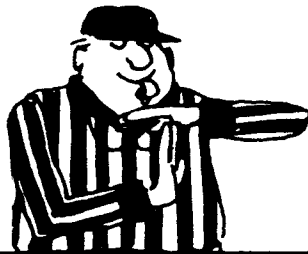




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New Health Laws Affect All Students

By Nga Yi Ling

All entering freshmen and current students who will be sophomores in the fall will be blocked from pre-registering for the fall semester if proof is not shown by April 1 of having had two vaccinations against measles, mumps and rubella, said Rachel Bergeson, acting director of student health services.

New York State Public Health Law No.2165, goes into effect on August 1, 1990, requires that all post-secondary students born after January 1, 1957, show proof of immunization before they register for classes.

"Blocking pre-registration is the only way we can reach this particular segment of the student body," said Bergeson.

Only 80 out of 2,100 freshmen have fulfilled the new requirement said Bergeson adding letters have been sent to those who are not in compliance with the new law.

To show proof, students may submit immunization records which can be obtained from high school or private doctors, said Bergeson or it is possible to submit results of a blood titer test which shows antibodies to the diseases.

If anyone has had any of these diseases, documentation from a physician will be needed, said Bergeson but documentation will not be accepted for rubella, also known as German measles.

The law requires that juniors, seniors, transfer students, graduate, part-time and foreign student show proof of immunity by August 1, 1991.

"The new state law will catch those whose original inoculations proved ineffective or those who missed getting a measles vaccination," said Bergeson, citing foreign students who may never have been vaccinated.

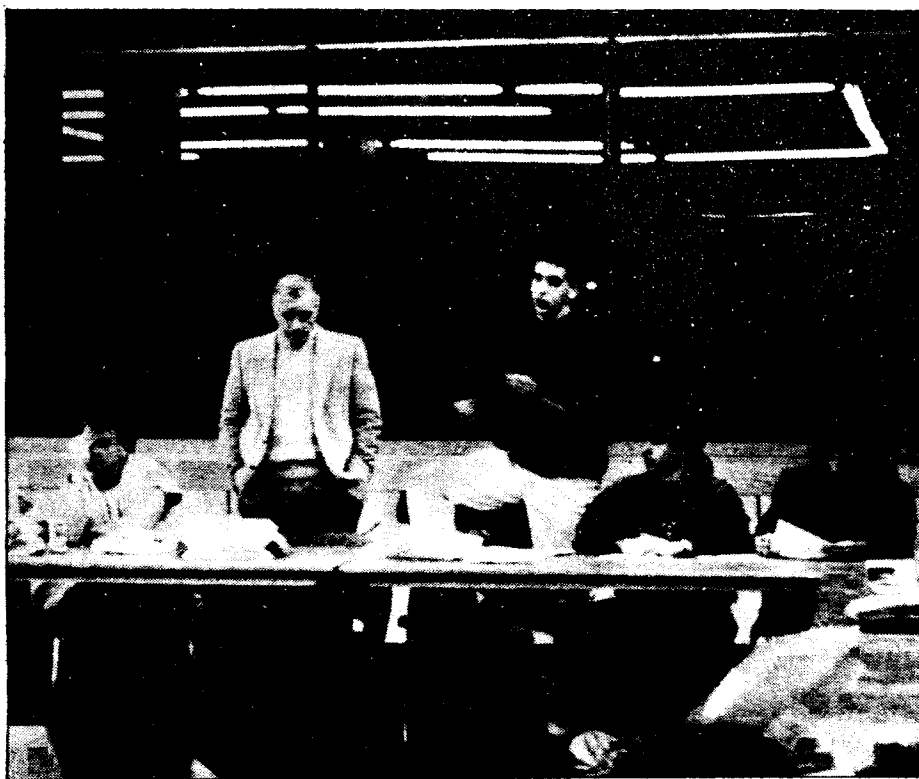
There are 250 free vaccinations available only until March 1, said Bergeson. After that students will have to pay about thirty dollars for the vaccination.

To give out shots, there will be a table in the lobby of the Student Union today. The hours are from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Students can also come to the Infirmary anytime between 9 and 5.

From 1988 to 1989, there were a four hundred fold increase in the outbreak of measles and 71 college campuses have reported outbreaks of measles.

A student returning from Jamaica recently spread the disease to Westchester County Area and deaths have been reported in Texas. The seriousness of the disease has

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Dan Slepian (standing, right) makes a point at last week's student government meeting.

Reeves Discusses Fees

By Joanne Rooney

At last week's Polity Senate meeting, Athletic Director, John Reeves spoke about \$111,000 in athletic funds that is being transferred to a state account.

Reeves said he attended a meeting last July in Albany where athletic administrators were told, not asked, to transfer all fees designated for athletics into a state account.

"SUNY Central has talked about moving funds since 1987," said Reeves. "The motivation for it, I believe, was the financial abuses going on in athletics, specifically in the Division 1 level and the need to account for all funds that were spent."

"So I feel the leadership in SUNY just felt it was time to get their financial house in order," Reeves said. "It's no reflection on your financial house. It's been in order, but that's not necessarily the case at every institution."

Reeves said he objected to the proposal along with Larry Noonan, assistant to the provost and Judy Christ, assistant to the director of physical education.

"We objected because we've enjoyed a fantastic relationship with our student government and we just felt it was blatantly unfair to come back in September and tell the student government that all the funds have to be turned over to a state account,"

said Reeves.

"There is an alternative," said Reeves, "you don't have an athletic program. SUNY Central is doing this and it is a dictate. It's not a democratic process."

Reeves made reference to a meeting he had with Polity President Sorin Abraham, Vice President Dan Slepian and Treasurer Rachel Boatswain, in which the three agreed on a modified system of transferring funds.

"In portions, the money will be moved over so you don't lose interest on it and copies of all expenditures made to the state account will be sent to the people in your accounting office so you can still monitor those expenses," Reeves said.

Slepian discussed the option of having a separate athletic fee or to continue including the athletic funds in the student activity fee.

"Either way there's still money going out of your budget to a state account," said Slepian.

"There will be a referendum on the ballot this March that indicates the students get to vote on whether they're going to allocate part of their activity fee to athletics," said Reeves. "I would love to see a referendum on March 20 that would allow for a separate athletic fee and I would guarantee you in

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Governor Calls For Parking Fee

By Robert Allen

The University at Stony Brook soon may be facing an increase to the \$2.50 year parking sticker fee.

The fee would not increase by a couple of dollars or even resemble the current fee of \$2.50 but it would likely to increase by 100 or even 200 dollars, said Glenn D. Magpantay, SASU delegate.

"These figures alone are staggering and are more than enough to get the attention of all SUNY students," said Magpantay. "Besides the increase in parking fee, the students would receive the same type of parking environment, poor lighting and poor security and would not at all benefit by an increase of parking fees."

The reason for this increase is in lieu of a 4 million dollar gap put in the State University Budget by the SUNY board of trustees, said Magpantay.

When the SUNY budget was passed last spring an increase in tuition as well as an increase in parking fees was proposed by Governor Mario Cuomo. The tuition fee was held relatively constant, but all that will have to be made up will come through the increase in the parking fee, said Magpantay adding the parking fee can be thought of as a tax against SUNY students.

"The state is now allocating less (tax) money to the university and proposes to balance it out by making up for it with the parking fee," said Magpantay.

The initial proposed fee will have no cap, Magpantay said.

"As the cost of salaries and inflation increase, it is unlikely that the fee will remain constant," said Magpantay. "The university would like to stop it before it starts. Once the fee is instated it will be harder to stop it."

SUNY Central would like to see parking move towards self sufficiency just like the residence halls, said Magpantay, adding, this would mean that all parking associated costs of the university would be paid for through the fee.

As for who directly pays the fee, it is students and faculty and staff, said Magpantay. Initially faculty and staff would not have to pay because of their union contracts, he explained, however the current contracts go until March 1991 and it is highly unlikely that SUNY will be able to convince the unions to concede free parking privileges before that date.

In a prepared statement Chancellor Bruce Johnstone said that if faculty and staff don't have to pay neither do the students. However, if Johnstone keeps his promise and the

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Senator Moynihan Is Accused Of Racism

By Eric F. Coppolino of the New York State Student Leader
POUGHKEEPSIE, NY, Feb. 16 - "Heavens, what hath one lecture wrought!"

So pondered U.S. Senator Daniel Patrick Moynihan in a letter to the president of Vassar College, trying to smooth over what he called the "ruckus" caused when 50 students peacefully seized the administration building for 36 hours last week.

The Students, angered by comments attributed to Moynihan after a January 29 speech at the college, said they had no choice but to resort to direct action to protest the alleged statement, and to state their belief that the college is insensitive to issues of race, religion, and physical ability.

The senator was accused by students of telling a Jamaican woman that if she did not like the United States, she should pack her bags and go home.

Forced to Negotiate

Students seized the building early Wednesday morning and surrendered it Thursday night, after the college president and at least one trustee agreed to negotiate with a committee of the students about its concerns.

There were no injuries in the protest, no arrests, no outside police involved, and no noteworthy interactions between students and administrators or campus security guards.

But the college's business functions were all but paralyzed for two working days as students held the offices of the president, vice presidents, deans and key campus functions, including the switchboard.

Numerous classes were cancelled by faculty members in sympathy with the protest, including those of the entire African Studies department.

The protest was organized by a "coalition of concerned students," according to Grand Lilford, a supporter of the group. Lilford noted that the group made no claim on representing the entire Vassar community, which remains hotly divided on the issue of the takeover.

One survey, by a local television station, indicated that up to 75 percent of the campus community of 2,200 was opposed to the way in which the students chose to make their statement.

And many students expressed discord with the coalition's

issues; some did not agree with the group's conclusion that Senator Moynihan was revealed as a racist by his remark, while others felt that the group was overreacting.

The Last Straw

Student leaders who organized the takeover said that they were protesting not just Moynihan's statement, but also what they said is years of insensitivity and unresponsiveness to bias-related issues by the prestigious private college.

Moynihan's alleged remarks, coupled with the college's decision to honor him as a "humanitarian," were merely the last straw, they said. Student demands include:

*A full-time rabbi on campus to serve the more than 30% Jewish population of the college. Only Christian ministers are available at the \$19,000-a-year college.

*A kosher meal plan. Students who keep kosher cannot eat at public facilities on campus, which students said directly prevents people who keep kosher from attending college.

*A racial issues task force.

*Universal access for the "differently abled," or disabled.

*An intercultural center for the college's numerous students of diverse racial and cultural backgrounds.

*And an apology by the administration for the senator's comments and for its decision to grant him an honorary position.

Earlier, students had demanded that the college revoke Senator Moynihan's position, but he resigned in a letter sent by fax to college President Frances Fergusson before the college had a chance to respond to the demand.

Honored as Humanitarian

Moynihan had recently been honored by the college as an outstanding humanitarian when he was awarded the Eleanor Roosevelt Honorary Professorship.

In his acceptance speech Jan. 29, Moynihan said the United States "provides a model of a reasonably successful multi-ethnic society."

At the reception following the speech, according to sources familiar with the story, Folami Gray, head of the Dutchess County Youth Bureau and the wife of a political science professor at the college, asked Moynihan how he could make such a statement when, through much of our history, American Indians were killed and the blacks were

enslaved.

Gray, who is originally from Jamaica said that Moynihan responded by telling her that, "Here I was at Vassar enjoying a lecture and that if I didn't like it, I should pack my bags and go back to where I came from."

She, in turn, allegedly responded by calling Moynihan the "senior racist," a reference to his title of senior senator.

A spokesman for the senator, whose reputation rests largely on his record as a champion of immigrants and people of color, denied that Moynihan made the comment.

But Moynihan resigned within hours of learning about the takeover.

The Times Have A-Changed

"I gather the student have asked that I return -- whatever that means -- the Eleanor Roosevelt Professorship and the stipend that went with it," the senator wrote in his February 14 letter. "I know you won't approve of this, and I'm sure Eleanor Roosevelt would not have done, but let me do so anyway. The times, unhappily, have changed."

Some people have questioned whether the senator's alleged remark is "racist," but one student noted that Moynihan could not have made this comment to a white American student. The attack draws totally for its effect on the fact that the woman was international.

Even before Moynihan's speech and alleged remark to the Jamaican woman, students were expressing their concern about his attitude toward people of color, citing a 1965 report he wrote, commissioned by the Johnson administration, on "The Negro Family" in America.

In this report, Moynihan said that black American culture was afflicted with the negative results of "matriarchy," or female domination, particularly in the career world.

The report suggested as a solution that jobs usually held by black women should be given to black men, which students said was blatantly sexist.

And he suggested in the report that more black men should serve in the armed forces because it would help them by providing discipline.

In the 10 years following the report, a grossly disproportionate number of black Americans served and were killed in combat during the peak years of the Vietnam war.

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Prof Truxal Creates Technology Program

By Winnie W. Ng

John G. Truxal came to SUNY at Stony Brook in 1972 with a goal in mind: to create an engineering and technology program for Liberal Arts students to acquaint them with a better understanding of modern engineering and technology.

"Liberal Arts students are going to be the decision makers," said Truxal, Distinguished Teaching Professor of Technology and Society. "Political Science, MBA, MPA graduates are the people who make the decisions, as it should be in our society and I think it is extremely important for the people in decision making roles to have an understanding of what the limitations and possibilities of technology are."

Eight years ago, the Sloan Foundation, a private foundation that supports "educational innovations", created a major national campaign encouraging Liberal Arts Colleges around the country to provide Engineering and Technology programs for general studies students. SUNY Stony Brook is the communications center for this program. Truxal and his colleagues publish newsletters and packet information to distribute them among the 50 or so colleges participating in the program.

Truxal's goal seems to be well in hand at this point. The Cybernetics class that he created is now one of the most popular classes among general students and his new class, EST 325 is forming a growing interest among students. Truxal has just recently stopped teaching Cybernetics and began his "Technology in the Workplace" class.

"I've taught it (Cybernetics) for ten years, and after you teach something for that long, you get that feeling of 'Did I say that before to this class or to the class from last year?'" said Truxal. "I think you have to change directions every once in a while."

Truxal has not swayed far from the Engineering field, though. He graduated from Dartmouth and MIT with degrees in Electrical Engineering and then went on to teach at Perdue, Polytechnic in Brooklyn and then to SUNY Stony Brook.

Even during World War II, Truxal was involved in the engineering field. He was stationed in Jamestown, Rhode Island where he worked at the Radar Test Center. In the 1950s, Truxal worked on military systems for the government and in the 1960s he worked on space programs. He said the one thing about working for the government was "cost is less of a consideration. Performance is key." He said that he could make high technological and fancy systems without ever worrying about cost. In the late 1960s, Truxal halted his work with the military in order to pursue his work towards trying to help the country improve its health, transportation and urban situations.

Truxal has written about eight books over the course of the last thirty years. His book for the EST 320 class has just been published in hardcover. It is titled *The Age of Electronic Messages*, and it is part of the "New Liberal Arts Series".

Although Truxal has been teaching for almost forty years, he admits he still gets nervous before every lecture.

"You have great ups and downs as a teacher," said Truxal. "Some days you feel like things really went well, and other days you say, 'that was the worst class I ever had.' Consequently you get very nervous before every class, and I'll feel uptight."

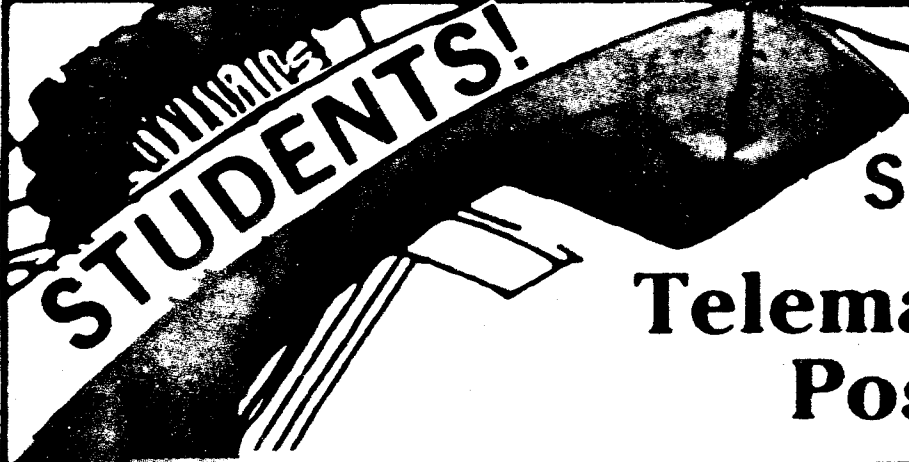
With his official title of Distinguished Teaching Professor of Technology and Society, Truxal doesn't have much to be nervous about. The title of Distinguished Professor is only bestowed among few and here at the university, only "three or four" have the honor. Perhaps one of the reasons why he was given the title was because of his attitude towards teaching.

"The real fun is trying to understand something enough to explain it, that's why I enjoy teaching so much," said Truxal.

Truxal lives in Dix Hills with his wife Doris. He has one son, one daughter and five grandchildren. His daughter, Carol Fletcher is a science writer who has worked for *Discover* and *Times*. Although it seems like he doesn't have much free time, he likes to play golf and go to the theater and to concerts when he does.

Truxal said, "I don't have any of the oddball characteristics that you need to be a 'good professor'".





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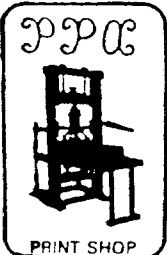
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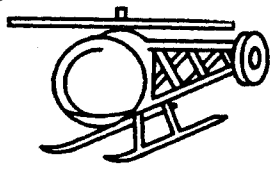
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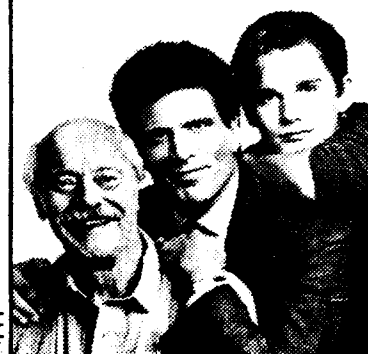
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writing and the president would also that it would not go up for the next three years."

According to Reeves, "the separate athletic fee would give some continuity to the program instead of dealing with the anxiety every three years as to whether we're going to have an athletic program."

Slepian explained that President John Marburger would gain full control over a separate athletic fee and students would lose even more control, not being able to decide how much money should go to athletics.

"I would be more opposed to a mandatory athletic fee because it would take total control away from the students," said Abraham. "This would set a negative precedent for other things the student pay for such as student newspapers, the radio station and lab fees."

Polity members questioned Reeves on having more concerts in the fieldhouse next year.

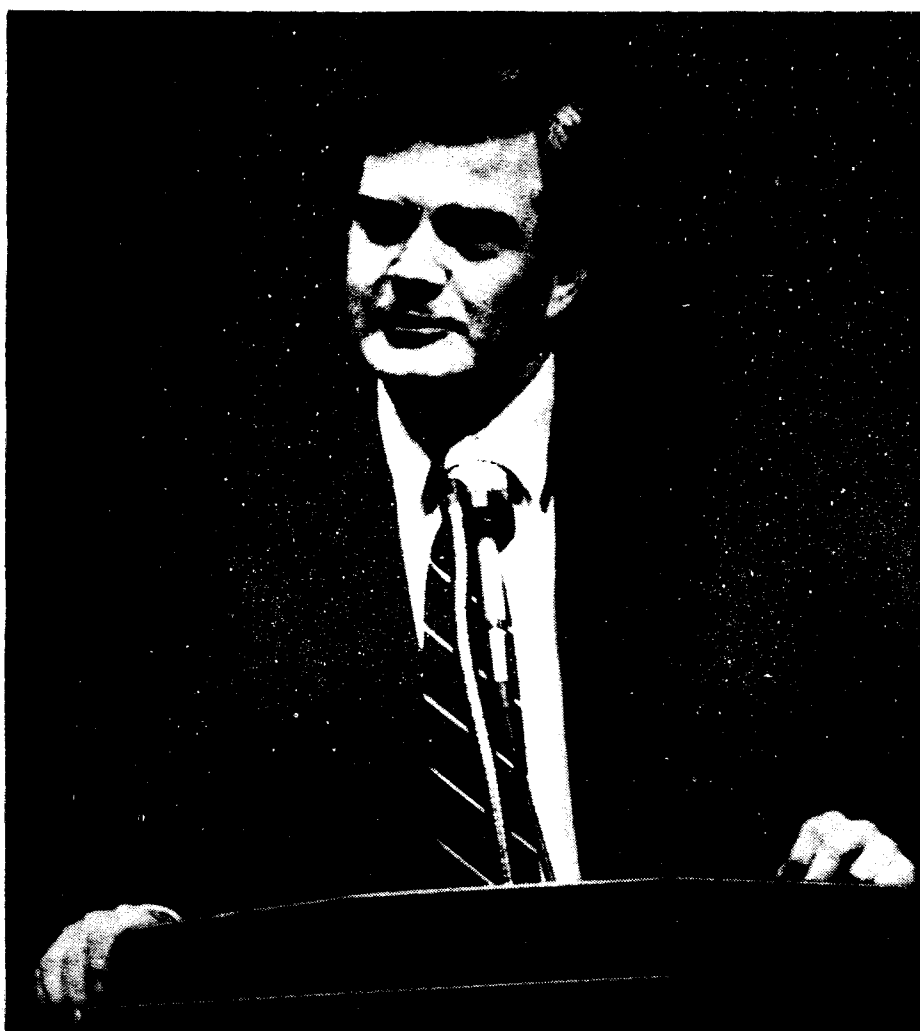
"If we have a tradition in undergraduate student life, that tradition is in concerts," said Reeves. "We have designated eight days next academic year for student concerts, more than for any other student activities...."

Slepian said he and Reeves had been negotiating on the cost of renting the fieldhouse.

Reeves said, "It will be no more than a \$1,000, which is a bargain for that facility which has the capacity to bring in \$70,000 for every concert."

"I don't think it should be more than \$750 an evening and I even have a problem with that," said Slepian.

Reeves said the extra money will be needed to pay for things like depreciation of



President John Marburger

Statesman/File Photo

floor covers and bleachers.

"Rather than opening the activity to the public, if you come up with an activity just for SUNY Stony Brook, it's going to be much less than \$1,000," said Reeves.

At the end of the meeting, a committee report was given introducing John Driscoll and Steven Davidson as new co-chairpersons of the Community Service Committee.

Student Health Vaccination

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prompted New York State Health officials to pass the law.

Bergeson described measles as being caused by a virus and transmitted via nasal or throat secretions-sneezing or sharing eating utensils. Results of the infection causes a high fever, red rash, hacking cough, sensitivity to light and white blisters in the mouth. The disease can last for about 7 to 10 days.

Measles is not life threatening but for infants, it can cause deadly complications.

If you have had measles, you are immune for life, said Bergeson, adding virtually all adults before 1957 are immune.

New Parking Fees ?

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union contracts remain intact, the fee will not be able to be collected, said Magpantay.

As of now the decision is in the legislature, said Magpantay.

"Students are sending letters and post cards in an attempt to try to dissuade the legislature from approving the fees," said Magpantay.

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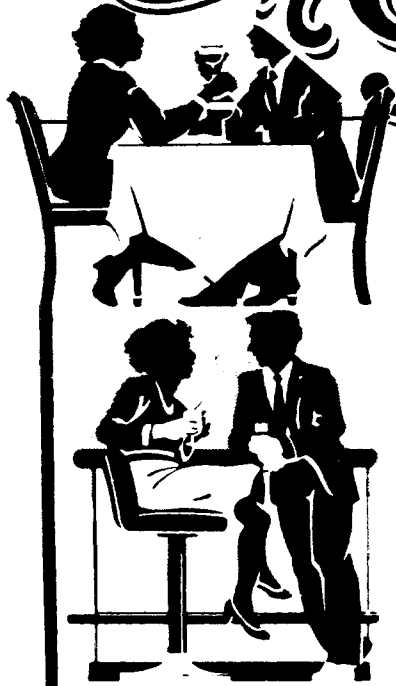
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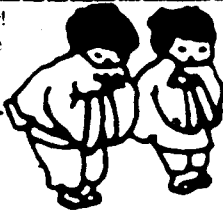
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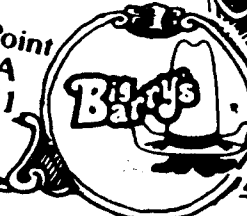
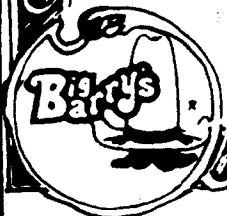
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Student Book Exchange

By Mary Dunlop

Do you by your books used? Do you feel that you get an unfair price when selling books back? Have you ever sold books to a friend instead of the bookstore?

If you answered yes to any of these questions, you may be interested to know that NYPIRG and Tau Kappa Epsilon are setting up a student book exchange.

"The bookstore rips the students off," said Alex Fear, project coordinator for NYPIRG. "When they sell the book for \$35 that they just bought back for \$10

"The book exchange program will allow students to negotiate a buying or sell price with another student directly," said Fear.

Students will use cards to tell other people what they wish to buy or sell, said Tom Chang, President of TKE. There will be one central board where all these cards will be organized into departments, such as Biology, or Anthropology. We are hoping to be able to put the board in the Union, where it will be an ideal central location to everyone, said Chang.

NYPIRG and TKE will be passing out surveys to help publicize the book exchange and also to find out what the students would like.

"Once people know about the program," said Fear, "we feel they they will want to get involved. From the surveys we will be able to get some basic information and then be able

to make generalizations from it."

"One of the main ideas that we wish to get from the surveys is where the students want the drop off points for the card to be," said Fear. "There can't be too many places, maybe just one or two. They will be determined after the surveys are completed."

The program is expected to be reasonably successful, said Chang, but we also expect more participation from fall to spring semesters.

TKE tried to start this last semester, said Chang.

"It wasn't too successful, the idea was started on the spur of the moment," said Chang.

But TKE still wanted the idea to work. "Adam Weiner, a project leader for NYPIRG and a member of TKE mentioned the idea to Alex Fear and then we decided to work on it together," added Chang.

NYPIRG has the framework and the basics said Fear, while TKE has the people to work at tables and pass out surveys.

NYPIRG has been involved with a similar book exchange on other campuses such as Queens college and SUNY Binghamton, which reached 1500 students in the first semester.

TKE has also been involved in organizing campus cleanups, and helping; in such events as Special Olympics, and the Blood Drive.

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Let's See Resistance To Parking Fee

Approximately one year ago, we students faced a tuition increase. We were told that without the hike, SUNY and CUNY would be faced with an \$18 million combined gap in its budget.

We rallied to eliminate this raise in tuition with the argument that the cost of education was already not easily affordable for the average student. Through demonstrations and letters to legislators and Gov. Mario Cuomo, we students won the battle as the Governor gave in to the pressure and vetoed the hike.

Now Cuomo, the same man who supposedly advocated tuition *cuts*, is proposing a parking fee to make up for the huge budget gaps. This fee has no cap on it, which means it could easily cost hundreds of dollars to park our cars next semester, as opposed to the current \$2.50 registration fee.

The Governor thinks he can make up for the now \$4 million gap by choosing one specific, unrelated group and holding it responsible for the lack of funds. These young car owners -- a

minority -- already discriminated against by the insurance companies through higher rates due to their age, are being unfairly chosen to solve the problem for the *majority*.

In addition, there is no intention to use these new funds to improve the parking situation, which is in itself a problem. This is as absurd as charging a fee to those students who bring a television on campus.

Speaking of television, the mandatory cable fee is scheduled to be imposed on the students next semester. This, in addition to the outrageously priced mandatory meal plan, the costly ROLM phone, the student activities fee, and now a huge parking fee, (much of which is not covered by the TAP program), will be sure to empty the pockets of most students who are barely able to afford school presently.

Another point to consider is that SB faculty and staff who are protected by unions, are not

going to be held responsible for the new parking fee. This is unfair to students because faculty and staff park in areas designated for student parking and therefore, take parking from the students who would otherwise have the "privilege" of using their cars at their place of residence.

It seems that we are again faced with a tuition hike. This time though, policy-makers decided to try and trick us into accepting this one because it is not labeled a direct "tuition hike", rather a payment for a "luxury". This should be viewed as unacceptable by students, just as the similar attempt by the State a year ago.

We should not be fooled by this back-door tuition hike and act in the same manner as we did in our victory last year: write our Governor Cuomo and urge him to abandon his unfair new policy.

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VIEWPOINT

Political Prisoners In The United States

By Mitchel Cohen

The freeing of Nelson Mandela, perhaps the world's most famous political prisoner, after nearly three decades in jail in South Africa is a victory for all people who are fighting for freedom. If only the press would also focus on the situation in the United States we might begin to rid ourselves of the illusion that we live in the freest country in the world and begin to take a serious look at the myths that dominate our lives.

In the past I'd written several exposes on the case of Leonard Peltier, an American Indian in jail for the rest of his life for crimes he did not commit. I'd also written about women in jail for daring to fight back after being raped; of the "Sedition Conspiracy" trial in Springfield Massachusetts of the Ohio Seven that, I'm happy to report recently ended, after 21 days of jury deliberations, in "not guilty" verdicts on the heaviest charges and a deadlocked jury on the remaining counts for which the judge declared a mistrial of those imprisoned for victimless crimes, especially for using banned "controlled substances" like marijuana; anti-intervention activists (over 500 were arrested two weeks ago at Congressional offices across the country, opposing U.S. imperialism's support for the death-squad government of El Salvador); Black and Puerto Rican political prisoners, often illegally arrested (and all-too-often murdered before a trial); and of the occasional bust of unmarried lovers for violating the 18th century Victorian codes that still exist in many states. In New York, for instance, it is illegal for anyone to engage in oral-genital sex, anal sex, or any other position other than the "missionary" position -- man on top -- although these antiquated "crimes" are rarely enforced.

Although some of these "crimes" are supposedly guaranteed by the Bill of Rights and many of them seem absurd, tens of thousands of people are rotting in American jails as a result. And the press remains silent.

In today's column I will zero in on yet another category of political prisoners in the U.S. -- those arrested for anti-nuclear activities. Although we rarely hear of it in the state-dominated corporate press, resistance to nuclear power plants and nuclear weapons remains much higher and more active than officially reported. In 1989 alone, over 145 anti-nuclear actions were organized, resulting in 5,500 arrests in the U.S. and Canada. Over the past decade (you know, the 1980's, where "nothing happened but the rent"), at least 37,000(!) anti-nuclear arrests were recorded in North America at nuclear power and weapons plants, test sites, along transportation routes and at military bases, government offices and proposed nuclear waste dumps. "As a result," reports *The Nuclear Resister* (PO Box 43383, Tucson, AZ 85733), which keeps us informed about and supports imprisoned anti-nuclear activists, "at least 90 people have served or are serving from two weeks to 17 years in prison, while hundreds more served lesser sentences."

Especially significant were the thousands of people involved in civil resistance at the Nevada nuclear weapons test site, attempting to physically block, with their bodies, the development and testing of nuclear weapons. So powerful have

the activists been that, last April, the Nye County authorities announced they would no longer prosecute anyone arrested at the federally controlled site, compelling the federal government to override the County's decision and prosecute a select few arrested within the government town of Mercury, two miles inside the gate. Among those taken to federal court for trespassing was one man who was sentenced to 90 days in federal prison.

In June, federal officials of the Bureau of Land Management evicted the Test Site Peace Camp, arresting three. Resolute peace campers relocated their camp on the public rally site adjacent to the main gate, from which they hastily set up a blockade on the entrance road and in July, actually stopped a bunch of trucks bringing nuclear weapons to the test site.

Also in June, federal and state agents arrested four Arizona residents, members of Earth First!, in an alleged conspiracy to topple electrical transmission cables leading from the Palo Verde (Arizona) and Diablo Canyon (California) nuclear power plants and the Rocky Flats (Colorado) nuclear weapons plant. FBI infiltrators had helped set up the "conspiracy" in ongoing entrapments against the environmental movement. Three of the four were jailed for two months before bond was set. In December, a fifth Arizonian was also indicted on related charges.

In an apparent effort to discredit both the anti-nuclear and radical environmental movements, prosecutors branded the original four as "terrorists". Ring the "terrorist" bell and expect 240 million to drool in unison. I suppose. FBI agent David Small justified his terrorism with the ridiculous and anti-Constitutional assertion that terrorism "includes any individual committing criminal acts under federal, state or local laws in furtherance with their political or social goals." Defense attorneys are wading through hundreds of hours of wiretap transcripts, recorded conversations and other "evidence"; no trial date has been set.

The U.S. Supreme Court was presented in 1989 with the opportunity for the first time to hear a major nuclear resistance case. The appeal of the Plowshares Eight, Catholic peace activists who in 1980 first employed hand tools -- hammers, drills, stones -- to damage nuclear missile parts, was declined without comment. In an earlier appeal, the Pennsylvania Supreme Court had invalidated their original sentences of 1 1/2 to 10 years and eight now await resentencing.

In Canada, a major non-violent resistance campaign is being led by the Innu, native people of northern Quebec and Labrador. The Canadian government is buckling under the U.S. pressure to allow low-level training flights of nuclear and conventional NATO warplanes over traditional Innu hunting ranges. Innu families have repeatedly occupied the base runway and camped on the bombing ranges in protest, facing arrest and jail, while their supporters have engaged in a series of civil disobedience actions at government offices in Ottawa and Toronto. Over 300 have been arrested.

While direct actionists have opposed all nuclear weapons systems, it is the Trident nuclear submarine and its horri-

fyng D-5 missiles -- made in part, by General Electric, which also owns WNBC TV, and manufactured the Shoreham nuclear power plant on Long Island -- which are being most vigorously opposed. At the Trident's east coast homeport at Kings Bay, Georgia, the Metanoia Community has increased its level of resistance. Arrests (105 in 1989) and jail terms have increased as the base comes into full operation. Across the southern states, communities of resistance are preparing to protest and blockade the "nuclear train", expected to return to the tracks in early 1990 to transport warheads to Kings Bay from the Pantex assembly plant near Amarillo, Texas. Trident resistance will also continue at sites in California and Utah, where the D-5 missile is designed, tested and assembled; at the west coast homeport at Bangor, Washington.

Among the people in jail for political crimes: Jim Welch (75 Days) for trespassing at Cape Canaveral Air Force station; Theodore Thomas (90 days) for trespass at the Nevada test site; Ladon Sheats (1 year) for participating in a prayer vigil atop a South Dakota nuclear missile silo; Father Jim Roche (awaiting trial) for blocking the runway at Goose Bay, Labrador, to protest overflights of Native lands; and many others.

Clearly, anti-war actions are going on all over the continent. The boycott

against General Electric is picking up steam and 12 people were arrested in Valley Forge, Pennsylvania, for walking onto GE property carrying crosses, signs about El Salvador, the environment and homelessness. Others pulled large GE appliance boxes onto the driveway and crawled into them, dramatizing homelessness as a casualty of war economy. Protestors have been arrested in K-Mart for placing warning stickers on war toys. And in a daring non-violent action in September, six peace activists swam and canoed up the Thames River to the USS Pennsylvania, a Trident nuclear submarine docked at the naval underwater Systems Center in New London Connecticut. In full view of armed security they hammered and poured their own blood on the Trident. After the trial, one of the activists, Art Laffin, commented: "Our intention is not to be arrested or go to jail, but to bear witness and speak the truth. We should not have been charged with crimes for hammering on and trying to disarm the illegal first-strike Trident submarine, which has no right to exist, any more than people in East Germany should be arrested for hammering on and taking down the Berlin Wall." The six are free pending sentencing in Hartford, CT, on March 6, 1990.

In this next decade, anti-nuclear resisters will be joined by groups concerned

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LETTERS

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To the Editor:

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Something almost as bad in my book is giving free space to self-serving accounts of the good points of fraternities and sororities (which no one disputes). But why do state facilities, student monies, and courtesy columns in *Statesman* go gratis to organizations that are inimical to what public institutions must oppose: snobbery, i.e., selectivity? The brilliant black movie producer Spike Lee, while accepting an outstanding alumnus award from Morehouse College, asked his school to ban fraternities for the usual reasons (previously enumerated in these columns).

David Burner
Department of History

Down with the Bell Curve

To the Editor:

This letter is directed at all of the professors in the world, and of course all of their students, for it is a problem that we all have encountered since we first entered a "Center of Higher Learning": the bell shaped curve.

I am currently taking organic chemistry. The curve was such that an "A" was about a 60. Does that mean that a student that gets a 60 is an extremely bright stu-

dent or does that mean that the student is merely superior to the other students in the class? When a person gets a 65 on an exam, it shows that he knew 65 percent of the test. Does that reflect the amount of time he spent studying for the exam? Of course not. When the average on an exam is under a 50 it is not the students fault, entirely. The average on that particular exam was a 41.

For the longest time, I have tried to come to terms with the fact that my success on an exam is based on the failure of others. I cannot fathom the fact that if I help someone in my class, I am actually indirectly hurting myself, because the class average will be somewhat higher, therefore my grade will be less enhanced. Unfortunately it does not stop at obnoxious undergraduates such as myself writing letters to you, it leads to stealing other student's notebooks and even giving false information when someone asks for help. We don't deserve this treatment and I personally don't want to take it anymore. If there is something I can do to change the system, I would do it. Unfortunately it is all in the professors' hands.

What is a possible resolution? Well maybe you could make the tests reasonable and count a 90 as an "A". If a student knows 90 percent of the work, he deserves an "A". A good professor, will write an exam such that only the advanced students will earn an "A" and that the weak students that don't study, get an "F". Maybe Dr. Burner should take some time out from criticizing fraternities and urge his colleagues, to make the academic experience a more valuable one.

Jason Shatkin

ALTERNATIVES

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Farming Community Faces Problems

By Cynthia Lee Valane

The Curse of the Starving Class, now being produced at Stony Brook's Staller Center for the Arts, deals with the problems of the down and out in a typical farming community. Although like most of Sam Shephard's plays, it leaves a strong aftertaste, the director and all the actors tried to draw the audience in through comedy.

To combat the usual sense of isolation Shephard's plays ordinarily have, the director chose to have the play done in theater-in-the-round, in which the audience surrounds the players. This drew the audience into the action more, along with the help of the four main actors and actresses.

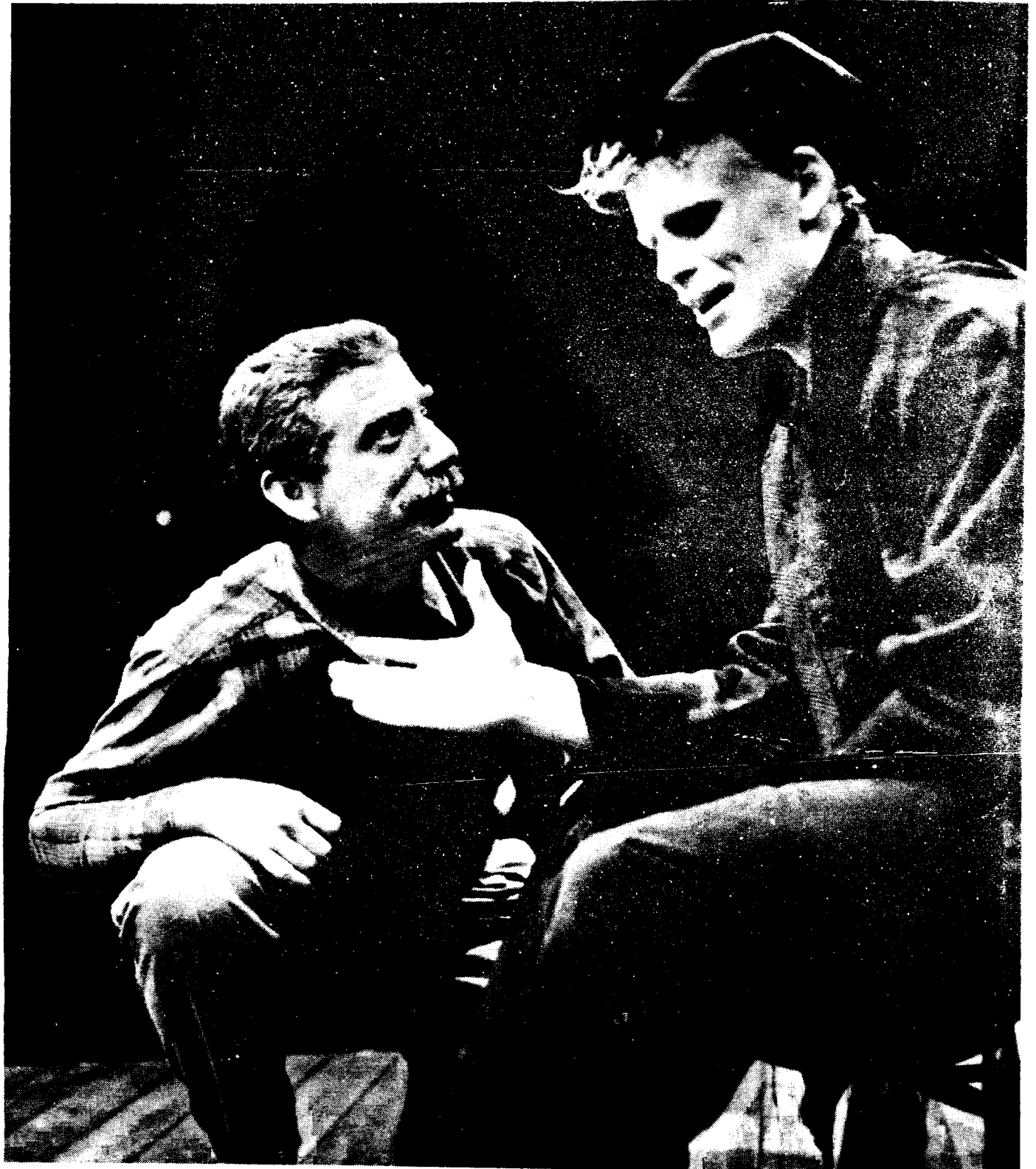
Beverly Longo, who played Ella, the mother, convincingly portrayed a woman who was fed up with her drunken, no good husband, and was convinced that she could make a better life for herself and her children. Her lilting voice often rose to a fevered pitch as she spoke of getting away from their broken-down farm and traveling to Europe on the money they could get, by selling the farm.

Emma, played by Marie Jose Loo, seemed to have trouble appearing angry, as she paced back and forth after an argument with her mother in the beginning of the play. She had a second burden when she tried to play a young girl getting her first period. As the show went on, though, she was more convincing when she boasted about her father to a man she thought was her mother's new boyfriend and then, when she came back after a failed attempt to run away on the family horse. "I stopped dreaming and saw myself dragged through the mud," she said, limping slowly and painfully around the stage in a green 4-H skirt and untucked shirt covered in mud.

Daniel S. Allen had a hard part to play as Wesley, who at onetime walked out onto the stage completely naked to bring a lamb off stage. He played a character completely confused and hopeless about his situation in life. In the beginning he tried to fight the hopelessness by working to upkeep the farm, but by the end of the play he was convinced that he had inherited his father's poison and would never be able to make anything of himself.

Playing a drunkard could not have been easy for Gary Wynn, who played the father, Weston. One of the most difficult trials for him came when the table broke that he was supposed to go to sleep on. In a true drunken stupor, he got on the table anyway and frailed about making the table worse off. As Wesley tried to ask his father to leave, the actor lost control and had to join in with the audience in its laughter, but Wynn kept a straight face, and pretended successfully to fall asleep finally, on the floor.

The play was centered about the refrigerator. The four characters spent much of their time opening and closing the old scratched stark white door, talking about how, "We're not broke. We're



Ed Bridges

not part of the starving class," as Emma, the daughter, did. She also added that the refrigerator should not be embarrassed, because she too has had rough times, having to take her lunch into school in a Wonder Bread wrapper. Other times, the actors leaned up to it to caress it, and sometimes climbed on top of it.

It was a play about people who cannot communicate. All the actors were called on often to fight each other. If they were not fighting, one character or another went on and on in a soliloquy-type fashion full of poetic words. The son, Wesley, had a long speech in the beginning of the play, about a confrontation between his drunken father and angry mother. He laid on the table, his voice climbing in pitch, as his mother

stood at the stove making some bacon.

The play depended on sounds and smells to add realism to the stark scenery. The stove worked so that members of the audience could smell bacon or eggs when they were cooking. A cloud of steam could be seen rising from a boiling pot, when the lid was lifted.

Sounds were important too. When someone talked of crickets or planes, the sound that was heard in the character's mind was heard by all. It isn't easy to forget the thunderous crash of garbage cans which proceeded the first entrance of the father, Weston.

The play had one live prop as well. A lamb was placed in the kitchen so it would be warm, because it was infested with maggots. It added to the play with its unconscious baying and its move-

ment around its small pen.

The lamb, like so many things the actors said and did, were meant to shock the audience. This was also the play's main source of comedy. The audience chuckled when Ella, the mother, tried to shock Emma explaining that sanitary napkins in bathrooms at restaurants and garages are not sanitary because, "You don't know whose quarters go into that machine." The four supporting actors were also comical because they were caricatures. For example, Taylor was the common corrupt lawyer, while Malcolm was portrayed as an uncaring Southern cop.

The comedy did not dispell the depressing atmosphere, but it added the needed shades of contour to give the play a stronger impact.

Three Couples Create 'Bedroom Farce'

By Kimberly Haynes

Bedroom Farce, the comedy currently running at Theatre Three in Port Jefferson, is an excursion into the lives of four couples, using three bedrooms as its set.

The marital problems of one couple, Trevor and Susannah, are revealed and then solved, all during one long Saturday night. Their friends, Jan and Nick and Kate and Malcolm, attempt to help, along with Trevor's parents, Ernest and Delia, but it is ultimately up to Trevor and Susannah to reunite and try again. Throughout the evening, each couple comes to realizations about themselves and their lifestyles.

Alan Ayckbourn, the writer of the play, said in an interview with John Heilpern, "Bedroom Farce is a comedy about real characters, who, projected into incredible situations, start behaving in a larger than life manner as the situations appear to them too horribly real." The situations do appear incredible as Trevor and Susannah begin wrestling at Kate and Malcolm's party, ruining it in the process. After Trevor is caught kissing Jan by Susannah, he goes off to Jan and Nick's, while Susannah storms off to Trevor's parent's house. The situations become more difficult to swallow and the dialogue becomes strained.

Bedroom Farce is an English comedy, highly conservative and full of extremely dry humor. The stuffiness of the British lifestyle is one of the main aspects of the play, and is an underlying theme at all times.

One of the funnier moments in the play occurs when Delia and Ernest decide to do something really strange like eat sardines on toast in bed. This type of humor runs rampant throughout the play.

Despite the conservativeness of the characters' lifestyles, many psychologically liberal aspects of each character are revealed. Kate questions the enthusiasm of her sexuality with her husband, Trevor is portrayed as highly philosophical in the beginning of the play, and Susannah mediates throughout the play, skimming along the lines of existentialism with her constant definitions of who and what she is.

Ernest and Delia, played by Brent Erlanson and Julie Peierls, elicit the most laughs from the audience, along with Malcolm, played by Michael J. Butera. The portrayal of their roles was more convincing than the other characters. One of Stony Brook's students, Jennifer Banta, played the role of Kate with sincerity.

The play runs through March 24 and tickets range from \$10-18, depending on the day and time of the performance.



Pat Colombraro

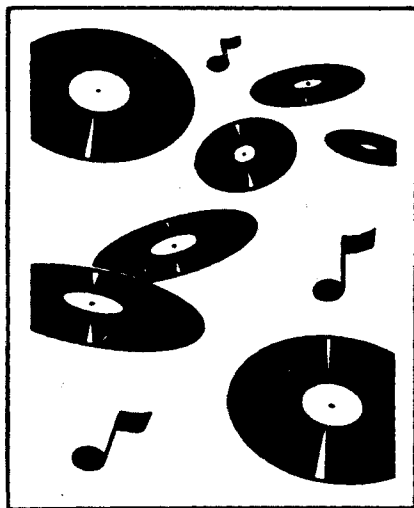
Hooters 'Zig-Zag' to the Top

By Jason Tettler

Everything has its roots, which are necessary for the existence of a healthy future. As water and food are nutrients for some roots, guitars, drums and vocals are the nutrients of rock, which are forged by groups like The Kinks, Sabbath, The Stones, The Beatles and so on. They are the fathers of rock.

Every once in a while, other roots will spring up. You see, these bands are the ones that begin style, and like the fathers of rock, have anchored themselves in firm ground, like The Hooters. Their new and third album is called *Zig Zag* and it adds to their list of prominent productions. The Hooters are unique in every sense. The voices of Eric Brazilian, Fran Smith, Jr. and Rob Hyman exhibit awesome power that has carried on through *Nervous Night*, their first LP, *One Way Home*, their second LP and again in *Zig Zag*.

At first, the listener will favor their earlier albums but after another spin of the turntable this view will surely change. On the radio you can hear "Brother Don't You Walk Away," a wonderful song that features an



accordion and both acoustic and electric mandolins. Also on *Zig Zag*, there is a remake of the Peter, Paul and Mary favorite, "500 Miles." Interestingly enough, Peter, Paul and Mary guest sing. Here, a Blues Harp spices up the cut.

We can all wonder what the next "Satellite" or "And We Danced" will be, but a listen will dictate three contenders. "Heaven Laughs," "Give The Music Back" and "Beat Up Guitar" are these songs. And they add to

The Hooters' flourishing technique.

Zig Zag may not be The Hooters' best work, but it is comparable with their previous albums. Their peak still hasn't come, but with the broadness displayed here, The Hooters will peak for more than one album. Look forward to this day, the list of hits beginning with "And We Danced" and continuing with *Zig Zag's* "Brother Don't You Walk Away" should be the start of an era.

If you do purchase *Zig Zag*, "Mr. Baboon" will strike you as the most charismatic tune on the vinyl. One thing can be guaranteed. The Hooters' energy is a peculiar and acquired taste. There will be no hordes of crazed teenagers gasping at their name, but this will only lead to their greatness.

As was the case with *One Way Home's* "The Graveyard Waltz," *Zig Zag* attempts and succeeds at sending a message by the means of a story-like twist. These stories at times seem abstract but they allow for a relationship to bond between the listener and the meaning. In "Heaven Laughs," with the help of a fretless bass, a message is given

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Ebony Elite's Jazz Affaire

By Tanguy Steinbach

An alternative to this Saturday night's routine party has arrived. It has a more civilized atmosphere and a greater ethnic mix. It is *Affaire Magnifique*, a *Black and White Jazz Spectrum*.

Ebony Elite, a trio managing freelance models which produces high fashion, avante-garde shows, decided to expand their realm of expertise this semester by undertaking a truly unique event. The occasion is the launching of *Woman's History Month 1990*.

Last summer, Ebony Elite came into existence through David Greene, Simone Yearwood and Jaquelyn Kusi Appouh's common interests in fashion. The group produced a glamorous and extravagant fashion evening that received exceptionally strong reviews. Since then, Ebony Elite has tried to acquire funds for another show, this time with a broader picture in mind.

Funding came from Polity Student Council, Tusconini and Benedict's ledges and the Black Women's Weekend Committee. "Everyone has given us a lot of support," said Yearwood, one of the three forming Ebony Elite. Having rehearsed four to five hours a day, for the past three weeks, the models

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Elite Magnifique

(Continued from page 11) and performers feel confident of success. "It's bound to be the hottest and jazziest fashion show on campus!" said Charlene Roach, a cover girl featured on the cover of Black Romance Magazine and also an Ebony Elite Model featured in the show.

There are essentially two parallel themes to *Affaire Magnifique*, said Greene. First, it is an expressionistic tribute to the modern woman. Women of all disciplines will be highlighted throughout. Several poetry readings, one given by Malynda Jorden, who coordinated the recent Martin Luther King Jr. memorial tribute, will expand on the theme where dance, fashion and singing cannot.

Secondly, *Affaire Magnifique* "aims to bring the disunited ethnic groups together" said Greene, who is also a part time fashion illustrator. Greene added that "what would satisfy me the most would be to walk in the ballroom and see a mix." Philippe J. Quann, also one of the Ebony Elite Models, hopes that "it will be a diverse event." Of the five different fashion scenes, all the models are of different ethnic background.

The show will also have live singing, "mainly Rhythm, Blues and Jazz" said

Greene. Also featured will be the women's Performing Dance Club, which will perform contemporary, self-choreographed modern jazz dance. Another dance troop, ABC, made up of dancers aged 8 to 14, will come from New York City to perform two modern jazz dances as well.

Affaire Magnifique starts at 7:00 pm. in the Union Ballroom on Saturday, March 3. It is an exclusively student run and organized event with excellent motives and a tantalizing program. "I hope to see more events like this one come about as a result of ours," said Yearwood.

Hooters

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about relationships, experiences, and heartbreak. These meaningful principles continue through songs like "Don't Knock It 'Til You Try It," a tale representing revolution.

So if you are looking for that different sound, check out *Zig Zag* by The Hooters. It can only be said that they are the beginning of something new and exciting.

VIEWPOINT

Imprisoned Activists

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with the environmental hazards of weapons production and nuclear waste disposal. In the spring of 1990, civil resisters at the Nevada test site will demonstrate in concert with nuclear testing opponents in Kazakhstan, the Soviet Union, who call theirs the "Nevada Movement," in solidarity with direct actionists in the United States. Nuclear weapons plants remain closed in several states as the secret poisoning of surrounding communities over the last forty years has come to light, thanks to anti-nuclear resisters. Activists are preparing direct action campaigns to "Stop the Restart" of these facilities, and prevent replacement

factories from being built. And at the end of the nuclear fuel cycle, nuclear waste dumps nearly completed in New Mexico and under consideration in New York and Nevada are facing opposition at the dump sites and along transportation routes.

One of the most ambitious actions will take place in New York City on Monday, April 23, the day after Earth Day 1990. Non-violent direct action activists are organizing a major action to disrupt business as usual and hopefully, to shut down the New York Stock Exchange, in protest of corporate ravaging of the environment in exchange for profits.

(The writer is a member of the Red Balloon Collective.)

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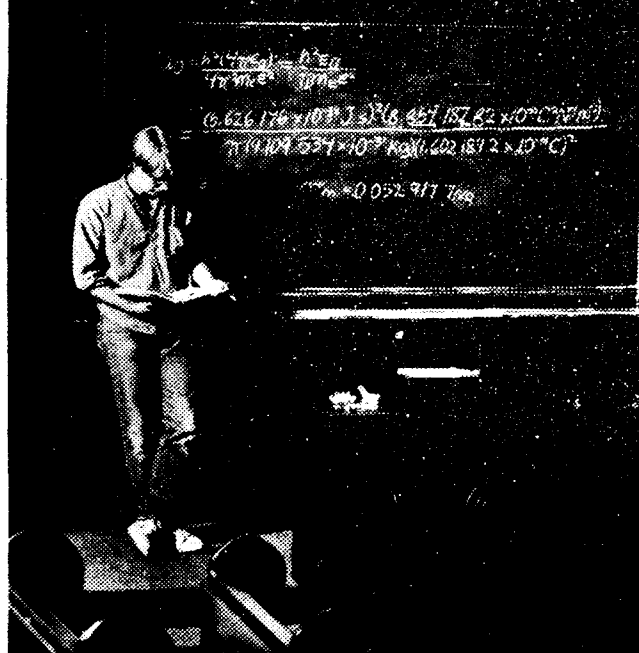
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Beware: Career Advisors Need Compassion

By Theodore S. Rennenberg

This past Friday (February 23) a "funny thing" happened after entering the main library's career development center. This "thing" I am referring to is the dialogue between myself and the "career advisor" at 4:31 in the evening. The following is a re-capitulation of the words exchanged: "Excuse me, where can I find out when European American Bank will be on campus?"

After posing this question, the advisement-center personnel scattered from their respective positions around the coffee machine, leaving myself and the "career advisor," Mr. X, to converse.

Advisor: "They've been here and gone!" he pertly replied. "European American Bank?" I slowly asked again.

Advisor: "You missed it!" "Where was it posted?" I asked.

Advisor: "Where is your February schedule?" At this point I felt the sneaking suspicion this advisor was going to answer each question asked with impertinent questions accompanied by a sideways glance.

"O.K., let me start again. Where can I find out the future listings?"

Advisor: "If you looked at your February schedule you would know," he stated with even more smugness.

After feeling the effects of rhetorical abuse doled out by this "career advisor," I realized a mistake was made in my reading of a fairly clear schedule, and felt that

compassionate assistance would in no way be received by this man. I had to speak to someone who was willing to help, so with my pleasant demeanor waning away into nothingness, I asked:

"Who can I talk to that can tell me where the future listings are, because you seem a bit annoyed and..."

Before I could complete this sentence Mr. X interjected: "The March schedule are where the February schedules were under the dig-ital sign."

I could not believe this situation. Who would this guy up? What did I say to deserve this reprehensible treatment? No wonder the other people scattered and gazed at the floor as they passed me, when I posed that day's million dollar question. One can imagine what I really wanted to say, but I refused. I was still going to act like a human being: I felt that this office tyrant wanted desperately to get me annoyed, but he was not going to succeed. While walking to the 'dig-ital sign,' where the March schedules were, I replied loud enough for Mr. X to hear:

"You are a very pleasant fellow."

Advisor: "You are lucky I am nice enough to let you get that schedule!"

Ooops, that was close to the last strand of hay, my pride's back could handle without at least stopping and responding in a decent way while on my way out:

"Nice enough? Where do you get the idea that being 'nice' includes embarrassing me in front of all those in this

office in a such crass manner?"

Advisor: "You have an attitude problem."

Then came the invasion of my space, the stare down, and a few other comments I cannot remember because of the disbelief in my missing the interview, combined with this repugnant display of human emotion. This was it. I could not handle my temper and this guy much longer, so I turned around and stated while walking away; "O.K., That's it... You really got my goat, and I hope you are satisfied." As I was walking down the hall I heard him call out two words, but they were fairly in-audible. Needless to say I was livid with his form of "consultation."

After pleasantly asking for two Tropicanna's at the Student Union, and cooling down for a few minutes, I realized how important the humane treatment of people, by people, is to the society we live in; after all, we are creatures of contrast, and I had one hell of a contrast those last few minutes.

Then I came across an interesting thought: shouldn't these advisors be some of the most compassionate people on campus? I am in the process of completing the finishing touches to my undergraduate degree after working in the "real world" of a service-related industry for five years. Because of my particular academic circumstances, I have needed the assistance of administrators in the Bursar's office, Academic advisement, Registrar's and the Library. Not once in my experiences at Stony Brook University have I come across a person in any of these positions of authority who did not assist me in a cordial, and positive manner. My sincere thanks goes out to each and every one of them, they helped to make this travel through the various elements of the educational system a pleasant one. But is not this final part of the process of the utmost importance? If one were to think of the trials and tribulations many college students endure in order to reach the vital job-hunting stage of the college experience, it is understandable that we will at times be a bit nervous, and maybe even forgetful. It would also follow that we

need compassionate advisors to help choose the proper employers, and be given that positive 'pat on the back' many of us need to portray a good 'first impression'. Granted I am a bit absent-minded these days due to my academic/work schedule, but where does anyone get off publicly castigating me in front of a few colleagues because I missed an interview with a prospective employer? Is this a way of giving a 'pat on the back' for a job well done? If so, isn't his reasoning a bit convoluted? With the amount of angst this man seems to have so readily at his disposal, a position in the security department may serve the needs of our campus better. But then again, I could imagine him verbally abusing someone as temporarily absent-minded as me for not using their turn signal, so maybe that wouldn't work after all.

Or, do I have it all wrong, and this is a man who takes his advising power so seriously that it becomes a personal assault when someone misses an interview? Or maybe his is a prejudicial 'thing', and he had something against me before I even walked through the door. How about personality conflict? Maybe he despises people of the Irish, French, and German descent? How about my gregariousness, that has annoyed some people but...I think I am getting rhetorically carried away here, but for a good reason: Whatever it is that emotionally spurred on this man's behavior does not really matter, the point here is the question of his ability to inhabit the position of 'career advisor' in the first place, regardless of personal preferences. If I am the one in a million who receives this type of treatment, O.K. Let it rest, and a formal apology is all that is necessary. If I am one in ten who feels this man's wrath, then some type of formal investigation is needed to rectify the situation immediately.

Either way, there is someone on campus who may be the next victim, so if you miss an appointment with a prospective employer, you can count on a horrendous brow beating by one of our "advisors." Students please beware!!

(The writer is an undergraduate.)

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Thomas Hearn: Legend In The Wrecking?

By Brian Robinson

Thomas Hearn, the quintessential fighter, from that evil stare to the way he walks, a boxing aura surrounds him. He has won five world titles in five different weight divisions and is reportedly worth upwards of 40 million dollars. Only the limelight and love for boxing keep him fighting. Tommy "The Hitman" Hearn would fight for nothing if he had to. He has waged war with Hagler, Leonard, and Duran (arguably the three best fighters in one era). What's wrong with him fighting and making million of dollars, you might ask. Nothing, except for one unfortunate piece of information, Tommy Hearn is now unable to speak clearly and often answers questions that weren't asked of him. He is, in boxing jargon, punch drunk.

Hearn evolved from a tall, lanky street kid in Detroit to become one of the most talented, exciting champions of all time. He must look at Ali, Joe Frazier, then himself, and after a quick calculation of his net worth, decides that, yes, now is

the time to hang up the gloves for the final time.

Trained by former electrician Emanuel Stewart, Hearn still trains where he started, The Kronk Gym. It is a 90 degree basement which is located in a dilapidated section of Detroit, Michigan. It was here that Hearn developed his iron will and championship desire. The training sessions at Kronk are said to be barbaric, with no headgear sparring matches often taking place. It is rather ironic that his desire and unparalleled will to win have enabled this current condition to beset him.

His piston-like jab and thunderous straight right hand have entertained and amazed us. Against Hagler, Leonard and Iran Barkley, Hearn absorbed blows that would have sent most fighters reeling into retirement. But "The Hitman" always bounced back.

So as Hearn prepares himself for his April 28th World Boxing Organization Super Middleweight title defense

against Michael Jackson-lookalike Michael Olajide, I cringe everytime I think of him engaging in those competitive sparring sessions. Hearn's manager/trainer Stewart also is concerned about the aging fighters' health. He has subtly taken the same approach many others have. Hearn should retire. Several weeks ago I bumped into Emanuel Stewart in Atlantic City and told him I thought Hearn would knock out Olajide (a glamorized club fighter), he replied worriedly, "I hope so." How's that for confidence?

The parasites that surround Hearn must confront him now before it's too late. He is a man destroying himself while his friends and family continue to pat him on the back and feed him complaints.

Hearn will win on April 28th, probably by early knockout, further convincing himself he should fight on. But before this happens someone must do something before a legend is wrecked, in the ring and out.

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Why, just last season the Rangers ruled the Patrick Division all year before closing the season with a 2-17 collapse that included a playoff sweep by the Penguins.

Still, did you see the way the Rangers absolutely controlled the Bruins on Monday night? Boston has the best record in the NHL yet New York dominated them 6-1, maintaining a tenuous hold on first place.

Yeah, this is the year the Rangers finally get the Cup. They've got a sniper in Bernie "I wish I had a" Nicholls, a pair of sharp goal-tenders in Mike Richter and John Vanbiesbrouck and a raucous crowd that has helped them to a Division-best 15-9-8 home record. It isn't really time to start thinking about the Cup, but fans are dreamers. In any case, you get the feeling that the icemen have a better

SIDE—LINES

By Katelyn Kennedy

chance of winning a championship than their hardwood Garden counterparts. Imagine if the Rangers had Patrick Ewing's 28 points a game; then they'd really be a lock.

As of today — and probably until the final week of the season — there are no locks in the Patrick Division. No one knows that better than Ranger coach Roger Neilson and Islander coach Al Arbour. Arbour is such a sage, such a proven, established winner; he might know more than anyone about this parity-stricken division.

The Islanders, in second place, join the Rangers as this week's Division favorites. After an atrocious start that many people expected, the Isles have pulled off a remarkable turnaround. They've had several win-

ning streaks — including an eight-gamer — and went through a stretch where they accrued 47 of a possible 62 points. That's a pace of champions.

Pat LaFontaine, the hustling center with 48 goals, is where any comment about the Islanders must begin and eventually end. But to a man the Islanders have shown remarkable discipline and the ability to meet any challenge. Thank Arbour for that. Guys like Randy Wood, Ken Baumgartner, Doug Crossman, Jeff Norton: they've played their respective roles to near perfection. And the Islanders as a unit are a capable, exciting bunch.

The Rangers-Islanders rivalry is as classic as Spy vs. Spy. And usually, it's the men in

Islander white who prevail. Ken Morrow's overtime goal that defeated the Rangers in the '84 playoffs — a blast that offset Don Maloney's controversial game-tying tip-in — says everything about Islander pleasure feeding on Ranger pain.

The Rangers and Islanders have played six playoff series and the Islanders have won five. This season the teams have played to an even 2-2-1. The best game might have been the tie, a suspenseful 0-0 affair.

Tomorrow night at Madison Square Garden the United State's best hockey rivalry will be in full force. Oddly, despite the Islanders prior dominance, it is the Rangers who relish the meeting. The reasons are many: a) The Rangers will go into the game in first place; b) They are 4-0-1 in their last five games, 12-4-3 in their last 19 and save for a horrendous 1-11-4 stretch — which was partly the result of injuries — they are 27-14-7 on the season; c) LaFontaine is out with a hand fracture; d) The Rangers have the fourth-best defense in the league, a unit that has gotten a big boost from the return of Normand Rochefort.

Yet the Ranger faithful will still be wary. The Islanders, after all, are the Islanders. The name is all it takes to remind Ranger fans of misery.

Students Talk About Lockout

(Continued from page 20)

teams in smaller media markets.

According to Bill Madden, the *Daily News*, "The owners are toying with the emotions of fans everywhere for their own selfish interests. It would be one thing if the game were in dire financial straits, but as everyone knows it has never been more prosperous, and the owners have yet to come up with any convincing argument for changing the current system that has raised player salaries and management profits to record levels."

"It's all selfishness," says Ted Schreiber, a disk jockey of W.U.S.B.. "Nobody in baseball can cry poverty when you realize how much money is being made."

"Yeah," says Ventura. "If there was such a concern that a small market team like the Royals was going to lose money, then how could they afford to sign Mark Davis and Storm Davis to such big contracts this winter?"

Murray Chass, *The Sporting News* explains, "Under the revenue-sharing plan, the owners would use 48 percent of 82 percent of their revenue for player salaries and benefits." Using 1988 revenues, the 48 percent would come from only a partial share of true owners' total revenue, according to Chass.

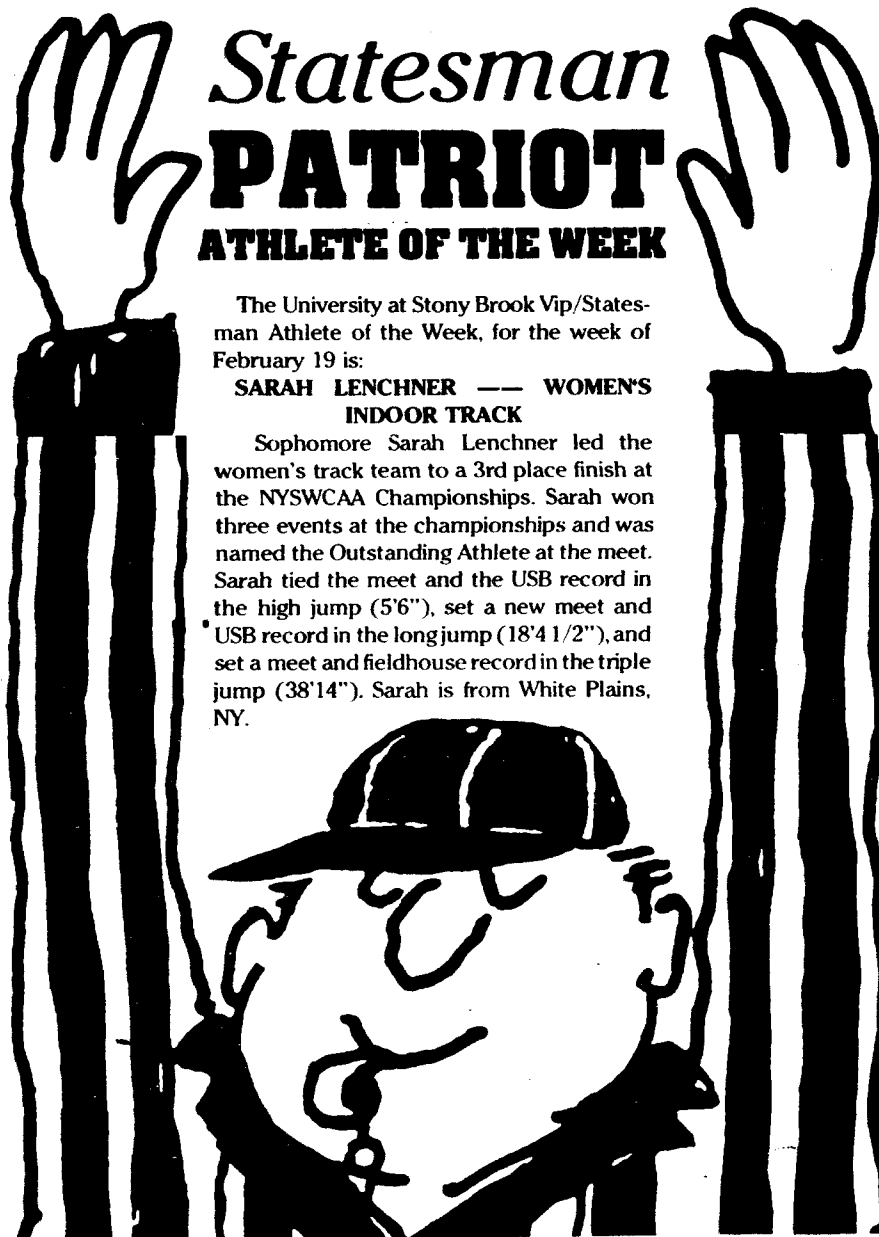
"The owners of the teams are making so much money from their players, the concessions, T.V. contracts, merchandising and parking but they don't want to split it fairly with the players," says Ventura. "These guys are also independent businessmen so they've all got plenty of money."

As far as pay for play scales for young players, Dan Melore of the Stony Brook Patriots men's baseball team doesn't like it. "I don't agree with the scale. Statistics don't tell the whole story. For example, how a player reacts in the clutch is just as important as anything. Those statistics don't show up in the boxscores."

"Pay for play is ridiculous," says Schreiber, "Some players will benefit but most won't. I think it will breed selfishness on the part of some players."

The owners also want a salary cap. A salary cap is a way for them to police themselves. It would impose a maximum team salary on each club and they would have to fit in each man's salary under that total.

Melore likes the salary cap. "Yes, I do



Statesman PATRIOT ATHLETE OF THE WEEK

The University at Stony Brook Vip/Statesman Athlete of the Week, for the week of February 19 is:

SARAH LENCHNER — WOMEN'S INDOOR TRACK

Sophomore Sarah Lenchner led the women's track team to a 3rd place finish at the NYSWCAA Championships. Sarah won three events at the championships and was named the Outstanding Athlete at the meet. Sarah tied the meet and the USB record in the high jump (5'6"), set a new meet and USB record in the long jump (18'4 1/2"), and set a meet and fieldhouse record in the triple jump (38'14"). Sarah is from White Plains, NY.

think that there should be one. The cap would keep salaries in perspective. There'll be some regulation. I agree with the owners' point of view that having just one good season doesn't mean that you'll have a good career."

Schreiber expands a bit on the proposal: "In the whole scope of things, I simply think that if you sign a contract you should stick by it. I don't like the arbitration but I do believe in a free market. Go out, prove what you can do, negotiate a deal and sign a contract. If you do better the next year, stick to it and don't seek to renegotiate. If you don't do well, keep your mouth shut."

Things are currently at an impasse. The owners haven't come out and said it directly but all of the players are under lockout conditions. Steve Ventura, Ted Schreiber and Dan Melore will be at the ballparks when they open this year.

"I won't harbor any resentment," says Schreiber, "if the players continue to say that they want to play, I'll be juiced for the season."

Melore said, "Obviously I don't like it (the lockout) because I want the season to start on time

"I'll be there," says Ventura, "I've waited all winter so what's a few more weeks?"

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ing Athlete of the Championships. Also finishing first for the Lady Patriots was Claudette Mathis, who won the 800 meter race (2:22.54). On Mar. 3-4 the Lady Patriots will be at the ECAC Championships in Lewiston, ME.

Men's Swimming (5-4): Senior Richard Seeley qualified for the NCAA Division III National Championships (Mar. 15-17), and set a new USB record in the 100 yard backstroke (54.45) at the Metropolitan Conference Championships this past weekend. The Patriots finished fifth overall and third amongst NCAA Division III teams.

Women's Swimming (10-2): The Lady Patriots have concluded their season, but senior diver Suzanne Nevins will be competing in the Division III National Championships on Mar. 8-10 at Williams College.

Men's Squash (13-11): Senior Jay Warshaw and sophomore Will Simonds will represent the Patriots at the National Singles Championships to be held at Vassar on Mar. 3-4.

Pats Top Seed

The University at Stony Brook Men's Basketball Team will be the top seed in the Eastern College Athletic Conference (ECAC) tournament, it was announced Monday. The Patriots, who finished the regular season with a 21-5 record, will host the eighth seeded Kean College of Union, NJ on Saturday March 3 at 7 pm. The entire tournament field is as follows:

1. UNIVERSITY AT STONY BROOK
2. U.S. Merchant Marine Academy
3. Glassboro State
4. New Jersey Tech
5. Upsala
6. New York University
7. John Jay
8. Kean College

The Stony Brook/Kean winner will play the winner of the New Jersey Tech/Upsala contest on Wednesday, March 7. The championship game of the ECAC Metro NY/NJ Tournament will be held on Saturday, March 10. As the top seed, Stony Brook will host all tournament games in which they are playing. All USB games will be played at University Gymnasium, on the campus of the University at Stony Brook, and will begin at 7 pm.

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Icemen Keep Cool, Tie First Place Maritime

by Peter Hall

The ice hockey team had one of its biggest games of the season last Wednesday night when they hosted first place Maritime. Maritime entered the game boasting the best record, 11-4-1, in the Hudson Division and averaging 7.6 goals per game. Stony Brook's last two games were lackluster performances that saw the team lose to a sub .500 team and barely outscored the worst team in the league.

The team didn't seem to stand a chance against the high scoring Maritime squad who had revenge on their minds. Stony Brook defeated them early in the season last semester and were the only team in the division to do so.

The game started off as expected. The Patriots lacked intensity and emotion and seem very tentative for the first two periods. The result was a 3-1 Maritime lead with only twenty minutes left to play.

Stony Brook's first goal was a single handed effort by Serge Ledkovsky at 8:50 of the second period. Ledkovsky, after winning a face off, carried the puck into Maritime's end of the ice and took a wrist shot that was saved by the goalie. He regained possession of the puck, but was stopped two more times until he finally slid it in past the sprawling netminder.

Ledkovsky would go on to score two more goals to give the team a 3-3 tie. His second goal came at 9:15 of the third period when Mike Manno passed the puck to him in the slot and he back handed it over the goalie's shoulder. The hat trick was complete when Adrian Jackson passed the puck from behind the net to Brian Levy at the point. Levy's shot hit the boards behind the net and came right to Ledkovsky who deposited the puck into an open net.

Goalie Rob Benkovitz had another spectacular game in

net. He basically shut down Maritime's high scoring offense by allowing them to score only three times.

By tying Maritime (11-4-2), Stony Brook (8-4-1) lost its chance to claim first place in the Hudson Division. The team will most likely come in second or third place and see its first post-season play in three years. They will enter the playoffs with confidence knowing they took three points in their two meetings against Maritime.

Serge Ledkovsky has two hat tricks this season and has scored eight goals in six games since joining the team this semester.

Stony Brook has three regular season games left. They play Kean College on Saturday, Feb 24. The team will host Wagner College at the Nassau Coliseum on Tuesday, February 27, at 6:00 pm. The hapless NYU team will be the Patriot's final opponents on March 7.

Rutgers Takes Soccer Tournament

Special to Statesman

The Women's Soccer Team hosted the Second Annual Stony Brook Invitational Tournament this past Sunday, featuring teams from Rutgers, Adelphi and Monmouth.

Columbia, Yale and Southampton were unable to make the trip due to the heavy snowfall. Thus, the original field of eight teams were reduced to six because of the cancellations. Stony Brook and Rutgers each entered two squads in the competition.

Coach Sue Ryan lead Stony Brook "A", while assistant Coach Will Wiberg had Stony Brook "B". Each team played against the other two entrants in their respective divisions, along with one cross-over game. The top two teams from each division would then advance to the semi-final round.

Ryan's "A" team lost their first game to Rutgers "A" by a 1-0 score and tied 1-1 against both Rutgers "B" and Monmouth. Adrienne Ruggieri and Michele Turchiano each tallied a goal. Unfortunately, Stony Brook "A" did not make the semi-finals as injuries to Jen Cavallaro and Marie Turchiano,

as well as the absence of Denise LaViola (recovering from an injury) greatly reduced the offensive potential of Ryan's squad. Freshman Lana Paterson was named as the tournament's top goalkeeper as voted by the coaches.

Wiberg's "B" team played to a scoreless tie against Adelphi, and then lost 1-0 to Rutgers "B". However, Michele Barry's goal gave Stony Brook "B" a 1-0 victory over Rutgers "A" and place Wiberg's squad in the semi-finals.

In the first semi-final game, Monmouth defeated Adelphi 2-1 on the penalty kicks after both regulation play and a sudden death overtime period failed to break the 1-1 tie.

In the other semi-final game, Stony Brook "B" again faced Rutgers "B" in a rematch of an earlier game. The Lady Patriots put forth a great effort, only to lose 1-0. An injury to Lisa Shaffer in the first half, and the absence of Karen Flynn and Lisa Paladino certainly hurt the squad's chances of making the finals. Goalkeepers Chris Foley had a superb tournament, allowing a mere two goals in four games.

In the finals, Rutgers "B" defeated Monmouth 1-0. Rutgers has won the championship for the second time in two years.

Players Eye View Of SB Rugby

By Eddie Reaven

Rugby is a sport which many have heard of, but few have seen. It isn't very popular in America, nor anywhere in the world save for the United Kingdom and South Africa. But, it is starting to gain popularity here at Stony Brook and in the United States. A group of thirty or so individuals, known collectively as the Stony Brook Rugby Club, use their dedication and love for the game to help promote awareness of the sport, all the while having a good time doing it.

"It's different, it's fun, the guys are mellow and laid back, and the sport is not that competitive -- practice and teamwise," says Bill Nagle, 20, a sophomore wing. "The game itself is great, and I love playing."

"I play to keep busy, to keep in shape, but most of all, to drink," says wing Dave Feron, 22. "You need people to drink with on Saturdays, you know."

Those are the kind of views that most of the players on the team have. It's hard to be so serious in a game of these proportions.

Two games are played against every team, and both are very competitive. First, the "A" game is played -- for those who are veterans, and those who know how to play. Then comes the "B" game -- for the players who don't fully know the game, and for the rookies.

The players are divided into two positions, the backs (wings) and the scrum. "The backs are the little fast guys who run the ball," says Nagle, "and the scrum are the fat, ugly slow guys who pound over the ball."

The game begins with a kickoff, much like,

it does in football, and from there the action never stops -- except for penalties, out of bounds and scores. "From there, the game sort of looks like a free-for-all, with fifteen players on each side looking for the ball," says Nagle. Scrumming, which takes place after a penalty, has both team's scrum line up facing each other. The referee then rolls the ball in between both lines, and a wrestling match for the ball takes place. "They beat the -- out of each other," says Nagle. The nearest wing then is pitched the ball by his scrum teammate, and he proceeds to run it until he is tackled, or until he laterals it. The wings attempt to run it into the tri-zone, where they are awarded three points for a score. This action continues for each 40-minute half.

"There's no substitutions, and no stoppages, so you really get a great workout," says Rob "Red" Gaudio, 22, the wing who runs the offense. "The action is non-stop, and the hard-hitting on the field is incredible."

And why would an average student want to play? "I wanted to play rugby because it is a great exercise," says Chris Pullis, 19, a sophomore who wanted to play but couldn't because of studies. "I never played the game before, but it sounds like fun."

Games are played against other clubs in three seasons -- spring, summer, and the main one, the fall league. Main opponents include C.W. Post, Hofstra, the Montauk rugby club, the Long Island club, the New York Police Department, and a host of others.

Best of all, the players will help you with the rules while you learn to play. "The guys help you out and don't make you feel bad," says Nagle, "until they know you."

The rugby team's first game is this Saturday against C.W. Post at 1:00.

Students Talk About Lockout

By David Steckel

For baseball fans, February is usually a time to discuss rising fastballs, strikeouts and rally caps. But this year, the talk has changed to rising minimum salaries, lockouts and salary caps.

"I can't believe that this baloney is going on," says Steve Ventura, S.U.N.Y. junior and baseball fan. "I look forward to the Super Bowl every year because when it's over it means that spring training is right around the corner."

Ventura and millions of others are saying the same thing this winter as the owners of the 26 Major League Baseball franchises have threatened a lockout unless the players accept their demands.

The owners have three basic demands: They want a salary cap imposed on teams to try to control escalating salaries; they want to replace arbitration with an initial six-year pay-for-play wage scale based solely on a player's statistics and they want to install a revenue-sharing plan in an effort to aid the

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SPORTS SHORTS

STONY BROOK -- Men's Basketball (21-5): The Patriots are the top seed in the 1990 ECAC Championships. They will host Kean College (NJ) on Saturday, Mar. 3 at 7 pm. The winner of that game will play the winner of the Upsala vs. NJ Tech game on Wednesday, Mar. 7. By earning the top seed, the Patriots will host all games they play in the tournament.

Women's Basketball (16-9): The Lady Patriots ended their season at the NYSWCAA Championships, losing their first round game to host St. John Fisher 81-65. Junior Katie Browngardt had 24 points against Fisher, who was the top-ranked team in the country going into the tournament. Senior co-captain Jill Cook added 21 points in the loss.

Men's Track: The Patriots will travel to Lewiston, ME on Saturday and Sunday, Mar. 3-4 to compete in the ECAC Championships.

Women's Track: The Lady Patriots finished third at the NYSWCAA behind the spectacular performance of sophomore Sarah Lenchner. Lenchner tied the meet and USB record in the high jump (5'6"), set a new meet and USB record in the long jump (18'4 1/2"), and set a meet and fieldhouse record in the triple jump (38' 1/4"). For her performance, Lenchner was named the Outstanding

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