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TRASH TALKIN': The sports editor of George Washington's student paper says the Hawks will need the luck of the Irish to clobber the Colonials Friday. "You're not just playing some of the best players in the country. You're playing the United Nations of basketball," he brags.

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FUNDS DENIED: An effort to appropriate funds for the addition of five new corrections officers at the Oakdale corrections facility was defeated by the Iowa House of Representatives Tuesday by a 28-54 vote. The denial of funds comes less than a month after a guard was attacked by an inmate and the prison complained of being understaffed.

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ABORTION BILL: A legislative committee on Wednesday approved a compromised parental notification requirement.

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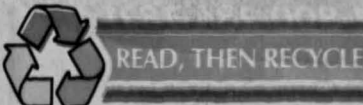
St. Patrick's Day



A DAY FOR GREEN BEER: Check out 80Hours for a guide to what to do if you're stuck in Iowa City this first weekend of spring break. There are book readings, live music and beer that has a telltale olive tint to it.

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CAMPAIGN '96

Forbes bowing out

Richard Keil
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — With just 76 delegates to show for his \$30 million investment, Steve Forbes decided Wednesday to abandon his bid for the Republican presidential nomination and throw his support to GOP front-runner Bob Dole, aides said.

Forbes plans a withdrawal announcement today in Washington, said campaign manager Bill Dal Col. A senior Forbes aide, speaking on condition of anonymity, said Forbes would endorse Dole and pledge his help in defeating President Clinton in the fall.

Dal Col said one reason Forbes

UI: Gasper won't be sidelined

Basketball star's denial of gun assault backed by administration

Sara Voreis
The Daily Iowan

After being accused of threatening an Iowa City pedestrian with a handgun Tuesday and a run-in with the police, Iowa basketball standout Mon'ter Gasper boarded a plane bound for the NCAA tournament with the team Wednesday afternoon.

Police who searched Gasper moments after the pedestrian's complaint found no gun and Gasper has adamantly denied he participated in any more than an "exchange of words" over a traffic dispute with the unnamed pedestrian.

The UI is backing Gasper, and top administrators said there is no

reason to believe the Hawkeyes' starting guard had a gun, said Ann Rhodes, vice president for University Relations.

"Everything we know about the situation indicates there was not a gun involved," she said.

"Mon'ter is a solid citizen and a good student, and absolutely nothing in his background indicates he would do anything like what he is accused of."

Rhodes, whose job includes overseeing disciplinary actions taken in

the athletic department, said Gasper will play in Iowa's first game of the NCAA tournament Friday in Tempe, Ariz.

Gasper flew out of the Cedar Rapids Municipal Airport Wednesday afternoon with the rest of the team.

"Mon'ter has adamantly denied all allegations and the Iowa City Police Department has not filed any charges in connection with the incident," said Iowa Athletic Director Bob Bowsby. "We will continue to seek information regarding the altercation and the accusations which have resulted, and we will pursue resolution as the circumstances warrant."

At about 4:30 p.m. Tuesday, a pedestrian and Gasper had a ver-

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Gasper

bal confrontation near the Sports Column, 12 S. Dubuque St. Gasper said the pedestrian began punching Gasper's car because the car was blocking an alley and the two began arguing.

Gasper said he then drove away and was pulled over by police and searched at gunpoint a few minutes later. The pedestrian had called the police from a cellular phone and said Gasper had pulled a gun on him during the alterca-

tion.

Gasper and his lawyer, Randy Larson, have questioned whether police followed proper procedure after they pulled Gasper over on Iowa Avenue. Gasper said police told him to lie face down on the street and held him at gunpoint while they searched for a weapon.

"I don't want anyone to think that Mon'ter is getting his harass-

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16 CHILDREN DIE

School massacre horrifies Scotland

Robert Seely
Associated Press

DUNBLANE, Scotland — One child, sobbing, leaned heavily against a car door. Another, her eyes glazed, stumbled through the jostling crowd at the primary school gate.

In the main street nearby, a woman shrieked, "Victoria! Victoria!"

Dunblane, a tranquil cathedral town at the foot of the Scottish Highlands, roiled in grief and horror Wednesday after a disgraced former Boy Scout leader armed with four handguns killed or wounded all but one of 29 kindergartners playing in the school gymnasium, and killed their teacher.

The slaughter of the innocents was over in moments.

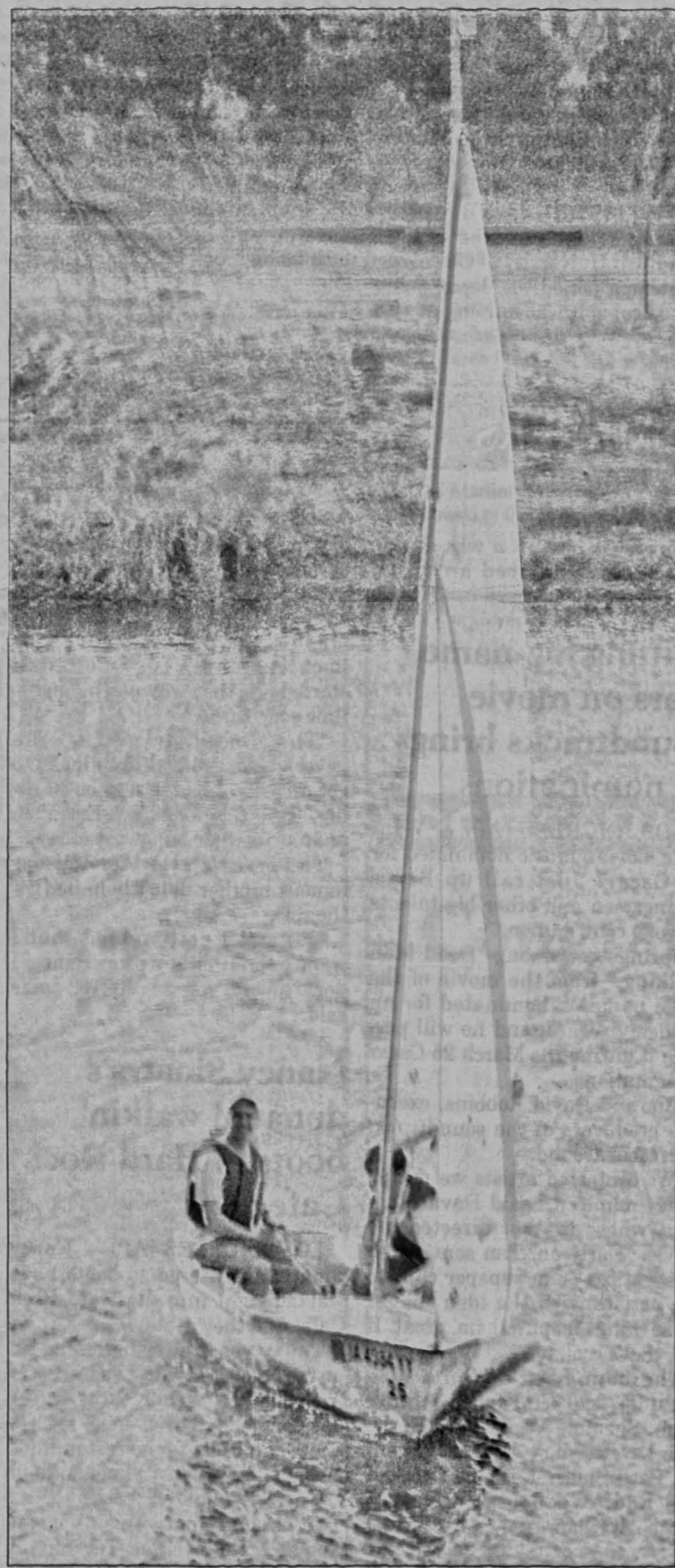
Just setting in is the shock, the devastation, the sheer sense of stunned disbelief in this beautiful country town, and throughout a nation with strict gun control laws

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AP/Alex Sibirny

Come sail away



Amy Brant/The Daily Iowan

UI freshmen Jake Vick and Rick Sabatino take advantage of Wednesday's nice weather to sail on the Iowa River. Temperatures Wednesday reached 66 degrees.

STUDENTS PLACE THEIR BETS

Predictions on the Madness of March

Gary Sousa
The Daily Iowan

With the first round of the NCAA men's basketball tournament just hours away, students at the nation's top-ranked schools are making predictions and gearing up for the frenzy.

"The entire Storrs campus is really rocking right now," said Jack Latham, a junior at the University of Connecticut.

Latham said UConn's winning season has made for a number of rowdy evenings at the student union where he works.

"Part of my job is to show all the Husky games on a large-screen TV," he said. "We give out free soda and popcorn, and people start chanting 'Let's go, Huskies' or 'Ray is God.'"

With both the UConn men's and women's teams receiving top seeds in the Southeast bracket, campus support is at an all-time high, Latham said.

"Sometimes I think we've got a 12th man in here," he said.

Latham's prediction for the final round: UConn 86, UMass 73.

"You gotta go with the home team," he said. "Travis Knight is going to neutralize Marcus Cam-

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March Madness Sweeps Final Four Campuses

As preparations begin for the first round of NCAA men's basketball tournaments, students from the top four-seeded colleges are making their predictions:

- "UConn"**
—Jack Latham, UConn junior
- "UMass"**
—Michelle Clarke, UMass sophomore
- "Kentucky"**
—James Todd, University of Kentucky sophomore
- "Kentucky"**
—Ryan Anslinger, Purdue sophomore

Source: DI Research DI/LG

NCAA GAME TIMES COLLIDE

Teams duke it out for sellout UI crowds

Stacy Forrest
The Daily Iowan

The "Big Dance" is the peak of competition for the top basketball teams in the nation. But the first round of the NCAA tournament will also be a competition for fan support between the UI women's and men's teams.

The men tip off in Tempe, Ariz., Friday at 7 p.m., while the women are scheduled to start at 8 the same night at Carver-Hawkeye

See FIGHT FOR FANS, Page 7A

Women's ticket sales stay steady

- The women's game will be at Carver-Hawkeye Arena Friday at 8 p.m.
- Approximately 10,000 of the 15,500 tickets are still available.
- Tickets are \$10 for senior citizens, UI students and children, and \$15 for adults.

Source: University Box Office DI/LG

UI professor: Candidates' health should be disclosed

Jay Dee
The Daily Iowan

When one of the 1996 presidential candidates receives a campaign contribution, he has to reveal it to the public. But when he receives a prostate exam, no one is entitled to see the results.

It's time candidates' medical records are just as public as their financial records, said Stephen Bloom, a UI associate professor of journalism and national expert on media coverage of medicine. Bloom had a report on the subject published in the current issue of the *Journal of Health Communications*.

Bloom said the federal government should require all presidential candidates to disclose their complete medical histories.

"Voters today know more about what's in a candidate's bank account than what's in the candidate's medicine chest," he said. "Voters have a vested interest in knowing that information."

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Associated Press

Steve Forbes is expected to formally announce his withdrawal from the GOP presidential race today.

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Metro & Iowa

Attempt to add Oakdale prison officers stifled

John Hunter
The Daily Iowan

An effort to appropriate funds for the addition of five new corrections officers at the Oakdale corrections facility was defeated by the Iowa House of Representatives Tuesday by a 28-54 vote.

The proposed amendment to the \$331 million Justice System Appropriations bill would have allocated \$175,000 for the new corrections officers. It was sponsored by Iowa City legislators and introduced on the House floor by Rep. Mary Mascher, D-Iowa City.

Mascher said she was disappointed by the vote and believes the measure failed because the opposition felt the Corrections Department should handle allocations of funding for prisons.

"We need to address this problem now," she said. "It's not something we can wait on."

Additional corrections officers are needed at Oakdale to deal with

"We're going to have to work understaffed and overpopulated. If we went back to what we were designed for we could do our job more safely and efficiently."

Marty Hathaway, district vice president of ASCME Council 61

the prison's overcrowding of inmates, said Marty Hathaway, district vice president of ASCME Council 61. About 40 corrections officers watch over 1,080 inmates in a facility designed for 520.

"We're going to have to work understaffed and overpopulated," he said. "If we went back to what we were designed for we could do our job more safely and efficiently."

Rep. Richard Meyer, D-Iowa City, called the vote "irresponsible" and questioned why the House was willing to build more prisons but not minimize the risk Oakdale employees face by simply doing their jobs.

"We found \$331 million to put into buildings but we didn't find money to put into employees," he said.

The amendment was in part a response to a recent attack on a corrections officer by inmates at Oakdale prison, Mascher said.

George Borges, 21, and Samuel Cheatem, 18, were charged with assaulting a corrections officer in the incident which occurred at the facility on Feb. 27. The officer managed to escape the two men by locking himself in an empty cell.

Mascher said she viewed a videotape of the attack and was appalled at how dangerous the sit-

uation is at Oakdale.

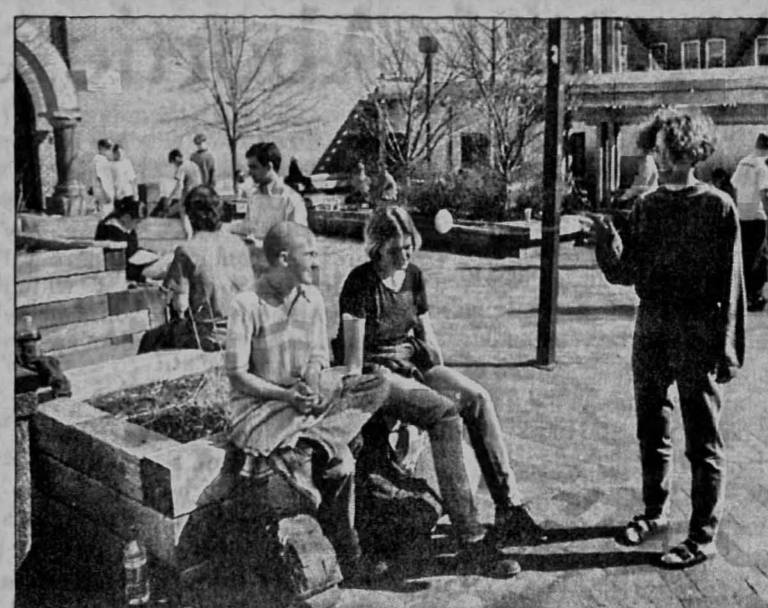
"I was amazed that two individuals of that size and stature could do that much damage," she said. "It could have been disastrous."

Meyers said he also saw the video of the assault and was convinced if the officer had not followed his training and locked himself in an empty cell he could have been killed.

"People should not have to work in that environment," he said. "If people saw what I saw they may change their tune."

Both Mascher and Meyers said they will continue to work on securing additional funding for Oakdale.

"This is not a dead issue," Mascher said. "I want to continue to seek funding for corrections officers in that facility. Our state employees deserve better. We need to safeguard their security while they are doing their jobs."



Julie Bill/The Daily Iowan

Yo!

Allison Lindsey, a junior from the University of Illinois, decided to spend part of her spring break in the Ped Mall with her friends, UI junior Cheri Koch and sophomore Christy Larson, playing with her yo-yo Wednesday afternoon.

\$782 MILLION SLATED

Iowa House passes education bill

Mary Neubauer
Associated Press

DES MOINES — The Iowa House on Wednesday passed a \$782 million budget for the state Department of Education, Iowa's three public universities and the state's community colleges.

Under the House bill, the University of Iowa, Iowa State University and the University of Northern Iowa all would receive budget increases, but that would still be less money than Gov. Terry Branstad had recommended.

The office of the Iowa state Board of Regents, which oversees the three universities, would get no money under the House proposal. The \$1.2 million cost of running the office during the 1997 fiscal year would have to be paid by the universities.

The House proposal includes money to start a program that will help National Guard members pay for college. The plan by Rep. Dick Myers, D-Iowa City, calls for \$150,000 to give \$800 each to National Guard students who are in good standing in the Guard to

help them pay for college.

Myers said states surrounding Iowa already have similar programs, and some Iowa students are serving in out-of-state Guard units so they get money for college. He said the new program will help Iowa compete with other states for the best students in the Guard.

Republicans who control the chamber said the education budget makes good use of the state's money.

"There are other things we could do, that's true, but we all know that the funds we are appropriating will be well-used," Rep. Betty Grundberg, R-Des Moines, said.

But Democrats said the House should be giving schools more money.

Rep. Phil Wise, D-Keokuk, said the measure is "arguably the worst education funding bill" he's seen.

"A vote for this bill clearly says that education is not that important for me," he said.

The House passed the bill 61-36, sending it to the Senate.

LEGAL MATTERS

POLICE

Angela M. Knoedler, 18, 830 E. Jefferson St., Apt. 2, was charged with possession of alcohol under the legal age at the corner of Burlington and Clinton streets on March 13 at 1:35 a.m.

Matthew R. Galloway, 19, Ames, was charged with possession of alcohol under the legal age at the corner of Burlington and Clinton streets on March 13 at 1:35 a.m.

Craig J. Dickson, 20, Cedar Rapids, was charged with operating while intoxicated at the corner of Burlington and Madison streets on March 13 at 2:27 a.m.

Billy J. Miner, 25, Coralville, was charged with operating while intoxicated in the 300 block of South Linn Street on March 13 at 2:58 a.m.

Melvin Knox Jr., 24, 218 S. Lucas St., Apt. 6, was charged with malicious prosecution, operating while intoxicated and driving under suspension at the corner of Benton and Gilbert streets on March 13 at 2:01 a.m.

Compiled by Cary Jordan

COURTS

Magistrate

Failure to affix drug stamp — Mark LeClere, Coralville, preliminary hearing set for March 22 at 2 p.m.

Possession of a schedule I controlled substance — Mark LeClere, Coralville, preliminary hearing set for March 22 at 2 p.m.; Robbin Swails, Coralville, preliminary hearing set for March 28 at 2 p.m.

Driving while revoked — Carly Norausky, 521 S. Gilbert St., Apt. 3, preliminary hearing set for March 28 at 2 p.m.

OWI — Billy J. Miner, Coralville, preliminary hearing set for March 28 at 2 p.m.; Alison Galatte, 527 N. Dubuque St., Apt. 12, preliminary hearing set for March 28 at 2 p.m.; Craig J. Dickson, Cedar Rapids, preliminary hearing set for March 28 at 2 p.m.; Jeffrey L. Bohnsack, North Liberty, preliminary hearing set for March 28 at 2 p.m.; Sean T. Arp, 106 N. Governor St., preliminary hearing set for March 28 at 2 p.m.; Jamie L. Anderson, 2119 Davis St., preliminary hearing set for March 28 at 2 p.m.

Malicious persecution — Melvin Knox Jr., 218 S. Lucas, Apt. 6, preliminary hearing set for March 28 at 2 p.m.

Child endangerment — Verdon Gibson Jr., 2608 Barelt Road, Apt. 1D, preliminary hearing set for March 28 at 2 p.m.

TRANSITIONS

Births

Rachel Marlies, to Angela and Michael Napierkowski of Coralville, on March 11.

Emily Marie, to Christine and Jody McCormick of Muscatine, on March 8.

Genia, to Donna and John Williams of Coralville, on March 7.

Erik Paul, to Ann and Anthony Wolf of Cedar Rapids, on March 6.

Compiled by Greyson Purcell

CALENDAR

TODAY'S EVENTS

Iowa City Public Library will sponsor Big Kids' Story Time: Stories from China with Deanne, who recently returned from a three-month visit to Dalian in northern China, in the Hazel Westgate Story Room of the library, 123 S. Linn St., at 10:30 a.m.

Johnson County Decategorization Project will hold an informational meeting titled "Early Outreach: Healthy Homes," regarding Request for Proposals packets, in Meeting Room A of the Iowa City Public Library, 123 S. Linn St., at 3 p.m.

Iowa City Off Road Riders will meet in Meeting Room B of the Iowa City Public Library, 123 S. Linn St., at 8 p.m.

Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual and Transgendered Peoples' Union will provide confidential listening and information about your personal concerns from 7-9 p.m. Call 335-3251.

Center for International and Comparative Studies will sponsor the South Asian Studies Program's "Graduate Work in Progress," with Eric Strahorn presenting "The Terai as Home of the 'Green Revolution' in Uttar Pradesh" and Carol Angel presenting "Mediated Controversy: Problem Episodes in New Visual Ramayanas," in Room 230 of the International Center at 4 p.m.

UI Museum of Natural History will sponsor a lecture by Rick Hollis and Margrieta Delle of the Iowa City Bird Club and the Johnson County Songbird Project on birds of the wetlands in Room 17 of Macbride Hall from 7-9 p.m.

Department of Linguistics will sponsor a colloquium by Professor Cheryl Zoll titled "Template Identity in Yawelmani" in Room 202 of the English-Philosophy Building at 4 p.m.

Third World Development Support will sponsor a Contemporary Issues in International Development seminar by Gail Hollander titled "Raising Cane in the Glades: Agro-environmental Conflict in South Florida" in Room 282 of the International Center from 4:15-5:15 p.m.

Department of Geology will sponsor an environmental seminar by Kay Saville titled "Sewage Effluent Treatment with Constructed Wetlands: An Environmentally Friendly Approach" in Room 227 of Trowbridge Hall at noon.

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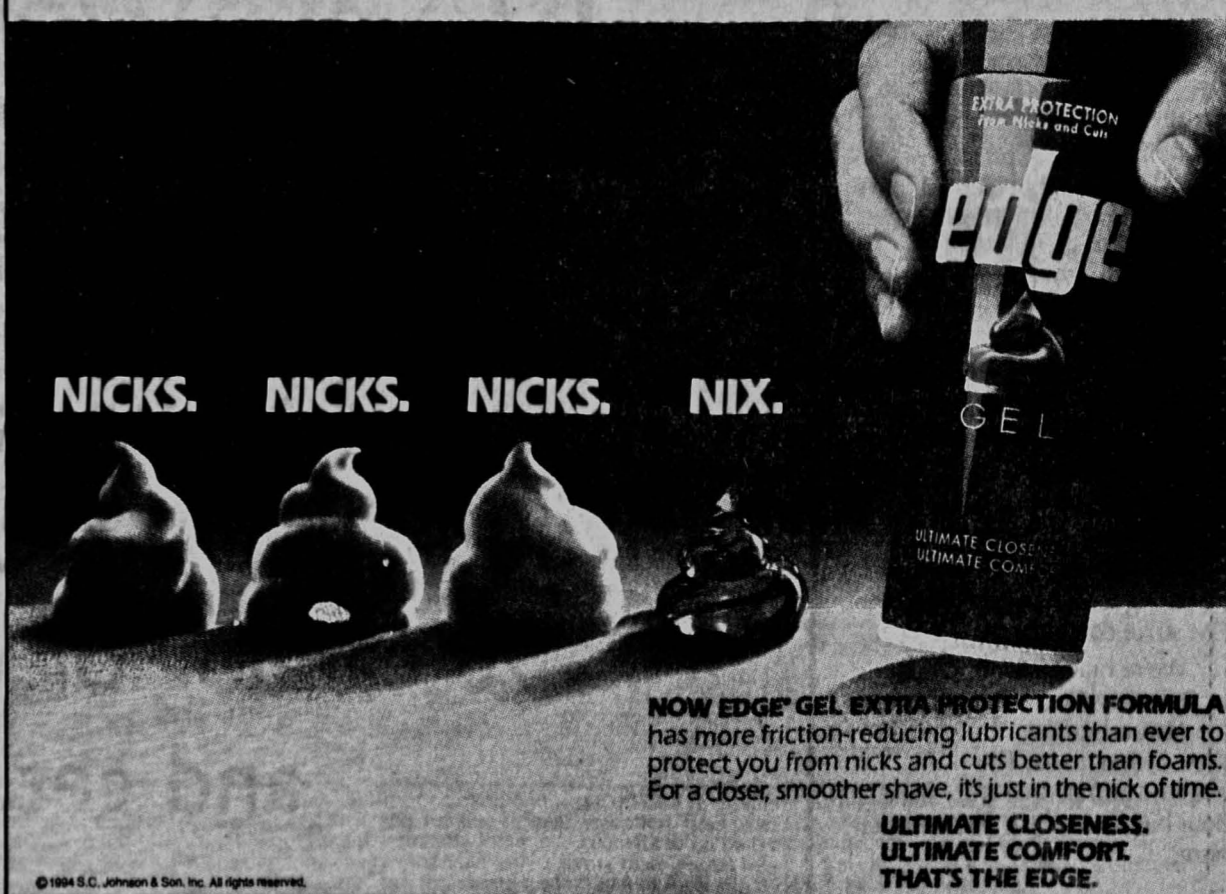


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Viewpoints

“This was the one time we thought we'd get to sway the men's fans to come watch us.”

Angie Lee, UI women's basketball coach, on the low sales of women's NCAA tournament tickets.

Time to go

■ **As Sen. Bob Dole sweeps the primaries, Pat Buchanan and Steve Forbes hang on to their futile campaigns at the Republican Party's expense.**

Sen. Bob Dole again swept up delegates in the Super Tuesday round of primaries. For the second week in a row, Dole won all the states holding primaries. Pat Buchanan won a minor caucus in Missouri, but the Republican nominee has all but locked up this race. That nominee is Sen. Bob Dole.

Dole more than likely will clinch the nomination after the California primary March 26. That will put him over the 996 delegates needed to take on President Clinton in November. But there is one problem that could spell disaster for the Republican Party's hopes of defeating Clinton in November. The problem is that Steve Forbes and Buchanan are still unwilling to give up their respective campaigns. They choose to continue the infighting and negative campaigning that has been going on for far too long.

Tuesday night Buchanan pledged he would stay in the race until "hell froze over. When that's done, we'll fight on the ice." Buchanan seems to think he can force the Republican Party to incorporate his stances into the Republican Party platform and take the party into an ultra-conservative stance against Clinton in November.

Speculation last week was that Forbes would drop out of the race only if Dole would take a "serious" look at his tax-reform plan, namely the flat tax. Former Rep. Jack Kemp, who endorsed Forbes last week, was rumored to be brokering a compromise between the two campaigns so that Forbes would leave.

What both Buchanan and Forbes fail to realize is that by continuing their respective campaigns, they aren't focusing on the real target for Republicans: President Clinton. Republicans know Clinton will say and do anything to get re-elected. Right now, the president is more than happy to sit back and allow Buchanan and Forbes to continue to jab away at Dole. He has little to do while the Republicans self-destruct this presidential race even before it starts.

Buchanan and Forbes, it is time to leave this race. You made excellent runs at the presidential nomination; however, your presence in this campaign is only serving President Clinton's purpose and not the goal of the Republican Party — to elect a Republican into the White House.

Continuing your campaigns is not helping to change the Republican Party. Instead you are keeping the focus away from beating President Clinton. This Republican infighting must stop now to allow time to heal the wounds created by this nomination campaign before the Republican National Convention.

The messages your campaigns brought to the American people are important. But Republican voters have spoken quite clearly for another candidate. Now it is time to come together and take the battle to where it counts: 1600 Pennsylvania Ave., Washington, D.C.

Todd Versteegh is an editorial writer and a UI junior.

LETTERS

An important word

To the Editor:

David used a slingshot; Jesus used a whip; I thought that I would use a column to express my frustration toward one of the *DI's* columnists, Kristin Schutte, who wrote God's name in vain (2/29/96). (I won't quote her.) In her editorial, Schutte wrote about the political correctness of words like "chic" and "African-American." But she seemed oblivious to misusing a word that possesses infinitely greater importance, namely, "God." Paradoxically, our inverted, tipsy turvy, "pluriversity" mindset has become under tolerant regarding words referring to ourselves, but over tolerant regarding words referring to God.

Early in His revelation of Himself, God commanded: "You shall not misuse the name of the Lord your God, for the Lord will not hold anyone guiltless who misuses His name" (Exodus 20:7).

One minute I feel that warning sinful people to not take God's name in vain is about as practical as expecting a dog to not return to its vomit, or a washed sow not to wallow in the mud. However, because a person can receive Christ into his life and thereby possess the ability to say "no" to sin, there is hope for those who presently take God's name in vain. My father, for example, relates how he often took God's name in vain when playing pool. However, after he received Christ, my father responded after missing a shot in pool with "jimminy crickets," an unfamiliar lingo in pool halls. But allow me to clarify the order: My father did not quit swearing and thereby become a Christian. My father received Christ and then quit misusing God's name.

If you feel guilty for taking God's name in vain, and if you are truly repentant because of your heinous sins in general, receive Jesus into your life. If you do, you will be internally motivated to say "no" to sin and "yes" to what is right. Specifically, you will be able to use God's name in a way commensurate with glorifying God, the quintessential purpose for man's existence.

Tom Miller
Campus Bible Fellowship

Schutte on target

To the Editor:

In Cassie Golden's March 5 letter to the editor regarding Kristin Schutte's column "Sick and tired of being P.C.," she claimed that she was "amazed at the amount of ignorance" Schutte displayed. Golden and anyone else who has read further than face value into Schutte's column are the ignorant ones.

First of all, Golden claimed Schutte "obviously didn't do any research prior to writing her column." Golden then wrote a lengthy paragraph describing the history of the term "Redskins." Obviously Golden needs to do her own very basic research and reread the column. It wasn't about "Redskins," but about political correctness. Schutte simply used the word "Redskin" as a random selection of sports team names. She could have used Braves, Chiefs, Seminoles or even just Indians. Did she need a full history on each of these terms as well?

Golden also pointed out that "harmful words can turn into hate speech, which continues to perpetuate negative stereotypes and promote discrimination." Golden is a perfect example of the oversensitive people Schutte was describing in her column. If people just took things at face value, then politically correct terms wouldn't exist, and they shouldn't need to exist. Schutte was right on target when she said we shouldn't have to change our vocabularies to please other people. Words are just words. It's people who insist on making words more than what they really are. It's these people, like Golden, who need to stop reading into the meanings of words. That is why hate speech, stereotypes, and discrimination continue to exist.

Finally, I would like to commend Schutte, who was classified by Golden as a "privileged Caucasian female," for taking the risk of attacking political correctness on such a liberal campus. Minorities have a much greater voice than they realize. It's actually a rare occurrence at the UI to hear the voice of a "privileged Caucasian female." But then again, we don't really know exactly how "privileged" Schutte is. I guess Golden, too, is guilty of stereotyping.

Amy Harris
UI senior

Frying your skin: Sunny side up

The summer after my sophomore year in high school I was sunning myself on the beaches of Puerto Vallarta when I saw the woman who changed my life. I like to call her the elephant woman. My friends and I immediately nicknamed her that because with her dry, scaly and leathery skin, that is exactly what she looked like: an elephant. Her body lumbered across the sand with the excessive weight from the sagging, wrinkled skin that hung from her bones. But wow, she sure had a "healthy" summer tan! My friends and I immediately scooted our chairs back under the umbrellas and liberally applied more sunscreen.

I have spent the last five summers working in the sun as a lifeguard. My skin tans very easily, and I rarely burn. Sitting in a chair for six hours a day, without burning, one can easily slack off on the sunscreen. While I should be concerned with the more serious effects of skin cancer, it's the image of the elephant woman that motivates me most to care for my skin the best I can. My biggest fear is looking 60 when I'm only 30.

So, while I pack my sunscreen before heading to Cancun, I decided to share my safe tanning tips.

Don't fake-bake. If you already have done this, sorry, but you wasted your time and money. It is a misconception that individuals are protecting their skin from burning by acquiring a "base" tan from sunlamps. Actually, exposure to tanning salon rays prior to natural sunlight increases damage to the skin. It doesn't give the skin a base, but thins it, making it less able to heal.

The types of ultraviolet rays received from sunlamps and the sun itself are different. There are two types of ultraviolet radiation, UVA and

Kristin Schutte



UVB. The radiation in sunlamps is UVA, which causes the majority of aging effects to the skin. These rays cause more permanent damage and are responsible for the skin's loss of elasticity, spotty blood vessels and the deep wrinkling and sagging of the skin. Therefore, if you've fake-baked, you weren't acquiring a base tan, you were weakening your skin and increasing your chances of looking like the elephant woman.

Choose an effective sunscreen. Which sunscreen you use is very important. Most sunscreen products contain PABA, which is an effective blocker of UVB rays but is ineffective to the skin's absorption of UVA rays. To protect against UVA rays, choose a sunscreen containing benzophenones or the old standby zinc oxide (now available in fashionable colors). Check the label before you buy.

Also, choose a sunscreen with an SPF of 15 or higher. Yes — I don't care what you say — you will get a tan. You will also be protecting yourself from the pain of a sunburn.

Apply sunscreen effectively. I don't mean throw on some oil, and don't put on SPF 4 at 11 a.m. and expect it to last until 5 p.m. After lifeguarding for so many years, I have learned the hard way about the forgotten areas to apply

sunscreen. I remember only after I get burned. This includes the feet, the tops of your ears, nose, lips, hands and the part in the hair. A sunburn in the scalp is never pleasant. It will eventually peel and turn into flakes. Every new person you meet will think you have a major dandruff problem.

Don't hesitate to have someone put sunscreen on your back for you. If you don't, you'll most likely have patches of red blotches from places you couldn't reach.

Wear a hat. This is an alternative to strategically putting sunscreen in your hair. It can also help shade your face.

Don't forget your sunglasses. If you're like me, you'll purchase them the day before you leave. Every summer I invest in another pair of cheap sunglasses because they never last me more than a summer. I either sit on them, lose them or just get sick of them. Sunglasses should absorb 99 percent to 100 percent of the full UV spectrum. Only buy sunglasses that have labels specifying exactly how much UVA and UVB light they absorb.

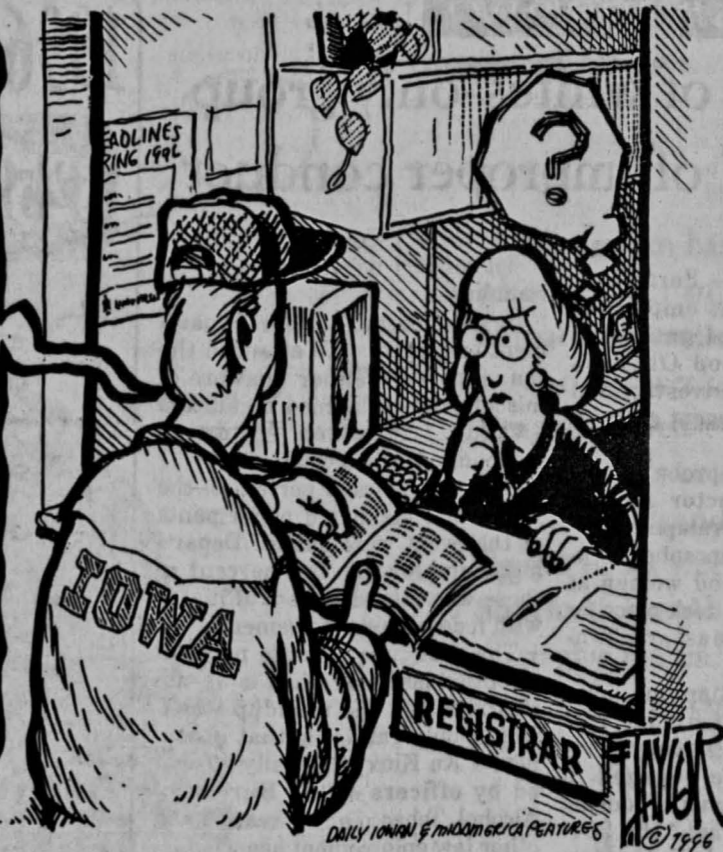
Take some aloe vera. If you decide to ignore all my advice, at least follow this one. Keep some aloe vera in a cool place, like a refrigerator or on ice in your hotel. After you burn, applying cool aloe vera definitely helps soothe the skin.

So, for those of you heading south for spring break, good luck and have fun. For those of you who aren't, sorry, but think positively. Remember the elephant woman?

Kristin Schutte's column appears Thursdays on the Viewpoints Page.

SUMMER AT IOWA...

SO, WHAT YOU'RE SAYING IS, I CAN TAKE ONE, THREE-HOUR COURSE IN THE THREE-WEEK SESSION AND ONE --WAIT-- TWO, FOUR-HOUR COURSES IN THE --NO-- ONE, FOUR-HOUR, UM...



Diving head-first into the gene pool

At first I was skeptical of my friend's T-shirt, "SAVE THE COW!" Cattle, after all, thrive on every continent — rising above their weak knees to explore the great rain forests and deserts of the world while shadowing humans at the head of the population race. I would have to plumb the depths of cattle physiology to unearth the alleged threat to cows — right down to the scripture of life itself: the gene.

It was just a wink ago in the one-billion year history of evolution that cattle came to fill a unique ecological niche — the meat counter. Our hungry ancestors changed the world by selective breeding and then inbreeding of bison-like Auruchs of Europe and Western Asia. Hence, the bovine genus came to be cow (ironically, "SAVE THE AURUCH" T-shirts never circulated and *Bos primigenius* was later hunted to extinction).

The cow is now accomplice — or victim, the T-shirt implies — to a second miracle of folly: gene mapping, mixing and even making. The science is known as genetic engineering, and its application in the marketplace is called biotechnology.

Genes determine inheritance. By taking genes from one plant or animal and splicing them with a different living organism, gene technicians can create unique human-manifested organisms which eat, breathe and breed like indigenous (or natural) organisms.

After almost two decades of subsidized, secretive and often illegal research throughout the world, biotechnology companies now propose to release more than 5,000 of these genetically modified organisms (GMOs) into the marketplace — and our environment.

Chickens, for instance, grow eight times faster than normal by splicing their genes with a species of scorpion. On the horizon are bananas that stay yellow for weeks, bacteria

Andy Barber



that eat garbage, a Brave New World of drugs and a multitude of animals and crops that were once the staple of sci-fi pulp.

In fact, you may have drunk an example of genetic technology this morning: the new injectable growth hormone for milk cows, or BST. Some think the FDA's recent approval of BST was prematurely granted on behalf of the biotech industry — thus cloaking allegations that BST causes adverse health effects in humans.

The new zoo certainly holds some surprises. Scientists, for example, agree that genetically modified organisms which are designed to survive in the natural environment will indeed spread to the limits of their ecological niche. Without the natural predators that check the growth of indigenous species, the new organism may become a permanent, unwanted introduction to Earth.

Evidence also suggests that genetic engineering is applied to the development of more effective biological weapons. Due to slight genetic variations in different human populations of the world, gene technicians can target a particular race using genetically tailored biological weapons. The Human Genome Project, an effort by the United States to unravel our own genetic inheritance, will facilitate the use of biotech-

nologies upon *Homo sapiens* — for better or worse.

The world's most prominent researchers are now criticizing the infant giant they helped create. In light of potential dangers inherent in the practice, a large coalition of scientists has called upon the international community to rethink its profit-driven acceptance of biotechnologies.

Scientists cannot be heard over the shuffle of money, however, and the European Commission this winter loosened regulation on the use of genetic engineering. The EC now follows the biotech leader — the United States — in sidestepping environmental and health regulations of the fledgling multibillion-dollar biotech industry.

The United States maintains that while unforeseen health and environmental dangers exist, the argument against the use of biotechnologies is mostly ethical. The United States therefore frustrates any international attempt to regulate or combat the unpredictable environmental and health hazards associated with genetic engineering. This leaves the cow — and all other life — on uncertain ground as free-dealing biotech companies redefine evolution.

Policymakers and the biotech industry would like to assume that the natural environment will adapt to our genetic introductions. However, genetic tampering may prove disastrous for the table-setting nature provided, and its unforeseen consequences which will be the dark hallmark of genetic engineering. Until we fully understand the complex web of life on earth, it is impossible to contemplate the effects of introducing new and different genetic material into that web.

Andy Barber's column appears alternate Thursdays on the Viewpoints Page.

READERS SAY: What are you doing for spring break?



"I'm going to Arizona with my roommate. We're going to camp in the canyons and go to '70s night at some bar."
Kristi Blanshan
UI sophomore



"I'm trying to arrange to study at another institution, the University of Minnesota, to do second work of classes on my Ph.D."
Ron Schimer
UI doctoral student



"I'm going to Pennsylvania to visit relatives — there is this one historic train yard I'd like to see."
Jacki Coyne
UI sophomore

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PREDICTING THE MADNESS

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by." But University of Massachusetts sophomore Michelle Clarke is sure Latham's got it all wrong. She also predicted a UMass-UConn showdown, but said it will be "the Minutemen all the way."

Clarke said she has no choice but to support the home team.

"It's sort of the one thing our campus has to hold on to right now," she said.

At UMass, fans frequent The Blue Wall, a coffeehouse with a wall-sized television, or head out for more serious drinking at Rafter's, the local sports bar.

"The bars around here are really packed for the games," Clarke said.

James Todd, a sophomore from the University of Kentucky, which is top-ranked in the Midwest,

hopes his Wildcats will down the Minutemen in the semifinals and revenge Kentucky's loss to UMass earlier in the season.

After knocking off UMass, Todd hopes to see Kentucky beat UConn, 89-79, in the final.

A number of campus pep rallies have gotten the students "really riled up," he said.

At one rally, Kentucky center Walter McCarty sang an impromptu solo.

"It's his hobby. He's known for that around here," Todd said.

Todd expects big performances from Tony Delk and Walter McCarty, but hopes to see his favorite player, Ron Mercer, come off the bench.

"I like the way he handles the ball," Todd said. "He's not stingy with it."

From the West bracket, Purdue

junior Ryan Anslinger said there was not much Final Four activity on campus yet.

"We still have all our three-peat stuff up from winning the Big Ten again," he said.

The No. 1 seeded Boilermakers were grossly underrated this year, Anslinger said, but everyone on campus thinks they still have a shot at the championship.

"Especially with the way they've been playing lately," he said. "The defense looks very good and Coach Gene Keaty has done a great job this year."

Anslinger put \$10 into a pool but admitted it wasn't on Purdue.

"I think it will be a tough game against Kansas," he said.

He foresees Kentucky beating Cincinnati in the final round, 89-82.

GLASPER

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ment or excessive force lawsuit ready. It isn't anything like that," said Randy Larson, Glasper's attorney. "If it's true that they did everything exactly right, that they followed the book on how they arrest a potentially armed suspect, then OK."

"What we're unclear about is Mon'ter thinks that he was still on the ground and kept on the ground with a gun pointed at his head while they searched his car. I was told by the department that that would not be policy."

The police are continuing to investigate if the search was properly conducted.

An eyewitness to the Iowa City Police Department's search for a gun in Glasper's car said the actions of the police officers and Glasper seemed appropriate for the situation. Iowa City resident Kevin Whipple

"If it's true that they did everything exactly right, that they followed the book on how they arrest a potentially armed suspect, then OK."

Randy Larson, Glasper's attorney

said he was outside G.A. Malone's, 121 Iowa Ave., when he was instructed to move back inside for his safety while police searched Glasper's car for a gun.

"It was one police officer that originally pulled (Glasper) over — then another came and there were two police holding two guns towards him," Whipple said. "They were very authoritative to the point of being dictatorial. Mon'ter was cooperating 100 percent."

"The reason I came forward is because I didn't want Mon'ter to lose his option to play with the team," he said. "From my standpoint, Mon'ter

cooperated." Whipple said police searched the car twice, and put their own guns away when no weapon was found.

"The guns were never pointed directly at (Glasper's) head, but he was on the ground," Whipple said. "The police were professional when the search was over. I don't know what assumptions the police had going into the situation."

The police are continuing the procedure investigation, and will not release information or comment on the case.

The Associated Press contributed to this story.

FIGHT FOR FANS

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eye fans will be glued to their tubes Friday to watch the men take on George Washington University, she said the die-hard fans who have followed the women's team all season will be at Carver in full force.

Cindy Thrapp, manager of the University Box Office, said ticket sales for the women's games may be low because tickets are being sold in groups of three games, allowing fans to see two games on Friday and one game on Sunday. Packages are \$10 for senior citizens, UI students and children and \$15 for adults.

"I think most fans are waiting for Friday, when the single-game tickets go on sale," Thrapp said. "They are afraid to take a chance by buying tickets for all three games."

Although Lee knows many Hawk-

able for the game, with the visiting schools required to take a minimum of 100 tickets, Burke said.

The majority of the tickets sold have been phone sales, with Wednesday being the deadeast day since Monday," Thrapp said.

The tickets allotted to the UI for the men's game, which will be shown on KGAN Channel 2, went first to season ticketholders and then to UI students and other fans, said Mike Burke, assistant ticket manager at the UI Athletics Ticket Office.

By late Monday afternoon, ticket requests at the ticket office decreased because fans realized the chances of getting seats were slim, Burke said. Tickets through Arizona State University in Tempe, Ariz., are also sold out.

"We give priority to the season ticketholders first, since they follow the team throughout the season," Burke said. "We put aside 10 to 20 percent of the tickets allotted for UI students."

The number of tickets allotted to the UI depends on how the host city decides to distribute the tickets among local businesses and the other visiting schools.

"Oftentimes, the host city will give tickets to businesses that advertise in their venue," Burke said. "With eight other schools using the same venue, there aren't a lot of tickets to go around."

If the Iowa men's team advances to the third round in Denver, the UI will be allotted more tickets, Burke said.

MEDICAL BACKGROUNDS

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Candidate health has become an issue in 1996 due to the age of the likely Republican nominee — 72-year-old Bob Dole. But Dole — who jokes that his blood pressure and cholesterol levels are lower than President Clinton's — revealed his medical records early in his campaign. Some of Dole's challengers, including Steve Forbes and Pat Buchanan, have not disclosed health information.

Bloom said if candidates release their health records, the public will benefit from increased awareness about diseases.

"From his disclosure, we learned that Dole, by taking two medica-

tions — Pravachol and niacin — has been able to reduce his cholesterol level (from 288 to 182)," he said.

That information could help others with high cholesterol, he said.

"One of the effects of disclosure is to create effective medical management for millions of people," Bloom said.

Medical disclosure by presidential candidates also helps bring diseases "out of the closet" by dispelling myths and taboos.

After Bob Dole's 1994 disclosure of his prostate cancer, thousands of men took PSA (prostate-specific antigen) blood tests. Former first lady Betty Ford's disclosure of her

breast cancer in 1974 had a similar effect on women and mammograms.

While medical disclosure would have public health benefits, Bloom said it would also impact the campaign process.

"It is not the most important issue, but it is an important piece in the puzzle," he said. "I want to know as much as I can about the candidates' health."

Some candidates have concealed major health problems. In 1992, Buchanan did not reveal a serious heart condition until after the campaign. A week after the California primary, Buchanan underwent surgery to replace a valve in his heart.

Other presidential candidates have had hidden illnesses. White House photographers were prohibited from taking photographs of President Franklin Roosevelt while he was in a wheelchair. Roosevelt concealed the extent of his paralysis caused by polio.

President John Kennedy hid the fact he had Addison's disease, which affects the adrenal glands.

While Bloom admits Roosevelt and Kennedy might have suffered at the polls if voters knew the full extent of their illnesses, he said voters today are more knowledgeable about how diseases can be controlled.

FORBES BOWING OUT

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have a strong showing in next week's Rust Belt primaries, setting in motion a series of night-and-day consultations that led to his decision to withdraw.

UI junior and Forbes supporter Curt Mercadante said Forbes pulled out of the race because Dole has garnered so many delegates in recent primaries.

"It was obvious Dole had the nomination locked up," Mercadante said. "(Forbes) injected

the flat tax into the platform. I hope the party will select the flat tax as part of the platform."

Mercadante said even though Forbes did not win, he had a big impact.

"Dole may have possessed a better organization, but Forbes had an immense impact coming in as an outsider not experienced in politics," Mercadante said.

DI reporter John Hunter contributed to this story.

SCHOOL MASSACRE

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and very few multiple slayings.

"Just now, to most people, this is a nightmare," said school board member Gerry McDermott. "But they will not wake up from it."

Five-year-old Stewart Weir will never forget the man with the guns. The boy ran, escaping with only a bullet-grazed leg, and was able to tell his dad about it.

"Stewart said he thought the gunman was shooting at him," Robert Weir said after comforting his son in the hospital. "He got hit in the leg, so he took a run and just hid with another wee girl. It is lucky the man turned the gun on himself before he got the rest of the kids."

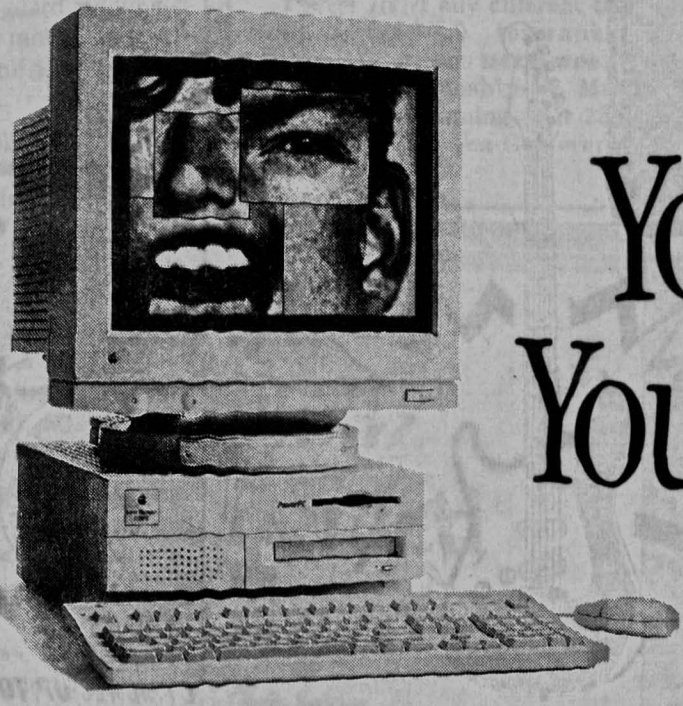
Frantic parents tried to get into the school while police and ambulance workers inside confronted

unspeakable horror.

"I can only describe what I saw ... as a medieval vision of hell," paramedic John McEwan told *The Sun*, a London tabloid. "There were little bodies in piles, dotted around the room, and items of children's clothing like shoes and pumps around the floor."


The final toll was 16 dead children, 12 wounded children, two dead adults — one of them the gunman, who took his own life — and two wounded teachers. The dead children included 11 girls and five boys.

Dunblane is the sort of place people almost never leave, a place whose 9,000 residents clearly care about each other. Just 35 miles northwest of Edinburgh, it straddles the River Allan in the spectacular Perthshire countryside leading into the highlands.



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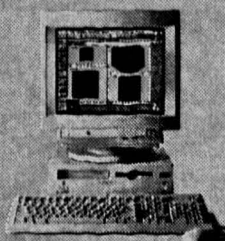

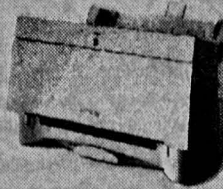
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Campaign '96

Clinton, Dole: Contrast of styles

John King
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — A presidential campaign pitting Bill Clinton against Bob Dole would offer a striking generational contrast between a gregarious Baby Boomer and a reserved World War II hero, two men who share a knack for consensus and small-town roots, but have vastly different styles.

Clinton is a policy wonk; Dole accustomed to fashioning a plan by blending the ideas of others. Clinton a glad-hander who thrives on crowds and unscripted speeches; Dole an often awkward campaigner who reads from note cards.

Eight months before the general election, Clinton enjoys a double-digit lead over Dole in national polls and the considerable power and trappings of incumbency.

But recent history favors Republicans in presidential elections, and Dole's Midwest roots and close ties to GOP governors give him a base of support in the battleground states likely to be pivotal in November.

Early handicapping of a Clinton-Dole contest consumed Washington on Wednesday, one day after Dole secured a virtual lock on the GOP nomination.

Many Democrats relished the prospect of the 50-year-old Clinton coming up in fall debates against the 72-year-old Senate majority leader. But even they concede the early election skirmishes will come on Dole's turf — in spring and summer legislative fights.

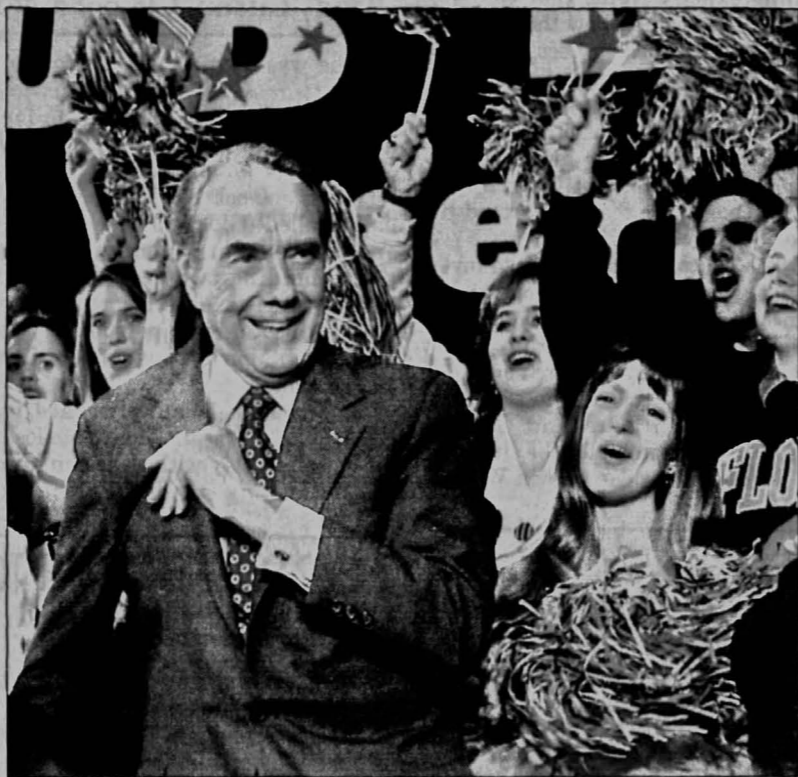
That portends a summer of legislative brinkmanship between two powerbrokers who place a premium on getting things done, even as they prepare to face one another come November.

"If there is something like balancing the budget that we can get done, we ought to get it done regardless of politics," Dole said in a weekend interview. "Maybe he benefits, maybe I benefit, maybe we both benefit. I don't know, but I think the American people expect us to get some things done."

In interviews Wednesday, political strategists in both parties said Dole's biggest challenge was to frame the race as a classic challenger vs. incumbent contest, making Clinton the major issue.

This will be no easy task for Dole, since he is so closely identified with a Republican Congress that is out of favor with the majority of voters.

Clinton, on the other hand, has risen to the best poll standing of his



Associated Press

Republican presidential hopeful Bob Dole celebrates his Super Tuesday presidential primary victories Tuesday night at a rally in Washington, D.C.

presidency by casting himself as a defender of the middle ground against an "extremist" GOP.

This strategy is likely to continue, with the White House trying to link Dole to House Speaker Newt Gingrich and other Republicans who have high negative ratings, including Dole's rival Pat Buchanan.

"The Buchanan-Dole-Gingrich group," was how Vice President Al Gore put it. "Those way over on the extreme right-wing fringe have gained an incredible amount of influence over the Republican Party, not just in this campaign for the nomination but in Congress."

With Democratic and Republican loyalists remarkably polarized since the 1994 elections, such rhetoric is a bald attempt to convince independent-minded voters to side with Clinton in the fall.

But pollster Gordon Black, a leading advocate of creating new political parties, suggested most voters in the middle would be turned off by a Dole-Clinton choice.

"I think you would have depressed turnout if these two were the only choices," Black said. Black, who occasionally consults with Ross Perot, is convinced Perot will run under the banner of his new Reform Party this November.

"It is going to be a three-way

race," he said.

Polls show a Perot candidacy hurting Dole at this point, though strategists say it is impossible to say if that would hold true in the fall, given the uncertainty of the legislative debate.

In the meantime, Clinton aides said they were in no rush to criticize Dole. But as they praised Clinton, there was clearly an effort to underscore Dole's perceived weaknesses. "The president has both a vision of where we should go and the ability to communicate that vision," said deputy Clinton campaign manager Ann Lewis.

Dole himself has said he would be no match for Clinton on the stump, promising to focus instead on "credibility and trust, my record as a doer, not a talker," by pointing out Clinton's failure to deliver on promises to cut middle class taxes, balance the budget and reform welfare.

As for Dole's own message for the remaining primaries, "he ought to be talking about economics, lower taxes, values and the role of government," said GOP pollster Ed Goetz. The pollster said Dole also should use the next few months to solidify the Republican base vote and reach out to Perot and other independent voters.

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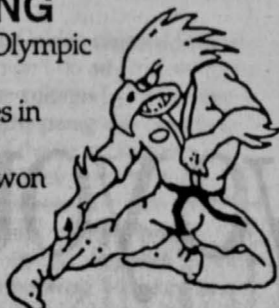
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NFL

Former Lions standout turns up ... finally

NORMAN, Okla. (AP) — Police closed a missing persons case on Billy Sims on Wednesday after the former Oklahoma and Detroit Lions football star telephoned a Detroit television station to say he was alive and well.

Sims' wife, Edna, reported him missing to Norman police on Tuesday, saying she had not seen him since Feb. 13.

"I'm fine, I'm not missing. Everything's OK," WDIV in Detroit quoted Sims as saying in a phone interview Wednesday morning. "I have to try to find my wife and let her know that."

Lt. Leonard Judy of the Norman police said Sims' case had been closed.

"We have been in touch with law enforcement officials where Mr. Sims is at this time. He is alive and well," Judy said. He would not confirm Sims' whereabouts.

Sims also told the television station he and his wife had been separated for a couple of months and he had tried to call her over the past two weeks.

NBA

Abdul-Rauf stands by his convictions,

NEW YORK (AP) — The NBA on Wednesday found itself at the center of a controversy encompassing basketball, religion and freedom of speech as Mahmoud Abdul-Rauf held firm in his refusal to stand for the national anthem.

The NBA has suspended the Denver Nuggets guard indefinitely without pay — a move that is costing Abdul-Rauf \$31,707 per game.

Abdul-Rauf says his religious principles were more important than his job. He feels "The Star-Spangled Banner" is a symbol of tyranny and oppression, and contends the Koran forbids nationalistic ritualism.

Islamic experts and the league's most prominent Muslim player disagreed, saying the Koran does not address the issue specifically.

Although he refused to waver from his decision, Abdul-Rauf said Wednesday he meant no disrespect to the flag.

"My intentions were not in any way to be disrespectful to those who regard the national anthem as a sacred ceremony," he said in a statement read by his agent, Shareef Nasir in Denver. "I am an African-American, a citizen of this country, and one who respects freedom of speech and freedom of expression."

Abdul-Rauf, who converted to Islam in 1991 and changed his name from Chris Jackson in 1993, was suspended Tuesday.

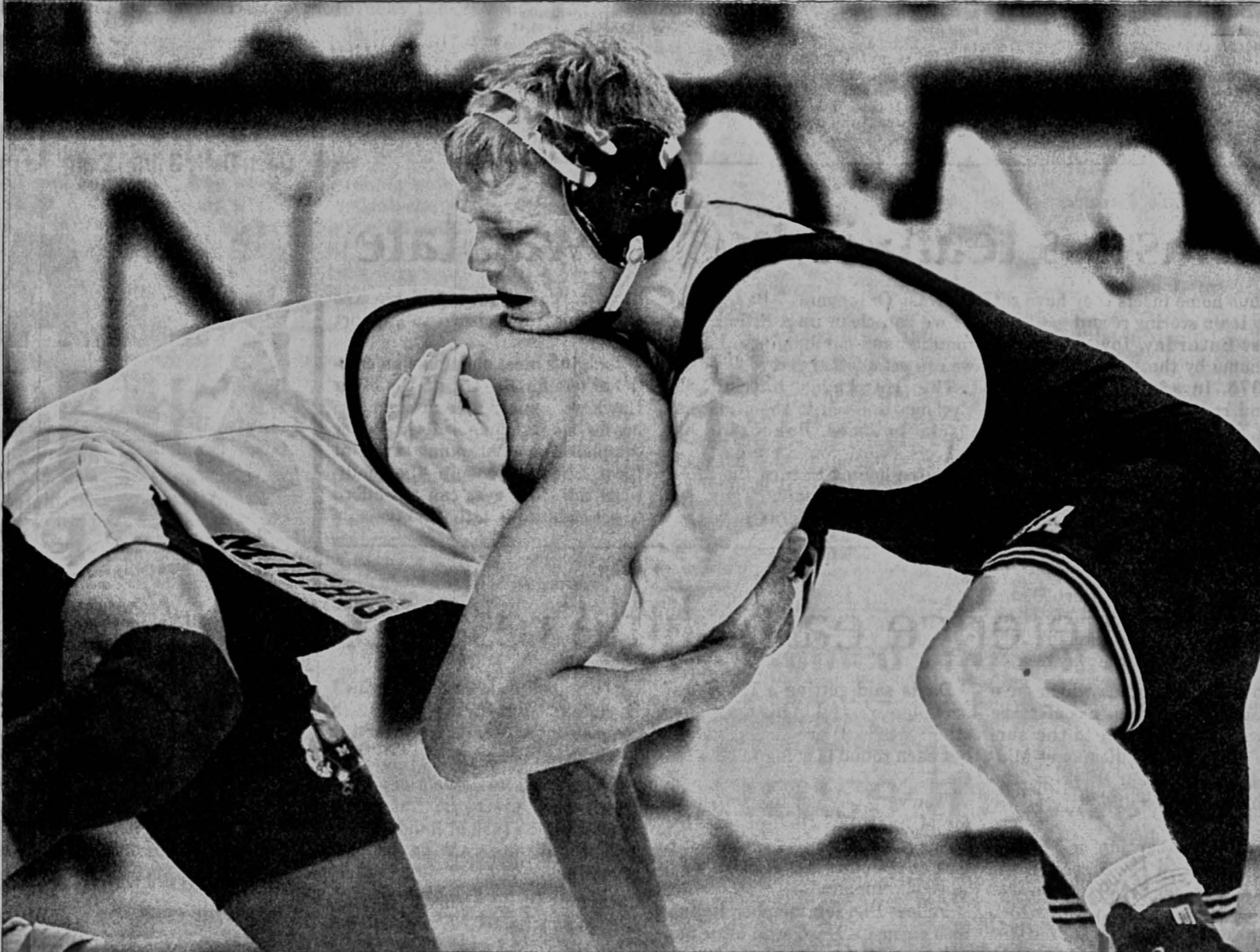
"The ball's in his court. This is not a religious issue, it's a simple procedural rule," league spokesman Brian McIntyre said.

The players' union will support any efforts Abdul-Rauf might want to make to challenge the NBA's disciplinary action, including filing a grievance, if the issue cannot be resolved, said Ron Klempner, the union's assistant general counsel.

The dispute was unprecedented for a professional sports league. Players have refused to play on certain holy days, most notably Sandy Koufax of the Los Angeles Dodgers in the 1965 World Series, but none has ever been punished for refusing to stand for the national anthem, nor has any player ever taken such a stand.

Also see Page 2B for a list of the AP's all-American women's team.

Great expectations



Pete Thompson/The Daily Iowan

Iowa wrestler Curt Heideman dominates his Michigan State opponent last weekend at the Big Ten Championships in East Lansing, Mich.

Gable's peers offer Iowa their top nod

Wayne Drehs

The Daily Iowan

Every March, there is one thing that wrestling coaches across the country can all agree on ... Iowa is the favorite to win the national championship.

Things aren't any different this season, as the top-ranked Hawkeyes enter next week's NCAA Championships in Minneapolis after winning their 23rd consecutive Big Ten Conference title last weekend.

At the Big Ten meet, the Hawkeyes won 29-of-36 matches, including four individual championships.

"Looking at the points and the people, I'd say it's Iowa against the entire field," Nebraska head coach Tim Neumann said. "The Iowa lineup has a lot of power even if they don't get champions out of their top seeds."

The questions about Iowa's health stem from an ankle injury that forced 1995 NCAA Champion

Jeff McGinness (126) to sit out his final round last weekend. McGinness could walk on the ankle Sunday, but didn't want to wrestle and risk a more serious injury that could hinder his NCAA hopes. Following a few days of intense practice since the Big Ten meet, head coach Dan Gable didn't foresee any problems with McGinness' or the rest of his team's health.

One thing that does worry Gable a little is the increasing

parity in collegiate wrestling. In past years, the Hawkeyes, along with Oklahoma State and a few other teams, dominated the sport. Now, numerous collegiate programs are getting recognition for their accomplishments.

"Numbers two through 20 are really unpredictable," Gable said. "I felt all year we were about to make it so numbers one through 20 were pretty even, but we man-

PANNING OUT

Davis survives early criticism

Despite getting his first bid to the NCAA Tournament in the past three years, Iowa basketball coach Tom Davis has still failed to receive one important thing — recognition.

When Iowa lost its third game of the season, a heartbreaker at Wisconsin on Jan. 13, people had already started calling for Davis' job and have been at his throat ever since.

If this sounds familiar to you, rewind six months to when fans were calling for football coach Hayden Fry's job. Funny how that all worked out in the end, huh?

Word on the streets of Iowa City is that Davis can't coach, can't recruit and is too soft. That being the case, he must be the luckiest man alive.

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Chris Snider

And then there is his rotation system, which seems to rely on the ability to thoroughly confuse and frustrate the opposing team to the point where it has no idea who is in the game.

One thing is for sure, it has frustrated Hawkeye fans this season.

Obviously, one doesn't stick around as a head coach in the Big Ten for 10 years when he doesn't know what he is doing, so I think it's time Davis started getting some credit.

A common criticism about Davis seems to be that he can't recruit the way George Raveling could. Raveling never finished higher than fifth in the Big Ten and never won a single NCAA Tournament game with the Hawkeyes, but at

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INTRAMURALS

Madd Skillz denied Arizona

Chris Snider

The Daily Iowan

Just five days after being crowned University of Iowa Men's Intramural Champions, Madd Skillz has been denied a trip to Arizona and could have their title stripped as early as today.

BOWG's, who lost in the intramural finals to Madd Skillz, will make the trip to Tempe, Ariz. to represent the University of Iowa in the Pizza Hut Hoops 3-on-3 Road Trip Invitational, which begins this weekend.

BOWG's will face the intramural champions from George Washington University, the Iowa Hawkeyes' first-round NCAA opponent.

"It's going to be a blast," BOWG's team member D.J. Doyle said. "Everyone loves the NCAA tournament, so it's kind of fun to be in our own mock tournament."

When Madd Skillz turned in its list of five players that would make the trip, it was discovered that three of them didn't meet the requirements set forth for the tournament. Competitors must currently be registered for at least 12 semester hours, have at least a 2.0 GPA, and cannot be gray-team members.

"I don't know all of the details, but Madd Skillz only had two guys that were even eligible to go, so we took BOWG's," Dave Conrads said, head of Iowa's intramural basketball program.

It was also discovered that Madd

Hawk fans, GW's got your number

Jim Geraghty is the sports editor of the GW Hatchet, the student newspaper of The George Washington University.

I wish you good luck. Because you'll need it. You're not just playing some of the best players in the country. You're playing the United Nations of basketball.

The first thing you will notice when you look at the Colonials' roster is that most of it looks like a roll call at NATO and that four of our players hail from Belarus, the former Russian Republic. The end of the Cold War has been a goldmine for George Washington University.

The biggest weapon for you to worry about is our massive center Alexander Koul, known across the country as "the big white goon who shut down Marcus Camby." He's 7-1, 295 pounds, and a giant. His only flaw is that he attracts foul trouble like Jerry Tarkanian attracts controversy.

Then there's Shawnta Rogers. The only way to describe him is comparing him to Muggsy Bogues on a double espresso. He's listed as five-foot-three, and that's standing on a telephone book. But he is so quick, and as Virginia Tech coach Bill Foster said, "He's in his stance when he's standing up."

Some other impressive foreign

freshmen are forwards Yegor Mescheriakov, who is like a slightly smaller Koul who can hit the three, and P.J. Brade, nicknamed "Dyn-o-mite" for his kinetic bursts to the basket.

A key to the game will be how hot GW's senior co-captain Kwame Evans is on the perimeter. Evans is being scouted for the NBA and can hit the three. Most of our team is young, but Evans and fellow captain Vaughn Jones have been to the Sweet Sixteen as freshmen.

Colonials Mike Jarvis has never lost in the first round of the

NCAA tournament at GW. In fact, the state of Arizona has been generous to GW; the Colonials beat New Mexico and Southern in Tucson in 1992-93.

By the way, Jarvis has some help in high places. Last year when GW unseated Massachusetts from its No. 1 ranking in the country, President Bill Clinton suggested Jarvis try a zone defense. (The zone plan worked a hell of a lot better than his Health Care Plan.)

So despite your No. 6 ranking, you will have your hands full. If you win, congratulations. I hope you win it all, or at least conquer our arch-enemy, Georgetown Hoyas along the way. If we win, don't feel bad. Upsets in the NCAA tournament are a Colonial tradition.



Pete Thompson/The Daily Iowan

Iowa senior Sasha Boros returns a serve against Drake's Nikki Uelze Wednesday at the UI Rec Building.

Hawks make use of Twilight Zone in win

Shannon Stevens

The Daily Iowan

It was a tennis match straight from the pages of a Stephen King novel.

All eyes were focused on Iowa freshman Erin Wolverton, who was trailing Drake's Amy Hanson 4-1 in the third set of the most important match in her young career.

The two teams were deadlocked at three points apiece and Hawk-eye fans sensed that Hanson was about to win the No. 4 singles match sending Iowa to a heart-breaking 4-3 loss.

But with the score tied at 30-30, Wolverton won a long rally and with a quick flash of a smile she acknowledged that the comeback was on.

Wolverton broke Hanson on the next point to make the score 4-2. She then won four of the next five

games to carry a 6-5 advantage into the 12th game.

Wolverton had endured three deuce points during the 11th game, now the pressure was on Hanson. Hanson fell behind 0-40 with a double fault and three points later found herself on the short end of a 7-6, 6-7, 7-5 finale.

Wolverton's remarkable comeback helped the Iowa women's tennis team (7-5) hold off a pesky Drake squad 4-3 at the UI Rec Building Wednesday.

After the match, Wolverton said she didn't feel any pressure because she had no idea that the two teams were tied.

"I didn't really feel any pressure because I didn't know what the score was," Wolverton said. "If I would have known that we were

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READ, THEN RECYCLE

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NCAA Tournament

MIDWEST REGIONAL

Wildcat bait savors moment

Owen Canfield
Associated Press

DALLAS — San Jose State coach Stan Morrison doesn't want to hear how angry Kentucky might be entering the NCAA tournament. Kentucky is the No. 1 seed in the Midwest Regional, the No. 2-ranked team in the country and is coming off a loss in the title game of the Southeastern Conference tournament. Coach Rick Pitino said the loss should spur his team. Morrison's Spartans have the distinction of being Kentucky's first-round opponent Thursday. "I have no concerns about it whatsoever," he said Wednesday. "They should be concerned about how angry we are about some of the losses we've had. If you want to put that on the scales of justice, they'll be dealing with a bunch of lunatics."

San Jose State is 13-16, one of just two teams in the tournament with a losing record. The Spartans were 4-15 in early February, but now have won nine out of 10. They got into the tournament by winning the Big West Conference tournament as the sixth seed. Morrison said his team changed nothing all year. Instead, the new players such as transfer Olivier Saint-Jean became more familiar with the system and the Spartans stayed healthy. Their reward is a meeting with powerful Kentucky, which had won 27 straight before getting upset by Mississippi State last weekend. "You don't play a basketball game just to play a basketball game," said Saint-Jean, who went to the NCAA tournament with Michigan in 1994. "You play a basketball game to win. We might lose by 60, but we're going to play to win."

Morrison, a member of California's 1959 national championship team, said he still remembers everything about that experience. He wants his players to do the same, particularly on game day. "I've challenged them to be able, 20 years from now, to tell their families that they left their game on the court," he said. "That's all I want." Kentucky (28-2) wants to get back to winning again. Pitino said the Wildcats had slipped up a bit in recent games, particularly with their perimeter defense, and MSU showed them what can happen if the mistakes aren't fixed. Kentucky isn't expected to have any trouble with San Jose State. Many think the Wildcats shouldn't have much trouble getting to the Final Four and winning the school's first national title since 1978.

EAST REGIONAL

Calipari 'worried' about CFU

Jim O'Connell
Associated Press

PROVIDENCE, R.I. — John Calipari might just be the guy to take that job as ice salesman in the Arctic. The coach of top-ranked Massachusetts was able Wednesday to actually give reasons why his team should be worried about Central Florida in the opening round of the NCAA tournament. "Yes, Central Florida, one of two teams in the field of 64 with a losing record. We better come and play. Central Florida's good enough to beat us, they are," he said. "We better come and play."

ranked No. 1 for 10 weeks this season, might fear from the Golden Knights (11-18), whose longest winning streak this season was two games. Calipari had a quick answer. "They execute, have size inside and their guards can shoot the ball and Harry Kennedy can flat out shoot with anybody in the country," he said. "It's scary when a team relies on 3-point shooting because what if they go 20-for-25. It can happen. This is the NCAA tournament."

It's doubtful Central Florida, in the tournament as winners of the Trans America Athletic Conference tournament, can even scare Massachusetts, but coach Kirk Speraw won't let his team take the floor thinking that way. "I'm going to tell them to enjoy the opportunity," he said. "Obviously it's a tremendous challenge. Only one team solved Massachusetts all season. It's a dream for these kids to play in this tournament."

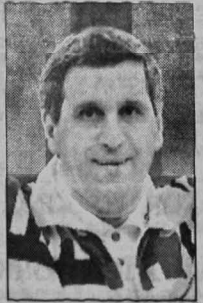
SOUTHEAST REGIONAL

What tourney? UCLA looks ahead

Nancy Armour
Associated Press

INDIANAPOLIS — The NCAA tournament hasn't even started, and UCLA coach Jim Harrick is already looking toward next year. Despite winning the Pac-10 by three games, the defending national champions were moved out of the West Regional and shipped to the Southeast with a No. 4 seed. Meanwhile Arizona, which finished second in the conference, is seeded third just up the road in Tempe, Ariz. Harrick still isn't happy with the situation, but he's making the best of it. "We try to give the team as many

experiences as we can," Harrick said after his team practiced at the RCA Dome on Wednesday night. "Next year the Final Four is here. We like the fact we get a chance to play on this court." What Harrick doesn't like is having to play Princeton, the 13th seed, on Thursday. Despite having no scholarships, the Tigers have a history of making life difficult for



Harrick

tougher, first-round opponents. They play smart, slow, disciplined basketball and have lost their last four NCAA tournament games by a total of 15 points, including a one-point loss to Georgetown in 1989. "For the last 10 or 15 years, the team everybody would least like to play in the NCAA tournament in the first round is Princeton," Harrick said. "They play that style for 30 games and you never play that style."

The DI's picks



A combined effort of the seven DI writers

WEST REGIONAL

Syracuse tries to avoid its jinx

Pete Herrera
Associated Press

ALBUQUERQUE, N.M. — The mystique and muscle of the Big East, 23 trips to the NCAA tournament and a 13-1 record in first-round games since 1979. None of it matters to Syracuse coach Jim Boeheim. Syracuse, the No. 4 seed in the West, faces Montana State in Thursday's first round of the West Regional, and Boeheim has been working diligently this week to keep the Orangemen from getting overconfident. "We know we're very fragile," Boeheim said Wednesday. "We're not 28-2 or 28-3. We didn't just lose to Connecticut and Georgetown. They've (Orangemen) had some games where they played poorly and got beat."

Syracuse (24-8) and the Big Sky champion Bobcats (21-8) meet in the opening game here Thursday. In other first round games, Memphis (22-7) takes on Drexel (26-3); No. 1 seed Purdue (25-5) faces Western Carolina (17-12) and Georgia (19-9) meets Clemson (18-10). Boeheim is trying to keep Syracuse from the same first-round fate that claimed Michigan State in last year's NCAA tournament. The Spartans, went in as the No. 3 seed in the Southeast Regional and were beaten 79-72 by No. 14 seed Weber State, Montana State's neighbor in the Big Sky. Weber State nearly pulled off another upset before falling to Georgetown 53-51 in the second round. Connecticut is the No. 1 seed in the Southeast this year and

Georgetown is seeded No. 2 in the East. Boeheim says unlike the Huskies and Hoyas, his team doesn't have the luxury of playing below its potential and surviving. "Connecticut and Georgetown have a lot of answers. We don't," Boeheim said. "We know we've got to play to our maximum." What Syracuse does have is one of the best forwards in the country in senior John Wallace. Named the Big East Player of the Week six times this year, Wallace averaged 22 points and nine rebounds and goes into the tournament needing 12 points to reach 2,000 for his career. Wallace missed the team's flight to Albuquerque on Tuesday and arrived later, but Boeheim downplayed the incident.

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THURSDAY, MARCH 14, 1996 THURSDAY NIGHT THROUGH MONDAY MORNING IN THE ARTS THE DAILY IOWAN

So, you're staying in I.C. over break ...

the skinny

The pickings may be slim, but there are still things to do this weekend

Thursday

Spring has sprung and the weather is rockin', but you're still stuck in Iowa City for spring break.

Your roommates may be heading for the slopes, the sun or the sand, while you bask in the black and gold glow of Iowa, but there are a few saving graces that should keep you smiling.

The biggest one is St. Patrick's Day. Who can have a bad time reveling in shamrocks, corned beef and cabbage stew? Most local taverns, especially the Irish-styled Mickey's, Dublin Underground and Fitzpatrick's will be running unique specials, including the ever-indulgent annual green beer.

This weekend you can also see a play by an award-winning author, listen to some groovy live music, hear an author read from his original work or dance your blues away in full disco regalia.

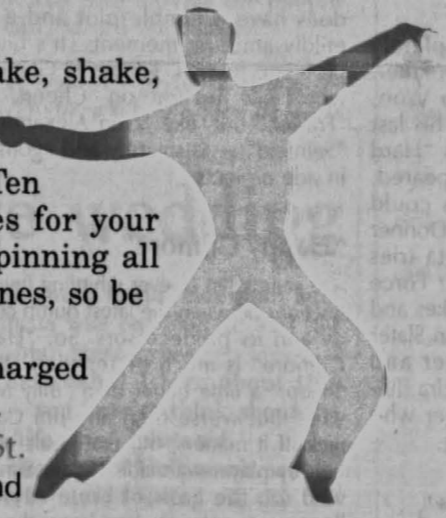
And if none of that appeals to you, you can always rent movies or check out reduced-priced matinees at the local theaters. Spring break should be fun, even if you can't go anywhere, so make the most of it and relax — we all deserve the time off.



With baseball season right around the corner, sports fans can get a head start on the national pastime when Mark Winegardner reads from his first novel, "Veracruz Blues," an amusing, nicely researched book about life in the Mexican baseball leagues. Critic David Bradley says: "Winegardner's players are believably black, believably white, believably American and believably Mexican, and his baseball is as perfect as his humor."

You should be dancin' ... Kick off the spring break weekend right and shake, shake, shake your groove thing down at the Union Bar, 121 E. Washington St. It's club night at the biggest bar in the Big Ten and you can expect only jive talkin' tunes for your groove pleasure. The Union DJs will be spinning all your favorite techno, house and hip-hop tunes, so be sure to wear your dancing shoes.

Doors open at 8 p.m. and cover will be charged — \$2 if you're legal and \$3 if you're a minor. Also at the Union tonight, will be a pre-St. Patrick's Day party with green beer specials and party favors for you lucky leprechanns.



Friday

When the university closes its doors for a week, many bars do as well. If you're sticking around, tonight is the night to take in live music — you may not get much of a chance to until the UI reopens.

HUM Showcase
Big Dogs, the heavy-metal bastion of Cedar Rapids, will host the premiere C.R. performances of Midwest bands whose recordings appear on HUM Productions's latest compilation Zoom. Chicago's Luxury Bucket will headline, with Much, Simple Barney and Stubby opening.

Daddy-O himself, the incredible Dennis McMurrin, will bring his bluesy rock to The Mill Restaurant, 120 E. Burlington St., for a free show starting at 9 p.m. McMurrin plays a strong melange of cover tunes and original songs. You will not want to sit still when he breaks out his guitar.

The Blues Instigators, hailed by many as one of the best bands in the area, will perform at Gabe's, 330 E. Washington St. Lead singer B.F. Burt's vocals are sure to blow you away and the talented musicians will make you want to dance.

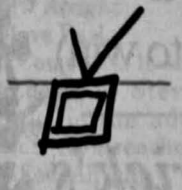
Do you like your jazz rockin'? If so, check out the **Hard Quartet** at Gunnerz, 123 E. Washington St. Pfewtus will also perform a show that promises great musicians and sweet melodies.

Saturday

Sunday



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• "Friends," Thursday, NBC
• "Seinfeld," Thursday, NBC

Coffey radio show 'Colfax' to premiere

Iowa City writer Dan Coffey will present "Colfax," a radio play about activity in a building in small-town Iowa Saturday and Sunday at the Riverside Theatre, 213 N. Gilbert St.

Coffey was recently awarded a \$6,300 grant from the National Endowment for the Arts to write and produce the play. Read more about it on Page C3

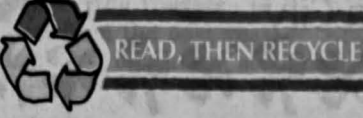


How to show your Irish spirit

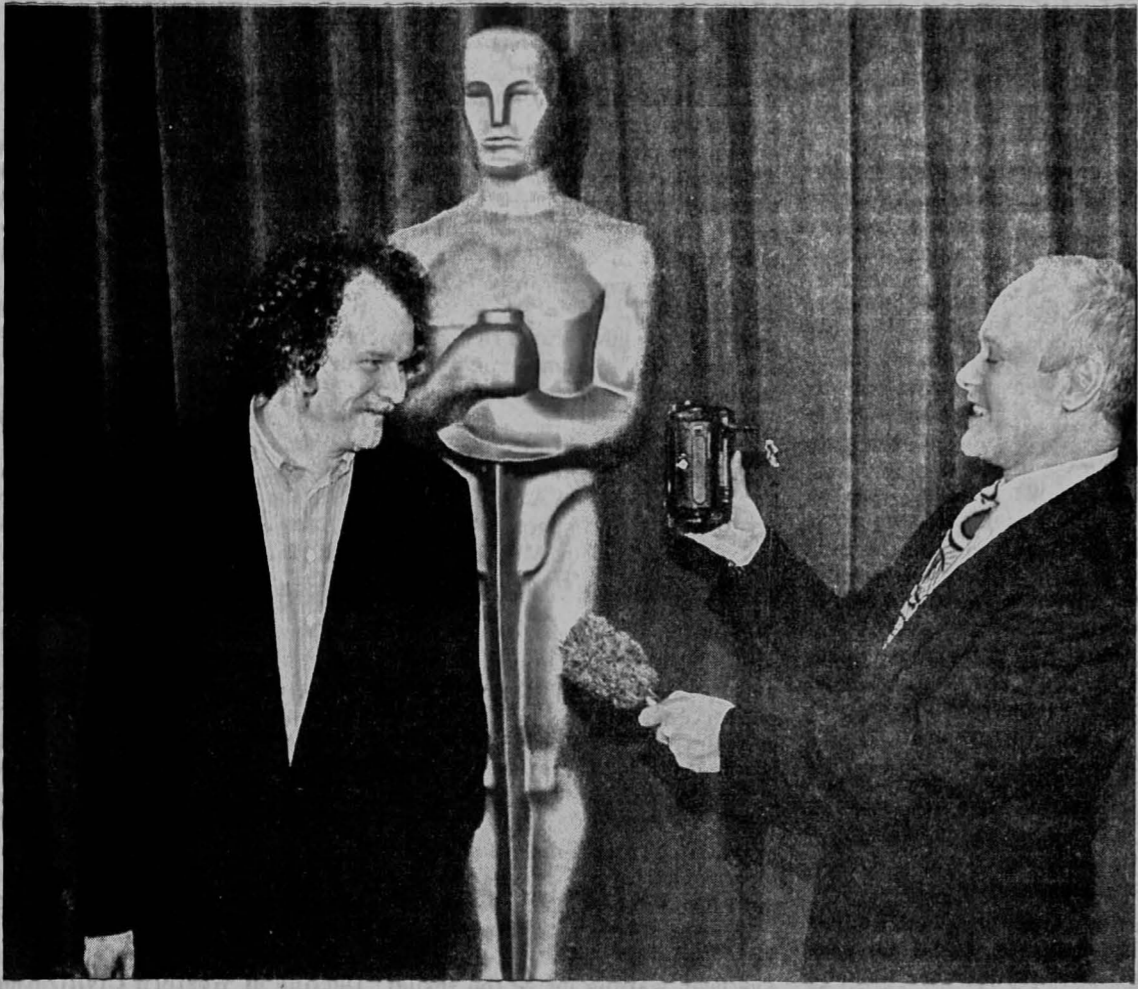
Wear anything green. This includes clothes and accessories, but you can't get by with saying you have green eyes.

Drink green beer. Many of the local bars will bring out kegs of green-tinted beer. And yes, it does leave your body the same color it enters.

Sing a rousing rendition of "Danny Boy" or "When Irish Eyes are Smiling" to your roommates.



EightyHours



Associated Press

Best Director nominee Michael Radford, right, films and records fellow Best Director nominee Mike Figgis after their arrival at the Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences' 15th Annual Nominees Luncheon Tuesday, at the Beverly Hilton in Beverly Hills, Calif. Radford was nominated for "The Postman," while Figgis was nominated for "Leaving Las Vegas."

Play looks at small-town Iowa

Sam Paxton
The Daily Iowan

"Colfax," Iowa City writer Dan Coffey's radio play chronicling 60 years of activity in a small-town Iowa building, is running this weekend at Riverside Theater, 213 N. Gilbert St.

Coffey was recently awarded a \$6,300 grant from the National Endowment for the Arts to write and produce the play, which will run Saturday at 8 p.m. and Sunday at 2 p.m.

Coffey is best known as the host of "Dr. Science," his nationally syndicated "satirical spoof of public radio" which he has done for 12 years. Coffey has also done teaching stints as a UI visiting communication studies professor since 1988.

However, since he received the grant, Coffey and his partner, Des

Moines humorist Dan Hunter, have worked to create "Colfax." The play will link changes in Iowa, as well as the nation, and the changes in the use of the Colfax Hotel, a luxury establishment which fell on hard times as the years passed.

"In the '20s, the hotel was like a European spa with a natural hot springs, but times got rough," Coffey said. "In the '50s, the place became a swine barn, which held pig shows and auctions. By the '80s, it was a drug rehab filled with runaways and disillusioned, wasted youth."

Coffey said the play's radio format enables the audience to use its imagination to become one with the action.

"Since it is a radio play, the listeners get to design the costumes and build the sets in their heads," he said. "Their ideas allow them to

get into the story."

Besides the script reading, Coffey will utilize a multi-track machine — which Coffey bought with the last grant — to incorporate sound effects. He said sound effects are essential to a radio play because "all the crowd sees is two people sitting on stage reading a script. The sound acts as special effects act in movies and on television."

Coffey said the radio play is great when it comes to time management.

"In theater and film, it takes weeks out of your life for preparation," he said. "But with radio, a couple of read-throughs and you're ready. It's like movies for people who can't afford the budget."

Tickets for "Colfax" are \$8 and can be obtained by calling Riverside Theatre's box office at 338-7672.

Lesbian film shows average wedding

Erica Gingerich
The Daily Iowan

There are more problems to marrying your girlfriend than you might imagine, especially if she wants to wear the same wedding gown as you.

Fortunately, this wasn't a problem for Debra and Heidi, two Southern Californian gals with a penchant for *frou frou* in Elaine Holliman's "Chicks in White Satin," a film that won the 1994 Academy Award nomination for short documentary.

As part of a five-day screening tour across Iowa, Holliman's 20-minute documentary made a visit to the Terrace Room in the Union.

Sponsored by the Lesbian, Gay and Bisexual Faculty and Staff Association, the Women's Resource and Action Center and the Bijou, the UI screening drew a crowd willing to laugh at all the potholes on the road to nuptial bliss.

"Chicks" takes a look at the pre-wedding melee surrounding two Jewish lesbians prepping for a traditional Jewish wedding. Following the two women from bridal registry to dancing lessons, Holliman shows us that a lesbian wedding is

no different from the typical straight wedding.

"I think people are in this mass hysterical state right now," said Holliman on the attitudes driving legislation in several states to ban same-sex marriages. "If they've never seen a gay or lesbian ceremony, then I don't know where they're coming from. The hysteria is fed from blank-slate imagination."

Holliman's camera captured many candid moments, although she said she didn't really know her subjects before she began filming. "Chicks" was her graduate thesis project at the University of Southern California's School of Cinema and Television, and managed to incorporate everything from the couple's bickering over china patterns to Heidi's mother's reticence about her daughter's lesbian wedding.

Believing that "Chicks" portrays an average same-sex marriage, Holliman said it was important for her to avoid using a couple that was either too "butch" or "glamorous." So, while moviegoers might expect either Debra or Heidi to be in a tuxedo and the other playing a more traditional feminine role as

the blushing bride, Holliman said her focus was on lifestyle and not on lesbian stereotypes.

"That's what I love about this film — you have to think about the word 'lifestyle,'" she said.

In the case of Holliman's couple, lifestyle meant using all the fixtures of a middle-class background — from afternoons spent painting patio furniture to the mall-rat perms both Debra and Heidi sported — as the backdrop to a highly nontraditional marriage.

Holliman plans to return to the UI later this year as a part of the Iowa Summer Writing Festival, where she'll be teaching screenwriting. She recently completed the screen adaptation of Rita Mae Brown's novel, "Rubyfruit Jungle," and said she's interested in making future films also dealing with lesbian themes.

"There is a problem with lesbian representation," Holliman said about some mainstream Hollywood films portraying lesbian, gay and bisexual characters (for example, Sharon Stone in "Basic Instinct"), adding that there is also "a problem with representing women who are sexual in a positive way."

Sound Like This
The Hoax

One of the surprises of the 1990s blues revival is that it did not bring about a rush of bands picking up the Stevie Ray Vaughan sound. So leave it to a bunch of teen-agers from Britain recruited by a new record label to do it on a disc with 11 originals.

The Hoax recreates the Double Trouble sound, fluid and energetic, without being too derivative. The opening moments of the first track, "Lizard Like Me," show the key is a brick-solid rhythm section, especially drummer Dave Raeburn. His isn't the machine-steady traditional beat, but the looser, rock-like style of British and New York blues, and he adds a lot of imagination.

Singer Hugh Colton does nicely in picking up the phrasing of the last good British blues singer, James Dewar of the Robin Trower band. These kids are close to the music pinnacle: a beer commercial.

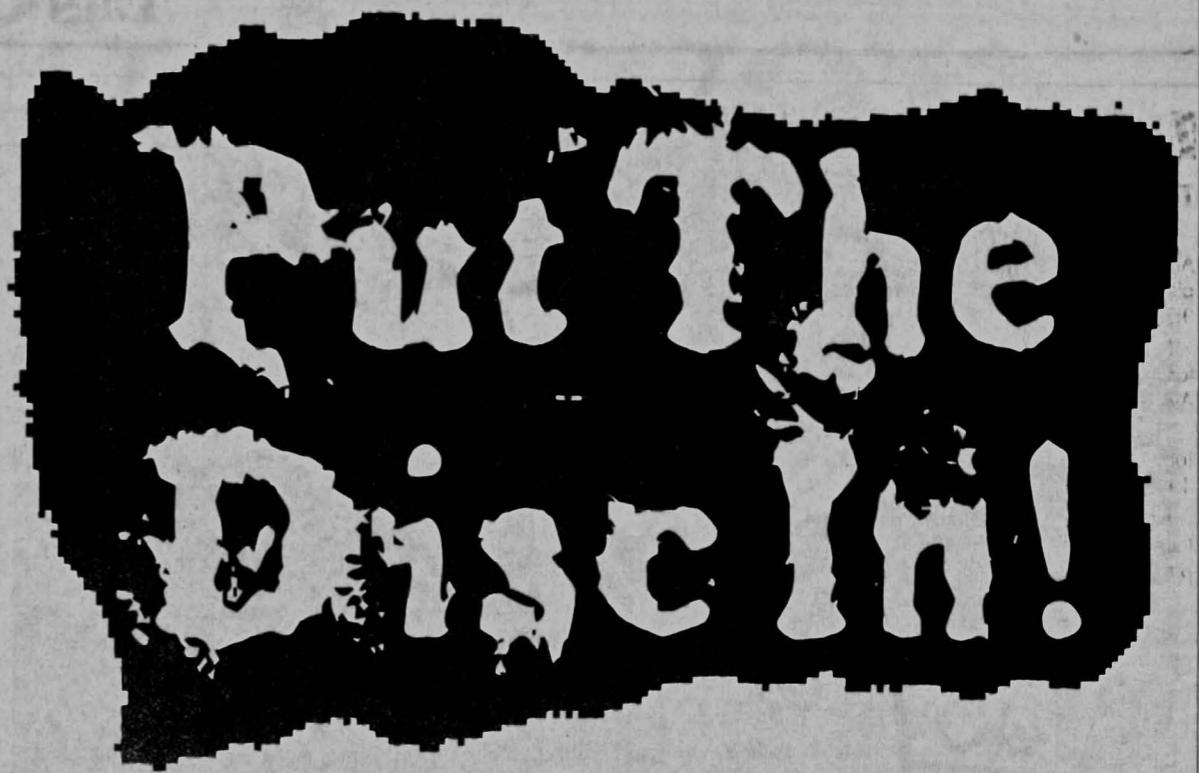
— Ralph Siegel, Associated Press

Brain Junk

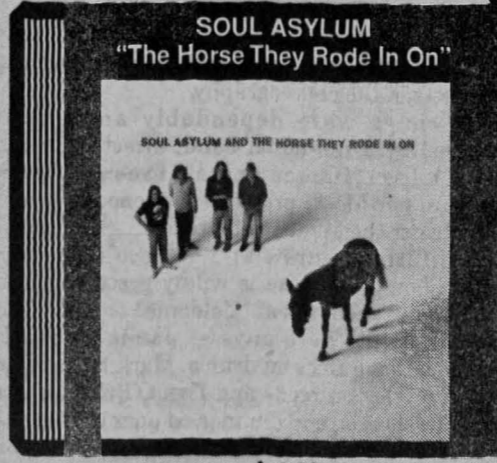
George Huntley

Connell's guitarist George Huntley stands before a door advertising "no help needed" on the back cover portrait on "Brain Junk," a neat summation of his solo debut. Despite the unappealing title, this disc is a charmer. Huntley's breezy acoustic pop is reminiscent of fellow Southern expatriates Peter Holsapple and Chris Stamey. Yet the songs cut deep — Huntley's writing is replete with lost opportunities, lost lovers and lost dreams.

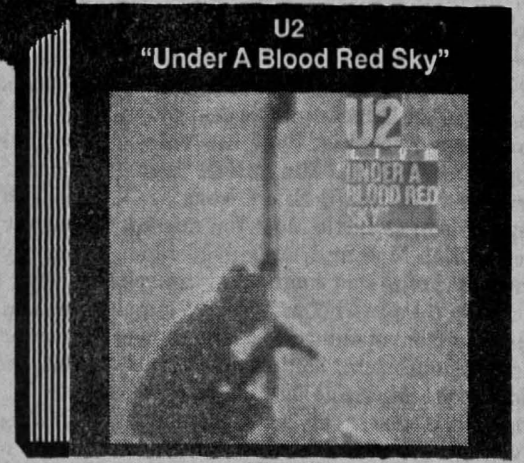
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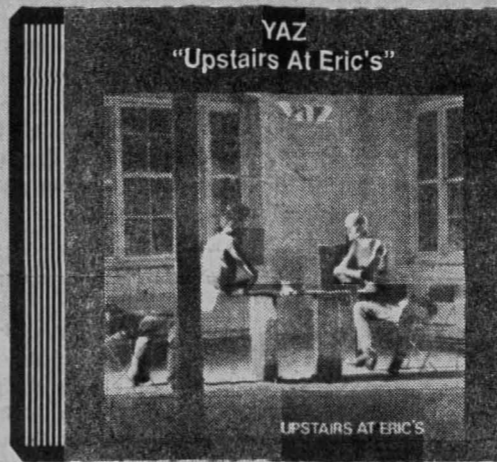
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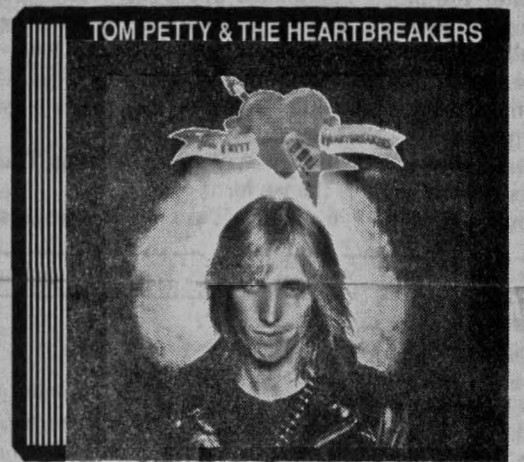
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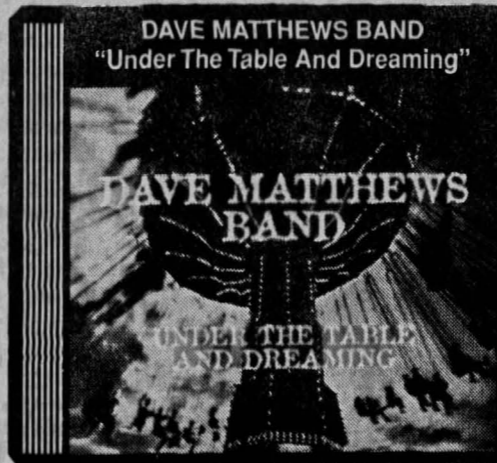
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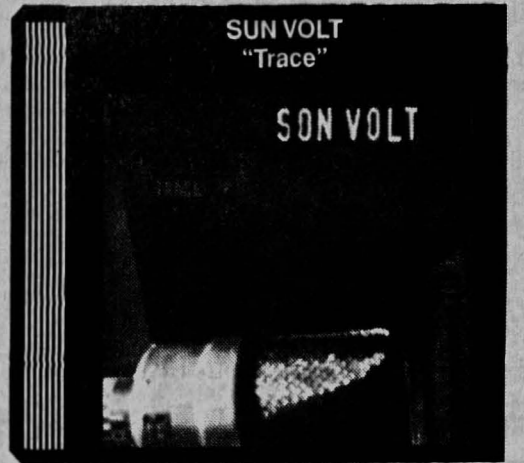
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Steve Earle

Comeback is too mild of a word to describe Steve Earle's return from heroin addiction and jail time: He's reached a new level on "I Feel Alright."

From his opening defiant sneer at people who would "hope that I'll just go away," to the triumphant duet with Lucinda Williams on "You're Still Standin' There," there's not a weak moment here. Earle tackles Beatles-influenced folk rock, searing blues, tales of life's drifters and even has time to throw in a Springsteen quote.

His songs are clear and direct, the music warmer than we've ever heard from this one-time outlaw. Considering that one of his best songs from the past year — "Ellis Unit One" death row story on the

"Dead Man Walking" soundtrack — isn't even included, you have an idea of the kind of roll he's on.

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"Five Guys Named Moe" was performed at Hancher Auditorium earlier this week. The show was full of energy, singing, dancing and overall enthusiasm.

'Five Guys Named Moe' brings tentative Hancher crowd to its feet

Kim Johnson
The Daily Iowan

If you missed the performance of "Five Guys Named Moe" at Hancher this week, you missed a lot. You missed the big, booming voice of Michael Shepperd as Big Moe. You missed the high-stepping histrionics of Rennard Eric Owens as No Moe and Dennis Wilson as Little Moe. You missed the velvety voices of Eat Moe and Four-eyed Moe, played by Thierry Laurence and Angelo Adkins, respectively. For more than two hours, five guys named Moe and one named Nomax entertained the capacity crowd at Hancher Auditorium, belting out song after song in glorious, boisterous, full-throated, 5-part harmony. The plot is admittedly thin. Nomax has done his girl wrong, and now she won't have anything to do with him. He loves her but won't admit it and struggles over how to gain her heart back. Enter the Moes, summoned apparently from the nether reaches of the Twilight Zone via Nomax's big wooden radio. They've come to lead Nomax through his difficult time, to show him the right way to go — via the Funky Butt Club — so that his sweet lady will give him another chance. Really, the plot is just a gauzy excuse to sing. The songs are the focus of the performance. You'd figure that in a show like this, the singers

would have to be pretty good, and you'd figure correctly. The six-man cast was in top form at Hancher, their big voices only occasionally showing the wearing effects of the choreography. The songs were dependably and skillfully anchored by a top-notch band, directed by pianist Perry Hansen. Hansen and his five-man entourage (one man per Moe?) provided just enough jump and swing to get the audience to its feet. It's difficult to draw an audience's attention to music when a Big Moe is wildly gesturing, leading the crowd in a chorus of "Caldonia" or "The Calypso Bee-Bop." But these guys — Jamie Dubberly on trombone, Mike Dees on drums, Mark Hoke on trumpet, John Isley on reeds and Dan O'Brien on bass — are professionals, and damn good ones at that. It's not often these days that you can go to the theater and just have a good time. So many contemporary plays ask a lot from their audiences, intellectually or emotionally. The Moes are just looking to give you a good time. At Hancher Tuesday night, that's just what they did, although it took a while for the audience to get excited. The audience may have been a bit wary about singing and dancing and clapping and the like, but after they loosened up, joined the conga line and were forced to sing a little, Hancher started to look like a great big Funky Butt Club.

TV cures boring break blues

Sam Paxton
The Daily Iowan

For many UI students, this week's column will be quite meaningless. Instead of sitting in front of the tube, they will be basking in the sun, hitting keggers till they heave and paying 12 bucks for a box of \$2 rubbers. Yes, spring break is upon us. So, for those poor people who can't afford to go anywhere else, I offer you the choice moments in television this week.

Of course the highlight of spring break has been, and will always be, the NCAA Basketball Tournament. Starting tonight until Sunday, and again next weekend, basketball will own the airways. Pick your team and enjoy. But if basketball is not for you, do not fret. There is a new episode of Aaron Spelling's "Malibu Shores" on Saturday. After last week's spell-binding premiere, I just don't see myself missing another episode. This week, Brian Austin Green,

a.k.a. David Silver from "90210," pays a visit, starring as the brother of Flipper, played by the classically-trained Olivier prototype, Randy Spelling! (Just kidding — Randy sucks. I was also kidding about the Olivier part. In actuality, there are better actors working in porn these days.) As for the show, after I realized it was trying to be "Romeo and Juliet" on the beach, I stopped watching ... after I lost my lunch.

On to serious programming — Fox offers up 90 minutes of "The Simpsons" Sunday. At 6 p.m. the rerun of the retrospective episode airs, hosted by Troy McClure, star of such movies as "Here Comes The Coast Guard."

Actually, McClure is one of "Saturday Night Live" alum Phil Hartman's alter egos. Another Hartman character, attorney Lionel Hutz, stars in the new episode at 7 p.m. Sandwiched between the Hartman episodes, sideshow Bob (voice of Kelsey Grammer) highlights another repeat, as he breaks out of prison (again) to torment his nemesis, the diabolical Bart Simpson.

Skipping ahead to Thursday, a new "Friends" confronts the topic I've been waiting for — the sexual histories of Rachel (Jennifer Anis-

ton) and Monica (Courtney Cox). OK, it is only TV, but come on!

Since both have histories, I'll just analyze Rachel. Being an avid viewer of the show, I noticed last season alone, Rachel did the horizontal hokey-pokey with Italian sleazeball Paolo, ex-fiance Barry (in his dentist chair, when he was engaged to her best friend), as well as faceless dudes Billy Dreskin, Adam Ritter (she threw his boxers in the boyfriend bonfire) and Pete the Weeper.

In addition, she went back to Paolo for a fling, before giving it up to Ross on their second date this year.

True, Rachel is only a character, but that seems like a lot of guys for someone who'd just gotten unengaged. I'm curious to see where the writers will go with this.

As for the rest of Thursday, look for a hilarious "Seinfeld" rerun, which superbly highlights the physical comedy of Kramer (Michael Richards), as well as the Quentin Tarantino-directed episode of "ER." Movie rental suggestions for break: "Scarface," "The Sure Thing," "GoodFellas," "The Texas Chainsaw Massacre" and "The Decline of Western Civilization, Part II: The Metal Years."

'Showgirls' shines at video stores

John Horn
Associated Press

LOS ANGELES — "Showgirls" didn't grind out any box-office records, but the movie has become a mild sensation in video stores. The NC-17 rated film, like similar works in the "erotic thriller" genre, shows that ticket sales alone are not a fair measure of a film's popularity.

The first NC-17 (no one under 17 admitted) studio release since 1990's "Henry & June," "Showgirls" fared poorly in North American theaters last year, grossing only \$20.3 million despite waves of publicity.

Since it debuted in video stores two months ago, the strip-club story has topped the weekly rental charts once and MGM-UA Home Entertainment has shipped more than 260,000 tapes.

"Showgirls" opened in theaters in September 1995 and was promptly savaged by critics and dismissed by audiences. Yet despite the quick

exit, the movie enjoyed tremendous exposure — a lot of consumers may have passed on buying a ticket, but they knew about the film.

That kind of awareness — particularly with sexually oriented fare — usually revives a movie in video stores. "People are more comfortable watching erotic material at home," said David Bishop, executive vice president of MGM-UA Home Entertainment. "The content of 'Showgirls' makes it great for home video."

MGM released two versions of "Showgirls" — the theatrical version and a toned-down version with several cuts. The R-rated "Showgirls," featuring a less-racy cover, does not have the film's centerpiece lap dance sequence, and a rape scene and swimming pool sex romp have been trimmed.

Blockbuster, the nation's largest video store with about 25 percent of the U.S. market, does not carry NC-17 rated films, but does stock the R-

rated "Showgirls." Several other retailers do not carry NC-17 films, and 35 percent of the tapes MGM sent were rated R.

MGM says a film that makes \$20 million at the box office typically sells between 175,000 - 200,000 tapes. The relatively strong performance of "Showgirls" mirrors that of 1986's "9 1/2 Weeks," a sexually themed drama that did much better in video stores than theaters.

The film also has done well in some theatrical markets internationally. According to the trade newspaper "Daily Variety," "Showgirls" has played well in theaters in Korea, Taiwan and Italy.

"Showgirls" is the most visible sign of an expanding genre in the video business called the "erotic thriller." Like "Showgirls," the soft-core erotic thrillers are long on skin and short on story — plots are just devices to get women (and men) out of their clothes.

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