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Stony Brook rallies to 'Save SUNY'

By Toni Masercola and Lisa Volpicella san Staff Writers

In response to the recent \$50.9 million cut in the State University system, students, administrators, faculty and staff gathered yesterday to voice their opposition in the administration building.

If passed by the state legislature, the budget crisis will cause students to pay up to \$150 more for tuition next semester. This will be the first tuition hike since 1983.

"The purpose of a state university is that everyone can come to school. . .," said Student Polity Association President Dan Slepian. "By September next year we could be looking at a \$600 tuition hike. . .to a lot of people that means nothing, to some it means so more school."

The SUNY Board of Trustees has recommended to the state a raise in tuition and the 62 percent cut in the SUNY budget.

"I think the state is making a big mistake in gutting SUNY to fit their own gaps. . ." said Libbie Chute, member of the executive committee for the Graduate Student Organization (GSO), ". . gutted by people who don't understand that our education is going to lose quality."

Kevin Melchionne, member of the GSO staff, said the students must unite and let Governor Mario Cuomo and the New York State legislature know that the budget cuts and th tuition hikes are unacceptable. "People will not and should not pay for a recession."

Melchionne said a tuition increase, job losses, increase in fees and lesser quality of education is not what this university is about. "An accessible university is an affordable university." He said that Stony Brook will no longer be accessible once the tuition increase takes affect.

"We are underfunded already," said Student Association at the State University (SASU) representative Anita Elliot. "We have a tuition many students can't meet now."

The budget cutting plan also includes reducing every TAP award — except for students receiving full TAP — by \$100 in the spring in an effort to save any available cash to reduce the state's fiscal crisis. This means a double tuition hike to the lower class, according to Slepian.

So far this year, more than 300 faculty and staff positions and 3,000 class sections have been eliminated SUNY-wide. And unless the tuition is raised it might be necessary to fire as many as 2,000 SUNY employees before the end of the year, SUNY officials told the Board of Trustees. "Governor Cuomo is part of the problem Dump MANY

Students, administrators, faculty and staff gathered in the Administration Building yesterday to urge the state government not to cut funding to the State University.

and not part of the solution," said economics Professor Michael Zweig.

"Teachers are retiring," said Andrea Kwasny, graduate student advocate at the graduate school. "There's not going to be anyone to replace them."

"These cuts are slamming the door on higher education," said Asian Student Association President Renelle Velez.

All of the people from SUNY at Stony

Brook, along with students from SUNY at Maritime, Old Westbury and Farmingdale agreed that the state is making education a privilege instead of a right and they will be taking actions necessary to let their voices be heard on their disapproval of the budget crisis. "We are all in this together," said David Isaac, student government president of SUNY Maritime.

"We can get this University funded if we

work together," said Elliot.

The Tuition and Revenue Planning Committee, part of the Board of Trustees, is holding a meeting tomarrow morning to discuss the SUNY budget. A bus will be provided for anyone interested in going to Albany to protest out in front of SUNY Central. Anyone who is interested should contact the Polity office for further

Late Night Caller' haunts Blackworld

By Pete Mavrikis

an Staff Writer

The alternative campus newspaper Blackworld has recently received a series of threatening phone calls from a person who calls himself the "Late Night Caller.'

According to Editor-in-Chief Dwayne Andrews, the paper has been receiving these calls on an average of twice a week. And mail system since October.

"At first, I didn't want to put any light on the situation because it was obvious this person wanted some sort of attention," said Andrews. "But now it's gotten to a point where these calls have come out of hand."

Andrews said the caller has made "racist" comments about Blackworld and several personal threats towards Andrews himself.

"You're segregating yourselves pal," said the caller. "All you little Puerto Rican clubs, Spanish clubs, and Black clubs. Their making sure whites stay out and don't mix.

You know what I think we should do? We should take all you blacks who don't ant to be here, throw you on a big boat and ship you all back to Africa.'

Andrews said he became more concerned when the caller began threatening harm to Andrews and other staff members. The caller said: "Dwayne, I want to get in touch with you. Let me tell you something.

If I ever met you on campus, I'm going to beat the living s- out of you."

Andrews said he thinks the caller is intoxicated when he calls because his speech is ofter: slurred.

Because most of the calls were made from off-campus phones, the location of the caller has been difficult to establish. Some calls, however, were made from the blue-light telephones by the Melville Library, according to Andrews.

Andrews has filed a report with Public Safety and says an investigation is being conducted.

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Fake paper causes panic

By Eric F. Coppolino ident Lesder Press Service

BINGHAMTON, Dec. 5 — Thousands of copies of a fake newspaper with the headline, "US Invades Iraq," were distributed on the SUNY Binghamton campus yesterday, panicking many students and members of the community.

The newspapers, which illegally used the flag of the Pipe Dream student newspaper, published by another publication See FAKE on page 5

Looking Left, said editors of Pipe Dream. The fake newspapers were an extremely close replica of the original, creating a powerful illusion of the reality of war.

The campus administration has issued 4,000 copies of a statement informing students that the US has not invaded Iraq and that Pipe Dream was not responsible for the publication.

The newspaper's managing editor, Mat

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Arrests made in blood drive clash

By David Joachim nan Editor-in-Chief

Two University at Stony Brook students were arrested Tuesday after a confrontation between blood drive protestors and Public Safety officers.

Philippe Valbrune, 21 and Emanuel Severe, 21, were arrested by Public Safety on charges of second-degree riot after allegedly breaking through police barriers to min entry to the Alliance Room of the Melville Library, where the blood drive was being held, according to university spokesman Dan Forbush.

"We went in to try and give blood," said Valbrune. "If everyone else was allowed in, we thought we should have been too."

While no serious injuries resulted from the confrontation, several Public Safety officers have reported minor injuries

The confrontation caused Public Safety to summon Suffolk County police as backup, consisting of approximately 30 patrol cars.

Although the drive was expected to collect over 400 pints of blood, blood drive officials reported collecting only 200 pints.

The protest in front of the library lasted until the 2 pm closing of the blood drive. After, approximately 50 protestors moved the demonstration to the Administration

There, protest representatives met with University President John Marburger to discuss the charges against Severe and Valbrune and the alleged use of excessive force by Public Safety officers.

The protest was not violent until Public Safety became violent, said Giles Charleston, president of the HSO. "They [Public Safety] initiated the violence."

Some members of the HSO indicated they plan to press charges against Public



The confrontation between blood drive protestors and Public Safety officers causes confusion during Tuesday's blood drive.

Safety for excessive use of force.

Public Safety officials could not be reached for comment.

Although Marburger has said that he believes the FDA policy to be racist and supports the protestors' cause, he said, "The use of force to disrupt the blood drive is totally unacceptable to the university. And the arrests were made only as a result of this

"We [the university] concur with the

objectives of the deomonstrators," said Forbush, "but we cannot tolerate the use of

Despite the confrontation, Severe and Valbrune feel that their efforts achieved the objective.

The statement was made," Severe told. Statesman last night, "It was worth it."

Valbrune said: "We did what we thought was necessary. We want Stony Brook to know [the FDA policy] is not fair."

Severe and Valbrune, both natives of

Haiti, were released on \$50 bail and are scheduled to appear in court Jan. 15.

The demonstration was the second on the campus this semester condemning the Food and Drug Administration's ban of Haitian and sub-Saharan African blood donors. The FDA's policy was a result of studies that indicated a high incidence of AIDS cases in these groups.

(Staff writers Lillian Zajack and Laurie Biggerstaff contributed to this story.)

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FDA reverses ruling

By Toni Masercola

man News Editor

The Food and Drug Administration has reversed its decision on the banaing of blood donors on the basis of their sexual history and national origin.

The original FDA policy prohibits Haitians and sub-Saharan Africans from giving blood because, according to the FDA, there is a higher incidence rate of AIDS in these groups.

The FDA is notifying all blood establishments that a strengthened donor deferral system will be implemented over the next few months to increase the safety of the nation's blood supply. As the changes are phased in the FDA "will no longer exclude people on their national origins," Herman B. Janger, FDA consumer affairs officer told Statesman. "We are eliminating exclusion."

The decision for the policy change came after a number of studies by federal health officials demonstrating the effectiveness of asking more questions. The changes also come after demonstrations protesting the government's longstanding ban on blood donations by Haitians. Those protests culminated in a march by 50,000 people on the Brooklyn Bridge last April.

"The strengthened program will enhance, rather than replace, the current procedures used to safeguard the blood supply," said Department of Health and Human Services Secretary Louis W. Sullivan, M.D. "By shifting the focus of screening procedures to cover a broader range of risk factors, FDA will build upon the safety of the blood supply while providing all healthy and willing individuals the opportunity to donate blood."

The new measures are expected to take effect in January. Currently, immigrants from the countries of sub-Saharan Africa are also exluded from making donations. They will no longer be excluded on the basis of their risk of infection from one variety of the AIDS virus, HIV-1. But in those centers that do not test for HIV-2, a variety that is endemic in West Africa, Africans will continue to be excluded until such tests are in use.

Dwayne Andrews and today's editorial examine the protest confrontation: Pages 5 and 6. 

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GAP to take action

By Ademola Diji

The Global Action Plan (GAP) held their first organizational meeting in the Union Fireside Lounge last Thursday, to solidify their coalition and inform students of the crisis in the Gulf.

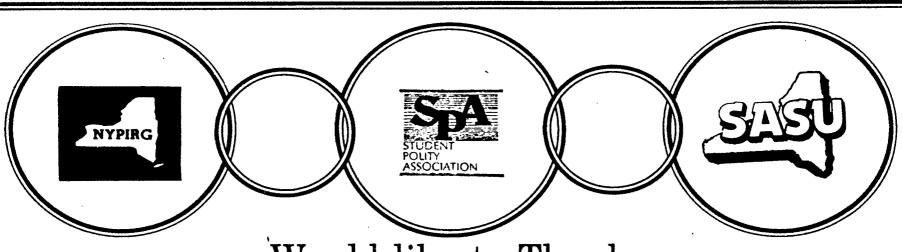
A large part of the meeting was spent discussing the Middle East crisis, and direct actions the anti-war group would be taking as a means to prevent any military action. There were many questions raised about the role the University would play before and during a war if one should take place. John Mayer, a member of GAP, was concerned about the threat of a draft, since the present 430,000 soldiers on the military force could not be maintained without one. The first people usually drafted, according to Mayer, are physicians and medical technicians, which is something the University has several of, due to its large medical program. If a draft were reinstated many students and personnel would be called to war.

He said this kind of outcome should awaken the University to action because "the reasons for a war are not justified to see our children, family and friends die." The role of the University should be one that makes it known that they do not support war, according to the founder of the Stony Brook chapter of GAP John Nolan. He said students and faculty are urged to make this kind of consciousness prevalent throughout campus life and administration. "People should know, people should be scared about what's going on," said Nolan.

There were also questions asked about the amount of money that is being poured into the crisis, when it could be used for more pressing social programs, such as health, housing or AIDS research, according to Mayer.

Mayer also said, "There is not enough color represented in this fight to prevent a disastrous war." He said that this unjustified U.S. effort was not in the interest of blacks and hispanics.

Different action plans were discussed, and some were prepared for immediate implementation. All the plans were centered around making the whole community, the whole U.S., the whole world aware of the magnitude of people against the war and its consequences, according to Nolan. He said "college individuals should stop war. There will be action; action more drastic then Vietnam." Other plans were proposed, such as a campus-wide sit-in, or class strikes.



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Public Safety Can't Handle Campus Emergency

On Tuesday I felt like I was attending SUNY at Kent State after the incident that occurred at the blood drive protest. To quote one student, "It was a scene straight out of the sixties, except there were no fire hoses or attack dogs.'

Tones of Sedition **Dwayne Andrews**

Approximately 30 police cars and an Emergency Service Unit wagon were summoned onto campus to aid a Public Safety officer in "so-called" distress. This blatant misuse of force is very disturbing, but what is even more disturbing is that it seems like the general student body is really not too concerned about the incident.

This incident is the second of the week

to show that some Public Safety are insufficiently trained or do not have the mental capacity to absorb how to react in an emergency situation. Earlier in the week an officer did not recognize a collapsed staff member had gone into cardiac arrest and, according to some witness, took 10 minutes just to determine his consciousness.

Now an officer in distress, faced with a group of approximately 30 student protestors, has to call in Suffolk County's version of the "Mod Squad" to try to restore his sense of order. Are some Public Safety officers so afraid of a group of young blacks that the riot squad had to be called out? When the gunfire incident occurred in Tabler Quad a couple of years ago, Public Safety ran with their tails between their legs and Suffolk County police officers arrived with a force 1/3 the size of the one that appeared on Tuesday. Obviously, someone thought 30 students with picket signs are much more dangerous than five offcampus thugs with Uzi's and other asso ted handguns.

An incident like this one makes me wonder if people are still genuinely scared by a large group of blacks. Did the "wolf pack" syndrome attack some of our boys in blue? A group of angry and outspoken blacks does not make them a violent group. Violence at black protests occur, most times, because the group is provoked. Since I was not at the start of the incident I can not factually state that the protestors were provoked, but some witnesses say they were.

It is appalling to think that the police would come out in such force to pick on some college students, but some people do not seem to care about the whole incident.

Imagine, for a moment, if Dan Slepian was arrested for blocking a parking lot and ensuing a melee in protest of the new lot assignments. It could be a real possibility if all students do not realize that 30 police cars for a campus protest is ridicu-

lous. We must realize that Stony Brook is not a police state and that the only reason this protest became a big media event was because any time such a large contingency of officers converge at one site, something newsworthy happened. Well it did, but it was not the news event that was reported. The real story is that the neighborhood bullies (Public Safety) could not cover their rears so they had to call in their older brothers (Suffolk County) to settle the dispute. This essentially leads me to believe that the officers had nothing better to do but to enforce an absurd ratio of one protestor to each police car.

The Stony Brook community must see to it that Public Safety officers learn how to deal with diverse emergencies at such a large institution. Public Safety must also realize that bringing in Suffolk County everytime they are atraid is not going to do anything but make them seem incompetent and willing to let someone else do their dirty work.

'U.S. invades Iraq' Fake campus paper:

FAKE from page 2

thew M. Furman, said that Looking Left's charter was in the process of being revoked and that Pipe Dream, the largest of several newspapers on the Binghamton campus, was considering filing lawsuits against the individuals responsible for the action.

Pipe Dream Editor-in-Chief Robert Sanfiz called the action "unacceptable" because of the illegal use of the Pipe Dream name.

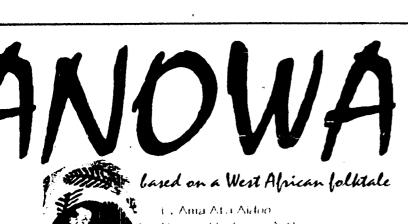
But he added, "Maybe it shocked the people into realizing, 'What if this is for real?' The possibility of it being real looms large. This could really happen. Our issue may come out for real very soon saying the same thing.'

Furman felt the action was more of an attack on the community than on Pipe

Pipe Dream is the paper of record for this community," Furman said. "it wasn't as much an attack [on Pipe Dream] as it was a misuse of our logo. They did the community a grave injustice. People have relatives who

are on the front line, and think that they're in combat. That's not right."

A dining hall member, who read the imposter, left work in tears fearing for her son's life in the Persian Gulf.



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Student, Admin Confrontation Was Unnecessary

In a surprising case of coincidence, the Food and Drug Administration reversed its policy toward Haitians and sub-Saharan Africans just one day after Stony Brook students held a powerful protest of the policy.

Although we can consider this a victory, an equally surprising event occurred: the violent confrontation between the administration and student body.

Previously, we witnessed the University and students united on the cause, but differing on the means by which to achieve the objective. But

Tuesday, we saw student protestors and the administration at odds in a confrontation resembling riot.

This was a painful conclusion to a friendly and peaceful history of blood drive protest. During the last protest in October, Public Safety officers attempted to protect the demonstators and ensure their right to peaceful protest. But on Tuesday, there was distrust on both sides from the beginning. The close relationship the groups once had was all but forgotten with the arrest of two students and minor injuries on both sides.

This was no way to fight a blatantly racist FDA policy. This was no way to display an image of campus unification. And this was no way to strengthen the student-administration relationship so desperately needed in these desperate times.

Rather than dividing while we face recession, huge budget crises, and imminent war in the Pasian Gulf, students and administration must post their resources and develop sound solutions to our many problems. If we don't, we'll be too but fighting each other to fight our common enemies, and we'll all be losers in the end.

Blackworld Caller Must Not Threaten Campus

During the 1960s, America was rocked by race riots in every corner of the country. In the 1970s, blacks were discriminated against more subtly, but racism still existed. In the 1980s, only a select few chose to continue the hatred. As we enter the 1990s, we can still see that racism exists in the minds of the ignorant.

Recently, the campus newspaper Blackworld has been receiving threatening phone messages from someone who calls himself "The Late Night Caller." This anonymous man has persistently threatened the paper's editors with harm, singling them out solely because of their race.

The caller feels that the newspaper segregates itself from the white community. But Blackworld exists solely to give to minorities what Statesman cannot. Although Statesman covers ethnic events and issues, Blackworld digs deeper with an angle more suitable to minorities. And since a majority of this campus consists of minorities, an attack on Blackworld is an attack on us all.

Black people have overcome such horrible treatment by the people with whom they share this nation. Why then do ignorant souls such as "The Late Night Caller" have to destroy the peace that they have worked so hard for, and given up so many lives to attain?

The students who run Blackworld know that this caller cannot take from them the equality for which their elders worked so hard. But the caller

threatens to harm an important part of campus; a part that represents the campus' beautiful

This quality remains unchanged despite these

verbal attacks. And if we all work together to end the ignorance, maybe the campus won't be affected by the cruelty of this incident, and we can continue on our path to a unified campus.



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Trading Places' Is Fun To the Editor:

Your editorial, "Marburger Wastes Time as SUNY Collapses," (Statesman, Monday, November 26, 1990), is just the latest evidence of how low Statesman has sunk. Instead of praising a fun event that gets media attention and brings good publicity to this school, you find fault with "Trading Paces", taking a holier-than-thou attitude and using the editorial page as a personal mapbox to attack the Student Alumni Chapter.

Leave it to Statesman to come up with mch a ridiculous argument against an event that is only gaining in popularity. If John Marburger thought that his day as a student would cause an adverse effect on this university or SUNY, do you really think he would go through with it? The president is under no obligation to participate in this event, and I don't think he would unless he was sure that it could be done without the acclection of his duties. Obviously, President Marburger believed he could be involved in "Trading Places" without SUNY or Stony Brook collapsing as a result, and I have a feeling he knows a lot more about SUNY and the state of this university than you do.

Statesman also took the opportunity to compare — inappropriately — "Trading Places" with the Student-Facutly-Staff retreat. For your information, one has absolutely nothing to do with the other. The retreat is an educational, informational experience, while "Trading Places" is purely for fun, wherein a student gets to see what a regular day is like for the University president, and the president gets to experience life as a typical Stony Brook student. Besides, where does Statesman come off singing the praises of the retreat when you couldn't even be bothered with sending a representative to it, which you were invited to do?

It has become increasingly obvious throughout this semester that Statesman's focus is no longer on this campus. Events taking place in Albany, Fredonia, Buffalo and just about anywhere else completely overshadow campus news, which currently receives about 1% attention from you. What exactly has Statesman done for campus lately? At least the Student Alumni Chapter has given the school some positive media attention.

Perhaps you can change your name to The AP Rag or The Eric F. Coppolino Press. That way, you wouldn't mislead anyone into believing that you actually cover campus news. The student community as a whole has already expressed its dissatisfaction with Statesman: as I remember, your recent attempt to gain more money from the student referendum failed miserably. Don't kid yourselves into thinking that student apathy was the reason.

Statesman also expresses in the editorial how concerned it is with the inefficiency that "Trading Places" would potentially cause. Why, then did Monday's issue — in which the editorial appeared — not come out until Tuesday? Talk about INEFFICIENCY. Glenn L. Greenberg

President, Student Alumni Chapter

Editor's Note: Glenn L. Greenberg, a former associate news editor of Statesman, resigned his position November 28, 1990.

No Support for Gulf War

To the Editor:

This letter is in response to the hypecrites who support big business's attempts to use American troops to increase their personal profit. If the predominantly white men who make up the war—happy College Republicans want to fight so Exxon and Sheil make a profit, that is OK with me; unfortunately,

a disproportionate number of troops in the Middle East are made up of the poor.

The poor in this country have nothing to gain from a war in the Middle East and everything to lose. The rich, however, stand to make a huge profit; in fact oil business in Texas is booming. Although the wealthy can escape the heat of Saudi desert (or in Dan Quayle's case, the jungles of Vietnam), the poor (and often minorities) often must choose between unemployment, or the military.

The College Republicans are shedding huge tears because Hussein has tortured his own people. This is their main argument for sending troops into the Middle East. Where were these right wing "moral defenders" when the United States gave money to the Contra terrorists in Nicaragua? Where were they when Stony Brook participated in peaceful demonstrations against the U.S. funded Death Squad government of El Salvador? Killing babies with U.S. tax dollars is ok, according to the College Republicans. As long as killing is in "our" (i.e. "their") best interest, the Republicans can sleep easy.

I was insulted when the previous letter was published in the Statesman. Luckily, most people at Stony Brook are wise enough to know that the potential war in the Middle East is about money, oil, and big business greed. I guess I shouldn't be surprised that the College Republicans support the war effort, because money and greed are their middle name.

Tim Dubnau

Gulf War Not Justified

To the Editor:

An offensive war in the Gulf region is not, at present, justifiable by any of the three major reasons being publicly evoked. The first of which states that this war would be justified because we would be enforced international law. The second would justify this war by evoking an obligation to "fight aggression." The third would seek to justify a war on economic grounds.

The justification for our willingness to go to war that appeals to international law is, at present, unacceptable. This appeal to international law is actually comical. Why should Iraq adhere to international law while other nations either flagrantly violate it or ignore violations of it by others. It is reasonable to believe that if international law is selectively enforced then it has lost all credibility just as laws in the U.S. would lose credibility if they were only enforced on those who could not afford to arm themselves. If we are expecting nations to adhere to international law, then it must be enforced without discrimination.

Now, if a war in the Gulf cannot be justified by an appeal to international law, then what can justify it? The most vocal answer, in recent weeks, has been references to "fighting aggression" and a "new world order." Although these assertions, on the face, seem reasonable, they carry certain consequences which render them both impractical and undesirable. Further, though I would not argue that these goals are not desirable, I will argue that one nation can neither carry that burden alone nor should it be expected to, but this is exactly what is happening. As it stands there are, or will soon be, about 415,000 troops in the Gulf that are willing to participate in an offensive action. What is surprising is that 380,000 of these are American troops. Thus, although nearly all countries benefit from "fighting aggression" it is the U.S. who will pay the price in both lives and money. Further, because we cannot enforce this "new world order" on all the "new order" or the maxim of "fighting aggression" selectively enforced, will also lose its credibility. Thus, these reasons cannot justify a war due to the fact that we are committing ourselves to an unrealistic and unfair foreign policy. However, these reasons, I believe, are not the real reason for our willingness to go to war due to the fact that our past actions cannot support such a claim. Moreover, it is unrealistic to believe that the U.S. would go to war for an ideal in the absence of some personal interest. The question then becomes what are these interests and can they justify a war.

A third reason would seek to justify a war on economic grounds. And although the president has recently stated that this is not a primary reason the Secretary of State James Baker has said just that when stated that a primary reason the United States must confront Iraq is to save American jobs. This justification presents us with a serious moral question. Can we morally justify the loss of life to protect the economy? The answer is no. It is absolutely immoral and unconscionable to sacrifice life in order to keep the

economy running smoothly or prevent a recession. Thus if the choice is between economic hardship and the loss of life then the choice must be the economic hardship. We cannot, as a civilized people, justify greasing the wheels of our economy with the blood of our young.

There is another, not publicly stated, reason for our willingness to go to war. That is that the president has backed himself into a corner by taking such a hard line with Iraq. The political consequences of Bush "backing down" would be devastating to him personally and possibly to his party also. It is, I believe, either this political or the previously mentioned economic reason that lies at the heart of our willingness to go to war. And, in the final analysis, none of the reasons offered can justify a war.

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Bianchi fires Jackson

Replaces him with old buddy Macleod

By Sandra B. Carreon Statesman Associate Sports Editor

Cast beneath the hoopla surrounding the 49ers/Giants showdown Monday night, the New York Knickerbockers bid adieu to head coach Stu Jackson.

After one season and fifteen games, Knicks' General Manager Al Bianchi decided to ride the remaining 67 matches with his good buddy, John MacLeod.

MacLeod is a 53-year old veteran coach. He boasts a 722-673 won-loss record and is the ninth winningest coach in NBA history. He enjoyed his finest pro campaign with the Pheonix Suns in 1980-81, when he was 57-25, a .695 winning percentage. After 14 seasons with them, he seized the reign at Dallas, posting a won-loss ratio of 96-79.

But statistics aside, Bianchi welcomes MacLeod's experience to stabilize a team notorious for its lack of "teamsmanship". But that's not all. Bianchi looks to play a more hands-on role with the Knicks. This entails watching practice — aiding in the mapping-out of X's and O's. And yes, contributing some suggestions as it pertains to actual game strategies. Bianchi was MacLeod's assistant coach for 11 years with Pheonix. So this comes as no surprise. What was a shock, on the other hand, was the unexpected release of

In three years with New York, Bianchi has already dismissed former coach Rick Pitino, forwards Sidney Green and Johnny Newman, guard Rod Strickland and now coach Jackson. Knick sources admit that like Pitino, Jackson would not heed his GM's advice on whom to play, whom to sit, how to run the offense, and what to do on defense. In the latter stages of Jackson's tenure as head coach, he felt a marked alienation from his boss. And on December 3rd, he was told that he had been fired.

Going back in time to when Pitino accepted the Kentucky job, one recalls that Bianchi's first-choice for a replacement was MacLeod. However, he refused the offer because a move would have been too drastic for his family. Eleven days later, the Mavericks let him go. Farther up North, Bianchi finally settled upon Jackson. And the Jackson regime was lauched.

The 34-year old proceeded to distinguish himself as an intelligent man. He was one of the prime candidates for NBA Coach of the Year. He built a team that enhanced Patrick Ewing's offensive fortes - he sacrificed the previous season's effective run-and-gun offense for a half-court one centered around their all-star center. For a while, he even managed to camouflage the team's propensity towards individuality - he encouraged the extra pass, the screen and the cohesiveness necessary to nurture a championship attitude. But unfortunately, time has a way of uncovering the truth. And Jackson was made a scapegoat for all their troubles.

Ironically, Paul Silas and Jeff Van Gundy were retained and the only major change made in MacLeod's first game at the helm was re-relegating Mark Jackson to second-string for the more versatile Maurice Cheeks. Cheeks was the starting point guard for Jackson too, but a bad back seet those plans awry this season.

The significance in all this is not that Jackson lost his job nor that MacLeod gained one, but that Bianchi has salvaged his skin momentarily. The Knicks have bee attrocious home and are under .500 overall. It can't be because Bianchi made no consequential trades or signings during the of season. It must be because Jackson is a bad coach. The Knicks also lack camraderie and intensity. It can't be because they're just a cluster of "I's" playing in a "we" sport It must be because Jackson has failed to gain their comme ment to teambood.

So, for all the mental stress that Jackson has endured with between his orchestra of men on the court and sports journalists in the locker room, he maintained a calm and collected aura. He much preferred to be in a lesser public light than New York, but he gracefully handled the task to a tee. As Knick Assistant Coach Silas attests, "Stu has a bright future, whatever he goes into. He's a bright guy. He'll least from this."

He'll learn that coaching is tough work. Some players are tough to teach. The New York media is composed of tough cynicss. And scapegoat is a tough shoe to fill.

MacLeod succeeds him as head coach of a team with glorious past. And he will inevitably feel the brunt of Biaschi's blunders as well.

Steinbrenner blames Vincent

By Hal Bock **AP Sports Writer**

NEW YORK (AP) — George Steinbrenner blamed commissioner Fay Vincent Wednesday for the New York Yaskees' loss of Dave Righetti, who signed a four-year, \$10 million deal with the San Francisco Giants.

"Don't blame Gene Michael or George Bradley for this," Steinbrenner said. "Blame Fay Vincent. If I were involved this never would have happened."

Steinbrenner, who agreed to quit as the Yankees' managing general partner because of dealings with a gambler, said he should be negotiating for free agents. Instead, the task has fallen to Michael, the club's general manager, and Bradley, the vice president for baseball operations.

"He's lying if he says I can't negotiate with free agents," Steinbrenner said. "There's a clause in the agreement that says there are certain material and extraordinary areas in which I have expertise that can affect the financial wellbeing of the partnership. There's nothing more material or extraordinary than dealing with free agents at the numbers they're getting."

"I have no intention of twisting the agreement, but there are areas where I have absolute right to be involved. One involves financial arrangements, the guts of the business. The majority of the money is mine. To cover other areas, there is a clause that says I can be involved in extraordinary and material affairs. Certainly Righetti qualifies. I was turned down by the commissioner. He gives no reason. He just says it's irrelevant.'

Steinbrenner was a frequent high stakes player in the free agent market, signing big money contracts with Reggie Jackson, Catfish Hunter, and Rich Gossage in the early days of the system.

He called the loss of Righetti a tough blow for the Yankees.

"I was shocked," he said. "It's like losing a part of me. Dave is very special and always has been. It's devastating to the team, the partnership, and the fans to lose a guy like that.

"I don't think this had to happen. The team will miss his leadership. It's not just 30-odd saves every year. It's the other little things he represents. The young players looked up to him. You can't afford to lose guys like that. It hurts the partnership. If I'm there, he doesn't get away."

"I know it sounds strange and people are going to laugh," the pitcher said, "but if he were still around, I think we would have gotten it done."

Bill Goodstein, agent for Righetti, said negotiations for his client had passed from one Yankees official to another, from Michael to Bradley to Leonard Kleinman, the team's chief operating officer, to Robert Nederlander, Steinbrenner's successor as managing general partner.

"It's nice for him to say that he [Righetti] is part of the family." Goodstein said. "I just wish they hadn't treated him like their mother-in-law."



For Knicks to win, they must get rid of Bianchi

HE KNICKS MAY HAVE taken a step in the right direction by releasing second-year head coach Stu Jackson Monday but the heart of the club's problems, General Manager Al Bianchi, is still alive and well. If the knicks are to become a contending team, Bunchi must go.

Extra Point **Peter Parides**

Bianchi has a long list of faults, dating back a few years. His first mistake was not agning Bernard King, who singlehandedly led the Knicks to the seventh game of the quarter-finals against the Celtics in 1984.

True, King suffered a serious knee injury and had to sit out one and one-half seasons. It could be argued that Bianchi had no way of knowing what shape King was in after a long and arduous rehabilitation.

This argument really doesn't hold any water, though. Bianchi should have kept close tabs on King during his training. King in fact played some basketball as part of his rehabilitation. If Bianchi had bothered to attend one of these sessions, he would have received a first-hand account of King's status. But he didn't. And in his infinite wisdom, he decided not to sign

What a mistake that was. King is presently averaging 29 points per game, the second highest average in the league. The Washington Bullets got him for nothing. The Knicks let him go without getting anything in return.

Bianchi's second crucial mistake took place at the beginning of last season. No, it wasn't hiring Stu Jackson. That decision was a good one. Jackson should not be soley blamed for problems caused by

Bianchi and the players themselves.

Bianchi's mistake was telling Jackson to play with a half-court offense. So the Knicks' GM screwed up the team's chemistry to the point where the players began to play as individuals rather than a team.

In an attempt to get his club on the right track, Bianchi made another big mistake. He traded Rod Strickland for Maurice Cheeks. You don't ever trade a 23-year old with excellent promise for a 34-year old who is half a decade past his prime. But Bianchi did it in an attempt to win a championship. In the process, he may have sacrificed the future.

After having made the playoffs, Bianchi told Jackson that he wanted the Knicks to go back to a full-court game which would tire the Boston Celtics. In addition to screwing up the team, the plan failed. The Celtics ran all over the Knicks, easily eliminating them from the playoffs.

Did Bianchi do anything to strengthen the team over the off-season? No. It's no great secret that need at least one player, preferably someone with a good jump shot. But what they need most is a decent back-up center. Stuart Gray doesn't cut it.

So Jackson, who had a 56-51 record as head coach of the Knicks in just over a year, cannot be soley blamed for the team's poor play from mid-season last year to now. The Knicks are presently in bad straits because of the poor performance of their general manager, Bianchi.

The executive understands this. But he needed a fall guy. He's only got a one-year contract. So, who better to take the fall? Why Jackson, of course.

Bianchi made a good choice in replacing Jackson with John MacLeod, a 14year veteran who guided the Suns to the NBA finals. MacLeod intends to restore the team's chemistry by making it into a less selfish group. This can be done, he feels, by stressing a complicated passing offense.

Even if MacLeod is able to do this, the Knicks will still have to contend with their biggest problem, Al Bianchi.

Padres, Blue Jays swap heats up winter talks

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a, Danny Darwin and others "new-look" her agents. The players' union must also approve, and almost everything could be set in a few days.

The owners' vote was 25-1. Montreal's Carles Bronfman, in the process of selling the Expos, was the lone dissenter. His objecson came a day after he made an impassiand plea to owners to stop the salary spiral.

The Mets felt they had to do something to

replace Darryl Strawberry's 37 home runs and team-record 108 RBIs that he took to the Los Angeles Dodgers. So they dipped into the free-agent market for the first time since 1980 and gave Coleman a four-year contract worth \$11.95 million.

"Regardless of the situation with Strawberry, we would've been interested in Vince Coleman," Mets general manager Frank Cashen said. "We knew we needed more speed and a leadoff hitter."

Coleman, 29, store an average of 91 bases

in each of six years, all with St. Louis, and was successful 83 percent of the time. He was at his best against the Mets, safely stealing the first 57 time he tried against them.

Coleman batted a career-best .292 last season and stole 77 bases. He is a lifetime .265 hitter with a chopping swing.

The San Francisco Giants traded reliever Steve Bedrosian to the Minnesota Twins for a minor leaguer and a player to be named later.

Pittsburgh Pirates first baseman Sid

Bream signed a three year deal worth \$5.5 million with the Atlanta Braves.

Franklin Stubbs, who was considering the Braves, decided to go to the Milwaukee Brewers. The Braves had offered a threevear, \$5.4 million contract to Stubbs. Instead, Stubbs, who set a Houston record with 23 home runs by a left-handed hitter last season, got a three-year, \$6 million deal from the Brewers.

Bill Doran stayed with the Cincinnati

Pats take another tourney

The Stony Brook cagers captured their second tourmment championship this weekend by defeating Omwa, 97-84, and Elmira, 92.79, at the Elmira Tourmment. With the two victones, the Pats remained undefeated with a record of 5-0.

MEN'S BASKETBALL

In the win over Ottawa, Emeka Smith led the offense by scoring 23 points. Curtis Bunche also played well, garnering 22 points.

In the championship egainst Elmira Smith and Athlete of the Week Vincent Farmer scored 24 points apiece. Center Steve Hayn put in an impressive offensive effort as he amassed 27 points.

For their efforts, Hayn and Bunche were named to the All-Tournament team. Also named to this prestigious group were Farmer and Smith, who was named tournament MVP.

The Patriots' next challenge is against Cortland on Sunday

-Pete Parides

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Track off to good start

By Pete Parides Statesman Sports Editor

Stony Brook Indoor Track inaugurated the 1990-91 season in fine fashion Saturday, finishing third in th Southern Connecticut Invitational and qualifying five runners for the ECAC championship.

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Leading the men was freshman Roger Gill, who took first place in the 440-yard dash with a time of 51.5 seconds.

"He's as good a kid as we've had here," said coach Steve Borbet of Gill.

Gill was just one of five freshman who performed well at the Southern Connecticut Invitational. "They're a great group of guys," said Borbet.

Jerry Canada, another of these freshman, finished the 440-yard dash in 52.7 seconds, which was good for sixth. Canada also did well in the long jump, coming up with a 20-foot, nine and one-half inch jump.

Anthony Mercaldi, who finished seventh in the 880-yard run, posted an impressive time of 2:02.8.

The Patriots also did well in the mile relay. Canada, who ran the first leg, recorded a time of 52.6 seconds. Courtney O'Mealley, who ran second, posted a time

of 52.8 seconds. Freshman Wayne Matadeen, who took the third stretch, ran a time of 53.9, putting the Pats into fifth place with Gill running anchor. Gill finished the race with an impressive time of 50.6 seconds, taking the Patriots from fifth to third place. The Pats' composite time was 3:29.9.

In addition to running in the mile relay, Matadeen finished fifth in the 60-yard dash with a time of 6.6 seconds.

Another freshman, Anderson Vilien, placed third in that same 60-yard dash. He finished in 6.5 seconds.

Cross-country veterans Pat McMurray and Dave Briggs both qualified for the ECAC two mile race. McMurray finished third in 9:30.6 while Briggs took fourth place.

The women also fared very well at Southern Connecticut. Dara Stewart led the Lady Patriots by placing third in the 60-yard dash with a 7.6 second finish.

Cross-country veterans Nicole Hafemeister and Delia Hopkins both placed well in the mile. Hafemeister placed third with her 5:37.3 run while Hopkins's 5:37 5 was good for fourth.

Overall, the Patriots placed third behind New York Tech and Fordham. "It was a great way to start the season," said Borbet.

The Pats' next meet is the CTC Relays, to be held at Seton Hall on Sunday.

adies cruise to sixth win

By Pete Parides

Statesman Sports Editor

The Lady Patriots cruised to their sixth victory Tuesday night, crushing John Jay 88-42.

WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

Stony Brook's defense was in total control of the whole contest. Being forced to rush their shots, John Jay was a mere 6-for-38 from the floor, scoring just 19 points in the first half of play. With 47 points of their own in the opening 30 minutes, the Lady Patriots effectively put the game away.

The second half saw even more domination on the part of Stony Brook. Shooting an impressive 60 percent from the floor, 15 out of 25, the Lady Pats outscored John Jay 41-23 in the second half to finish out the 46-point victory.

One stat that showed the Patriots' domination above all others was the number of rebounds amassed by each club. Stony Brook had 52 boards compared to just 21 for John Jay.

Having good games for the Lady Patriots were Katie Browngardt, who had 18 points and 15 rebounds in just 23 minutes, and Rita Gallahue, who compiled 17 points and seven rebounds in 22 minutes. Gallahue was eight-for-eight from the floor.

With the victory, the Lady Patriots' record now stands at 6-1.

That record is sure to be challenged this weekend, when Stony Brook plays two tough opponents this weekend: Cortland on Saturday and Ithaca on Sunday.

Winter trades are in gear

By Ben Walker

ROSEMONT, Ill. (AP)—Tony Fernandez, Joe Carter, Fred McGriff and Roberto Alomar were traded in baseball's biggest deal in years, and the New York Mets finally caught Vince Coleman.

At baseball's winter meetings here, the owners approved in principle a collusion settlement that will cost \$280 million and set Gary Gaetti, Brett Butler and 13 others

The Toronto Blue Jays sent Fernandez and McGriff to the San Diego Padres for Carter and Alomar in a deal for four of baseball's best players.

"We thought we'd give you an oldfashioned baseball trade," new Padres general manager Joe McIlvaine gleamed. "We're trading four All-Stars. It was kind of a gutsy trade on both ends."

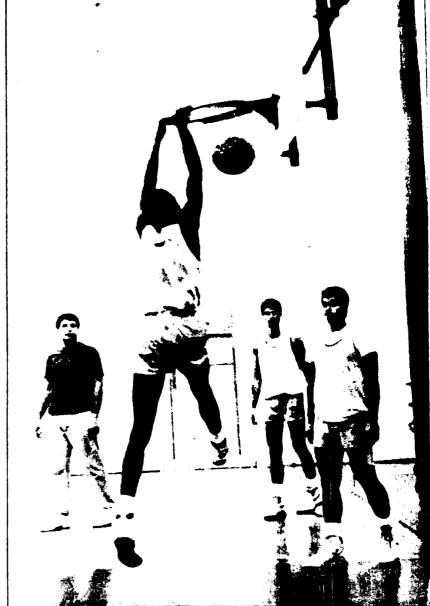
"We don't make too many trades like this these days," Toronto general manager Pat Gillick said, smiling and shaking his head. "I'm sure it will be analyzed from all angles."

Carter, who has averaged more than 100 RBIs for five years, will move into the outfield in Toronto. Alomar, 22, will fill the Blue Jays' search for an all-around second baseman.

McGriff, with 105 home runs in the last three seasons, will take over first base and Fernandez, 28, will play shortstop.

At high noon, owners agreed to settle three collusion cases and make Gaetti, Butler, Jack Clark, Dave Smith, Jack Mor-

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NICE JOB!-The Patriots extended their record to 5-0 by taking the title at the Elmira Tournament this past weekend. See story on page 11 for details.

Farmer guides Pats to title

By Bob Orlando

Statesman Sports Writer

Sophomore forward Vincent Farmer, in guiding the men's basketball team to a perfect 3-0 week, captured this week's athlete of the week award. The Patriots recorded a victory over Hunter College and the Elmira College Tournament championship.

Farmer scored 16 points against Hunter and followed that with a total of 39 points in wins over Ottawa and Elmira as the Patriots captured their second tournament championship of the young season. He also recorded 16 rebounds and seven assists in the three victories.

Farmer played on a high school State Championship team at Hempstead. While at Hempstead, he was involved in fewer losses than last season at Stony Brook.

"Vincent brings a winning attitude to every game," said head coach Joe Castiglie. "He feels that we should win every game that we play. But, what impresses me most about Vincent is his confidence."

This past summer was a time of relaxation for most, but not for Farmer. "He worked hard over the summer," said the head coach. "And now we are starting to see dividends."

The mission for the Hempstead native this season is to create havoc on the defensive boards. "I want to see him pull down eight to 10 defensive rebounds a game." said Castiglie.

"It is a role the coach has asked me to fill in the absence of (graduated senior) Marshall Foskey," said Farmer. "I want to contribute more on the boards."

Farmer has scored an exceptional amount of points for someone concentrating on defense. "He has been scoring more often because of his efficiency from the free throw line." said Castiglie. "He has improved in this area vastly since last season. He is definitely physical enough to get to the line."

Farmer fits nicely in the coach's offensive plans. "Our offense is structured to exploit certain match-ups within the framework of our offense." Castiglie explained. "Vincent is very tough to match up against."

Castiglie describes the key to his "enormously talented" forward. "He has to remain focused. Farmer has the intangible quality of leading by example but he needs to show more maturity to do that every

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