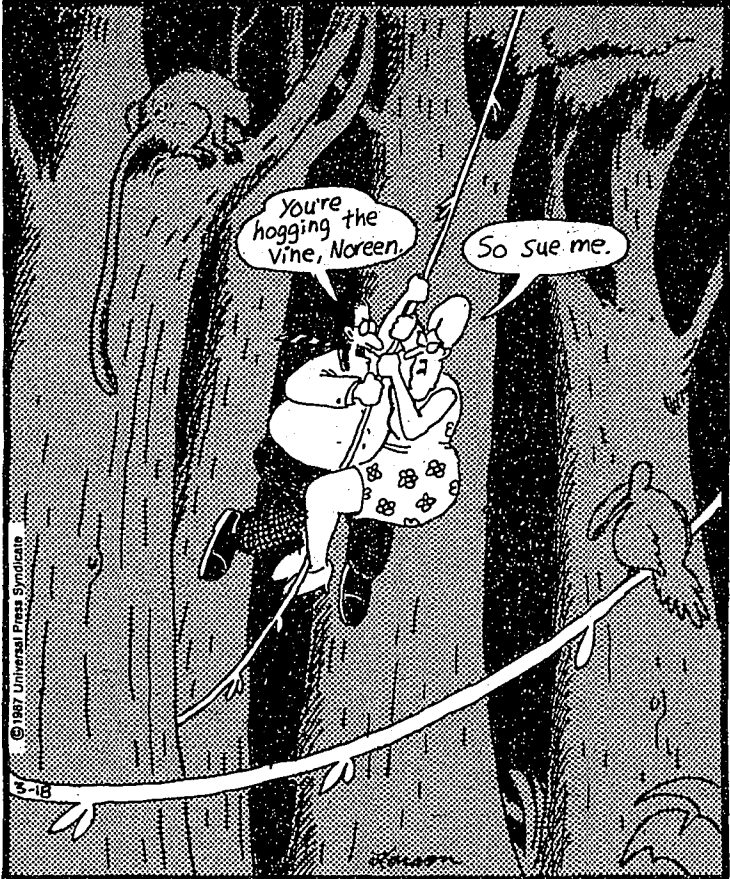
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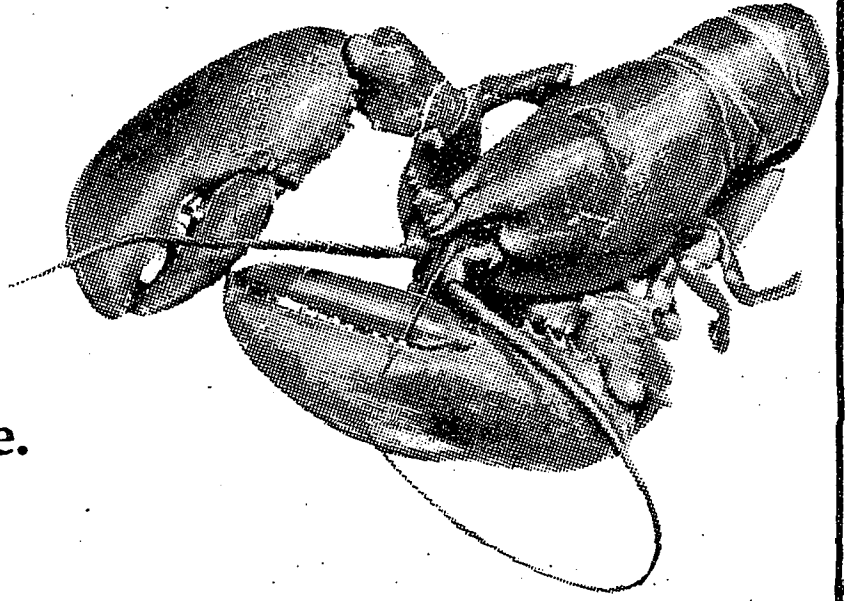
THE FAR SIDE

By GARY LARSON

Ralph says (singing):

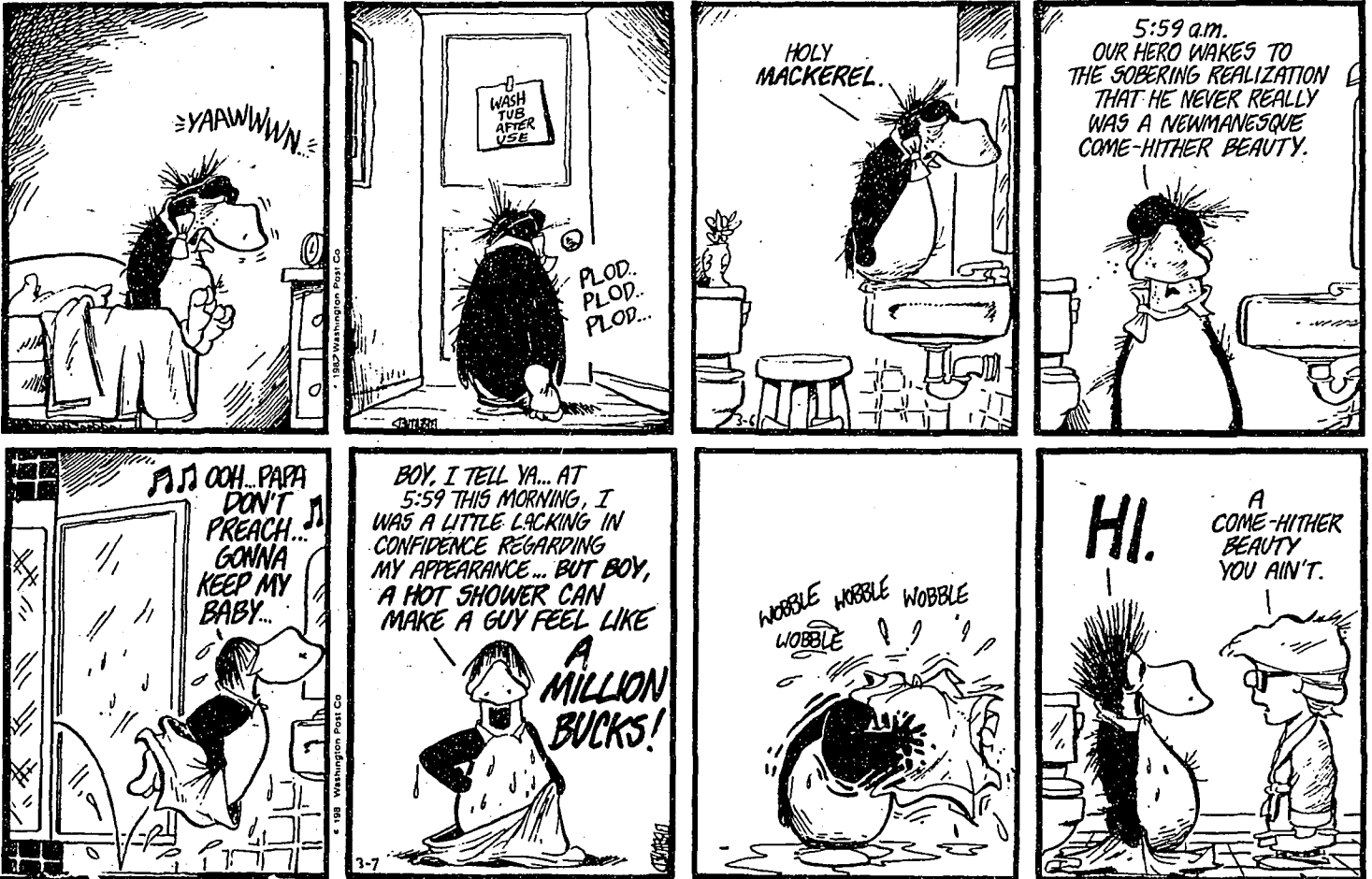
You don't
have to take your
clothes off,
to have a good time.

(You know who you are.)



BLOOM COUNTY

by Berke Breathed



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MARY LOW
COMMONS

Last Meal Served
Thursday Dinner
March 26

Reopens
Sunday Dinner
April 5

JOHNSON/CHAPLIN
COMMONS

Last Meal Served
Friday Lunch
March 27

Reopens
Monday Breakfast
April 6

LOVEJOY
COMMONS

Last Meal Served
Friday Dinner
March 27

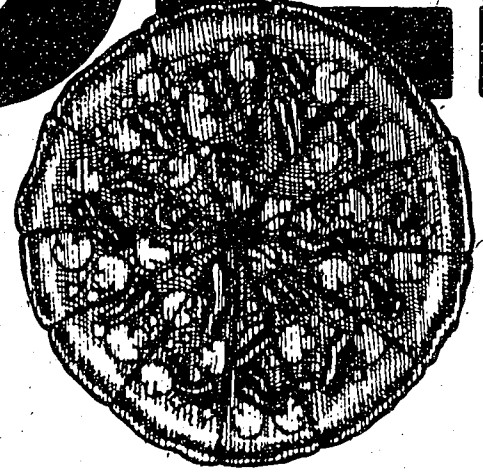
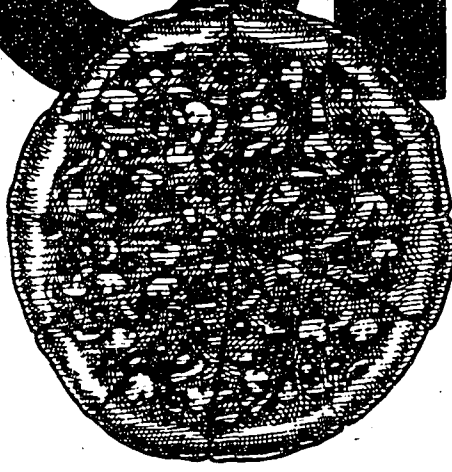
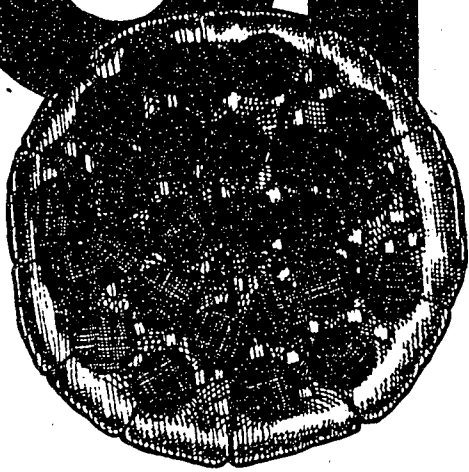
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Monday Breakfast
April 6

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Last Meal Served
Friday, 5 PM
March 27

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Monday, 9AM
April 6

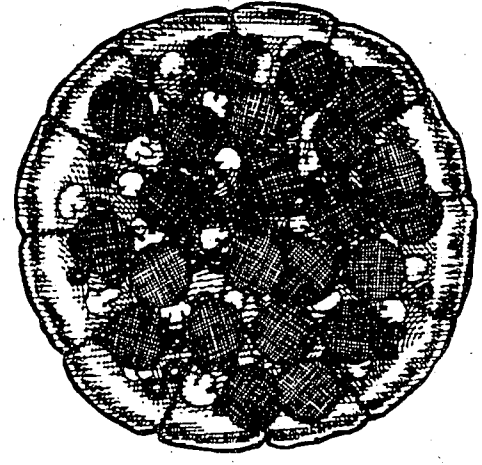
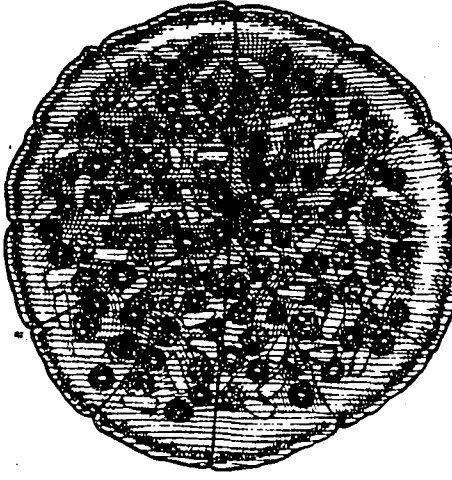
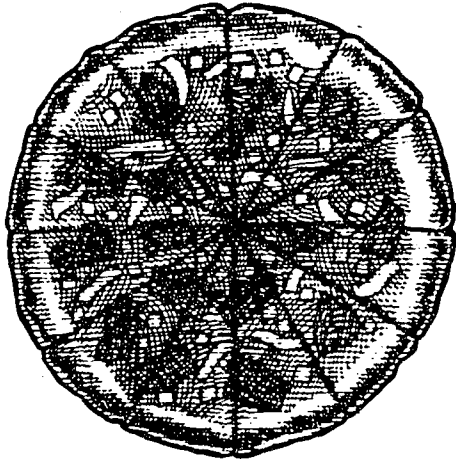
CHOICE.



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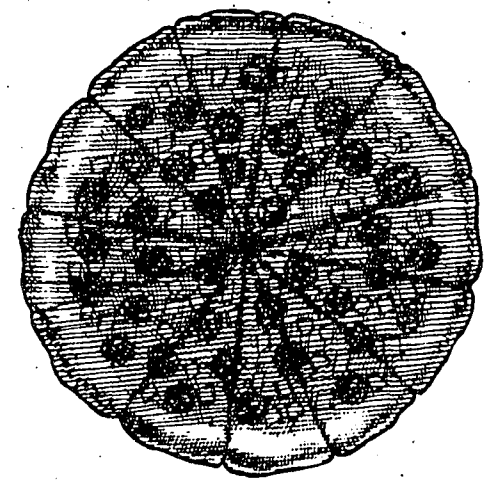
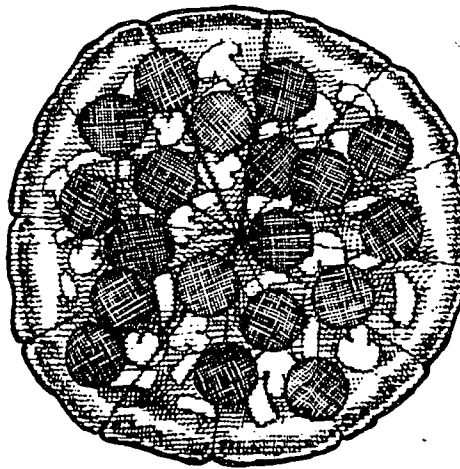
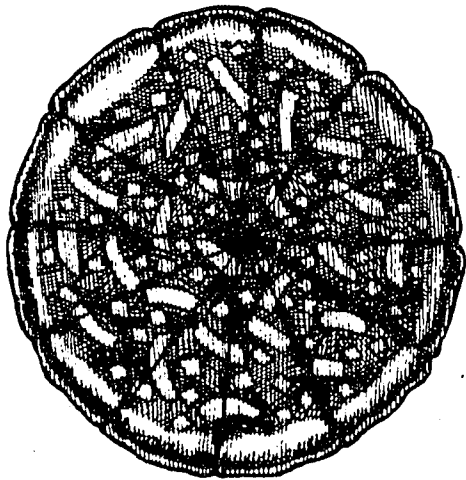
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