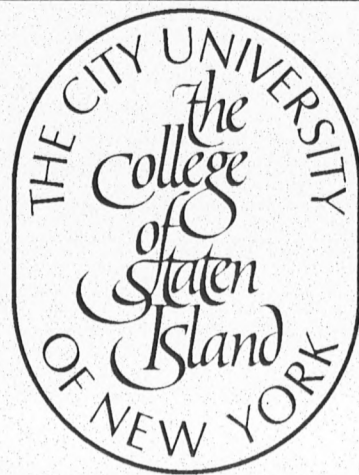


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DEADLOCK



Cliff Peterson

6 TO 6

VS



Meri Kaufman

**STUDENT GOVERNMENT
UNABLE TO ELECT
NEW PRESIDENT**

DEADLOCK! COMBAT FOR CONTROL CONTINUES

By Jennifer Valle

After a two hour meeting, Student Government was undecided in choosing a president at the September 7th meeting. The combat began with Senator Natalie Williams nominating Meri Kaufman. Veteran of Student Government for the past three years, Cliff Peterson, joined in the fight.

"If you want a president who will always be there, be more action than talk, and bring unity back to Student Government, I'm your guy," announced Kaufman during her opening remarks. Peterson commented, "I've been on Student Government for the past three years... I'm a Senior now. I bring a lot of experience to this table. Whether or not I'm elected, I will continue to do what I have done... my most important work is outside of the room."

The first vote left the two candidates tied six to six. After two more rounds, the vote remained locked at six to six, each candidate needing eight votes to win the election. To break the tie, SG held a round of "no holds barred" questions and answers. Senator Williams questioned Candidate Kaufman, "During meetings, when you don't get your way, you yell and scream. With that heated temper you have, how are you going to represent us?" Kaufman answered, "We all have a little temper but as far as representing students, I will use my judgment. I pride myself in the fact that I'm real."

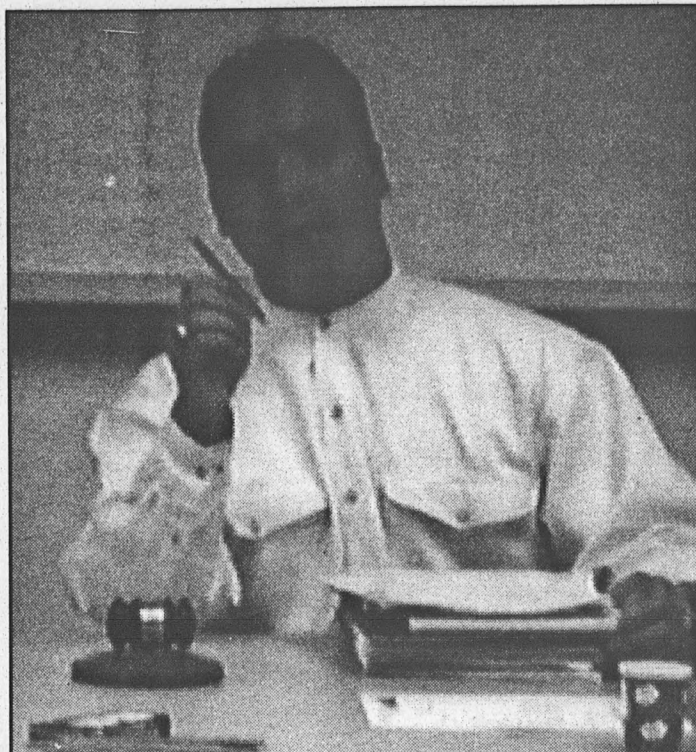
Spectator to the scene Michael Garofalo addressed both candidates asking, "I feel the greatest problem facing CSI is student apathy. Less than one percent of the student body elected you in. How do you propose to change that?" Kaufman smiled and said, "Cliff, you wanna go?"

Peterson faced up to the challenge and answered, "The problem is to make this campus beautiful to attract students... and to get them involved. Student apathy starts with Student Government apathy... If we involve ourselves with the students, they will get involved with us." Kaufman commented on the issue, "We need to enroll the students in the process."

More questions were asked of the candidates. "We have parking problems, budget problems, how would you approach the administration to solve these issues?" questioned spectator Ryan Monroe. Kaufman answered, "Administration won't listen to me or Cliff but they would if there were 5,000 students saying the same thing. Student Government should be the force behind the students." Peterson jumped in, "We need to mobilize students but, more than that, we need to keep the lines of communication open... we need to keep our foot in

the door and help the students understand what is happening."

Questions continued as newcomer to SG, Charlo Almeda asked, "What is your vision for CSI?" Kaufman answered, "Unify Student Government. There's a split wider than the valley of the shadow of death. We need to move forward, take care of students, and get ourselves out there." Peterson agreed saying, "It would be nice if we could squash our person-



Senator Joe Canale was the Temporary chair

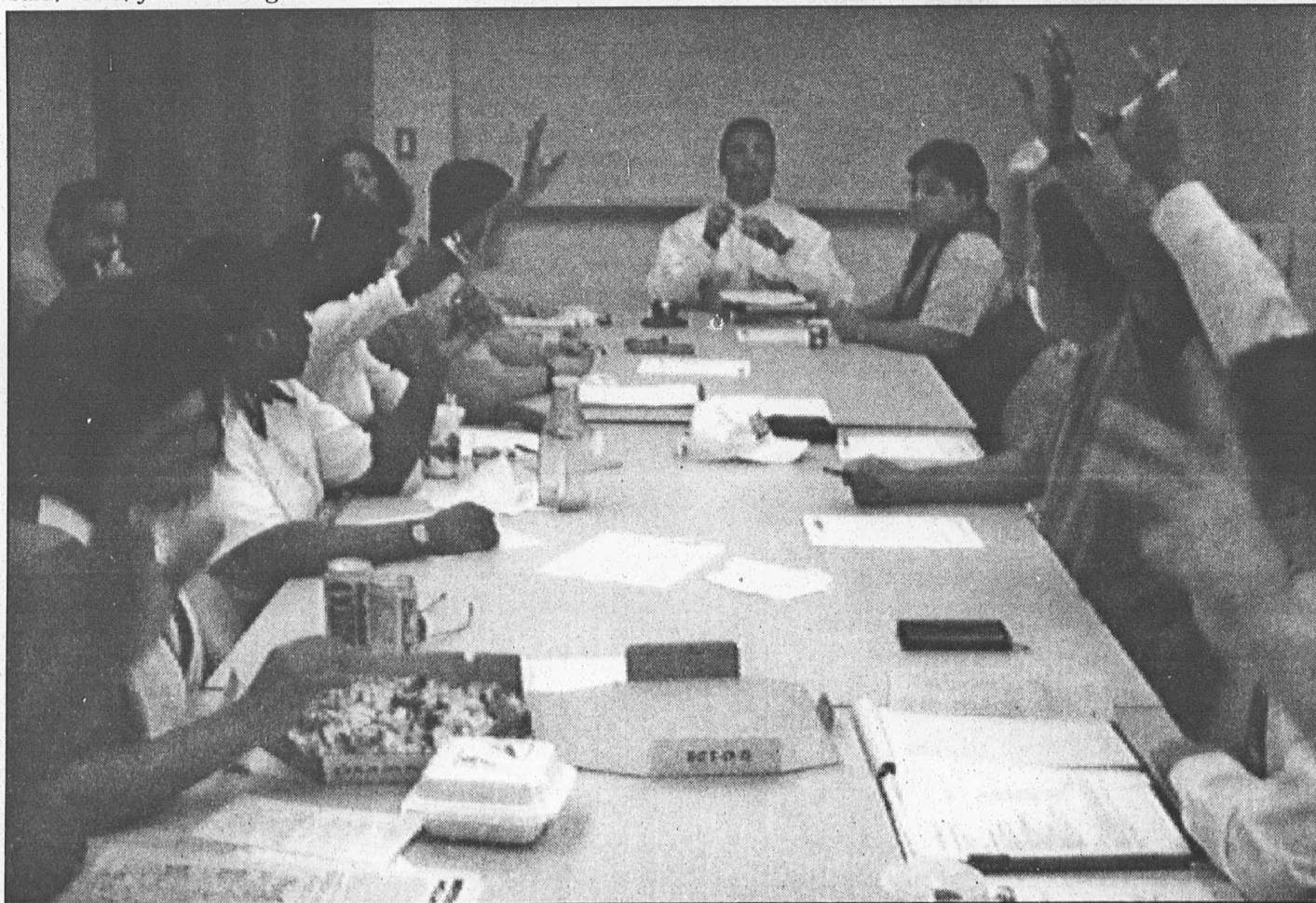
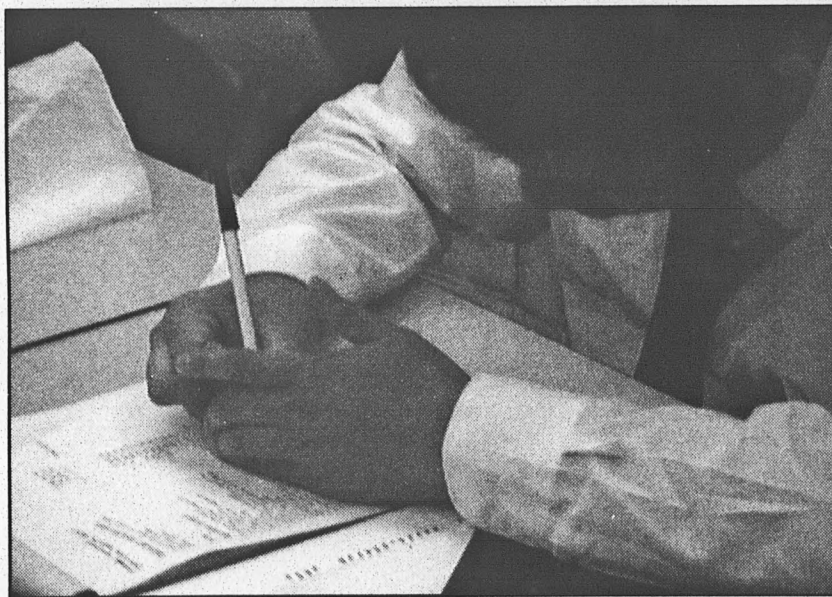
alities but we can't do that. We do, however, need to convey a sense of unity to the students."

At the fourth round of voting, Peterson had six votes, Kaufman held five strong votes and one member abstained from voting. At an unusual turn of events, the floor reopened for nominations and candidate Lori Seggio entered the fight. Senator Edward Deighan also entered the race. Senator Thom Watson entered the race sarcastically commenting, "Hell, I'll run too. Everyone else is." Another vote was cast leaving Seggio at top with six votes, Kaufman trailing with four votes, Peterson and Deighan tied with one vote each and Watson with zero.

Candidates Peterson, Deighan, and Watson dropped from the race. Yet another vote was taken. Seggio stood strong with seven votes while Kaufman hung in at five. After the seventh round of votes, the lock remained seven to five in favor of Seggio. Angry with the scenario, Advisor Allan DiBiase commented, "This is a symbol of impotence! You want to work for students but you can't even elect a president." In defense, Senator Tina Jefferson commented, "It's not like we're doing it on purpose."

By the tenth round, the vote remained the same at seven to five, Seggio holding seven but needing one more vote to win the election. The meeting was ended. Senator Jefferson commented afterward, "I hate this. It's frustrating, I just want to elect someone and get on with business." She continued, "We need to elect someone cause, you feel more comfortable with a president... you feel more leaded."

Votes were taken on secret ballots



"We should put Meri & Cliff in the back room. Whichever one comes out alive should get it."

-Senator Natalie Williams

ALLIANCE FOR MINORITY PARTICIPATION AT CSI

By Jennifer Valle

A new program, AMP, has opened for minorities at the college which will give students a chance at getting jobs in research, tutoring, internships, and many more. Coordinator Kirk Daley speaks...

BANN- What is the AMP Program?

KIRK- AMP stands for Alliance for Minority Participation in Science Engineering and Mathematics.

BANN- What does this program entail?

KIRK- This program is a minority based program. Its intended purpose is for students that are in science engineering or mathematics and/or related fields. The overall goal of the program is to get the minority students here on this campus involved in activities so that once they've graduated they would have completed certain tasks which will make them more marketable.

BANN- How is this program funded?

KIRK- The program is funded by the National Science Foundation and their overall goal is to increase the number of minorities graduating in this field... fields being science engineering and mathematics. The program is in all the CUNY Colleges, including the Junior Colleges. The College of Staten Island is the last college to get the AMP program... so, we're a little behind the other schools. My personal goal here on campus is to get those minority students that are involved in these courses, get them and create an environment in which they know that they can go anywhere for help.

BANN- When did this program first start in CSI?

KIRK- I was hired somewhere around April. I started working, and most of what I've done so far is try to get the word out that the program is here. I've been able to secure nine research assistants up to this point that have worked with me over the summer. They will continue to work with me in the fall and spring semester.

BANN- How long ago did the AMP program start?

KIRK- The AMP has been around for the last two and a half years. We are going into the third cycle, the third year. It's a five year grant from the National Science Foundation and at the end of 1997... the grant runs out.

BANN- What requirements must an interested student meet?

KIRK- The basic requirement is that you have to be a minority student. The criteria for a minority, a student will have to personally come see me so that I can categorize whether he or she fits the minority quota that's given to me by the National Science Foundation so, if you think you're a minority but you're not sure your a minority and qualify, come up and see me. I will sit with you and let you know if you qualify. As long as you're in a science related field, I want to see you.

BANN- Can you go into more detail about this program?

KIRK- The program itself is comprised in different levels. There are different ways in which you can be a part of the program. The highest level is a research assistant. These are students who are able to do research because of their GPA's in any field on or off

campus. The next level that a student can participate in is as a tutor. The requirements were, if you completed a certain amount of courses with a B or B+ average, and if you're deemed qualified as a tutor, you would be hired to be a tutor. The next level you can participate as would be a mentor. Again, it's a matter of meeting the criteria. Any positions that you take part in, you will receive financial compensation.

BANN- I understand that there are also internships available. Can you expand on this?

KIRK- Internships are on and off campus. If a student comes to me who is interested in doing an internship, the first thing that I would try to find is an internship on campus. The reason is because the student has been on campus and has gone through a number of professors. The professors are most likely willing to work with that student. If a student has not made good contacts with professors, we would move that student off campus. We are trying to establish some links with Con Edison, the Teleport, and other companies on the Island who know that we have very successful and energetic minority students who are willing to work and do internships.

BANN- When is the deadline for this opportunity?

KIRK- There really is no late time but there are some dates that have passed. Tutors have already been hired and will start working on September 11th. The deadline for students interested in research and internships is October 25th. Those interested should see me before the end of September so that we can process the paperwork. All interested should contact me at my office 1A-109B and my extension is 982-2089.

Kimberly Antonakos's Killers Found

by Christopher Zeyer

Kimberly Antonakos was a College of Staten Island student that was found murdered March 4th in the Woodhaven section of Queens. She was gagged, bound to a chair, and burned alive. There were many questions and suspects around the death which were answered September 7th when her murders were found and brought to justice.

Joshua Torres and Nicholas Libretti were arrested last Wednesday for the murder. According to the police, Torres and Libretti, with the help of another man named Jose Negrón, kidnapped Kimberly Antonakos in front of her home in Canarsie on March 1st.

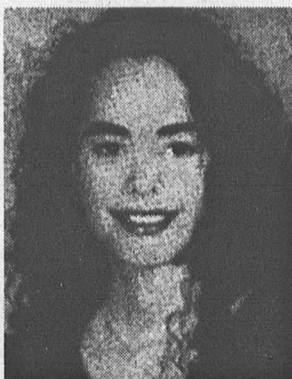
They stuffed her in the trunk of her '94 Honda Accord and drove to a vacant house at 78-08 86th Ave. in Queens. They kept her gagged and bound to a chair for three days while Torres made a ransom tape asking for 50,000 to 75,000 dollars. Her father stated, "We never got the message."

The kidnapers returned to where they left Kimberly without food

or water, to find her unconscious. Fearing she had died, Torres poured gasoline over her and set her on fire to hide the body. Firefighters found her remains when they put out the fire.

The police also suspect Torres in killing Jose Negrón in June because he feared Negrón would talk about the kidnapping, arson, and murder. Police feel that Mr. Torres was the mastermind behind the scheme. The family of Kimberly Antonakos knew Torres. He was the boyfriend of Ms. Antonakos's best friend. Kimberly's father stated that when she was found missing, Torres went around the neighborhood to help search for her.

For some, this is closure to a tragic case. The murderers of a woman that was considered by friends and relatives as "sweet" and "vivacious" are being brought to justice. Kimberly's father stated, "You sort of daydream to yourself that when you find these people, your daughter is going to come back. Let me tell you, I just came back from the cemetery... she's not coming back."



NYPIRG PROTESTS \$1.50 TRANSIT FARE

A "FARE HIKE IS A TAX HIKE," RIDERS ARE URGED TO TELL GOVERNOR AND MAYOR

The NYPIRG Straphangers Campaign, along with Manhattan President Ruth Messinger, today protested a quarter increase in subway and bus fares, the single largest transit hike proposed in city history.

Messinger and Campaign member handed out tens of thousand of anti-fare leaflets to subway riders on the day after the first MTA public hearings on the fare hike proposal. The leaflets urge writers to call Governor Pataki and Mayor Giuliani to block the \$1.50 fare. The MTA is scheduled to vote on whether to raise fares in late October.

"A fare hike is a tax hike, one that hits low and moderate income riders the hardest," said Gene Russianoff, staff attorney for the Straphangers Campaign. "The governor and the mayor have pledged to cut taxes. The buck - and the buck fifty fare - stops with them."

The leaflets noted that the "real reason for looming \$1.50 fare is

huge transit funding cuts by the governor and mayor."

The leaflets also noted that the fare hike proposal comes right after the approval of "the worst service cuts in 20 years." These cuts include longer waits and more crowding on 11 subway lines and 56 bus routes, along with the closed of the Dean Street subway station in Brooklyn.

"It's wrong to ask riders to pay more when you're giving less service," said Borough President Messinger.

If the fare goes to \$1.50, subway and bus riders would pay an unheard of 72% of the cost of their ride; Boston riders pay 25%. The national average is 38%.

The leafleting is part of a drive to win funding to keep transit fares affordable, maintain decent levels of service and continue rebuilding of the transit system. Printing of the leaflet was contributed by Local 375, Civil Service Technical Guild, District Council 37, AFSCME.

The Staten Island public hearing will be held September 28 at 6pm at Seaview Hospital (Colony Hall). To register to speak or for written information of the proposals or to join the Straphangers Campaign, contact the NYPIRG office 1C-219, (718) 982-3109.

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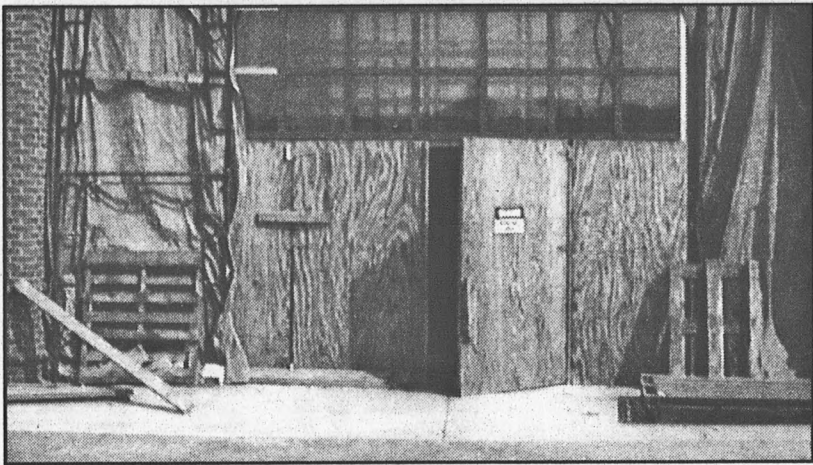
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A Day Care Update



For a dollar an hour parents can rest assured that their kids are safe. This new facility is three times larger than the day care at Sunnyside.

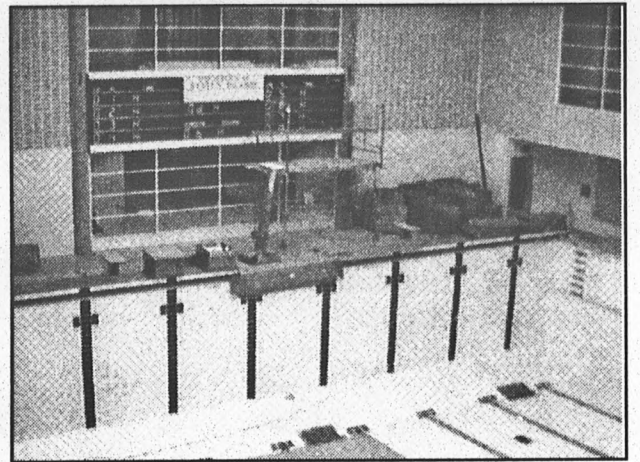


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It's the best I've seen for a division three school

-Terry Small



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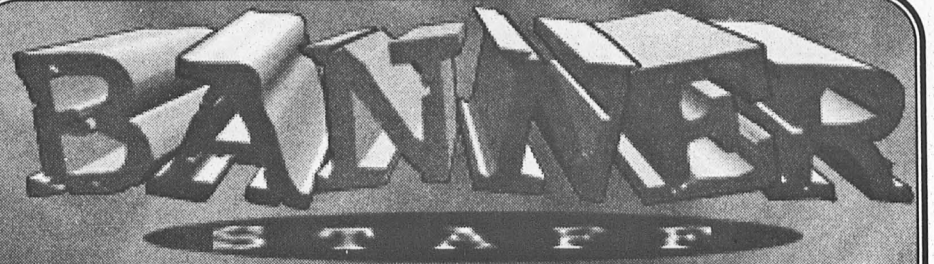
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INTERACTIVE ENTERTAINMENT

The Sony Playstation: It's here... so what

By Michael Garofalo

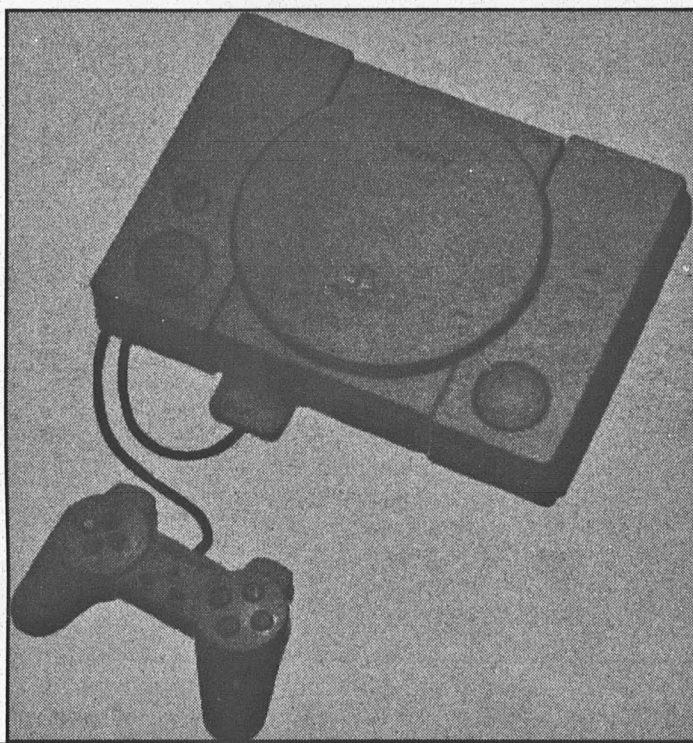
September 9 has past, and the Playstation has arrived. Unfortunately, the wait for consumers continues. The looming release of the Ultra 64 plagues the market. Players are not sure of which system to buy just yet.

It seems the only safe thing to do is to wait. Which is just about what everyone is doing. The next generation systems start at \$149 (Jaguar) but most average around \$300 (Sega's Saturn, Ultra 64, and Sony's Playstation). \$150 to \$400 is a lot to invest in a toy.

While the Playstation is cheaper than the Saturn, it does not have a pack-in game. This is a big mistake, everyone knows that Sega made a killing when Sonic became the pack-in game. This is also the huge flaw of the Jaguar. \$149 is a great price for a 64 bit system, but there is no incentive to buy one.

The sales gimmick doesn't help either. There is no way I'm trading in my Sega Genesis or my Super Nintendo to save \$100.

Toshinden should have been the pack-in game. Why not, it's in everyone of the



Playstation's commercials. While Toshinden is not the best game I ever played, it is significantly better than the Saturn's version of Virtua fighter.

Sega now has Virtua fighter as one of the THREE free games with a purchase of Saturn. If this is not a sign to wait, then what is. There is also rumor that the Saturn will come down in price by Christmas. If not by the frenzy shopping season, the price will definitely drop by April '96. All of this happened within six months of it's release.

Both systems are preparing to compete the Ultra 64. If it can do half of what the Nintendo propaganda team says it do, Sony and Sega are in deep trouble, especially if Nintendo can keep it around \$250.

If you must be a part of the I got to have it crowd, then don't feel too ripped off when your system either flops (3DO) or takes a serious nose dive in price (3DO again).

As for you die hard 16 BITters, this is your season. You can get hundreds of used and new games for under \$20. A new system for only a \$100.

Frequently Asked Questions about the Sony Playstation

What is the Sony Playstation?!

The Sony Playstation, aka PS-X, is the initial video gaming console by electronics giant, the Sony Corporation of Japan. The Sony Playstation has been admittedly been in development for the last 2 or 2.5 years - remember the SNES CD!? Development included both working with LSI Technologies and creating a video game/electronic media department, known as the Sony Computer Entertainment of Japan (SCE)

The Playstation is the initial hardware entry by the Sony Corp. into the video gaming arena. Anticipation of the Playstation is high, as well as its expected retail success; although selling the projected 3 million in the first year is quite optimistic

though ;)

The Playstation is set to compete against the 'next generation' of consoles, which include: 3DO; 3DO M2; Sega 32X; Sega Saturn; Atari Jaguar; Atari Jaguar II (whenever it DOES arrive); Atari Jaguar CD; Nintendo Ultra 64; and the rumored Amiga PARISC system.

Technically, the Playstation is a 32-bit RISC, CD-ROM/XA2 based video game console. The Playstation is capable of spectacular graphic effects that include: high volume of texture-mapped polygons, incredible sprite renditions, hardware tri-axial rotation, gorraurd shading, among others. Although 3D is seemingly stressed in the majority of the scheduled games, and in the Rendor Morphics graphical libraries, there is a built-in 2D background and sprite engine Also, instead of having on board RAM for saving game positions and games; Sony Corp. opted for a 'Neo-Geoish' option, they are utilizing memory cards

What is the history behind the Playstation?!

The Sony Playstation actually has a history... a quite controversial one at that. The Playstation is the product of the un-consummated relationship between the Sony Corp. and Nintendo of Japan. The Playstation was the name and designation of the SNES CD-ROM. NOJ and the Sony Corp. briefly combined in a joint effort in order to create a CD-ROM peripheral for the SNES; for the purpose of competing with the Sega-CD. However, NOJ suddenly defaulted on the agreement and re-announced the SNES CD, to be developed by Phillips Electronics; an European corporation. This version of the SNES CD never came to fruition, and the Sony Corp. was stuck with a working model of the SNES CD; known as the Playstation.

During the time that the Sony Corp. did work with Nintendo of Japan, which was stated to be only a month, but in all actuality was longer than that (how long, I really do not know); but the Sony Corp.

did

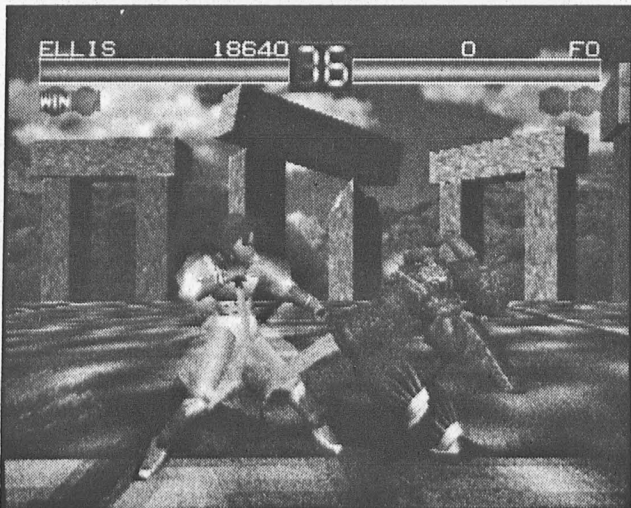
have three variations of the Playstation up and running: one was the add-on, or SNES CD, one was a 'stand-alone' version, and another was a chipset that could be re-manufactured by anybody that licensed it. These versions had a NEC V800 chip, not the RISC R3000A chip in the released version of the Sony Playstation.

What to do!? Well, the Sony Corp. enhanced it, combined with LSI Logic for chip design(s), and are ready to finally release it into competition with the 'next generation' consoles; with its sights set primarily upon the Nintendo Ultra 64, 3DO, and Sega Saturn.

Who is supporting the Sony Playstation?!

Supporting the Sony Playstation are a number quality software developers. This list includes: Konami, Capcom, Technosoft, Namco, Taito, Time Warner Interactive, SunSoft, Virgin, UBI Soft, and Takara. Also included on this list is the newly formed Sony Computer Entertainment of Japan (SCE); expect some great titles from these guys (Europe and Japan). See 'Rumors' for other developers.

-Compiled by Willam McBee



Real Life On Campus

By Ellen Rosenberg
College Press Service

Q: "This past summer I met someone who I really like. But when we finally started getting close, I had to go away to school. Now I'm not sure if we established our relationship enough for it to withstand the distance."

(female, sophomore)

The only thing you needed to establish with each other before going away to school is whether you want to give this relationship a chance to grow.

Will it? There's no way to know what will happen. Distance can be a minor annoyance, a major barrier or a kiss of death. But it also can give you important room to grow and cause you to appreciate each other even more.

Physical closeness doesn't guarantee intimacy. There are plenty of people who see each other every day, even live together, who feel lonely and miserable in their relationships. Recently a student told me that friends of his were able to maintain a long-distance relationship for five years. After all that time, they were finally able to move in together. Six months later, "they were history," he said.

If two people want a relationship, it can grow stronger—no matter how far away they are from each other. If only one person wants it, it's not a relationship.

Distance doesn't have to prevent you from

learning about each other and going forward in your relationship. Letters, cards and telephone calls can keep you in active communication. You can send fun items in the mail and make each other tapes. Be careful not to measure how your relationship is going by how many letters you get. Some people aren't letter writers. And some are uncomfortable

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(and monosyllabic) on the telephone no matter how many hours you talk together when you're with each other in person.

What you first need to determine is if this person is worth it to you. As much as you'd both like this relationship to grow, a key issue is how you feel about being in a long-distance relationship.

Lynn, a senior, explained: "The big issue for

me would be whether or not it would be worth risking getting hurt or risking that it would work out. I've never been able to date more than one person at a time. So I'd be putting my life on hold to take a chance on whether he would work out."

Stephen, a junior, said, "Can't you just chill out and follow your nose? After a couple of weeks, you'll know if you want it or not. So just don't get ahead of yourself about commitment and see where it goes."

Keith, a senior, told me: "I think you shouldn't write the relationship off, but you also shouldn't have such strict rules that you're going to feel guilty and limited. The more rules you have, the more you open the door for resentment and temptation. It's really hard to do, but you've got to trust that things will work out the way they're supposed to."

If you think the long-distance person is worth it, go for it. If you don't try, you'll never know. If you just take a day at a time and see what happens, at least you'll be giving it a chance.

Ellen Rosenberg is a college educator and the creator of Life 101 Campus programs. The questions and responses from students are from real-life situations. Have a problem that you'd like Rosenberg to help you with? Write her at: c/o Real Life on Campus, College Press Service, 435 N. Michigan Ave., Suite 1400, Chicago, IL 60611. Or e-mail a question to cpsnet@aol.com.

COLLEGE HOROSCOPE

By Linda C. Black

This week, the sun stays in Libra, which is good for reading and writing. Tuesday, Venus goes from Libra into Scorpio, so romantic relationships should intensify. Scorpio likes less talk and more action. Monday through Wednesday, the moon in Taurus helps with business transactions. Thursday through Saturday, the moon in Gemini makes it easy to find just the right words. Sunday, the moon's in Cancer, which should be perfect for a big family get-together.

Aries (March 21-April 19). Monday morning's your best time this week, so do as much as possible. Schedule your shopping for Tuesday and Wednesday. Those are also the best times to do math homework. Study on Thursday; you'll be very smart then. You're smart on Friday, too, but you'll probably be more interested in romance than schoolwork. Wrap up your socializing by Saturday afternoon, so you can finish a household project this weekend.

Taurus (April 20-May 20). Monday morning could be hectic, but you should calm down by the afternoon. From then through Wednesday, you're lucky, but there's lots of work to be done. Expect difficulty finding the information you need. Let friends know what you want and you may get a good deal on Thursday or Friday. The extra money might go for school expenses. Shop for same on Saturday morning. Play with your sweetie and your best friends all day Sunday.

Gemini (May 21-June 21). A team effort on Monday morning should succeed. From the afternoon through Wednesday, financial worries may have you down. Consult an expert for an option you hadn't considered. Thursday through Saturday morning should be excellent, particularly Friday night. A date could become real special then. Save domestic chores for Sunday. You'll be in a better mood to deal with them, so a job you usually hate could actually be fun.

Cancer (June 22-July 22). An early morning class on Monday could be tough. Expect the prof to be in a bad mood. Tuesday and Wednesday should be excellent for raising money for your favorite good cause. A meeting with friends could lead to a productive idea. Overdue paperwork might have you in frazzled on Thursday and Friday. If possible, review

your work again for errors on Saturday morning. Sunday's best for short journeys and visiting brothers or sisters.

Leo (July 23-Aug. 22). Exercise on Monday morning; you may not have time again this week. There might not be enough money to do what you want from Monday afternoon through Wednesday. Don't snivel; ask an older person for ideas so you can make more. Thursday through Saturday are best for parties, club meetings and team sports. There may be confusion, however. Stay home this weekend and take care of the needs of a female friend or relative. You owe her a favor.

Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). You may have a financial emergency on Monday morning, but the rest of the day should be great. Study subjects that can help pay for your education and/or start a business from Monday afternoon through Thursday. A person you meet on Tuesday could turn out to be a keeper. Help a ditzzy professor get organized on Thursday or Friday and make points. There's too much to do on Saturday morning. That afternoon through Sunday, visit long-lost loved ones.

Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). Stand your ground on Monday morning and you may get your way. Money's tight on Tuesday and Wednesday. Find more, but don't go into debt. Practice a foreign language with a native on Thursday or Friday; you'll learn more than you could in class. Saturday morning's great for a long drive with a talkative friend. You may have to go along with an older woman's agenda on Saturday evening and Sunday. Be nice, and make a good impression.

Scorpio (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). An emergency on Monday may not be your fault, but your patience can help resolve it. Tuesday, your luck in love improves for several weeks. Tuesday night is especially passionate, with the moon in sensual Taurus. Wednesday's not bad, either, but by Thursday, you'll have to focus on schoolwork again. An essay test on Friday could be a real challenge, so prepare! Pay bills on Saturday morning so you can travel from then through Sunday.

Sagittarius (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). Meet a date on Monday morning, before your first class. It'll be wonderful. Concentrate on your work from then through

Wednesday. Don't ask for an extension; it's pointless. An argument on Thursday or Friday could lead to a meaningful relationship. You'll learn lots from disagreeing. Get out for a run on Saturday morning. You'll have plenty of business to take care of over the weekend. Don't play if you have bills to pay.

Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). Don't stress over a squall at home on Monday morning. It'll pass as quickly as it came. A party or club meeting on Tuesday could lead to a new romance, if you're in the market. Wednesday's also good for making contacts. Thursday and Friday could be tough; check your work carefully before turning it in. The confusion should start to clear by Saturday, and Sunday could be downright enjoyable. Spend it with your favorite partner.

Aquarius (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). Cram for a difficult class on Monday morning. A roommate problem may prevent further study that night and for the next two days. Hopefully, you'll already know the material by then. Thursday should be good for you, and Friday should be excellent. You're even more brilliant than usual. Push hard for what you want on Friday night and Saturday morning. You may have to comply with an older person's agenda on Saturday night and Sunday.

Pisces (Feb. 19-March 20). Don't shop on Monday morning; you'll spend too much. You may fall in love with a professor on Tuesday or Wednesday. Finish all your work perfectly and on time to make an excellent impression. Noisy roommates could disrupt your studies on Thursday and Friday. You may want to spend Friday night at the library or a friend's house, instead. A date on Saturday night should be absolutely marvelous. The glow could last clear through Sunday.

If You're Having a Birthday This Week. . . Born Oct. 9: Push beyond your old limits, but don't go too far into debt! Born Oct. 10-11: Get your financial affairs in order and you'll have a solid foundation to build upon. Born Oct. 12-13: You may travel farther this year than ever before. Go for it! Born Oct. 14: Consider overseas career options, to make a dream come true. Born Oct. 15: Don't procrastinate this year or you'll miss a great opportunity!

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What is Obscene?

By Christopher Zeyer

Have you read something in a newspaper or a magazine and said to yourself, "Hey, that's obscene?" Most people judge obscenity by their personal standards; I know I do. But, what exactly is obscene? New York State penal law has defined it as follows, "Any material or performance is 'obscene' if (a) the average person, applying contemporary community standards, would find that considered as a whole, its predominant appeal is to the prurient interest in sex, and (b) it depicts or describes in a patently offensive manner, actual or simulated: sexual intercourse, sodomy, sexual bestiality, masturbation, sadism, masochism, excretion or lewd exhibition of the genitals, and (c) considered as a whole, it lacks serious literary, artistic, political, and scientific value."

To put it in English, obscenity is... I still can't tell you. Law is written like that. What it appears to be, in my opinion, is this: obscenity is what the average person in conjunction with his or her community agrees it is. Also, the piece that is being considered obscene must be considered as a

whole. With these two criteria you see the problem. First, what is the "average person"? Is it you? Is it an editor of a newspaper? Is it a professor

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of art? There is no real definition of the term. Also, what happens when the community can not agree? What if I find a picture of the reproductive organs of an elephant not to be obscene, but a group of people

in my community does? Is the picture obscene? Second, the piece must be considered as a whole. For example, if a magazine has an article in it that the community considers obscene, is the magazine obscene? According to the law, the answer is no. Is the article obscene? According to the law, only if you consider the article as a whole. So if only one paragraph is considered obscene, that doesn't mean the entire article is obscene. Confused? I thought so.

The laws on obscenity are written so loosely that you can't really define it. If you can't define it, then what can you do when you find something that you consider obscene? Should you move to a community which agrees with your standards? In my humble opinion, obscenity is one's personal belief and can't be gauged for a community.

Why am I writing this? Because our three student publications (*The Banner*, *The College Voice*, and *Itcus*) have gone under fire in the past for pictures and articles that people considered obscene. Even the statues on campus were attacked. And I wanted to know what people felt about these things. Please write comments to the *The Banner* (Room 1C-228) because the community should be heard.

One Point of View on Citizen Trust of NYPD

By Andrew A. Golub

Criminal activity seems to be a frequent event among police recently. On August 30, 1995, I sat in on a trial that was taking place in New York State Supreme Court under the Honorable Judge A. Kufner Jr. The trial involved two off-duty New York City Police officers who were indicted for robbery, theft, and attempted homicide in 1992. It seems that many of the police in New York City think that they are immune from the system. Their so-called "code of blue silence" doesn't help the situation, either. In the past five to ten years I have heard of more criminal indictments and incidents involving police than ever before. The police department seems to be more concerned with the generation of revenue than with cleaning up the drugs and crime on the streets. Furthermore, how many policemen have been arrested for drug related crimes themselves lately? It must be more personally profitable for an officer to seize money and cash from a drug dealer and keep it for himself than it would be to actually arrest the dealer and do the extra paperwork, which would, in turn, be more of a deterrent for the drug dealer.

So-called "dirty cops" in our law enforcement system do much harm to society at large. I have always had a great deal of respect for police officers. But in the present time I have more fear of today's police officers than of some of the most hardened criminals.

A typical New York City Police Officer has a tremendous amount of power and seems to be very

often abusing it. I have personally witnessed many incidents on unnecessary abuse toward law abiding citizens from Police and Fire Department personnel. The local law enforcement system truly needs to be

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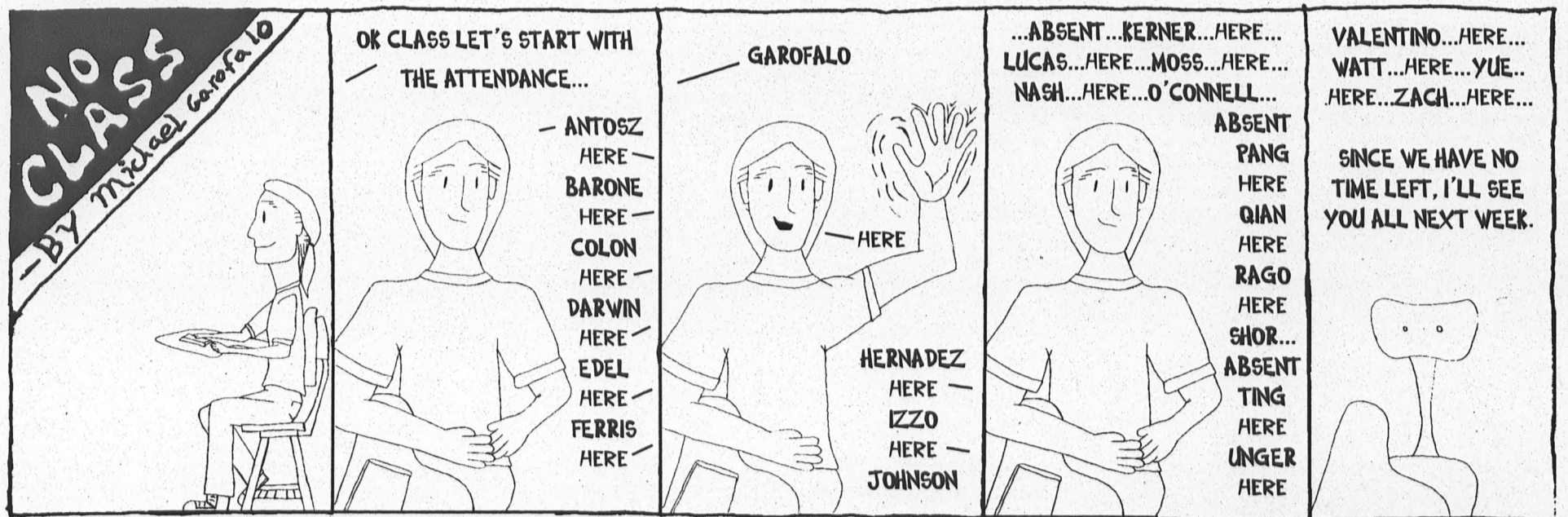
revised. It seems the Internal Affairs of the N.Y.P.D. only arrests police officers after very serious crimes are committed at a very high level. What are the drug dealers and other criminals going to think if they know that police personnel are getting away with crimes? This will cause criminals to think that they don't have to worry too much about getting caught

selling drugs or committing other crimes, because the chances are that the police officer will only confiscate his drugs and money for him or herself and the criminal will not get arrested. This may not be the actual result of every case, but I am sure incidents of this nature have taken place.

Something needs to be done in order to gain back the old respect most citizens had for the police department; a respect which has turned to fear. More emphasis should be placed on getting drug dealers and criminals off the streets of New York, as opposed to issuing summonses and generating revenue. If there was a way to statistically analyze illegal drug transactions in New York City, I would bet that for every summons that is issued for a parking violation or traffic violation, at least two or three drug transactions take place. We need to address something other than revenue.

I cannot think of a crime that is worse than one committed by a police officer. A police officer is supposed to stand for law, order and safety. Our lives — the lives of all the citizens of New York City — are in the hands of the police department. Something is wrong and something needs to be done to raise citizen morale and citizen perception of the New York City Police Department, along with more severe measures for drug related crimes and crimes committed by police officers. The mayor, the police commissioner and any other bureaucrats that implement policy in New York City with respect to these issues should be aware that these issues need more addressing.

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SCOPIN' The SOAPS

Soap Summary For The Week Of Sept. 8, 1995
By Toby Goldstein

ALL MY CHILDREN: Gloria saw Alec withdrawing large sums from the bank. Janet found the cash and stole it. Taylor tried to prevent Noah and Julia from learning she's not pregnant when they ran into her gynecologist. Trevor caught Janet snooping outside the house. Phoebe encouraged Pierce to return to Pine Valley. After Mateo brought Laura back to his apartment in severe pain, she underwent surgery. Erica learned that Maria and Edmund are considering surrogacy and offered to carry their child. Coming: Derek wants to stay in Taylor's life.

ANOTHER WORLD: In order to learn more about Buck's shady dealings, Josie flirted with him, placing herself in danger. Justine found out that Grant planned to have her institutionalized and slipped out of the Huntington Mansion, leaving behind an imprisoned Vicky. Courtney looked on with jealousy as Morgan tried to convince Lorna to handle the hospital's public relations. Paulina demanded a divorce, but a persistent Jake offered her a challenge instead. Coming: Maggie isn't sure about her future.

AS THE WORLD TURNS: When Emily thought she might be pregnant, Jef wasn't thrilled, but he later surprised her with a marriage proposal. Mark rescued Lily from another drug-induced hallucination. Kirk suddenly remembered his past with Samantha and asked the woman who's been caring for him to help him return to his wife. As the custody hearing began, Damian vowed to get Luke away from Lily whether or not he wins. Rosanna unexpectedly found Carly at the Milltown house. Two men demanded money from Scott, then beat him up. Coming: Scott levels with Samantha.

BOLD & BEAUTIFUL: Eric battled with C.J. after his rival taunted that Ridge was Jr.'s father, not his brother. Sally was mortified by C.J.'s actions, while Brooke was furious with Eric Jr. for ruining Thorne's wedding. Stephanie tried to convince Ridge that Jr.'s real anger is toward Brooke and suggested that the youth get counseling from Taylor. As Dylan was about to tell Jessica the painful truth concerning Maggie and himself, she suddenly collapsed and was rushed to the hospital in a coma. Coming: Taylor fears she's being stalked.

DAYS OF OUR LIVES: Marlena, feeling responsible for Stefano's injuries, invited him to stay with her, but his presence in her home horrified Marlena's loved ones. Kristen grew increasingly desperate to have a child with John before time runs out. Vivian threw another obstacle in front of Austin and Carrie's reconciliation by hiring Sami to work at Titan. Peter found evidence that Jack sent a private investigator to Aremid and confronted him over it. As they battled, Peter fell over a railing onto a ledge. Coming: Vivian has to hide a dark

secret.

GENERAL HOSPITAL: Alan was upset by Monica's decision to have reconstructive surgery without telling the family. Laura overheard Lucky blaming her for the family's strife. A.J. gave a grant to a woman, unaware she's working with Katherine to destroy the foundation. As Justus warned the board that a huge discount store would threaten their neighborhood, Damian tried to get Katherine's help in bringing the store to town. Sonny stayed cool when faced with Miguel and Brenda's romance, but they still feared him. Coming: Alan has had it with Monica.

GUIDING LIGHT: Marian was questioned by Cutter and Frank when Lucy's car was smashed with a pipe, the sleuths unaware that "she" had done it. Rick was shattered by Annie's news that they're still married. Annie apologized to Rick and prepared to tell Josh. However, Hawk told Josh that there's something he needs to know. Alan's attraction to Reva grew as he responded, in his own way, to her queries about Bud. When Matt offered a deal to Dinah that would free her of Roger, she turned the tables to her advantage. Coming: Lucy heads into greater danger.

LOVING: Gwyn revealed to Jeremy that she may know the serial killer's identity, as another victim was claimed. Ally made love to Danny, then declared that he raped her. Alex questioned inconsistencies in Ally's story, as her fabrication began to take a toll. Charles was totally floored to discover that he is Bree's natural father. With this awareness about Charles, Bree had mixed feelings toward her relationship with Frankie. Coming: Gwyn and Ally fall into trouble.

ONE LIFE TO LIVE: R.J. made a deal with Manzo, the dirty cop. Following a drinking bout, Marty collapsed and was taken to the hospital with an infected kidney. Blair learned that she really is pregnant, but didn't tell Todd when their paths crossed. Hank told Nora about Rachel's drug addiction. Feeling betrayed, Rachel ended her engagement with Ben and went to stay with R.J. Andy used Cristian as leverage to convince Antonio to go through with the gun deal to entrap Manzo. Coming: Nora is unable to get through to Rachel.

YOUNG AND RESTLESS: When an irate Phyllis refused to sign the divorce papers and threatened Danny with never seeing his son again, Danny said he's still moving out. Jack observed Luan dodge the real reason for her sudden pain and went along with her cover to keep her happy. Paul told Mary that he loves Chris and she'll have to accept it. Amy remained in shock and couldn't talk about her rape. Nick was given bail after pleading not guilty and immediately kissed Sharon, much to Nikki's disapproval. Keesha decided to check out Olivia. Coming: Paul gets tough with Matt.

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8:00 P.M. ABC Charlie Grace: Take Me to the Pilot. (Premiere) A dry-witted private eye's (Mark Harmon) tough exterior belies a compassionate spirit; with Cindy Katz; Leelee Sobieski; Robert Costanzo.

8:00 P.M. CBS Murder, She Wrote: A Nest of Vipers. Internal strife at an earthquake-shaken California zoo culminates in an employee's death from snake bite.

8:00 P.M. FOX Living Single: On the Rebound. Khadijah's interview with Grant Hill leads to romance.

8:00 P.M. NBC Friends: The One Where Rachel Finds Out. Rachel (Jennifer Aniston) learns of Ross' feelings for her.

8:30 P.M. FOX The Crew: The Operation. A medical crisis in flight forces the crew to assist in an improvised surgery.

8:30 P.M. NBC Hope & Gloria: Sisyphus, Prometheus and Me. Gloria and Louis (Jessica Lundy, Enrico Colantoni) mull remarrying on Dennis' (Alan Thicke) show; guest Burt Reynolds.

9:00 P.M. ABC The Monroes The machinations within an ambitious political family; with William Devane; Susan Sullivan; David Andrews; Cecil Hoffmann.

9:00 P.M. CBS Color Me Barbra A 1966 special shows Barbra Streisand performing in various settings in New York and Philadelphia.

9:00 P.M. FOX New York Undercover: Man's Best Friend. The partners investigate the underworld of dog fighting after a man appears to be murdered by a dog.

9:00 P.M. NBC Seinfeld: The Understudy. George is suspected of injuring Bette Midler in a softball game.

9:30 P.M. NBC Mad About You: Our Fifteen Minutes. New insecurities arise during the filming of a documentary on relationships.

10:00 P.M. ABC Day One

10:00 P.M. CBS 48 Hours: How Safe Is Your Hospital? Hazards facing hospital patients.

10:00 P.M. NBC ER: Everything Old Is New Again. Hathaway and Taglieri's (Julianna Margulies, Rick Rossovich) wedding day arrives; Greene (Anthony Edwards) gets good news and bad; Carter (Noah Wyle) works his last day of ER rotation; Benton (Eriq LaSalle) treats an AIDS patient.

Friday, 15-Sept.-95

8:00 P.M. ABC Family Matters: Home Sweet Home. Urkel's genetically engineered termites escape after he moves in with Eddie and Waldo.

8:00 P.M. CBS Sneak Peek '95 Preview of new network shows.

8:00 P.M. FOX Strange Luck: Soul Survivor. (Premiere) A photojournalist (D.B. Sweeney) experiences unusual fortune since surviving a childhood plane crash.

8:00 P.M. NBC Baseball: Texas Rangers at Detroit Tigers or Milwaukee Brewers at Toronto Blue Jays or Boston Red Sox at Cleveland Indians or New York Yankees at Baltimore Orioles or Seattle Mariners at Chicago White Sox or Minnesota Twins at Oakland A's or Kansas City Royals at California Angels.

8:30 P.M. ABC Boy Meets World: Home. Homeless Shawn moves in temporarily with the Matthews.

8:30 P.M. CBS Dave's World Beth's plan to surprise Dave in the shower backfires.

9:00 P.M. ABC Step by Step: A Foster/Lambert Production. Cody videotapes the birth of Carol and Frank's baby.

9:00 P.M. CBS Picket Fences: Saint Zach. All of Rome is in an uproar after stigmata appear on Zach's hands.

9:00 P.M. FOX The X-Files: Anasazi. An amateur computer hacker's invasion of government files jeopardizes the lives of Mulder and Scully. (Part 1 of 3)

9:30 P.M. ABC Maybe This Time: Please Re-Lease Me. (Premiere) A recent divorcee (Marie Osmond) with a daughter (Ashley Johnson) helps her mom (Betty White) run a cafe.

10:00 P.M. ABC 20/20 (Season premiere) Gen. Colin Powell discusses his life, views and future plans.

10:00 P.M. CBS Picket Fences: Squatter's Rights. A woman (Darlene Cates) claims she killed her husband by sitting on him; a synagogue ostracizes Douglas.

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Hello from Italy: A Dream Come True!

By: Yvonne Thurman
(March 1994)

I can recall that first Sunday in April of 1992. I was sitting on a train, returning from a weekend excursion to my "home", Florence. Florence had become exactly that- my home. I had been studying there since that January, and riding the Italian trains became second nature to me.

I can't believe how quickly the time went by. I remember as if it was yesterday when we all arrived in Italy. Then, we were strangers to one another: students who were brought together by a CCIS program. But, as the months passed, we came to know each other, either as close friends of pleasant acquaintances. Now that our time in Florence is over, I find comfort in knowing that at the very least, we will always have one thing in common: our beautiful experience of Italy. We all took the chance of coming to study in a foreign beautiful experience of Italy. We all took the chance of coming to study in a foreign country. Undoubtedly we all had our own individual thoughts and reactions through it all, but the funny thing is that years later, whenever we see each other again, we remember in our minds and feel in our hearts the same thoughts and memories of beloved Italy.

My time in Florence was perfect from the moment I arrived, yet I still expected this monster called "culture shock" to hit me. Honestly, it never did. I had no problem adapting to the Italian way of life. After the first month or so, when I walked through the streets of Florence I didn't feel like

a foreigner anymore: the town was as much mine as anyone else's.

The five months I spent in Italy was a dream made real for me. My romance with this country began during my first trip there in 1988. Who could have thought I would actually live there? The reality of studying in Europe seemed to be untouchable; something that only students with wealthy parents could do. And anyway, I was skeptical about what type of classes an English major like myself could take in Italy.

I look back now at how everyone encouraged me to fulfill my dream. My parents, my advisor, and the study abroad staff cheered me on. Of course the biggest hurdle I had to get over was the money. But the more I thought about it, the more I knew I could do it! Hoe, you ask? I dismissed the notion of buying a car for the time being, worked two part-time jobs, applied for a scholarship and student loans. It sounds quite overwhelming, I know, but it was worth every second of my efforts! I knew if I hadn't come to experience this trip of a lifetime, I'd regret it.

The variety of classes which the school in Florence offers is incredible. The courses can fit into almost anyone's degree requirements. I chose the Italian Literature course, which was approved by my home college towards my English Literature degree. In addition, I enjoyed three other courses which dealt with the language, history, and art of Italy, and they all fulfilled elective requirements for my degree.

The school is small, which is a

nice, welcomed change from being in a large New York university system. And the professors... they couldn't be better! Their methods of teaching were fresh and new to me. I was able to learn and actually *speaking* Italian confidently during the four month semester. But school was just a part of the adventure. Now more than ever I believe that experience is the best teacher- and I experienced all I could.

My friends and I saw Italy "inside-out". On weekends we traveled everywhere possible; from the biggest tourist cities to the smallest (usually the most culturally-rich) towns. We visited and stayed in the homes of our new Italian friends. Take it from me- Italian hospitality is unbeatable- no matter which region of Italy you're in! During spring break I took an overnight train to Sicily with my roommate. I spent that week gaining a deeper understanding of my heritage, and sought out the small town outside of Palerino where my grandfather's family came from. That small amount of time spent in Sicily was an entire education in itself.

Not being afraid of new and strange things is what it's all about. I even hopped on a train to France one weekend during February to see the Winter Olympics! Never before could I have fathomed the absolute freedom there is in traveling within Europe. It's an experience altogether different than traveling in the United States.

Being open-minded from the day I arrived in Italy helped me adapt immediately. I was especially fortunate to share an apartment with five

other wonderful roommates, two of whom which were Italian. Before moving in, I was a bit worried about how we'd all get along with each other, especially with the Italian girls! Well, it turned out that one of them knew perfect English, and the other was so sweet, and very patient with my broken Italian. Soon they both became very dear to me, and parting at the end of the semester was heartbreaking.

Now, two years later, it's hard to believe how much I've changed as a person. My view of the world has changed. I remember what it felt like being a foreigner in another country, and as a result I am more tolerant and sympathetic to foreigners here in my own country. I received my Bachelor of Arts in June of 1993, and I'm happy that my career goals have now taken on an international perspective. Perhaps one of the most important things I realized by studying and living in Florence was that I can take care of myself. I have confidence in making my own decisions and relying on my own judgment. As you can see, the whole journey was very special to me. It's wonderful to think of how many others have undergone what I have, and how many more will go through the same thing. I encourage, even implore everyone to take advantage of this opportunity. If you can do it, do it! If I could, I'd do it one hundred times over!

—YVONNE

P.S. Since my overseas experience in Europe was so positive, I've now decided to work in Japan for a year. Ciao and Sayonara!

(Read about it in the next issue.)

PISSED OFF!

Signs of The Apocalypse!

by Rich Arroyo and Chris Zeyer

THE END IS NEAR!!! It's true. There weren't any of the biblical seven signs or prophecies, but we know it's coming. If you observe the world around you, you can see we are all going to hell. Here are some of those signs:

- When the Yankees are looking at rap sheets instead of spread sheets for players. What do they have now? A wife beater, a cocaine addict, and a guy who likes to expose himself in public.
- When movie reviewers compare Quentin Tarantino to Alfred Hitchcock. Hitchcock had movies that had substance over style. Tarantino has people with style, smoking substances.
- When people were surprised when Micky Mantle and Jerry Garcia died. Thirty years of abuse to one's body will do that to you.
- When the average college student has difficulty

reading a sign that says, "Door Broken".

- NYPIRG is starting to make sense.
- The Banner going weekly.
- When a school thinks that the students giving out parking tickets (CSI's DOT's or "Brownies") won't get the living crap beat out of them.
- Men are starting to win relationship arguments with their girlfriends.
- The popularity of "Hole".
- When people think the lyrics, "Is she perverted like me, will she go down on you in a theater..." are deemed deep and meaningful.
- The fact that Richard Bey gets viewers (and guests).
- When a school buys pornographic sculptures.
- The whole 80's comeback.
- The fact the only interesting thing to do on a Thursday night in Staten Island is country line dancing.
- The popularity of O.J.
- Ketchup being considered a vegetable.
- The metric system. (Think about it.)
- After reading *Curious George*, you have the urge to steal animals from foreign countries.
- That there are people out there who believe in the sexual saying, "If there's grass on the field, it's time to play ball."
- The overuse of the line, "It's not you, it's me."
- When people think the Aerosmith girl has talent

enough to make movies. (Sorry, Alicia.)

- Disney on 42nd street.
- Hooters being considered family entertainment.
- When movie makers think a talking pig can sell.
- Tuition hikes with Financial Aid cuts.
- Cindy Crawford, the actress.
- The meek inheriting the earth.
- Windows '95... I smell monopoly. (If you play it backwards you can hear Satan saying, "Bill Gates is your Leader... install it, and it will crash.")
- Body piercing is becoming sexually arousing.
- When Buildings and Grounds can resurrect dead grass.
- When people start calling Bon Jovi God.
- Student Government getting something done.
- Political correctness becoming the norm.
- President Newt.
- When we figure out that whole "there, their, they're" thing.
- Gangsta Rap and New Age music.
- Neil Young becoming the "in" thing. (Keep on rocking in a wheelchair.)
- The unholy marriage between Michael Jackson and Lisa Marie Presely. (If they ever spawn a child, we're checking its head for 666.)
- When your computer's spellchecker tells you that you misspelled satan because you didn't capitalize the s.
- Because Elvis told us.

FOOTBALL PREVIEW

by Michael Anderson

The month of September brings the unofficial ending of summer, the beginning of another wonderful fall semester at C.S.I., and most importantly the start of the NFL season. Every "expert" has their football preview, so why should I be any different? Here's a little information on what you can expect and a prediction of the team's records.

NFC EAST

Dallas Cowboys- The Cowboys return their strong nucleus of pro ball players. Aikman, Irvin and Smith will power the offense with Haley, Maryland and Lett anchoring the defense. Dallas missed the Super Bowl last year after two straight Super bowl blowouts. This year Dallas will win the Super Bowl again- with or without Deion Sanders. Record 13-3.

New York Giants- Their offense is suited for an NFC East brand of football. Rodney Hampton, Herschel Walker, and Tyrone Wheatley will help keep the ball on the ground to tire out the opponents. These games will be close and the inexperience of Dave Brown could prove costly. Record 8-8.

Arizona Cardinals- Defense wins ball games, but so does some sort of offense. A 36-year-old Dave Krieg is not the answer for quarterback. Add on Buddy Ryan's unimaginable offense and you have an average year. Record 8-8.

Philadelphia Eagles- New head coach Ray Rhodes' short-drop offense is very effective. However, with Randall Cunningham as the quarterback you have a problem. In preseason Randall has looked terrible. Adding Ricky Watters to the offense is nice but without an offensive line to help, Watters is a goner. Record 7-9.

Washington Redskins- Washington will surprise some teams this year. Rookie Michael Westbrook will help Heath Shuler succeed. Add Norv Turner's offensive mind and a team playing for pride, you have a spoiler on your hands. Record 6-10.

NFC Central

Chicago Bears- With a strong defense all that Chicago needs is an offense. Eric Kramer and Heisman trophy draft pick Radhaan Salaam will help supply an above average offense. Record 10-6.

Minnesota Vikings- Warren Moon to Chris Carter worked 122 times last year so why should this year be any different? Minnesota's defense is always at the top. Record 9-7.

Detroit Lions- Quarterback Scott Mitchell is not an adequate quarterback for Detroit. The best thing he did last year was get injured for the year. Future hall of famer Barry Sanders will carry this team en route to a possible 2000 yard rushing year. Record 9-7.

Tampa Bay Buccaneers- A young, talented battery such as QB Trent Dilfer and RB Eric Rhett

will prove to be playoff bound. Add in talented wide receiver Alvin Harper and you have the recipe for a potent offense. What's their only downfall? Remember, they are Tampa Bay. Record 9-7.

Green Bay Packers- Look for a huge decline this season by Green Bay. Two huge departures will prove too much to handle. Losing Sterling Sharpe on offense will hamper FQB Brett Rarve's numbers and the loss of LB Bryce Paup will mean double and triple teaming to Reggie White. Record 6-10.

NFC West

San Francisco 49ers- Steve Young to Jerry Rice for touchdowns galore. Will it be enough? Deion

and' departure will prove too much of an obstacle against Dallas. Record 13-3.

New Orleans Saints- This team will be a surprise addition to the playoffs. Their defense isn't all bad, but their offense will turn some heads. Record 9-7.

Atlanta Falcons- The run n' shoot is not an effective offense in the NFL. The defense is just too old to be good. Morten Andersen will help support. Record 6-10.

St. Louis Rams- Former University of Oregon coach Rich Brooks will add an excellent offense to

a team that needs it.

This new and exciting offense will make a bad team not so bad. Record 6-10.

Carolina Panthers- Many draft picks, many signed free agents means many wins. Right? Not exactly. Carolina is still an expansion team so just look for respectability. Record 3-13.

AFC East

Miami Dolphins- A healthy Dan Marino and a last encore for Don Shula. Need I say more? Record 11-5.

New England Patriots- The only thing fans associate with the Patriots is Drew Bledsoe. After you take out a great coach like Bill Parcells you see there is nobody else. New England's season depends on how far Bledsoe can take them. Record 10-6.

Buffalo Bills- A team that was one field goal

away from a championship a couple of years ago is on the decline. Age is starting to catch up with Jim Kelly and Bruce Smith. Record 7-9.

Indianapolis Colts- Believe it or not the defense will carry this team. Marshall Faulk is the real deal, but he's heading in for the infamous sophomore jinx. Record 7-9.

New York Jets- No wide receivers + no quarter backs + no offense and as expected from the Jets another hideous year. Record 3-13.

AFC Central

Cleveland Browns- The acquisition of WR Andre Rison will put this team close to the top. Once you bench Testeverde and his interceptions and bring in rookie Eric Zeier this is when the team will take off. Record 11-5.

Pittsburgh Steelers- Their main downfall will occur when they have to throw more to inexperienced wide receivers because of the departure of TE Eric Green. Bam Morris should keep them close but he can't be the whole team. Record 9-7.

Cincinnati Bengals- With Ki-Jana Carter lost for the year you could expect bad luck to ring throughout the season. QB Jeff Blake will give it all he's got and will succeed because he's an ex-Jet. Record 6-10.

Houston Oilers- They got what the needed in the draft with an awesome offensive talent like Steve McNair. However, he won't be used for a year or two so look at their defense to help as head coach Jeff Fisher is a Buddy Ryan descendant. Record 3-13.

Jacksonville Jaguars- No big name players which translates to no big plays. This expansion team will own the top pick in the Spring NFL Draft. Record 2-14.

AFC West

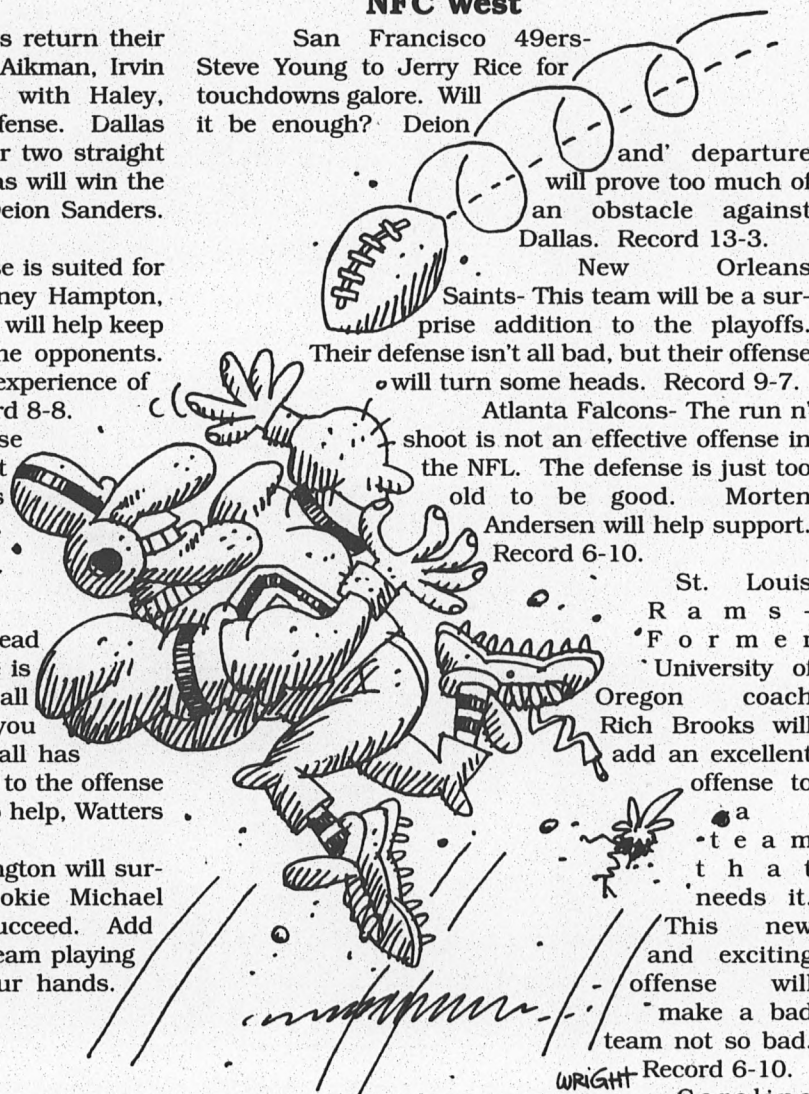
Oakland Raiders- A new shorter passing offense will help Jeff Hostetler and rookie Napoleon Kaufman adds some much needed backfield ability. With Kaufman the passing game becomes more efficient. Record 11-5.

Denver Broncos- The Broncos invested some money in some much needed defense. When you have John Elway at the helm your offense won't be a problem. Record 10-6.

San Diego Chargers- Last year's Super Bowl embarrassment won't have to worry about that again. They'll struggle to become mediocrity as defenses are now on the lookout for the big plays when least expected. Record 8-8.

Kansas City Chiefs- Joe Montana is gone and Steve Bono is in. The defense is shaky with an old secondary of James Hasty and Brian Washington, but remember with all ex-Jets they shine more brightly away from the mess of New York. Record 8-8.

Seattle Seahawks- University of Miami head coach Dennis Erickson is now in Seattle. Will he be another Jimmy Johnson? Not quite, but QB Rick Mirer will show tremendous steps toward a playoff run-for next year. Record 7-9.



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General Interest Meeting

Wednesday, September 20, 2:30 PM

1C, Green Dolphin Lounge

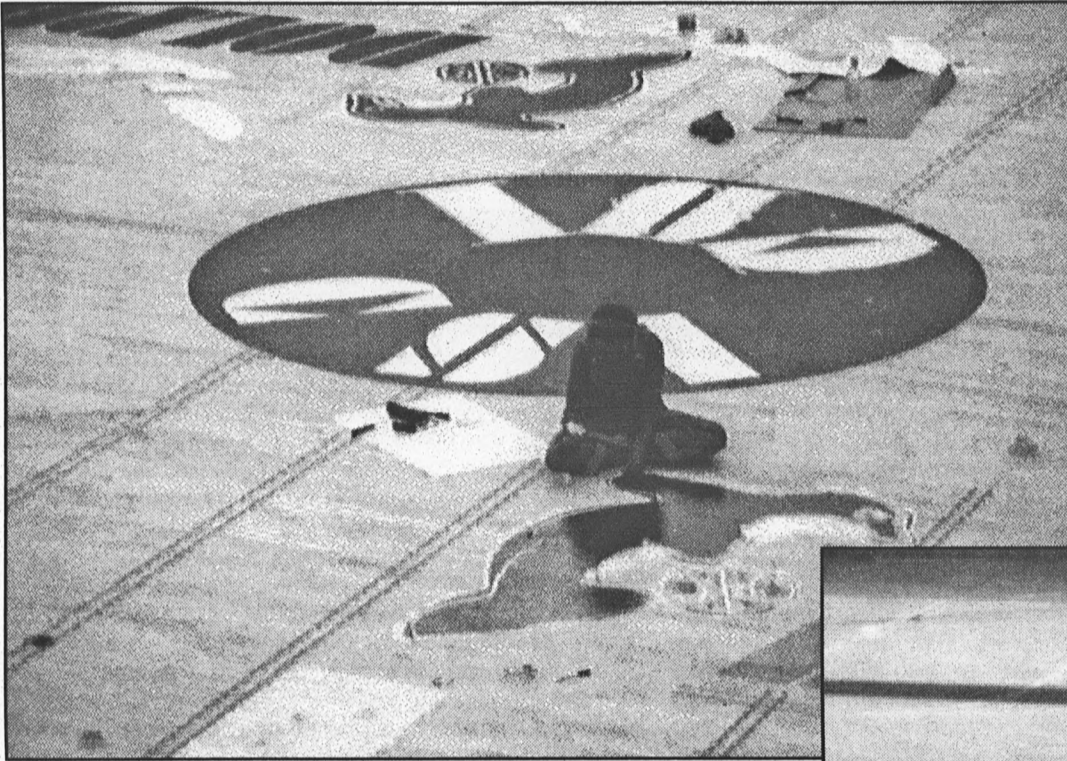
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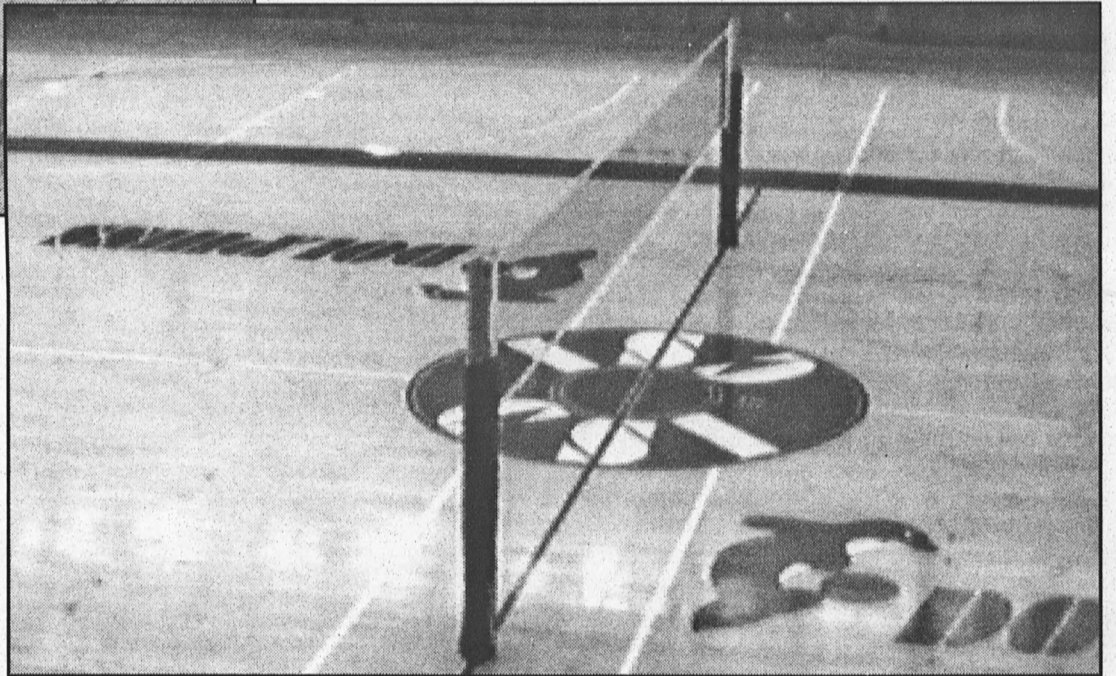
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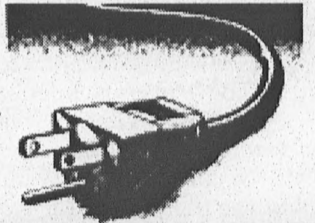
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