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A group of 1Ls at the all-Law School Reception last Friday.

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Changes in Store for HLS Faculty

New Profs Arrive as Others Depart

By Lisa Zornberg

The Harkbox Cafe is not the only part of HLS that underwent a major face lift this summer — the Law School's faculty also looks different this year. With several new appointments, three retirements, two leaves to the Clinton administration, and one permanent departure, students can expect to see some unfamiliar faces before their classrooms. And there will be a few familiar faces missing.



Prof. Robert Mnookin

the past 12 years. Mnookin's primary area of interest is dispute resolution, with a specialty in family law, and this fall he is leading an interdisciplinary research seminar on negotiation and dispute resolution.

Asked why he decided to join the HLS faculty, Mnookin said: "I have a goal for the next ten years to really help train the next generation of young academics and professionals who can make a contribution to dispute resolution as a field. What I con-

cluded was that because of the size of Harvard Law School, I would have the best chance of doing that here."

"Mnookin is just fabulous,"

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Saudi Ruler Donates \$5 Million for Islamic Legal Studies Center

By Jeff Bucholtz

The Law School received a gift of \$5 million this summer from King Fahd of Saudi Arabia toward the establishment of a Center for Islamic Legal Studies. The donation will pay for a \$3 million endowed professorship and for \$2 million of program support.

Professor Frank Vogel, HLS's resident expert on Islamic legal studies, will oversee the creation of the center. Vogel said he envisions the center as "permanent and comprehensive,

with scholars in residence, fellowships for visiting professors and students, and a world-class research facility."

As part of its campaign to raise \$150 million, HLS is currently seeking additional funding of \$5 million to complete the endowment of the center. Vogel predicted that "we'll have the rest of the money and announce the whole center within a year."

While evoking the Law School's extensive historic ties with the Arab world, including visiting scholars and a previous

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Several Students Claim That Mover Stole Their Belongings

By Greg Stohr

More than a dozen Harvard students — many of them here at HLS — say the owner of a moving and storage company stole thousands of dollars worth of belongings he was supposed to have returned to them this fall.

The students allege that All Pro Moving and Storage Co. owner Walter Thompson stole computers, televisions, VCRs, stereos and other valuable items he was to have stored during the summer.

"Any big electrical stuff has

turned up missing," said Harvard Police Detective Dick Estes, who is investigating the allegations. He said approximately 15 people have filed reports alleging that Thompson has failed to deliver their belongings.

In a separate case, at least a half-dozen HLS students are trying to track down items stored over the summer by another company, Castle Moving Co. That company apparently has gone out of business, and students have been rummaging through a storage facility in Brookline in search of their

belongings.

In an exclusive interview with the RECORD, Thompson denied the charges, claiming the garage in which he stored the items was "broken into over the summer."

Thompson said he did not know the month in which the garage, which he said was located in Somerville, was burglarized. He claimed he did not learn of the break-in until after he had been contacted by students seeking their belongings. He said he filed a police report "not too long ago."

Estes said police had not questioned Thompson, as of Tuesday. He said that Thompson twice told Cambridge police over the phone he would come to the station for questioning but that Thompson did not show up either time.

"I think he knows what's going on and the fact that he might be arrested if we do talk to him," Estes said, adding that

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Law School Council Off to a Quick Start

By RECORD Staff

Months of negotiations this summer between the Law School Council and University officials have produced concrete improvements in the facilities that law students return to this fall. Most notably, Hemenway Gym is scheduled to reopen on September 20 with a host of equipment upgrades: two stairmasters, one rowing machine, additional benches and free weights, and a complete refurbishing of the basketball court that includes new rims, padding, and a repainted floor.

According to LSC President Enu Mainigi '94, negotiations were complicated, but at last bore fruit. Because Hemenway Gym is run by the College of Arts and Sciences, not the Law School, all facility improvements require College approval. Working closely with Director of Building Operations Frank Lamentea and Administrative Dean Sandra Coleman, LSC finally succeeded in convincing the College to make the much needed renovations, Mainigi said.

HLS has agreed to pay for the rowing machine and stairmasters, and the College will

finance the remaining equipment.

ATM Machine Expected Soon

Summer negotiations also produced a tentative agreement between the Law School and BayBank that would bring an ATM machine to the Harkness Commons this fall. That agreement is now being reviewed by Harvard University lawyers.

"Hopefully, it will go through by November, if there are no glitches," Mainigi said.

The major negotiating obstacle to having an ATM machine in Harkness Commons stems from the fact that it would not be used very much during the summer months. Generally, ATM machines are installed only where they will be used consistently.

To solve this problem, the Law School has agreed to subsidize an ATM machine during the summer months if it falls short of the required cash turnover.

Directing Focus to 1Ls

The LSC also opened the year with a stepped-up effort to embrace first-year students. On September 2, the LSC sponsored

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New Dean of Students Revamps Orientation Programs for 1Ls

By April Rockstead

If HLS seems more student friendly — at least for 1Ls — this year, it's due neither to coincidence nor to any good-behavior seasonings conjured up in the faculty/staff cafeteria.

The credit goes at least in large part to the efforts of new Dean of Students Suzanne Richardson, whose innovations this fall range from map- and information-providing welcome tents to the all-Law-School party last Friday.

"The goal is to very strongly welcome the new students here, as well as to Harvard and Cambridge," Richardson said, "and provide more points of contact in their first few weeks in the study of law — which we know can be a little bit confusing."

Dean Clark offered the position to Richardson and she accepted effective June of

this year. Richardson succeeds Sarah Wald, who served as dean of students until September 1993, when she resigned to take a position as special assistant to two Harvard University vice-presidents. Richardson served as acting dean of students during most of the lengthy selection process that followed Wald's resignation.

Richardson, who began her tenure with HLS about 16 years ago and whose previous positions here include associate director of clinical programs and director of student activities, holds a bachelor's degree in fine arts and a master's degree in educational planning and social policy from the Harvard Graduate School of Education.

As part of the new and improved 1L orientation this fall, entering students arrived two days before Labor Day weekend, received a new health services ori-

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Suzanne Richardson

New 1L Class is More Diverse — and Relaxed

By Maria Politis

There's a Peace Corps volunteer, a published novelist, a champion swimmer, a squash player, someone who biked around the world, a former city supervisor, refugees from China and Vietnam, a handful who live on a farm, and a couple who Taught for America. Out of 550 1Ls chosen from about 7600 applicants, that's just a start.

So what are they doing in law school? Actually, while almost every class comes complete with its share of Rhodes scholars, military officers, athletes, and volunteers, this class may be a little different. According to Joyce Curll, dean of admissions, this year's 1Ls seem to have a better idea of why they're here.

"I have a sense that applicants have more of an understanding of what law school is going to be about," said Curll,

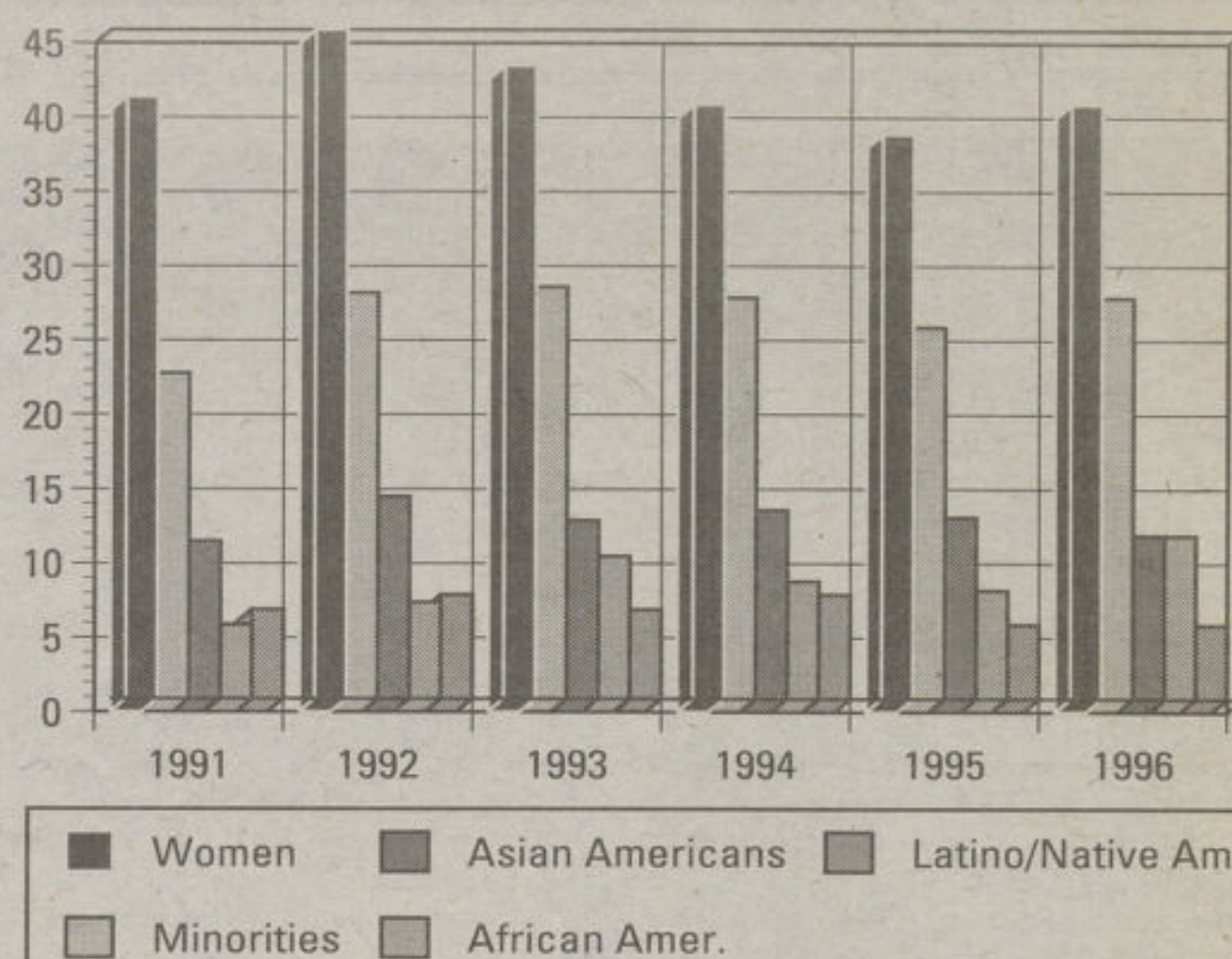
explaining a trend she says she has noticed in the past year. She said applicants appear to have researched law schools more thoroughly than did applicants four or five years ago. "They've done more homework," she said.

Demographically, the Class of '96 is slightly more diverse than last year's entering class. Forty percent are women, up from 38 percent. Twenty-seven percent are minorities: 11 percent Asian-American, 11 percent African-American, and five percent Latino/ Latina and Native American. Two percent are from countries other than the US, including Pakistan, Germany, Korea, and Guatemala. The average age is 24, and about five percent are over 30 years old. Roughly 45 percent

came straight from college.

A good chunk of the 1L class comes from certain highly-ranked schools. The top ten: Harvard, with 36 students; Princeton, 31; Stanford, 30; Yale, 29;

How the Class of '96 Stacks Up



Duke, 23; Cornell, 20; Michigan, 19; University of Pennsylvania, 19; Berkeley, 17; and Dartmouth, 15. In total, 147 colleges are represented.

One thing remains the same: The quality of students remains steady. This year's class, said Curll, is "as strong as any class has ever been."

This class has "a keener sense of concern for others," said Curll, "not just the world at large, but in terms of the people around them."

This increased awareness may have resulted in an easier adjustment process for 1Ls this year, despite the classic initial intimidation.

"Harvard Law School is a lot more enjoyable than I had expected it to be," said Amy Satin '96. "It's not as nightmarish as it's made out to be. People are very friendly." While she said she noticed some people are stressed, Satin labeled it as a "more self-contained kind of stress."

Joon Kim '96 agreed. "There are a lot more normal people than I thought there'd be . . . people who can hang out too," he said.

Classes, while demanding, are not so bad, Kim added.

"It's pretty intense, a lot more work than I am used to," he said. "It's not that much more work overall, just more that you have to do every day. I'm used to cramming in college."



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Snafus in Registration Leave Students Peeved

By RECORD Staff

Student complaints about the registration process were widespread this year as the Law School distributed new ID cards to students and continued a ten-year-old drop/add procedure that left some students dissatisfied with their schedules.

Perhaps the most common student complaint concerned the process of adding and dropping courses. Students wishing to drop an oversubscribed course were required to drop the class by 5 PM on the day of the first class or 10 AM the following morning for late afternoon classes. For students who dropped the class after the deadline, the course will be listed on their transcript with the notation: "WD=Withdrew after Deadline."

Justin Smith '94 received a Withdraw on his transcript for dropping a course that was no longer oversubscribed. In a move he described as "Orwellian," he was informed by the Registrar's Office that even though there were open spots in the class, it was still "oversubscribed."

Other students reported dilemmas when they were unable to cross-register for non-Law School courses before the drop deadline, and when they needed drop an oversubscribed course in order to be admitted to another oversubscribed course meetin at the same time.

Registrar Sue Robinson said the requirement, established by the Administrative Board ten years ago and reaffirmed last week, was a response to student and faculty complaints about the previous system.

"We had so many students who were holding onto courses and not dropping anything," Robinson said of the previous system. "Other students were very angry

because they couldn't get in. Nothing was moving."

Problems with this year's registration process were not limited to the drop deadline, however. At registration, students were told that their new permanent photo IDs would be available later in the week, and that if they did not pick them up by Sept. 16, they would be dropped from all their classes. But, perhaps ironically, the permanent IDs did not become available until this week. Robinson attributed the delay to difficulties processing the color photos.

The ID card delay had the spin-off effect of making it more difficult to use the athletic facilities on campus. Unlike in previous years, students were not able to purchase and obtain their athletic stickers on registration day. Although students could obtain temporary stickers by making a special trip to the Registrar's Office, they were encouraged to wait until their permanent IDs were ready.

"I showed the man my last year's ID and my athletic sticker on it, and I even smiled," said Robert McBurney '95. "He didn't let me in. When I finally promised him my first male child, he reluctantly did let me in. I felt guilty the whole time."

Students were also confused by an information sheet distributed at registration that seemed to indicate that athletic stickers for the entire school year cost \$120. They actually cost \$80.

Some students think registration is an example of many HLS procedures and facilities which are often described as antiquated and cumbersome. "It's OK if it's hard or impossible to design a good registration process, but they should acknowledge that they don't have the time or energy to fix it and put an apology in every student's transcript in addition to all the WDs," Smith said.



Serpentine cables bring a TV bonanza to residents of the HLS dorms.

Cable TV Coming to Dorms, But for a Price

By Scott Kolbrenner

What do Beavis and Butthead, Ren and Stimpy, Larry King and Chris Berman have in common? Beginning this fall, they can all be found, for a price, in the Gropius complex and Wyeth Hall.

In response to student requests, the HLS housing office will make cable television available to Gropius and Wyeth residents for the first time this fall, according to Frank Lamentea, director of housing. Residents can sign up for cable in the Hark with the payment of a \$10 installation fee and the first month's charge, \$25 for full service without premium stations.

Lamentea defends the fee as a necessary evil. "Even if the school covers the cost in the short term, the students will necessarily absorb the costs in the long run," he said. Lamentea added that the cost of the endeavor will be shared equally by the students and the school.

While the arrival of cable seems like a dream come true to many on-campus

residents, complaints may not be long in following. In Hastings, which received cable last year, some residents were excited about their "free cable," only to be informed this fall that the charges for the cable were included in their term bills.

"I think it would have been better to give us an option about pre-paying," said Stephanie Wank '96. "I wouldn't have chosen to pay for cable because I don't watch TV."

And while some Gropius residents may find refuge in MTV or ESPN, others consider cable television only a superficial improvement to the otherwise dismal Gropius dorms.

"It's like supplying cable to prisoners," said Tony Barkow '95, a past resident of Story Hall, who has since moved to more comfortable surroundings. "They're still living in a box."

What's next for the aging, architectural wonder that is the Gropius complex? Lamentea says that, per the residents' request, the Law School is arranging for the installation of network data access in the near future.

Tribe Scores Victory for Fiber Optic Network

By Johanna Davis

Represented by Professor Lawrence Tribe, Bell Atlantic won its hotly contested lawsuit to overturn restrictions in the Cable Act of 1984 in an August 25 U.S. District Court decision. The act had prevented Bell Atlantic and the six other regional phone companies from owning and providing video programming over their own networks.

Tribe's skillful advocacy will enable Bell Atlantic to become a cable TV company and compete with cable companies in its service area. Tribe centered his arguments on First Amendment Rights, arguing that Bell Atlantic's right to free speech was curtailed by the Cable Act, making the law unconstitutional.

While the court agreed with Tribe's reasoning, Bell's cable-competitors dispute the decision. The National Cable Television Association, a cable-TV industry group and codefendant in the suit, already has said it is considering an appeal.

The Constitutional issues inherent in the controversy makes it likely the case will be appealed all the way to the Supreme Court. Echoing the rhetoric from the landmark *Brown v. Board* decision, Bell Atlantic executive Art Bushkin

said at a press conference following the decision, "We don't have a network plan ready to go tomorrow. But we will move with all deliberate speed."

Bell Atlantic currently provides phone service to 11 million homes in the Middle- and South-Atlantic regions, and is eager to build a fiber-optic network to become a TV competitor. "We plan as a corporation to be aggressive," said Bushkin.

Because existing copper phone lines cannot transmit video material, Bell must extend fiber-optic lines directly to homes. Bell officials anticipate the project will cost \$4 billion over 15 years, with the first service coming on line in Alexandria, Virginia by 1995.

The ruling opens a Pandora's box of questions about licensing and anti-competition regulation for phone companies, cable

companies, and video service providers. The digital fiber-optics system will blur traditional divisions between the industries by giving homes and businesses access to hundreds of video channels, data bases, video games, and video phone calls.

"The walls are coming down and here's one of the bugles being blown," said Gus Hauser, who runs Hauser Communications, a cable company in Bell Atlantic's territory. "This is one step in a long journey."



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Beer Banned at LSC Meetings

The Law School Council Tuesday narrowly failed to pass a resolution to provide beer at all of its meetings. The resolution was sponsored by members of the Monster Truck Coalition, Bill Gowney '95, Shea Moxon '94, Josh Frieman '95, and Kit Ekman '95.

The Monster Truck Coalition remained undeterred by the nine to eight defeat. "We're going to try it again, and again, and again, and again, and again, until those fascist dogs give in to the will of the proletariat," said Gowney.

"Due to the absence of some key supporters we were unable to make the will of our constituents fully known to the members of the council," said Frieman. "I'd encourage anyone interested in the issue to contact their section reps."

The Monster Truck Coalition also proposed to spend the \$2,000 earned in the Council's used book exchange to rent a monster truck to run over the unsold books. After a heated debate, this proposal was tabled for further discussion.

Sears Prizes Awarded

First-year students Melissa Hart and Theodore Ruger and second-year students Stephen Choi and Lexa Edsall have received the 1993 Sears Prizes. The awards were established in 1912 by Sarah C. Sears in memory of her son, Joshua Montgomery Sears, a member of the Law School Class of 1904. Four prizes are awarded annually — two to the first-year students and two to the second-year students who receive the highest grades in their class.

Worker Convicted and Sentenced

The Holmes Field building construction worker who exposed himself to two Law School students in Pound Hall last February was convicted of open and gross conduct by jury trial at Third District Court in Cambridge this summer, Harvard University police said. Steven Gittens, 32, received a two-year suspended sentence and paid \$30 to the state in victim-witness restitution fees, police said.

Ropes & Gray Professorship Established

HLS alumni from the Boston law firm of Ropes & Gray contributed more than \$2 million to establish a Ropes & Gray Professorship at Harvard. The gift included contributions from each of the firm's 75 current or retired partners who are HLS graduates. Dean Clark, a former associate of Ropes & Gray, accepted the gift on Sept. 3. Previous support from HLS alumni at Ropes & Gray enabled the Law School to open the Ropes-Gray multi-purpose function room in Pound Hall in 1970.

Kaufman Fellowships Awarded

Twenty-seven Irving R. Kaufman Public Service Fellowships were awarded to recent graduates who demonstrate "truly exceptional promise for a career in public interest work." Established in 1990, the \$1 million program has supported 66 fellows. It honors the late Judge Kaufman of the Second Circuit Court of Appeals for his distinguished public service career. The fellowships, made possible by a gift from The Annenberg Foundation, are year-long and can be renewed by the schools.

Christopher Artas-Piranto '93, John Bonifaz '92, Betsy Fishman '93, Andrew Greenblatt '93, Cheryl Hanna '92, Ariella Hymans '91, Christopher Jochnick '93, Lucy Koh '93, Katya Komisaruk '93, Meg Meiser '89, Lisa Otero '92, Earl Martin Phalen '93, Amy Rosenberg '93, Eve Shapiro '92, Martin Shupack '92, and Elizabeth Thagard '93 are the new 1993 fellows.

Levy '88 Named White House Fellow

Michael N. Levy '88 has been awarded a 1993-94 White House Fellowship. Levy was selected as one of 17 White House fellows in recognition of his leadership, professional achievement, and dedication to his community. Levy will serve a one-year assignment as special assistant to the secretary of the Department of Housing and Urban Development. He will also participate in an education program that will include meetings with government officials, diplomats, journalists, business leaders, and others. Levy is an attorney specializing in white-collar criminal litigation at the Washington, DC office of Skadden, Arps, Slate, Meagher & Flom.

Coleman '46 Receives Alumni Award

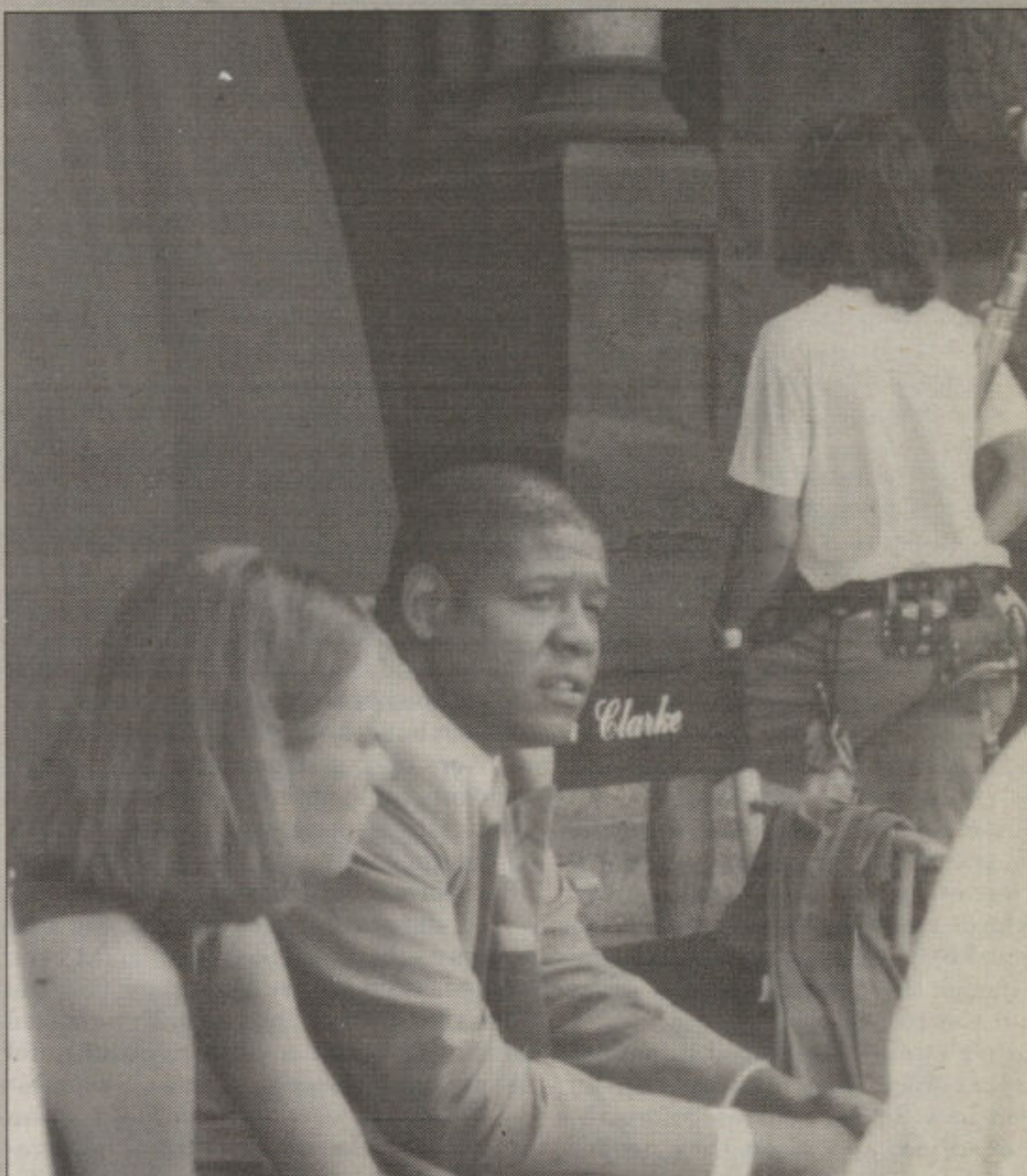
William T. Coleman, Jr. '46, senior partner with the Washington, DC office of O'Melveny & Myers and former US secretary of transportation, is a recipient of the 1993 HLS Alumni Association Award. The award is the highest honor given by the association and recognizes sustained or extraordinary service to the legal profession and HLS, as well as contributions to the public welfare that exemplify the values of Harvard Law School. Coleman's distinguished career in law, business, and public service has involved advisory or consultant positions to six former US presidents. He was one of the authors of the legal brief that persuaded the Supreme Court in 1954 to outlaw segregation in public schools, and from 1975 to 1977 he served as US transportation secretary.

Sander Receives ABA's Kutak Award

Frank A. D. Sander '52, Bussey professor of law and associate dean at Harvard Law School, was the 1993 recipient of the Robert J. Kutak Award from the American Bar Association Section of Legal Education and Admissions to the Bar. The award was presented Aug. 7, at a reception during the ABA's annual meeting in New York City. Kutak, who died in 1983, was committed to improving national standards for legal ethics, to promoting excellence in legal education, and to increasing understanding between legal academicians and practitioners.

Sander is recognized as the seminal authority on alternative methods of dispute resolution, a concept he introduced at the Roscoe Pound Conference in St. Paul in 1976. Sander has taught alternative dispute resolution techniques in law school, to judges and practitioners, and to entities of the organized bar. He joined the Harvard faculty in 1959.

Hollywood Comes to HLS



Crews have been filming scenes for a major Hollywood movie in the Harvard Epworth Church during the first few weeks in September. Tentatively titled "Blown Away," the film features Jeff Bridges, Tommy Lee Jones, and Forrest Whitaker (shown here) as members of the Boston Bomb Squad. Set designers transformed the interior of the Church into a restaurant for the filming. Traffic in both directions on Massachusetts Avenue was reduced to one lane during the filming, which occurred from 6:00 AM to 9:00 PM from September 14-16.

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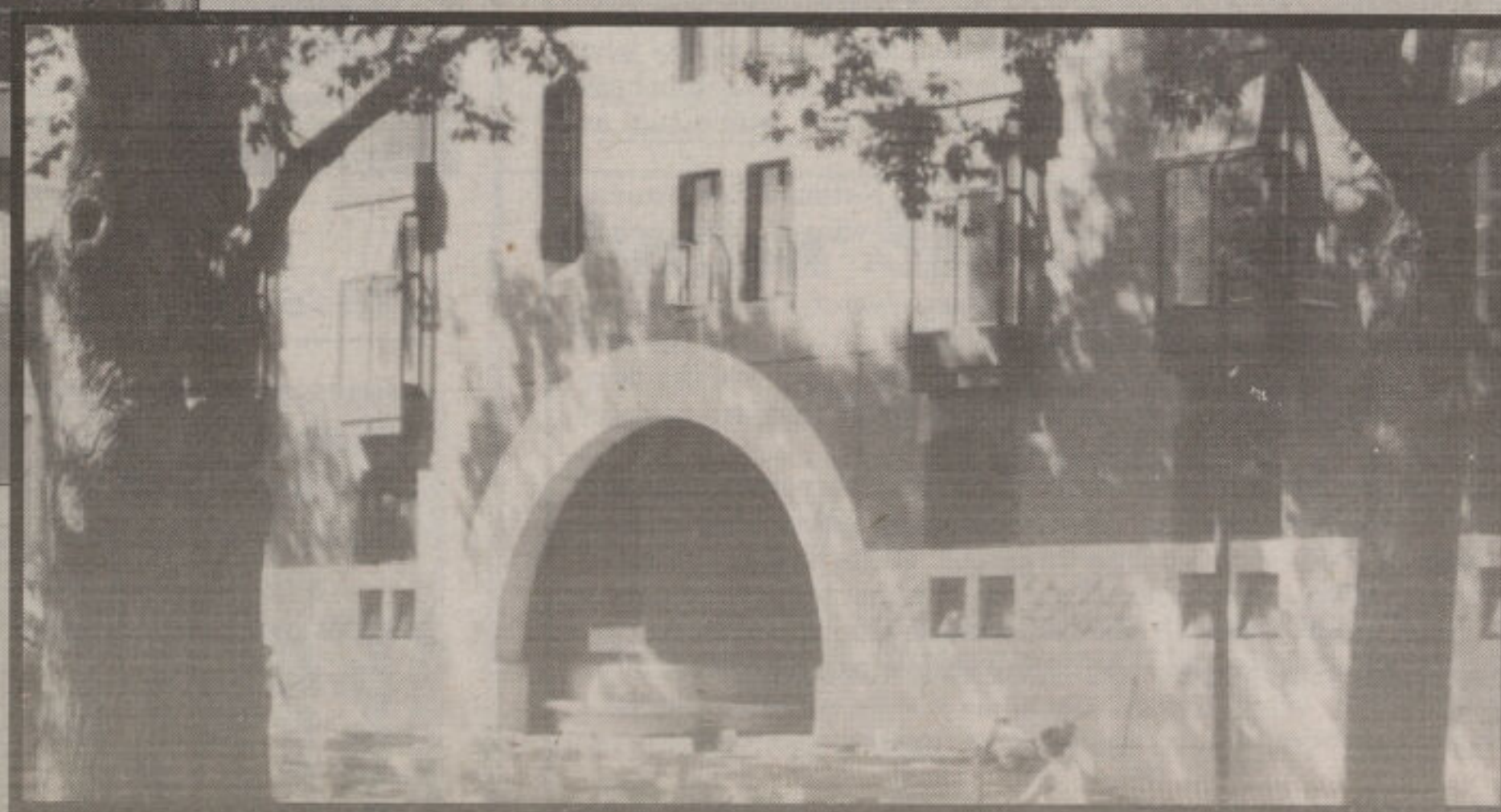
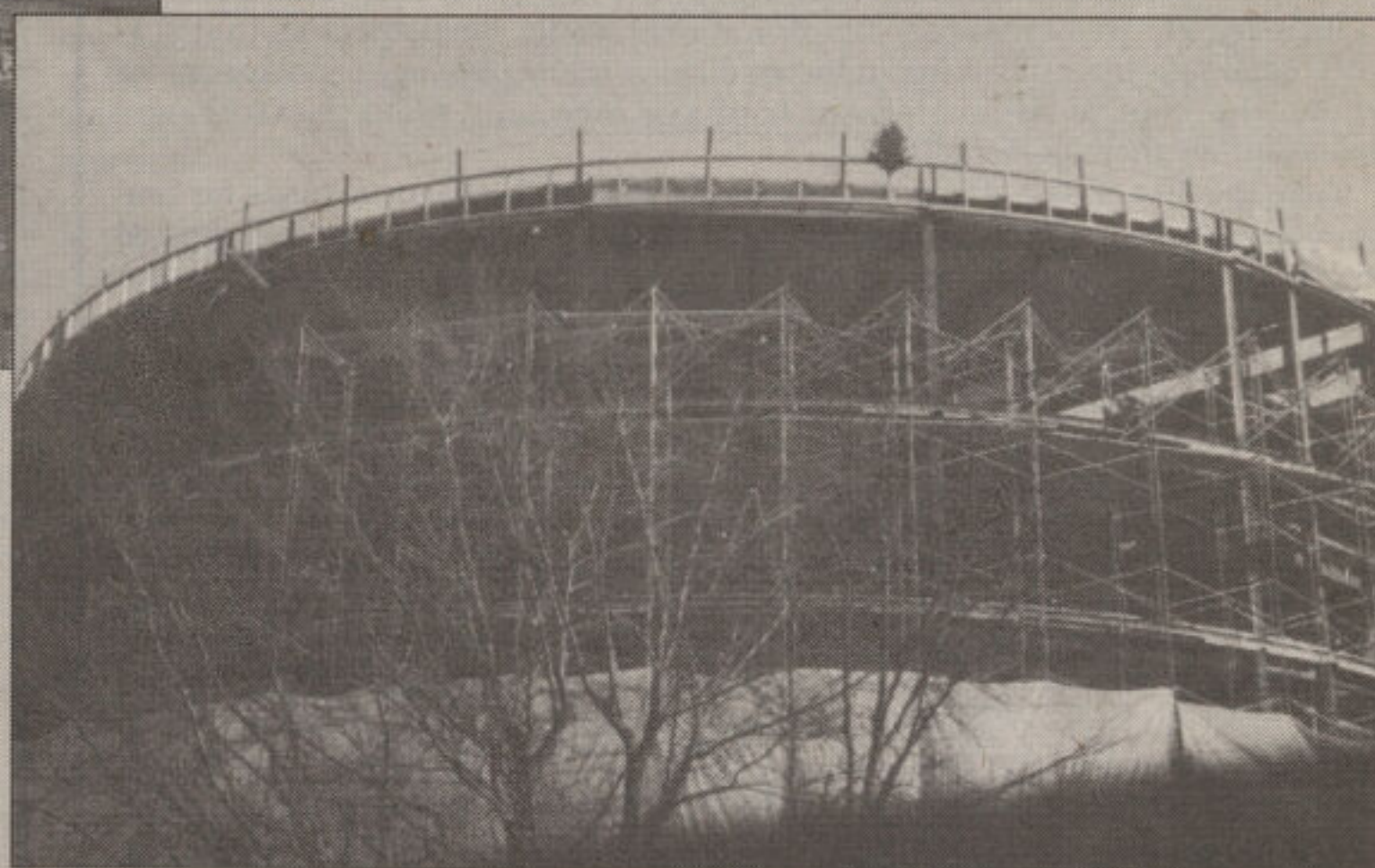
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WORK IN PROGRESS

A Construction Retrospective

Over the past year, students have watched the Holmes Field building grow from a gaping hole in the ground to an imposing new structure. With outside work completed and the building on schedule for opening in January, we thought it would be appropriate to look back at the development of this newest member of the HLS family.



The League of Frightened Philistines

By Mike Fischer '95

RECORD Columnist



THE progenitor of Disney World's Magical Kingdom — the man who created the mouse — was a rat. Specifically, Walt Disney — whose \$4.7 billion company labors zealously to protect its founder's avuncular, child-loving image — worked for twenty-five years as an FBI informant. Facts like these, joined with juicy tidbits such as the story of Disney's shoddy treatment of his work-force and his possible links to organized crime, don't mesh well with the singing dolls from "It's A Small World After All" or Cinderella's Castle — as author Marc Eliot found out when he began writing the first independently-researched Disney biography.

Already the author of two well-received books, Eliot signed a contract with Bantam to write a Disney bio in 1989. Within twenty-four hours, he received a call from Robyn Tynan in Disney's public relations department. Disney executives had read his proposal — never mind how they received it, since Bantam was owned by another publishing conglomerate, Bertelsmann — and they were not happy. But Eliot refused to back down.

Unable to beat Eliot, Disney decided to join him — that is, to co-opt him. If he was going to persist in writing the biography, the Disney people told him, they wanted to open their archives to him in order to insure that he got the story right. But they also wanted their legal department to review the manuscript prior to publication. Eliot agreed, but insisted on retaining the final say concerning whether contested passages would stay in or come out.

Soon, however, Tynan was on the phone with him again, insisting that Disney get final say. In exchange, Disney was prepared to offer Eliot unlimited interview privileges and access to rare photos. Most importantly, Disney was prepared to make Eliot's book an official Disney product — with the accompanying prospect of mega-profits. Eliot said no. And when he arrived in Burbank for his first interview with the head of Disney's studio archives, a security guard from Tynan's office escorted him off the grounds. If he wanted to write about Walt Disney, he would have to do so on his own.

Which he did, interviewing over the next eighteen months scores of people who had worked with Disney, many of them now in their 70s, no longer beholden to anyone, and willing to talk for the first time. He petitioned for Disney's FBI file, with its potentially explosive contents. Bantam canceled his contract.

Perhaps, you're thinking, the book looked like a dud. But Charles Michener, the (now former) editor at Bantam who contracted with Eliot to write the bio, looked at Eliot's initial notes and thought that "this is going to be one of the great Hollywood bios, way beyond the usual show-biz book." *Publishers Weekly's* advance praise for Eliot's now finished *Walt Disney: Hollywood's Dark Prince*, picked up by small publisher Birch Lane Press, was overwhelming: "Meticulously researched and replete with surprises," they wrote, "this is a major biography."

So why did Bantam kill the book? Perhaps because it enjoyed a lucrative contract with Disney to publish book versions of the Disney movies sold in supermarkets. Together, the eighteen-volume "Disney Library" and the twelve-volume "Disney Choose Your Own Adventure" series were making Bantam big money. No wonder Eliot concluded that "there was no way Bantam was going to allow a critical bio of Walt Disney to be published while they were doing business with the Disney Company."

Eliot's saga is not an isolated incident. As investigative reporter Jon Wiener details in an article in *The Nation* that tells Eliot's story (and many others like it), the increasingly-small number of multinational media conglomerates that currently dominate the publishing industry display scant patience or tolerance for writers who want to tell unpleasant truths — especially when the truths are unpleasant for them personally.

Take the fate of *Skin Tight*, the potboiling saga of the nasty struggle for control of Guess jeans. Initially slated for a press run of forty thousand and greeted with tremendous advance praise from *Publishers Weekly*, *Kirkus*, and our own Alan Dershowitz, the book's press run was cut to eleven thousand because it mentioned the key role played by Melinda Marciano, then married to Georges Marciano, founder of Guess jeans. Marciano has since married Stanley Jaffe, president of Paramount, which owns Simon and Schuster, *Skin Tight's* publisher. Paramount requested that author Christopher Byron delete all references to the former Ms. Marciano. When he refused, they *de facto* killed his book.

Or consider the tale of another Simon-and-Schuster victim, well-known author Robert Sam Anson. Author of seven previous books, including a 1987 best-seller, he was done in by Paramount because his book-in-progress on Disney studios was highly critical of Paramount chairman Martin Davis, for whom current Disney exec Michael Eisner had once worked. Anson's book, which has been picked up by Pantheon for \$300,000, was killed by Simon and Schuster this past March, after he had already completed more than 350 interviews. Hiring the renowned first-amendment litigator Martin Garbus, Anson sued Simon and Schuster and procured a reputedly hefty settlement.

These three stories — and I could regale you with many more — underscore the extent to which the press, in America, is only free for those who own one. When a handful of multinational media conglomerates increasingly control who and what we read — buying up or driving out formerly independent publishers — they erode one of our most cherished freedoms and stunt our intellectual as well as spiritual growth.

For all the hoopla surrounding public television and the National Endowment for the Arts — those purported instruments of a crafty left-wing thought police bent on brainwashing our children and twisting our values — the real threat to our intellectual independence is coming from the *private* sector, the very space within which the iconoclastic ought to be able to grow and flourish. And the real "PC" thought police are not the hissing students in Langdell; they are the publishing giants who don't have to hiss in order to throttle ideas they are not prepared or able to debate.

I am supposed to be using this column to write book reviews rather than diatribes, to discuss art rather than economics. But art is always about economics — and politics, and religion, and just about everything else. At its best, art offers us representations of these spheres so unique and provocative that they permanently alter the way we see the world. Those afraid of what those alterations might portend have always banded together and tried to kill the Word. If the rest of us want a world with art worthy of engagement, let alone review, we cannot forsake our initial obligation to denounce them as the league of frightened philistines they truly are.

Some Random (Mostly) Sports-Related Thoughts

By Bill O'Dowd '94

RECORD Columnist

Welcome back, sports fans! I've collected so much useless trivia over the past three months that it's been difficult to select just one topic here on Opening Day. So, I didn't. Fortunately, coherence is not a prerequisite to being a sports reporter. Just kick back, pop the top, and indulge in some completely random thoughts.

Baseball. AL East: Does anybody want to win this thing? Last week, my beloved Yankees, only a half-game out, were knocking at the door to take sole possession of first place three days in a row as the Toronto Blue Jays were swept at home by Oakland (the A's, by the way, are the proud owners of the worst record in the American League). Of course, the Yanks huffed, and puffed, and blew it, losing all three in a series with Texas. As the Yanks were traveling to Kansas City, they entered a tie for first when Toronto lost to the lowly California Angels. Nothing like entering through the back door, eh? Grandmama would be proud (even though he plays for Charlotte).

Tennis. Is Sampras awesome, or what? His serves can move faster than most American-built automobiles!

Baseball. AL West: I know that the White Sox are easily the best team in the division. I know the White Sox are an exciting young ball club, with Frank ("The Big Hurt") Thomas, Robin ("I'll never charge the mound, again") Ventura, and Bo ("Just Do It") Jackson. I know the White Sox have paid their dues, and are the only team from this division with a chance of winning the World Series. Still, I can't help but root for Texas to make a race of it, in the vain hope that, just once, I'll see Nolan pitch a meaningful game.

College football. Is Florida State for real? 57-0 over Clemson! Are you kidding me? Can't wait to see what they'll do to Wake Forest at home this year!!!

Baseball. Random Thought: Nolan was clocked at 96 mph last Sunday. Has

anybody ever retired with a 96 mph fastball?

College football. Just ask anybody who knows me, I am a HUGE University of Miami football fan. In just a few short weeks, the Hurricanes travel to Tallahassee. I'm real scared....

Baseball. NL East: The hottest team in baseball, the Montreal Expos, have won 15 of their last 16 and are trying to catch the Philadelphia Phillies. Let's see, now. The fans of Montreal are long-suffering. The fans of Philadelphia have long been insufferable. A no-brainer in my book. (For the rest of you Marlins fans out there, just wait 'til next year!)

Hockey. Is anybody else waiting with baited anticipation for the arrival of the Mighty Ducks? (For the rest of you Florida Panthers fans out there, just wait 'til next year — whoops, a little premature).

Boxing. Whitaker v. Chavez: What a rip-off!!! Do you think there's any chance, even a slim one, that there could be possibly, just maybe, be a rematch?

Baseball. NL West: The biggest decision facing Bobby Cox is who to start in game one of the NL Championship Series. I've got just one question for Bobby. With arms like Glavine, Maddux, Avery, and Smoltz, and power from Gant, Justice, and McGriff, and speed from Sanders and Nixon... what took you so long? It's a tribute to Dusty Baker, Barry Bonds, and the rest of the San Francisco Giants that they've hung tough this late into the season.

Flying. Did anybody else wander from the Raiders v. Seahawks game last Sunday to check out *Lois and Clark: The New Adventures of Superman*? To the trained eye, the Man from Krypton (Dean Cain) looks conspicuously like Brenda's boyfriend from France on last year's *Beverly Hills 90210*. Anyway, as we all know, Clark Kent is a stranger from a distant land, forced to follow a whiny, self-absorbed brat around all day. Whew, what a stretch.

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This Romance is True

By Scott Kolbrenner '95

RECORD Columnist

My instincts told me that TRUE ROMANCE, which features the director of "Top Gun" (Tony Scott), the star of "K.U.F.F.S." and "Young Guns II" (Christian Slater), and a marketing campaign aimed at the "90210" crowd, was a film to be missed. Fortunately, the film adds up to much more than the sum of its parts.

Aided by a screenplay filled with humor and machismo, "True Romance" never slows down. The success of this extremely violent film can be attributed to

actions. In psychological parlance, the term "transference" explains that one's actions towards an authority figure today stem from their relations to similar authority figures from their past. Because of his role as protector to the prostitutes, a pimp may be seen, by means of transference, as a father-figure to psychologically troubled women. This is especially true if a pimp's violence is a continuation of a violent childhood. In addition, a young man's "Oedipal complex" stems from a desire to possess his mother's love in place of his father.

In this scenario then, when Worley tries to free the woman he loves from a cruel father figure, he attempts both to free Alabama from an abusive father figure and to triumph in a modified Oedipal struggle. Once the father figure is murdered by Worley, the young lovers begin their journey away from home, in an apparent Oedipal victory. Before they begin

that journey, however, Worley visits with his own father for advice; from a Freudian standpoint, however, the visit (the first in three years) could be seen as the son's penance to his real father for fulfilling his Oedipal wishes against a symbolic one. When Alabama and Worley encounter Worley's father, Freudian impulses again play a role; this time, in a sexually-charged interaction between father and daughter-in-law. Although that meeting ostensibly produces a reconciliation, it results ultimately in the destruction of his father, as well. The Freudian questions raised by the relationships throughout the film demonstrate that Tarantino and Scott had more on their minds than guns and gore.

By including original images in the film, Director Scott goes beyond the dialogue for touches that give the film deeper levels of meaning. First, throughout the film, images of horror which surface on the characters' TV screens complement the horrors faced by the characters on their journey. This film-within-a-film technique gives the impression that the characters are surrounded by terror wherever they turn. In addition, while films often speak to the fears the characters face, filmmakers are rarely able to give the audience a first-hand sense of those fears. As he demonstrated in "Top Gun," Scott is able to make the audience lean and sway as if they are strapped into the pilot

seat. In "True Romance," the audience is again transplanted — this time into the front car of a roller-coaster. Again, while this filmmaker's technical expertise heightens the emotional thrills for the audience, it also reminds the audience of the fears present throughout the film and gives the audience some measure of the reality of those fears.

The movie features a Robert Altman-sized cast of supporting and cameo actors, including Brad Pitt, Val Kilmer, Gary Oldman, Christopher Walken, Dennis Hopper, and others. These actors all contribute funny, idiosyncratic performances to a terrific film.



Quentin Tarantino, the screenwriter who also wrote last year's "Reservoir Dogs." In "Reservoir Dogs," Tarantino showed little interest in the realities of everyday life, opting instead for a hyper-realistic, almost comic-book, portrayal of violence through the use of dark humor. In "True Romance," however, Tony Scott uses that violent pretext to examine the impact of violence and romance on real characters. In fact, this film's bleak outlook more closely resembles "Glengarry Glen Ross" view of the loneliness and pressure of daily life, than the surreal terror of "Reservoir Dogs."

The two main characters, Worley and Alabama, played by Christian Slater and Patricia Arquette, also contribute to the success of the film. Although Slater is prone to second-rate Jack Nicholson impersonations (e.g., "Heathers"), his character's tragedies and triumphs finally allow Slater to act. Arquette's performance is notable for the fact that she, unlike most actresses, does not seem to mind matted hair or bruised cheeks after her character is beaten up. The actors' realism help produce the film's rough texture and ultimate success.

Worley and Alabama meet at a martial-arts film festival. Although the encounter and sexual tryst seem just lucky at the time, Alabama soon admits that she is a prostitute, purchased for Worley by his friend as a birthday present. After this regrettable reality comes to light, however, the two admit their love for one another and get married. In order to free his wife, Worley must confront her pimp, played by Gary Oldman. A botched attempt at peace-making leads instead to murder, drugs, and a cross-country trip to California, where the story climaxes in predictably violent fashion.

Although the story itself is worth viewing because of the action and adventure, this movie offers viewers more than the standard Hollywood fare. It can be read on many levels. In fact, the story lends itself most significantly to a Freudian interpretation of the characters'

Top Ten, Oops Five, Non-Improvements at HLS

By Bill Choslovsky '94

Special to the RECORD



One of my more productive mindless pursuits this summer was attending the movie "Falling Down" starring Michael Douglas. In case you missed this modern masterpiece, it essentially depicts an ever-increasing American phenomenon: a proverbial white guy with 2.2 kids, picket fence, and modest pension plan loses his job, wife, kids and assuming he ever had any, his sanity. However, instead of just kicking the dog, he goes into a McDonald's one day and blows away 16 people without even ordering a happy meal.

Granted, the movie was a bit ridiculous and some would even caution deplorable in that it tried to portray the white male as a disenfranchised American icon. Notwithstanding the racial relevance of this no-brainer movie, I'll leave that to other Einsteins, I did find it amusing how everyday common frustrations can one day cause mild mannered folk like you and me to blow our tops.

Then I came back here for registration week and quickly became the disenfranchised one. Traffic, lines, bills and the annoying reality that I might actually graduate this year found me browsing "Soldier of Fortune" magazines. Then my paternalistic savior, HLS, came to my rescue with a number of charitably titled "improvements." Only one problem: The improvements suck. Thus, with no further ado, here's Bill's fat free, and hopefully uncensored, "Top 5 Non-Improvements at HLS":

5. **STALKING POLICY:** "... anyone who willfully, maliciously AND repeatedly follows or harasses another AND who makes a threat..." PHEW! Who would have ever thought a mere convenient conjunction would insure that I remain a prisoner's advocate rather than a prisoner. Besides, most women wouldn't say I've ever been malicious... per se. On the flipside though, I guess I'll just have to get used to the steady stream of ex-girlfriends parked in front of my apartment with their cars idling. I feel quite vulnerable. Actually, it just makes for another good reason not to attend class — as if 69 channels of cable wasn't alone sufficient excuse.

However, ridicule, humor, and my amazing love life aside, HLS isn't to blame for this substantively empty policy. This is actually full-fledged Massachusetts law (MGL Ch. 265, § 43). No matter what deviant ray of the political spectrum you seek shelter under, you must admit that this policy protects no one.

4. **PICTURE IDs:** Can we actually call this "progress"? After all, catching up to what the rest of academic America has been doing since the mid-70's is hardly cause célèbre. My theory is that no companies make the non-picture IDs anymore so HLS had no choice; although I understand Dean Clark was considering electronic fingerprinting as an alternative but "fiscal inefficiencies" far outweighed any Orwellian utility. More frustrating, HLS can't even do this right. We get expensive temporary IDs that are functional for one week. Hint: laminating machine.

3. **HARK BOX CAFE:** For you alums out there, part of the lower level of Harkness Commons has been turned into a miniature version of the upstairs trough. Basically, now we can get over-priced, shitty food quicker. Don't forget, this is coming from a guy who eats Ho-Ho's for breakfast. Actually, for the sake of full disclosure, since I don't wake until noon I confess it's really lunch.

2. **DOG POLICY:** Yes, HLS now has a dog policy and a two page memo describing it. Hang on tight here, it begins: "Following more than a year of study and discussion..." DOG POLICY! Enough said.

1. **HOLMES FIELD HOUSE:** Ah, nothing quite fosters the learning environment like jackhammers and dump trucks. Let me guess Dean Clark, "those damn unions." But hey, some day soon this will all be worthwhile. After all, professors do need offices twice as big as the average Gropius dorm room.

In any event, I don't know what's more comical: HLS' lack of improvements or improvements that improve virtually nothing. The fact that I couldn't even come up with ten improvements for a top ten list tells you something. And, don't forget, you're talking about a funny creative guy here.

Well, cynicism aside, HLS does seem to be functioning relatively smoothly. Bummer. I guess that's good, but it's oh so boring.

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Shortly before the Israeli-PLO accord was announced, I was in Jerusalem visiting my cousin, a transplanted Canadian who used to teach physics at Wellesley College. We got to talking about Harvard Law School and I tried, in vain, to explain to him why HLS has become the subject of so much national media attention. I described to him the phenomenon of "political correctness," the eruptions during last spring's student council elections, and other campus controversies that prompted GQ Magazine to title a feature story on HLS, "Beirut on the Charles."

For all of his experience in academia my cousin was at a loss. Despite my efforts, I could not communicate to him the intensity of the currents that flow through our Cambridge campus. Comparing the Law School to the Middle East suddenly seemed ridiculously inappropriate.

Never before had the political infighting at Harvard Law seemed so remote and unimportant as just then. Here I was in Jerusalem — only days before the Israeli government and PLO signed a monumental accord taking the first shaky step toward long-term peace — and I was attempting to make my Israeli relative understand why HLS's problems were so acute that last year we needed world famous negotiator Roger Fisher to help us resolve them.

It's not that what goes on at HLS isn't real or significant. It is, especially for those of us who spend three years or a large chunk of our professional lives here. But there is a tendency at the Law School to live in a world all our own, and to carry around the weight of our daily lives with the seriousness of Atlas shouldering the world.

It would be wrong to think that this perspective is inevitable — far from it. We take ourselves so seriously because we assume, wrongly, that the events which shape our experiences at the Law School have universal significance. Yet how can this be the case? Newly arrived 1Ls have as little notion of who the "Griswold 9" were as my class has of the denial of tenure to Claire Daulton or the battle over Dean Clark's appointment. What seems vital to us is only a passing thought to those who come later, and as a result each class is able to develop its own outlook and consciousness.

But this process does not run by itself. Rather than rehash old grudges and divisions, I hope 2Ls and 3Ls leave the class of '96 to form their own view of this school and its place in the world. There are some signs for optimism. Orientation seems to have been more welcoming and more warmly received this year than ever before, an indication that alienation and controversy need not be requisite elements of a Harvard Law School education. Hopefully our world, however small it is, is still broad enough to accommodate changing views among our own student body. Hopefully, this "Beirut on the Charles" can glean some inspiration from the changes now occurring in the Middle East.

The semester is early. Students are still searching for second-hand furniture, and professors are still focused on getting their multi-lithed materials to the distribution center. Yet while we pause at this particular moment of our lives, at this particular moment in world history, I hope 1Ls and everyone else can take a broad perspective of the year that lies ahead. And let's all hope for peace.

— Zornberg

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• Letters •

LSC Holds Successful Book Exchange

I'm writing to the RECORD to let everyone know what a huge success this week's book exchange was. First-year students, who were able to avoid standing in line at the Coop for two hours in order to spend three hundred dollars, may not realize that the Law School Council Book Exchange was only begun last winter on a trial basis.

The proof of this program's success is in the num-

bers. In FOUR DAYS, Law School Council sold over \$15,000 in books, amounting to a savings of at least \$25,000 to students. And by charging a fee of \$1 per book, LSC collected nearly \$2,000, which will be used directly in student services.

Although many people were responsible for making the event a success, three people deserve special recognition for cutting short their sum-

mers by one week to be back in time for the Exchange. Spencer Levy '95, Shea Moxon '94, and John Bates '95 all deserve more thanks than I can give them by writing a letter to the RECORD, so if you see them, say thanks for me.

Tracy Williams '94
Chair, LSC Programming
and Public Service
Committee
September 14, 1993

Students Should Think About Recycling

After noticing the wide variety of material dumped in the white paper recycling bins next to the 1L Hark boxes, I realized that students (especially 1Ls) might not be aware of HLS' recycling program, so I'd like to take this opportunity to inform the HLS community at large.

First, the large white bin by the 1L Harkboxes is only for white paper, so please do not dispose of any other type of paper (colored, newspaper, envelopes) there.

Secondly, unlike last year, Harvard now accepts colored paper and magazines for recycling. Colored paper should not be placed with white paper. Colored paper, magazines and newspapers can be mixed together. Newspaper bins are located outside the Hark towards Story and at Hastings, North Hall, and Wyeth Hall.

Third, please make an effort to toss aluminum cans and glass bottles in the recycling bins provided — the bins

are all over campus.

Finally, if anyone has any questions, comments, suggestions for improving the recycling program, please contact Rob Gogan at 495-3042.

Other ways students can reduce their impact on the environment:

1. Use recycled paper when copying (check the "Recycled paper" box for copy orders at HUCopy).
2. Limit the amount of paper you use by making double-sided copies and writing on the backs of "discarded" paper
3. Set up boxes for recycling white paper, colored

paper, newspaper, and aluminum cans. When the "white paper" discard box, the colored paper box, the newspaper box, and aluminum can box are full, transfer contents to Harvard recycling bins.

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4. Turn off lights, computers, and any other appliances not in use in your dorm room, kitchen, bathroom, wherever.

Electricity contributes 33% of U.S. carbon dioxide emissions; carbon dioxide is a major greenhouse gas

5. BYOC (bring your own cup) to class. If you're carrying a backpack around with law books, why not carry a cup or mug around too?

Amy Royden
President,
Environmental Law Society
September 14, 1993

The RECORD welcomes your letters.

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The RECORD added two new awards to its long list of accolades last month, copping two coveted certificates in the American Bar Association's Law Student Division's Newspaper Contest.

The RECORD, cleverly retitled the "Harvard Law News" by the prize givers at the ABA, garnered second place in the Award of Excellence given to entire newspapers. In addition, Todd Hartman '93 received the top prize for feature articles for his epic work entitled "The Emeritus Policy at HLS."

The Education of Janet Reno

The following is an excerpt from the speech given by Janet Reno, United States Attorney General, at the Harvard Law School Class Day Program, June 9, 1993:

THIRTY-THREE YEARS AGO this September, I walked into Austin Hall to hear Dean Griswold welcome us. I don't think I've ever felt so lost as I did then. I wondered what it would be like. Contracts and torts were confusing, I didn't understand the perspective of the law, criminal law was boring. . . .

Within about three years, I concluded that my education at Harvard Law School was the single best educational experience I had ever had, because, first, it taught me to think, and, secondly, it taught me to appreciate and understand the framework of the law. And if I have any success as Attorney General, I can trace it in part back to the educational experience, to the challenge the professors gave me to think, to analyze, to understand, and to use my best judgment to reach solutions. . . .

I think we have . . . got to rededicate ourselves to making sure that the law is a protection against an oppressive government. . . .

About three years ago, the Governor of Florida asked me as a Special Prosecutor to go to another part of the state to reinvestigate the case of James Joseph Richardson, a man who had been prosecuted, convicted, and sentenced to death 21 years before for the poisoning death of his seven children. He had always maintained his innocence. He had had a perfect record in prison. Many people believed him to be innocent, but court after court had sustained the conviction and had it not been for the Supreme Court of the United States decision, he would be dead by the point I began the investigation. But he had served that time in prison.

I will never forget for as long as I live standing in that courtroom in DeSoto County, Florida, telling the court that I thought that the evidence had been insufficient to charge him originally; that with the passage of time and the death and incapacity of witnesses, it was hard to say exactly what happened, but that it was clearly insufficient to charge him now; that he was probably innocent; and that he should go free.

As I drove away from that courthouse and looked back over my shoulder and watched Mr. Richardson walk out of that courthouse a free man . . . I rededicated

myself to what the ultimate issues of the law are all about and that's making sure that men and women throughout the world are free. We have got to be vigilant, because I then came home to a case in Miami where police officers were being prosecuted for ripping somebody off in a drug deal and forcing them into the Miami river where they drowned, right in my own community.

We cannot forget the need to use the law as a shield, but we must remember other forces of the law. The prosecutor who thinks that they have done their job when they get a conviction and see somebody sentenced who has a drug problem and think that that's all there is to it should have another thing coming. And the public defender who thinks that he's won a great battle when he gets his crack addict client off on a motion to suppress or a motion to dismiss ignores the fact that his client, who cannot afford treatment and is on a waiting list, is in a greater prison than any prison that man can create for others.

We have a duty to look beyond the narrow aspects of the courtroom, to look to the correctional system, but before that, to look what comes before the court. We have got to understand that lawyers have a role to help people, not just to address the issue of rights. . . .

There is a disaster in the practice of law and there is a tendency on the part of the American people when they meet with disaster to give up and just go hide their head in the sand. I urge you not to. You will face a disaster or two along the way. I faced one in 1980 in the *McDuffy* case. I had just been elected by a substantial margin. Everybody thought I was a wonderful young prosecutor; I was going to bring fairness and objectivity. And then suddenly a jury in Tampa acquitted the police officers of the beating death of Arthur McDuffy and I was blamed for the riot and for the deaths of the people that occurred during that riot. And one thing you've got to do is learn to put your foot in the road and move ahead and keep talking to people and never stay down and never give up.

For all the satisfaction that the law has brought me, for all the pleasure, the joy, the intellectual stimulation the law has brought me, there is still so incredibly much

to be done. This nation is in worse shape than it was June of 1963. This past Sunday night, we went to Robert Kennedy's grave and read from what he had said from 1964 to 1968. He talked of poverty, he talked of violence, he talked of a lost generation, he talked of a government that was not responsive. And it was as if the years had never come between. It's all still there. . . .

Eighty percent of the working poor and the poor in America have no access to lawyers. What we have done is create a marvelous system of laws. We've enhanced our Constitution for some people, but for some people the laws aren't worth much more than the paper they're written on.

We can make a difference. But this is now a time for challenge, not for fear; a time for excellence, not for mediocrity; a time for boldness, not for timidity; a time for innovation, not for business as usual. . . . The law is not a series of regulations adopted by somebody in Washington that hasn't been in touch with the community. The law is not a series of alphabet agencies strung together in a fragmented, disconnected effort to serve people. The law is not just a series of titles, this and that and the other, that most people don't understand and can't have access to. The law is how people live together in their neighborhoods, their communities, existing together. . . .

But I think lawyers too often have taken the law away from the people, made it inaccessible, made it almost an instrument that discourages people. How many of you have people say, "Could you help me with my Social Security?" "I don't understand my insurance forms." . . . "How do I file a tax reduction claim?" The law has tied people up, rather than free them. . . .

I think we have got to continue our efforts to make our courts accessible to all Americans. I think we must continue with great dedication and vigor to reduce the cost and delay involved in anyone going to court so that our courts can have meaning. But I think as lawyers, you embarking on a new career, I in a new position, have got to join together to make the law simpler; to use small, old words; to use terms, expressions, and develop programs that serve the people. . . .

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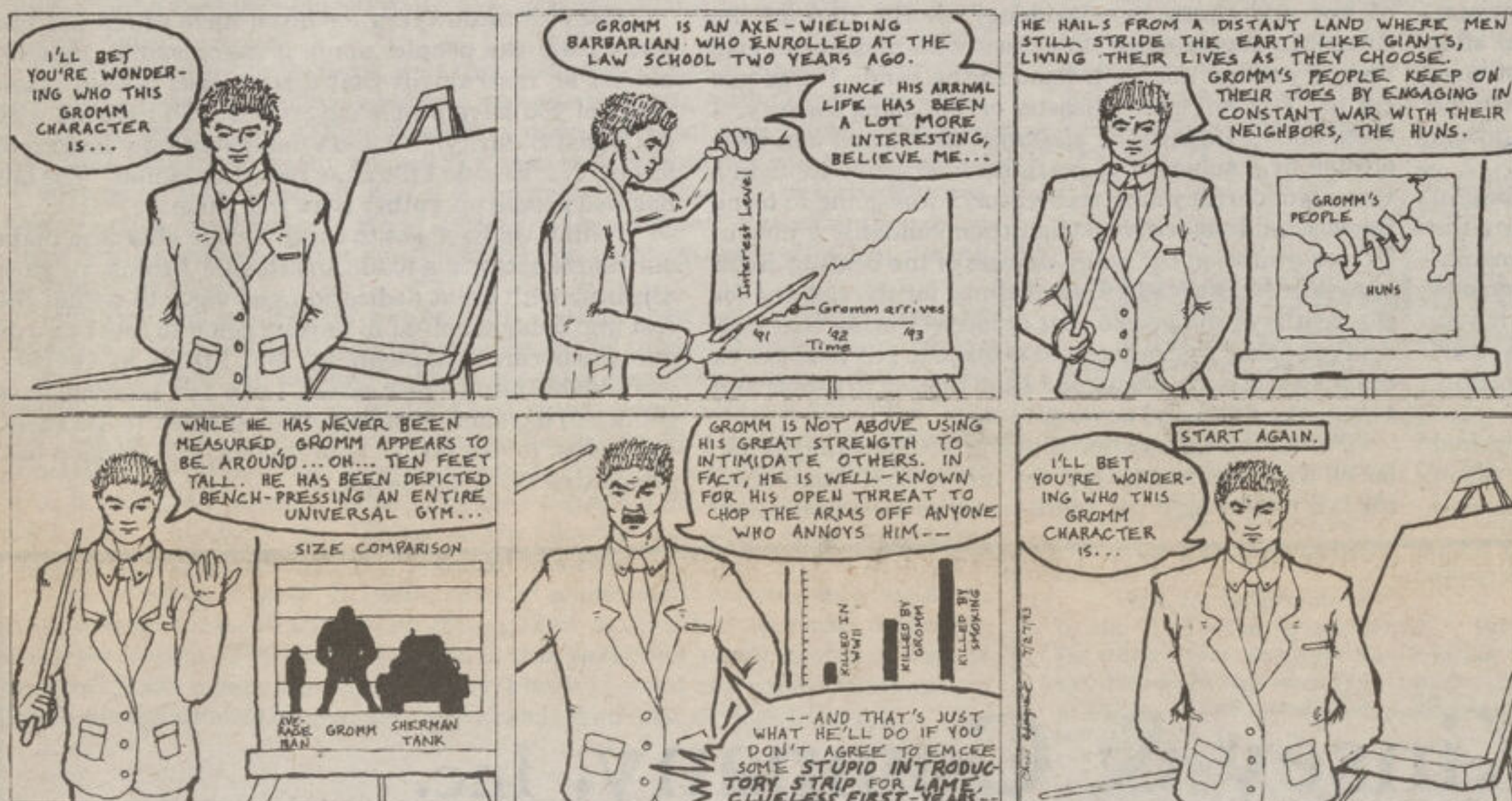
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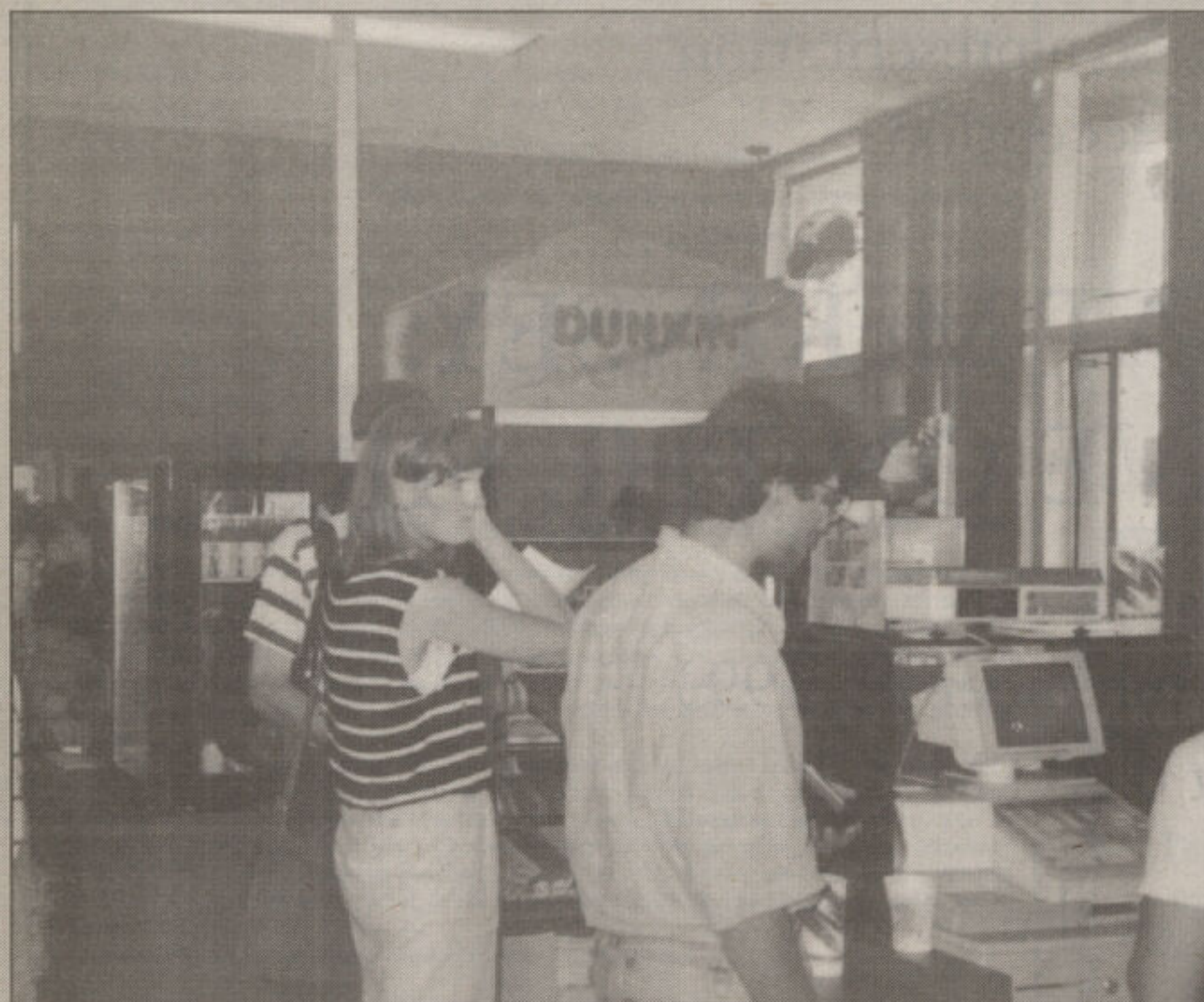


GROMM: Barbarian at Law

By Chris Spagnoli



The New Harkbox Cafe



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By Rosie Cosentino

Quote for the Week:
"A wise heart is mighty in strength"

Virgos and those with names beginning with M, this is your week. A time of new beginnings and something wonderful.

The Indian summer time is for fun, happiness, outdoor sports, and laughter. This is a week to gather rainbows for your personal garden and not to allow the weather, or anything to affect your personal goals.

The color for this week is light blue and the lucky number 5

ARIES March 21 to April 22: Success and Happiness in the evening hours. Having many talents comes in handy now as offers come in from unexpected places. Take your time what you want today can only bring rewards later. Repairs on the house could cost a little but do not let it stand in your way.

TAURUS April 23 to May 22: A short trip if started today will bring reward. Opportunities present themselves for you to expand the social sphere and pursue financial speculations. A time to be humanitarian.

CANCER June 21 to July 22: A day to look back at yesterday. Pictures, records and even old letters let you experience the past and be grateful for today. Tell the truth it will clear the air. Take a chance and invite a friend to dinner.

LEO July 22 to August 21: Taking on others' problems only causes you tears. Back off and spend the day exercising or working a hobby. Overindulgence can lead to arguments.

VIRGO August 21 to September 22: Spend the day with family and friends. A telephone call about a new position. Trouble with the car can make you late. Watch an old movie.

LIBRA September 23 to October 22: A letter from a distance brings a surprise. Listening to others will confuse you. Watch backing up if you drive, it could cost you money. Attending a lecture now could improve your image.

SCORPIO October 23 to November 22: Good luck is at your door; don't lose confidence. Love, money, and happiness start with this day. Put a smile on your face to show you are ready.

SAGITTARIUS November 23 to December 23: A surprise and a visitor from the past. A change of medication could cause an allergic reaction; call your doctor, and be sure. An invitation to join a group or organization; do it. Hoses on the car need changing.

CAPRICORN December 23 to January 21: Things start out slow but turn out OK. Home comes first. Money comes unexpected now. Woman will cause trouble in the afternoon. A friend needs your advice; use psychology.

AQUARIUS January 23 to February 22: A challenge of your values causes an argument. Back down and do not trust again. Driving too fast may get you a ticket, be careful. An evening for soft lights, music and dancing if you are up to it. Have fun.

PISCES February 23 to March 21: A new look could be just what is needed to change your luck. Let yourself go and take a chance on change. This is the beginning of a month of hopes and wishes. Spend cash and you will not worry. It is a day for you.

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(More) Helpful Hints to 1Ls

By Debra Dickerson '95

RECORD Columnist

I can't take it anymore. It's heartbreaking to see you poor little 1Ls wandering around trying to recall just what it was you were thinking when you passed up those full-scholarship-plus-stipend packages to come here and never see the sun again. The whole first week, I couldn't get a phone in the Hark for all of you sobbing into your financial-aid paperwork with the phone cord wrapped tightly around your little necks, whimpering, "Mom, why didn't you STOP me?!" Those in Rosenberg's section are among the most disgruntled.

To be honest, I rather enjoy your discomfiture, especially where finances are involved. My own loan debt is so big the financial (We Ain't Gonna Give You No) aid office has taken to using exponents and putting their hands over the receiver and laughing when I call. I always hear, "It's her! It's her! Miss Federal Deficit!" in the background. Only Cuba is in worse financial shape than I. The last time I called, homegirl Sally Donaghue said, "Look at it this way, Debra. You'll never live long enough to pay it all off, so in a way, you're making money." So I'm cool with it now that I understand the scam. All I gotta do is die young. That sounds do-able. I'll just rent an apartment in South Boston or date a guy from Bensonhurst. Even better — a woman from Bensonhurst. That ought to do it. Anyway, it's every [person] for [her]self. Just call me miserable company.

Another source of pleasure, albeit at the expense of others (and therefore greatly satisfying), is how much I'm enjoying not being a 1L anymore. It's similar to the satisfaction every military officer feels upon surviving those first four lieutenant years and becoming a captain. In the service, to be a lieutenant is to be "stupid by definition," as every senior officer will inform you and guffaw no matter how often he sees you, while you're forced to stand there like a doofus and chuckle. "How amusing, Colonel Dipschitz. That just gets funnier and funnier." "Trip over a land mine, Gomer," I'd think, and picture him with a F-16 up his nose.

I'm on the column of 2L Hark boxes farthest to the left. Mere inches away from the goal of my existence — the elusive 3L Hark Box. Nothing can stop me, and the

arrival of a new group of 1Ls just puts me that much closer. Now you understand why I chuckle gleefully when baby-faced 1Ls who think their generation invented bell bottoms and platform shoes ask me for directions to the Greenhouse. They look so cherubic and innocent as they obediently set off for the T to Downtown Crossing. They gotta go to Filene's Basement sooner or later, right? Yeah, buddy, you just can't spend enough on that designer suit for the Intro-to-Lawyer oral-argument videotaping.

Out of the goodness of my heart, though, I have decided to share my experiences and give you 1Ls a head start on adapting to life at Harvard, both in and out of the classroom. You're welcome.

Crim: The "Regina" in all those old English cases is not some way-unlucky British babe. They're talking about the freakin' Queen, boys and girls. I was halfway through spring semester before I broke the code on that one. I was thinking, "When is homegirl gonna learn?"

Also, don't be surprised at how amazingly violent and stupid people are, especially men. Call it man-bashing if you must, but how else to describe case after case of men who shoot at cars driven by old people for passing them on the road? Over windshield-wiper blades? During Russian roulette? Then there were the merely stupid men, like the guy who ripped out the flooring he'd installed when he left his apartment, leaving a gaping hole. Duh.

Torts/Civ Pro: Learn to love the railroads and choo-choo trains. Apparently, 3/4 of American jurisprudence involves people and/or livestock wandering-slash-throwing themselves onto train tracks or trains setting stuff on fire. Let me save you a lot of time, case-briefing, and brain cells: The railroad always wins (especially if you have Rosey). If the back bench is full and you are called upon in a choo-choo context, stay calm. Just mutter about (in any order) the Industrial Revolution, the need to populate the frontier once we stole it, and the negligence of people's refusing to move their crops, homes, or limbs away from the tracks.

Note to those in Rosenberg's section: If you have attempted to read his materials and, being an earthling, have no idea what they're about, blurt out (again, without regard for relevance) "Vosburg!", "the trespass model," "may we see the triangle again, Professor?", or "Crits suck and I spit on your dignity!" If in serious trouble (i.e. he appears to actually be listening to your answer), bring out the big guns. "Nice outfit, Professor. You were a math major weren't you?"

Dorm life: Accept the fact that you will become a slob of frat-boy proportions. After studying until your eyes bleed, you will lose the will, the energy and the inclination to live like a human being. I lived my entire

first year without ever once pouring something I cooked into a bowl. Why should I, I reasoned halfway through one of Desan's marathon Civ-Pro assignments? The pot I warmed up my 2000-mg-of-sodium ramen in is still all warm and toasty. Using another dish is just wasteful and harms the environment. It had nothing to do with sloth. I did always make it a rule, though, not to slurp directly from the pot sans utensil (you'll burn your lips and never be able to convince that Lesley College undergrad that it's not com-

municable) or to eat with the big, wooden spoon I cooked with (you'll look like you're in a minstrel show).

And just where did that silly rule that everything should be washed every time its used come from? A little hot water rinse is entirely adequate. Trust me. The stuck-on parts just add to the flavor. Well anyway, I never got sick. Except for the bleeding ulcer and Tourette's syndrome at exam time. But that's another column.

Hopefully, these tips have helped you 1Ls get over those dreams where you stand up to speak in class and only then realize you're naked. Before you know it, you'll be just like the rest of us — trashing HLS and forgetting what it meant to you to get in here. So get over that performance anxiety nonsense and get to the important stuff — kvetching. See you at the sit-ins, faculty denunciations, and ritual TP-ing of Dean Clark's ego.

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Fenno awoke from a restless sleep to find himself transformed into a gigantic insect. No, actually, Gregor Samsa had it easy. Fenno woke to a splitting headache and vague memories of a post-Corporations bash at the Bow. The last thing he remembered was a vindictive bout of Jaegermeister shots exchanged with a Visigoth-like LL.M. named Heinrich, and then a prolonged darkness, punctuated only by dreams in which he was pursued by a gigantic Steven Shavell who tried to crush him like a bug beneath an enormous copy of Gramsci's *Prison Notebooks*. But now there was nothing, nothing — only the velvety darkness and a strong smell of masking tape.

As he tore himself out of his cardboard box, all became ominously clear. The cinderblock walls, the fluorescent lighting — some well-meaning person had put him in storage in Story Hall! He briefly contemplated crawling back into the box and trying to even the score with Shavell, but soon realized the folly of that plan. He could handle Shavell later. Now, as a glance at his watch told him, it was almost mid-July, and he had missed four lucrative weeks of work at Gotham's most ruthless firm — Marat, Danton & Robespierre! Approaching twenty lunches gone! He clambered over a stack of boxes dating back at least to the second Roosevelt Administration, including an Ad Law Emanuel's clearly labeled "Clark Byse, 2L," paused briefly to wonder why a group of construction workers were installing the Holmes Field Building upside down, and jumped on the first shuttle to Gotham.

As it turned out, he needn't have worried. In a class of eighty summer associates, thirty-five of them from Harvard, his absence had not yet been noted. A few moments at his desk revealed six flyers inviting him to happy hours, four e-

mail messages inviting him to dinner, seventeen voice-mail messages inviting him to lunch (he kicked himself), a wood-cut inviting him to a midnight snack, and four fat paychecks. Oh, and an assignment that he could knock off in an afternoon — Philip Morris wanted an attorney to personally addict an assortment of laboratory animals to smokeless tobacco. Fried's Con law seminar would serve Fenno well for that.

Fenno swiftly concluded that when Ecclesiastes wrote that man was born to sorrow, he had never worked at a big law firm. Our hero virtually never signed out of LEXIS's Australian Rules Football library ((HOSPITAL! OR TRAUMA) W/5 "GREENSTICK FRACTURE"). The coffee machines dispensed not only java, but also pad thai, ribs, and petit fours.

As the summer wore on, it began to settle into a comforting routine. Every morning, Fenno wandered down to the library with his spitting cup and the latest demand of the assigning partners. He would string together *cf.'s* and *but compare's* for half an hour or until his bluebook became dangerously hot. Several hours later, he would return to the library bulging with taxpayer-subsidized Ethiopian food, make a feeble stab at work, and then go in search of a suitably weighty book to use as a pillow. Once it was Tribe's treatise; another day, a copy of *Lady Chatterly's Lover* he had inexplicably found wedged in the middle of the Nebraska state code. Thus armed, he would doze off, hoping to meet up with Shavell again and confront him on his own terms. All summer long, the coward never showed.

Quote of the Week

"Sometimes, when I watch TV, I drool."

— Professor Steve Shavell, ruminating on the perils of growing old.



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Welcome to "1L"

By Dean Newton '95

RECORD Columnist



I want to say a few things to the first-year students that I wish someone had said to me. Harvard Law is occasionally portrayed as a very cold place that works you to death, charges you to death, turns you into a corporate monster and then unleashes you on the world (to live what little life you have left in you). Frankly, it is none of those things. Despite Yale's dubious claim to be number one, make no mistake. You are attending the number one academic institution on the planet.

Of course there are the books *One-L* and *Broken Contract*, and let us not forget *The Paper Chase*. All of these would have you believe Harvard Law is evil. But remember one thing — you don't sell such things if they are "touchy feelies" about how great Harvard is. Many of the professors discussed in *Broken Contract* were my professors first year. All of them were brilliant, each teaching me not only "the law" but also different ways of thinking about the law.

I admit — occasionally sitting in class I thought some professors were morons. Frank Michelman talked about spirit murder, David Rosenberg said he ate a spotted owl for Thanksgiving, and every time I asked Todd Rakoff a question he responded by saying, "Well, what do you think?" If I had known the answer, would I have asked him the question?

It was only when I went into the real world this summer that I realized just how much I learned my first year. When faced with property, tort, contract, or even bankruptcy questions, the toughest questions had no answers — only arguments. Trying to come up with arguments for my memos, I remembered Rosenberg saying, "It's all policy — and read the cases — the answers are buried in the cases — think functional." The words of Rakoff came to my aid, "Good faith and fair dealing — some terms can be implied in all contracts." Even Michelman rang through, "Need, always consider what people need." When all was said and

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done, I realized I understood the law. Harvard not only teaches you the law, it helps you understand the law and how to apply it.

Yes, some of your fellow students will be patently obnoxious. There are certainly people here, like anywhere else, who take themselves far too seriously. You should have seen the Law School Council elections last year. One candidate said he would push legislation through Congress (Yes, the US Congress). My experience, however, is that most people are pretty cool. In fact, some people here have become lifelong friends. My advice is to just chuckle at the jerks — the fact that they are so obnoxious is punishment enough for them. It is true that just two years ago the campus was in a political upheaval, complete with student protests and sit-ins. But fortunately for you, the crazies graduated and the campus has returned to its primary function — legal instruction.

There are a few disgruntled people walking around. They are the folks who came to law school because: a) they didn't get that dream consulting job; b) they didn't know what else to do that would pay so well; or c) they think they will be president one day. In other words, they never wanted to practice law. Then they seem shocked that they don't like it. There are also the folks who are upset because Harvard is so cold — it doesn't cuddle them. I have never really understood their point — the real world damn sure won't cuddle you so if you can't take the heat now you should get out of the kitchen.

I should say that there is one bogus part of first year — Intro to Lawyering. Now that's a joke. That's the pass/fail pseudo class where you are supposedly shown how to write briefs and make oral arguments. You are usually taught by third years. Rosenberg says, and I agree, that you are taught how to sing and dance by people who can't sing and have never danced. It is really silly — third years don't know a damn thing about trial work or writing briefs. But here's the secret — IT'S PASS/FAIL. Show up, write the stupid briefs, pass the thing, and get it over with! And remember, in the world of first year Ames, there are no winners, only losers who worked too hard.

There are also a few other annoying characteristics about Harvard. It tends to nickel and dime you to death, coming up with a silly charge for everything some bureaucrat can dream up to charge you for. And it has its double standards. For example, the gurus in charge of student I.D.s can screw everything up and prevent us from getting the I.D.s on time, while at the same time adopting ridiculous rules like withdrawing us from classes if we don't pick the I.D.s up by the 16th. You have to wonder about the brain power underlying that scheme. But those are details — don't let the details get you down.

My point in saying all this is to encourage you to take in as much of Harvard as you can. Maximize its resources to your benefit. The people here are nothing less than brilliant. Don't be afraid to corner them in their offices, or challenge them on what you don't understand. Seek out other students. I found that a large part of my education came from bantering with other students — challenging them and allowing them to challenge me. You will quickly find that there are plenty of very bright people who disagree with everything you say. That doesn't mean you are wrong, but it will help you to find the pitfalls of not only your arguments but also your beliefs.

Ultimately, any institution or educational opportunity is what you make of it. You just happen to have the world's greatest opportunity at your doorstep. The fact that you are here means you will always have a job. Hopefully while you are here you will exploit it for all it is worth academically as well. Good luck.

Law School Council

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a "pub crawl" event in which Council representatives led over 200 1Ls to various bars in Cambridge.

"It was great," said Tracy Williams, chair of LSC programming and public services. "We made it through eight bars and picked up the French navy." Spencer Levy '95 and John Bates '95 also helped organize the event.

Other initiatives include the LSC-sponsored book exchange for 1Ls that took place this week, and a mentor program that plans to pair upperclass students with first-years.

Williams called the book exchange a "phenomenal success." "We had a more overwhelming response among 1Ls than expected," she said. In its four days of operation, the book

exchange for 1Ls and 2Ls reaped a gross of approximately \$15,000. Of that amount, \$2,000 will go to the LSC.

"It was a lot of work, but it was fun," Williams added.



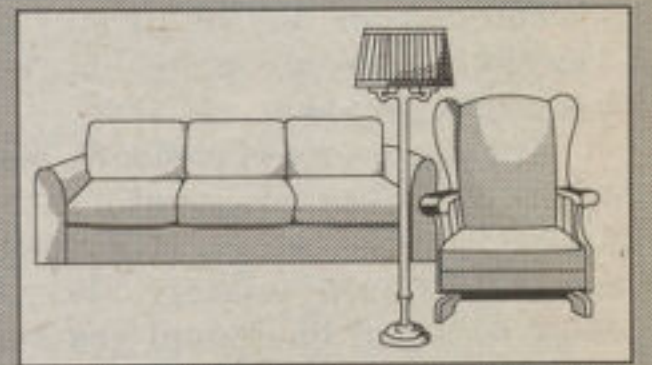
LSC President
Enu Mainigi '94

Off to a strong start, the LSC may at last have overcome the bitter political infighting that marked that spring's elections. According to Mainigi, the best way for the LSC to polish its tarnished image is by providing students with services that improve the quality of campus life.

"When I first got here, LSC was seen as a do-nothing organization," Mainigi said. "But I think the Law School

Council has come a long way. My goal this year is to improve LSC's reputation with the student body even more."

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Revamped Orientation

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entation and attended question-and-answer meetings with section faculty following the first week of classes.

Associate Dean Todd Rakoff '75, who also worked on the development of the section meetings, said students were not too intimidated by encounters with faculty after the first week to ask solid questions, ranging from "nuts and bolts" time management queries to legal theory and professional development questions.

The student-faculty contact and the extended orientation program were aimed at reducing the feelings of instant inundation that may have overwhelmed past generations of 1Ls during orientation, Richardson said. "It was sort of like telling people how to make a cake but never letting them put the cake together," she said.

Even with the improvements, Richardson acknowledged, the sheer size of HLS limits the extent students can receive personalized attention, and some students may feel slightly infantilized.

"In some situations, when you've got

to do group mass activities, sometimes the communication is so simplified in order to facilitate this that people feel that their individuality is not being recognized or respected," Richardson said.

"That's a concern, that there should be a respect for the experience students bring here and who they are."

But Richardson said she is heartened by the faculty and staff response to innovations such as the new-this-year welcome tents, which were staffed entirely by those who responded to a call for volunteers.

"It says a lot that the staff wanted to do this voluntarily," she said. "I was really stunned and excited."

Follow-up consultations with 1Ls and 2Ls this spring about their experiences here will help

tell whether the new orientation programs constitute a success, Richardson said.

"I don't see this as set in stone, and hopefully it will never be set in stone," she said. "I think you become static when that happens."

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Love the Bullshit

By Rob Rader '94

RECORD Columnist



Oh, if I could save time in a bottle. . . . Boy, that Jim Croce, what a songwriter! And, good-looking, too! Did you know he was a graduate — Class of '69? I think he really hit the nail on the head in "Peace Train," too, after he joined 10,000 Maniacs.

Well, it's back to another fun-filled year at Harvard, or Princess Diana on the Charles, as I like to think of it. This is the Land Where Dreams Come True, if your dream is of a place where uptight, anal, pain-in-the-neck jerks all compete in meaningless classes for the approval of people who were just like themselves 20, 30, and 50 years ago. Sounds more like Dante's Fourth Ring of Hell to me (right after the lambada-dancing lepers). But call me a pessimist. Mister Pessimist, if you will.

It's third-year time for a certain verbally-diuretic RECORD columnist, which means I can burn all the bridges behind me. I may even burn a few in front of me, too. I'm the Ed Anger of law school. No surrender, no compromise, that's my vow of non-chastity. You thought I couldn't get any more explicit and nasty last year? That's when I still had hopes of sleeping with more of you. Now that that fantasy's over with (it seems they're all gone now that our beloved Tattoo's dead), I can write what's really on my mind.

What's on my mind right now (aside from Georgia) is how damn phony most people here are. I know I'm not exactly breaking new ground by suggesting that my fellow law students are hypocritical, self-serving scum. I mean, we all attended at least the first O-Group meeting and learned that by the end of introductions. In fact, it's only restating common knowledge about lawyers in general. No, what bothers me is that students here are both good at and unrepentant about their

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"weaseliness." Or else, they're in complete denial about what they're doing with their lives, which means we have to constantly hear about how they're really serving the "public interest" or greasing the "wheels of commerce." (I believe Dean Clark actually used that phrase when "welcoming" my class.) Of course, the only things worse than venal, greedy, overreaching law students are deluded, ambitious, messianic ones. Luckily, at Harvard, we have enough of both for the USDA. Recommended Daily Allowance of bullshit!

The sad thing is, I love it here. I really do. Every time I think I've seen something too absurd to possibly be topped, some dork (that's right, I wrote "dork," pretty strong language) from the Law School Council or the Federalist Society, or the Coalition for Civil Rights opens his or her mouth, restoring my faith in H.L. Mencken's adage about no one ever losing money underestimating the intelligence of Harvard lawyers. The endlessly amusing absurdity of HLS is a testament to its students, for only a truly diverse, talented, and completely egomaniacal student body could continually spew the same tedious, banal pseudo-argument over and over again with such commitment. HLS'ers, I salute you! No matter where US News & World Report ranks us, in my heart, I know we're number one because no one could be more full of it than we are.

Okay, 1Ls, here's my message about what to do about all the crap here: Accept it. That's right, accept what Harvard is and what it isn't. Yes, people are full of shit here. But remember what shit is good for. That's right: fertilizer! There's a lot one can get out of this place despite all the overblown rhetoric. The weight of the textbooks and your comrades' resumes should convince you of that. You can do lots of things here, and plenty of organizations need your coolie labor.

For example, if you enjoy being a lackey, join a journal. If you enjoy being nice to everybody in a banal and insipid fashion, join the BSA. If you like to see yourself quoted in the RECORD on meaningless school events, join the Law School Council. If you like to drink beer, throw up, and get rejected by Wellesley sophomores, join Lincoln's Inn. If you like to rant and rave, join the RECORD. And, if you like to talk about how oppressed you are, welcome home, 'cause you've hit the jackpot, baby!

But the key to enjoying this place is to just accept its karma and let things happen. Figure out something cool to do and do it. In my case, I decided it was making the Olympic speed skating team. So I trained and won a silver medal in Barcelona. You can, too. Just pick something, anything, and trick Annie Bombard into signing it. Atlanta '96 is just around the corner!

But beware, for if you don't find something to care about, you could turn into one of the zombies. And, the only people more disturbing than those committed to something are those committed to nothing. They hang out at the Law School (like the guy in Harkness with white hair and his foot in a cast) or at home playing Nintendo or cards and watching cable. Although these lost souls only go to classes sporadically, they always make their exams. Unfortunately, they think they've been sentenced to three years at HLS Correctional Facility.

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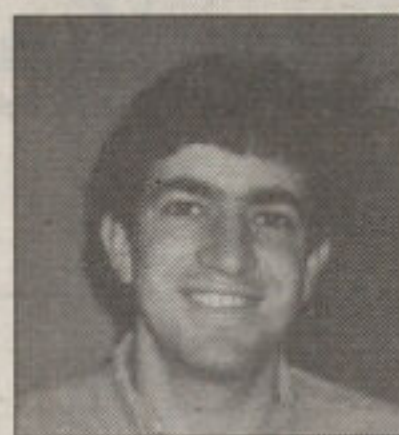
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Mercenaries All

By David Weinstein '94

RECORD Columnist



EVERY year or so, the legal profession awakens to the fact that it is unloved. This year, it was a poll in the *New York Law Journal* that set off the requisite handwringing. According to the poll, lawyers were at rock-bottom in the esteem they received, and few parents planned to raise their children in preparation for a career at the Bar. Already under assault by off-color jokes, insulting ads and the occasional gunman, America's litigators circled the wagons in defense of their profession. The American Bar Association went so far as to hire an image consultant to put out the word about the many aspiring young Clarence Darrows out there defending our legal tradition.

Legal profession apologists soon dotted the talk show circuit, blaming the bum rap on anything from late-night ambulance chasers to bad adaptations of John Grisham novels. Alas, few were willing to delve into the rotten core of the legal profession and call the alchemists who perform its dark arts by their true name: mercenaries. If litigators receive no more respect than the gun-toting freaks who appear in the pages of *Soldier of Fortune*, it is because we deserve none. The willingness of attorneys to sell justice to the highest bidder, to become zealous advocates for whoever can write the largest check, is not simply the disgraceful practice of a few shysters. It is an article of faith, stemming from the most basic tenets of our "ethical" code.

Before the responses roll in from the "greasing the wheels of commerce" crowd, eager to portray the beleaguered litigator as a necessary foot soldier in the American system of justice, allow me a few words for the prosecution. The fact that some people must be lawyers does not excuse the hemorrhage of talent that spills from this institution into the gilded cages of midtown Manhattan year after year. Security guards are necessary, but when the Pinkertons lined up to suppress a union, their position changed from average working stiff to active players in a moral struggle. We cannot fight only the battles of those who can afford us, explain only their positions to the media, agitate for legal changes on their behalf, and then argue that we are simply cogs in some well-crafted machine.

Lawyers, it is true, are hardly the only ones who spend their lives in pursuit of the bottom line. But most people must at least produce something before they are compensated. We produce nothing but our advocacy. When that becomes an empty vessel to be filled with whatever cause happens to appear on our assignment sheet for the day, the efforts expended on its behalf disappear in a grand display of sound and fury. They produce nothing but forests of paper and summer homes in the Hamptons for the combatants. God knows they do not produce justice. After endless fights over jurisdiction, choice of law, discovery, and privilege, after the six figure bills and bottomless crates of documents, they produce justice least of all.

Raising a family in comfort, paying back one's loans, caring for one's parent's — these are worthy goals. Perhaps they should come before all else. But let us not use such desires to cloud our moral sense as we siphon off our nation's wealth in pursuit of an endless litigious bloodletting. Litigation unmotivated by belief better suits the caricatured image of the sweaty-palmed lawyer than the mythical "defender of rights" promulgated by the American legal profession. If it must be done, let it be done without self-aggrandizing illusions.

If Americans choose to give their respect to doctors and teachers instead of lawyers, it is cause for satisfaction, not concern. And if our nation's parents teach their children to look with disdain on the prospect of wielding a sword for whichever wealthy benefactor so requests it of them, then this country is in far better shape than I had dared imagine.

King Fahd Gives \$5 Million

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gift from Saudi Arabia toward student fellowships, Vogel enthused that "King Fahd's donation puts us in a position to accomplish things we could only dream about before." Dean Clark praised "this historic step forward. With one-fifth of the earth's population living in the Islamic world, it is imperative that study of the highest quality be devoted to Islamic law."

Professor Arthur von Mehren '45, who was involved in HLS's earliest efforts to develop a program in Islamic law in the 1960s, is also excited about the gift. "The

center will be an important asset for the scholarly, academic study of this essential non-Western legal tradition," he said.

Vogel emphasized that the establishment of the Center for Islamic Legal Studies "ties in with the globalization of HLS. Dean Clark is very strongly behind this effort, and HLS is beginning to reflect a genuine instinct to be driven by the whole world, not just US interests."

Prince Bandar bin Sultan, Saudi Arabia's Ambassador to the US, said that the "gift is part of the King's efforts to serve Islam worldwide."

Added Vogel: "There is a lot of excitement in the Muslim world over this. It's important that Westerners understand Islam and Islamic law, and this center will contribute greatly to that kind of cross-cultural understanding."



Prof. Frank Vogel, organizer of the new Islamic Law Center.

The center will be interdisciplinary, operating in cooperation with Harvard's Center for Middle Eastern Studies and other schools and departments. Students will "have everything available to them through the Center, from Arabic language programs to Islamic legal history," said Vogel.

"Harvard was already much more invested in Islamic law than any other US law school," added Vogel, "and with this gift we can make HLS one of the preeminent centers for the study of Islamic law outside of the Muslim world."

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HLS Faculty is Revamped

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said Dean Clark '72. "He will make a huge difference."

Clark added that he expects no less from Reuven Avi-Yonah '89 and Diane Ring, the two tax specialists slated to join the faculty as assistant professors over the next year. Avi-Yonah, who is currently an associate at Milbank, Tweed, Hadley & MacCloy in New York and co-chair of the tax policy committee of the New York State Bar Association tax section, is scheduled to arrive this January. Ring currently works at the DC firm of Caplin & Drysdale and will arrive in time for the 1994-95 academic year.

Avi-Yonah's arrival this spring will bring the teaching faculty to a total of 66.

Despite the new appointments, Harvard's current faculty is smaller than last year's. Professors Abram Chayes '49, Oliver Oldman '53, and Arthur von Mehren '45 all received emeritus status at the end of last year. Under the current policy, they can continue to teach at HLS for a fixed number of years, but must receive special permission from the Dean thereafter.

Professor Kathleen Sullivan's departure to Stanford Law School has also left HLS with one fewer woman professor. There are currently six women on the faculty, to be increased to seven when Ring arrives next year.

On official leave from the Law School are professors Christopher Edley '78 and

Phil Heymann '60, who took positions in the Clinton administration last spring. Edley now serves as the assistant director of the Office of Management and Budget. Heymann is the US deputy attorney general.

Active Appointments Year Expected

According to Dean Clark, the motto for appointments this year is "think big." He hopes for at least five and as many as ten new appointments before the year is out.

"The faculty is in a very strong position," Clark said, "but many challenges remain ahead of us. My main concern is to expand, and I hope to have an active year on the appointments front."

With additional classrooms and offices on the verge of completion in the Holmes Field Building, and money budgeted for new hires, the Law School is aiming to increase the faculty/student ratio. Both lateral hires and assistant professorships are being considered.

The appointments search will be guided by the need to fill gaps in the curriculum, especially those highlighted in the Legal Education Com-

mittee's official report last spring. High on the list of priorities are appointments in administrative law, commercial law, environmental law, gender discrimination, international business, legal profession, and property.



Reuven Avi-Yonah '89



Diane Ring

Students Accuse Movers of Stealing Possessions

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police were in contact with the Middlesex County district attorney's office. After police have finished their investigation, the district attorney will decide whether to seek a grand jury indictment of Thompson.

Several students say they have called Thompson repeatedly and left messages but he has not returned their calls. Kathy Ho '95, who alleges Thompson stole her refrigerator, printer, and fan, says she, her suitemate Cristina Espinosa '95 and Ho's mother have called Thompson a total of 15 to 20 times.

"He hasn't returned any of them," Ho said. "He hasn't called at all."

Espinosa said her TV, VCR, and printer remain missing.

Thompson claimed he has returned the calls of every student who called him. "All the ones who have called me, yes, I have," he said.

A few students say Thompson delivered some of their personal belongings like clothes. Approximately seven others tracked down some items at a nearby storage facility and retrieved them on their own.

Cathy Nino '95 located some of her belongings at the facility, but she said her TV, VCR, printer and stereo remain missing. The printer and two boxes of clothing were to have been shipped to her in Michigan the first week of June.

"We have no hope of getting any of our stuff back," said Nino. "It's gone."

Thompson advertised his services last spring by posting notices around campus. As late as Tuesday, one of the notices,

claiming that "professional service is our priority," remained posted at Three Aces restaurant on Massachusetts Avenue.

Thompson said he understood why the students thought he had robbed them.

"They don't have their things," he said. "So as far as they know I have them. I told them the garage was broken into."

The problems with Castle appear to be a case of a failed company, although affected students are reserving judgment.

LaWonda Love '95 said that Castle only delivered five of the seven parcels she had stored with the company. Her refrigerator and a large trunk full of clothes and personal items remain missing.

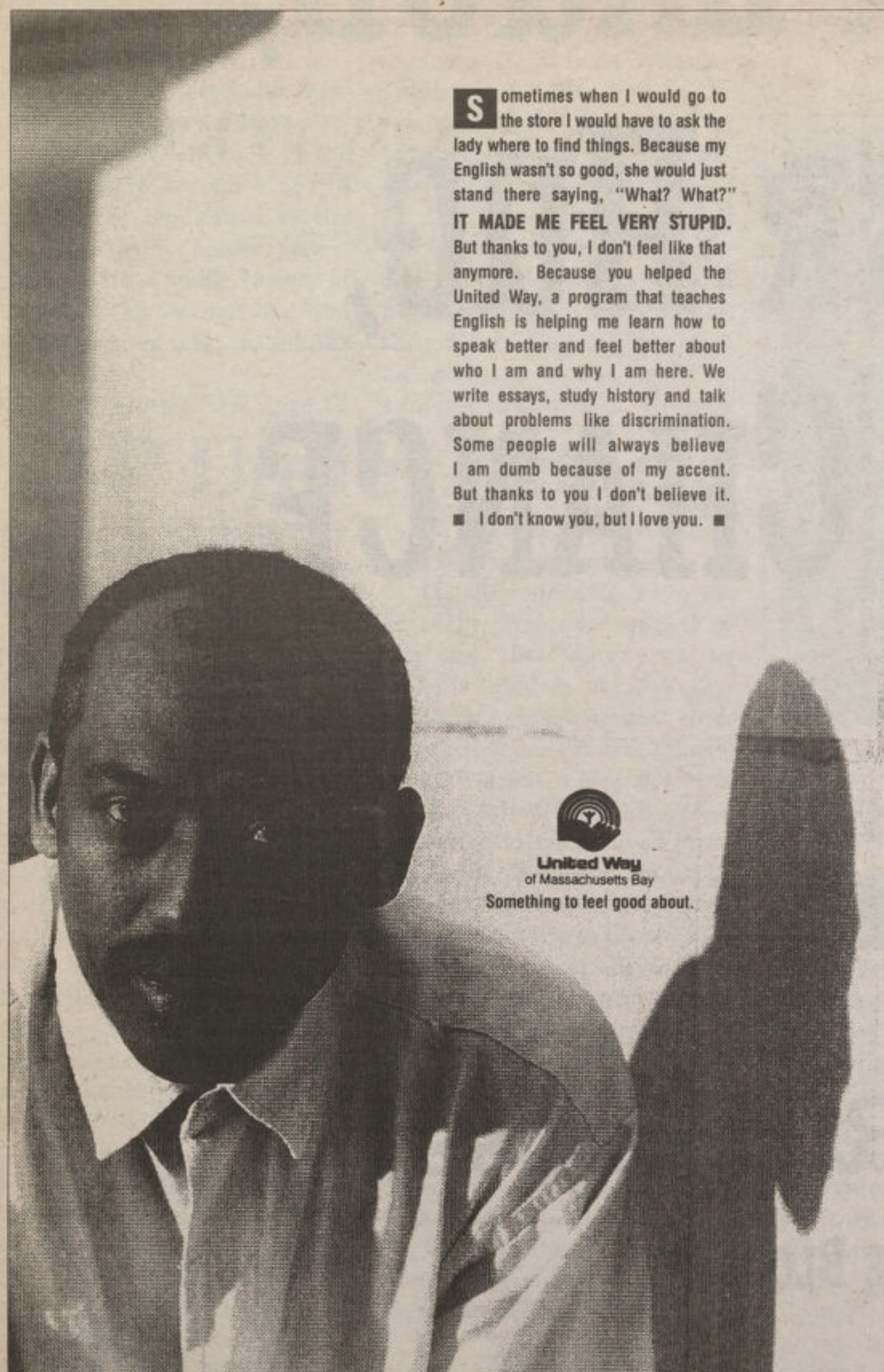
According to Love, when the five parcels arrived, the delivery people told her they had forgotten the refrigerator and the trunk.

"The most valuable stuff I had I put in the trunk," she said. "All my winter clothes are in there. I'm stuck in shorts."

Gail Gillespie '95 said that, as of Tuesday, she has not retrieved any of the more than 20 boxes she entrusted to Castle. After repeatedly calling the company, she learned that some items Castle had stored were at the Brookline storage facility. She made an appointment to visit the facility on Tuesday and arrived with a van but was told her belongings were being stored in Worcester.

Gillespie said individuals at the storage facility told her that Castle simply had overextended itself.

"I'm hoping that really is the story," she said. "I really don't know what's going on."



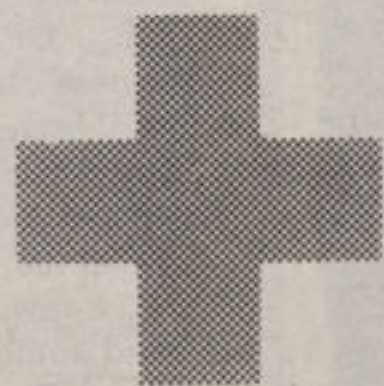
Sometimes when I would go to the store I would have to ask the lady where to find things. Because my English wasn't so good, she would just stand there saying, "What? What?"

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