

Cambridge mayor comes to give his thoughts on leadership

by DANIEL BARBARISI
Daily Editorial Board

Tufts has never had the best relationship with the surrounding communities of Somerville and Medford, an issue revisited each year when trouble arises between students and local residents. Just a little ways down Mass. Ave., however, lies a university with quite the opposite relationship — Harvard is Cambridge, in a unique way that makes Cambridge a town unlike any other. Last Wednesday, a small group of Tufts students were able to see what makes Cambridge tick from the mouth of its leader and spokesman, city Mayor Frank Duehay.

Mayor for a two-year term ending in January, Duehay came to campus to speak to 14 freshmen in the explorations class entitled, "Leadership and Group Dynamics," at the behest of one of the instructors, Duehay staffer Matt Klainer.

"We've been looking at leadership through a theoretical framework, both with current events examples and historical information," Klainer said. "I asked him to come in order to give a real-world perspective, letting us step out of the academic world for a little while and see how leaders function in the outside world."

A former director of the Lincoln-Filene Center at Tufts, Duehay had some complaints about the manner in which Tufts deals with the surrounding communities.

"Tufts should be doing better," he said. "We're all players in the community, and the communities do not run themselves alone. I think universities should be working in a variety of ways with the school system — In fact, I was recently talking to the new mayor of Somerville about it."

Cambridge functions in a manner unlike any other city — and, as such, Duehay has a job description different from that of most mayors. Cambridge is governed by a nine member city council which elects the mayor from among its own ranks. Its uniqueness, however, comes in the manner in which those officials are elected.

"Cambridge is the only city in the country that elects its officials by proportional representation," he explained. "It's a framework that ensures the community is more completely and accurately reflected than under a plurality system. But in terms of getting that group to come to terms with each other, people become very independent, and become more responsive to the particular group that elected them, and arguably less responsive to other groups."

"I run the city council. Or," Duehay paused, "I try

to run the city council.... It's nine people who have to work together to accomplish anything. In a sense, it's not my job to represent the community. I do not pretend to represent the electorate — I orchestrate the actions of a committee."

The day-to-day functions of the 100,000-person city are monitored by a City Controller, a salaried worker, leaving the council free to deal with larger issues, among them zoning laws and the finer points of the school system.

Referring to a zoning law passed during his tenure after a tough battle within the council, Duehay said, "if I could take you for a walk through Cambridge, I could point out house after house, development after development, store after store, that has been positively affected by this law."

In keeping with the theme of the class itself, Duehay gave his thoughts on leadership methods and styles in local government, illustrating the ideas with examples from his own experience.

"There are always leaders and followers," he began. "Now, there are traditional followers, who go along silently with what the leader tells them, and there are courageous followers," who he said actively participate in furthering the ideas of the leader they support. "I don't think there are many traditional followers anymore... I don't think there are people who follow blindly anymore."

"Most people don't get the opportunity to be a US Senator," he continued, "but thousands of people are involved in local government. In a place like Cambridge, you often don't have enough money to pay [staffers]. So you need to go out and convince them that you're the person that they want to work for. An elected leader really has to earn the confidence of the people who work for them."

One of the most difficult tasks Duehay has as mayor is motivating the various constituencies to both work in the community, and to come out to vote. Among these, one of the most difficult is the student population.

"It's very hard work; Harvard makes it incredibly difficult to reach students because they don't publish their student addresses." In an effort to motivate, Duehay often tries to address issues traditionally associated with the student population, among them, the T's hours of operation and the development of local hangout areas like Harvard and Central squares.

"In a place like Cambridge, the students could take over the city if they wanted to — but they don't want to."

Colombia's ongoing war against drug lords debated on campus

Journalist raises questions of where the responsibility lies

by JENNIFER TAKIGAWA
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In an address entitled "Crisis in Colombia," freelance journalist Frank Smyth brought Colombia's war against drugs home to Tufts last week. The talk came only days before two journalists covering a local election in the town of El Playon, Colombia were killed by a



Photo by Daniel Rodrigues
Frank Smyth

yet unidentified paramilitary faction. Almost 50 journalists have been killed in the country since 1989, putting Colombia among the most dangerous nations in which to practice journalism, according to the New York-based Committee to Protect Journalists.

The main ingredient in cocaine, coca, is processed in and exported from Colombia, making the country one of the most significant battlegrounds in the war against drugs. Although the US gives \$169 million a year to the Colombian government to combat the drug trade, Smyth said that most of the money is diverted to Bogota's counterinsurgency war against leftist guerrillas.

Smyth explained the Colombian drug trade using a pyramid structure. He said that one integral group in the drug trade is the formerly pro-Moscow Revolutionary Armed Forces of Colombia (FARC). He put FARC at the bottom of the pyramid, since it is at the root of the drug trade. Leftist guerrillas such as FARC allegedly protect Colombian peasants who produce

about half of the world's supply of raw coca leaf, one of the reasons Smyth was opposed to their continued activity. Following Smyth's lecture, a number of audience members used the question and answer period as an opportunity to show their disagreement with Smyth's views. Tensions ran high between Smyth and students who did not share his beliefs.

When talking about drug trafficking in Colombia, there are two wars to be dealt with: the political/military war and the drug war. While Smyth's lecture was in the context of the drug war, some Colombian audience members argued against his stance based on their own personal experiences with the civil and political war.

Smyth defended himself by saying that he dislikes FARC because it protects the Colombian peasants doing the drug processing.

"I'm challenging the notion that FARC is the center of this [drug war], and I don't think it makes

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Bradley shoots for student support



Daily file photo

Bradley, seen here with campus organizer Ann Maurer at MIT in October, will speak today in Cohen Auditorium at 1 p.m.

Bradley to deliver first foreign affairs talk at Tufts today

Foreign policy unveiled through question and answer with students

by BROOKE MENSCHER
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Campus will be abuzz today as national media and politicians venture to Tufts to hear presidential candidate Bill Bradley's much anticipated first foreign policy address. The former New Jersey senator is expected to bring a media circus to Tufts with him as he discloses his policy for the first time this afternoon.

Bradley is expected to assert that it is of key importance for America that goods, services, and ideas are able to be exchanged freely with other nations, *The New York Times* reported yesterday. One of the key points of Bradley's foreign policy program is that all nations, from the poorest to the richest, can benefit from increased trade and technology. These changes would encourage further spread of democracy world-wide.

Bradley will speak today in Cohen Auditorium at 1 p.m. The auditorium has the capacity to hold approximately 700 people. A portion of Cohen will be reserved for the local and national press, while the rest of the seats will be filled by Tufts undergraduates, graduate students, and faculty.

Tickets are available to students, free of charge, at the Aidekman box office from 9 a.m. until noon or until the supply is exhausted. Jackson gym will have over-flow accommodations, available to students once no tickets remain for Cohen. Seating in Jackson will be first come, first serve.

The Fletcher School of Law and Diplomacy was chosen as the location for Bradley's speech, entitled "American Leadership in a Rapidly Changing World," because of his long standing rela-

tionship with Fletcher dean John Galvin. The two met when Galvin was an Army general in Latin America and worked with Bradley on a number of projects on a variety of foreign policy issues.

Bradley is fighting to wrest the presidential nomination from Democratic favorite Vice President Al Gore. Gore's staff is reportedly in the process of trying to show that Bradley is not knowledgeable regarding foreign affairs.

With this in mind, the event will be organized in order to give Bradley an opportunity to demonstrate his knowledge and experience on a variety of foreign policy and international issues. Instead of a conventional lecture format, the speech is planned as a question and answer session with Tufts students.

Bradley's presentation was organized directly through the Fletcher School. The Tufts Students for Bill Bradley group, however, will be aiding Bradley's staff in assuring that the event runs smoothly, according to Ann Maurer, the group's campus organizer.

"I'm really excited that Bradley chose Tufts to unveil his foreign policy, not only because it puts Tufts in the national limelight, but also because there are a lot of Bradley supporters at Tufts," she said.

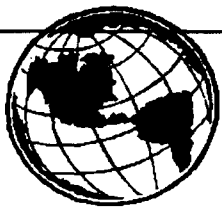
Although plans have been in the offing for weeks, Bradley's attendance remained uncertain until Friday, Nov. 19 when Terry Ann Knopf, Fletcher School publicist, received confirmation that he would, in fact, speak at Tufts.

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-Celebrate Bill Bradley's visit with the *Daily's* top ten political movies

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Clinton's lawyer, private eye reunite as Bradley boosters

WASHINGTON—President Clinton's lawyer and his private eye have teamed up again, but, no, he's not in trouble. This time it's Vice President Al Gore getting the bad news.

Robert S. Bennett, Clinton's personal lawyer, and Terry Lenzner, who served the President's legal and political teams by looking into the backgrounds of women in Clinton's past, are among the hosts of a fund-raising reception for Democratic presidential candidate Bill Bradley, to be held Dec. 2 in Washington.

Lenzner acknowledged that the election of Bradley, who is known as the straightest of arrows, wouldn't be very good for his business.

"But it'd be good for the country," Lenzner said with a laugh. "Like most of the country, we'd like somebody in the White House who would not get into the kind of activities this President got engaged in—and he was my client. People want something different."

Lenzner said he met Bradley in 1969, when Lenzner was legal services director of the Office of Economic Opportunity and Bradley used his summer break from the New York Knicks to volunteer to help perform field studies of antipoverty programs.

Two visions of global economy to collide at WTO meeting

SEATTLE—The global economy, or so its boosters proclaim, is luring the world into a future of fantastic riches—and no country will enjoy a greater windfall than the United States.

But a growing cadre of critics broods over darker visions of a sinister, nether world economy.

The two visions collide this week in Seattle, where representatives of nearly every nation in the world are converging to launch a new round of global trade talks that could determine the shape of the global economy for years to come.

Inside and outside the convention center, delegates and protesters alike will be struggling with the same, overarching question: Should the rules protect the rights only of those who profit from trade, while ignoring the many social questions that arise from how goods are made?

"Intellectually, I think it's very difficult to say that we're concerned with property rights, but not the effects of trade on workers and the environment," said Alan Wolff, a former deputy US trade representative and leading trade attorney.

Mainstream economists give globalization—the increasing flow of goods, services, people and money across national borders—much of the credit for boom times in the United States and better times overseas. Critics, by contrast, see capitalism run amok.

"Human rights, labor rights and environmental rights are being completely subordinated to the right to make a profit," maintained Julie Light, managing editor of Corporate Watch, an Internet magazine that is part of the growing movement against globalization in its current form. "There has to be some check on this."

Reparations plan spotlights Holocaust survivors' plight

NEW YORK—In a life filled with unspeakable tragedy, Elizabeth Roth has found a quiet haven: Once a month, she and other elderly Holocaust survivors gather at a small kosher restaurant in Brooklyn where they drink coffee, exchange small talk and deal with the traumatic past on their own terms.

A frail woman who lost her family at Auschwitz, Roth now wrestles with the medical and psychological burdens of advancing age. The hours she spends at the Coffee House, hosted by a local Jewish relief agency, are one of the few bright spots in her world.

In recent weeks, however, a cloud has been hovering over these gatherings. As word spreads of \$1.25 billion in assets that two Swiss banks will return to Holocaust victims—an agreement that a court may ratify this week—Roth and others have learned that they must fill out a long, unwieldy questionnaire to get cash payments of roughly \$500 to \$1,000 each.

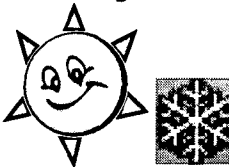
One stark question in particular has awakened painful memories: "Please describe, in as much detail as you can, where the subject was during the years 1934 through 1945," reads item D on page three of the six-page legal form approved by the US District Court for New York.

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The Daily Weekday Weather Forecast



Today



Mostly sunny AM,
afternoon flurries
High: 41

Tonight



Mostly cloudy,
scattered snow showers
Low: 30

Tuesday



Mostly cloudy,
blustery
High: 34

Today will be mostly sunny in the morning with increasing clouds in the afternoon and possible sprinkles or flurries later on. The high will be in the lower 40s. Tonight will be mostly cloudy with scattered snow showers, becoming blustery later on. The low will be around 30 and the chance of snow is 40 percent. Tuesday will bring more clouds and a 30 percent chance of snow showers with a high in the mid 30s. Gee, I hope Andrew comes back soon.

— Weather Forecast courtesy of weather.yahoo.com

'Tis the season to shop online Cyberspace is alternative for dorm-bound students

TMS Campus News Service
Sam Mix bought Christmas gifts for eight people, birthday presents for five more and some furniture for her own home, all in an hour and a half.

Thank cyberspace for e-commerce.

After years of schlepping through packed malls, Mix has turned to the Internet to avoid unruly crowds, frazzled clerks, and heavy traffic.

"It's changing my life," declares Mix, 32, a secretary in a Chicago Loop office. "E-commerce is the biggest, greatest thing."

Millions of traditionalists and mainline retailers might disagree. Old-fashioned stores—those with front doors, aisles, and human clerks—have been crowded all year, thanks to the booming economy. And they will be packed even tighter Friday as retailers herald the start of the holiday shopping season. Across the country, stores are opening early, some well before dawn, to accommodate the expected throngs.

Still, the embrace of on-line shopping by Mix and others is creating a challenge for brick-and-mortar stores as they vie for consumer dollars. Mall merchants and department stores are beefing up customer service, offering free gift wrapping and giving out deep discounts in an attempt to keep shoppers off-line and in line at the cash registers. Those are smart strategies in light of the fact that Internet analysts say this holiday season will be the biggest for e-commerce sales. Estimates for on-line shopping between Thanksgiving and New Year's Day range from \$4 billion to \$16 billion.

"It's going to be the coming-out year," said Mark Speaker, co-author of the *Complete Idiot's Guide to E-Commerce* and Presi-

dent of Learnlots.com, an Internet service that educates companies about electronic retailing.

Speaker, who estimates holiday on-line sales will reach \$12 billion, said web retailers are winning over consumers for three chief reasons: price, convenience, and selection. Unlike last year, Speaker said, "e-tailers" have recognized that they need to address such concerns as timely delivery, return policies, and security.

For instance, many on-line stores now guarantee gift delivery by Christmas.

"Trust has been built on the web," he said. "I believe next year people are going to think about shopping on-line first instead of comparing the two experiences."

Not so fast, say brick-and-mortar retailers, who point out that, even with the most optimistic projections, Internet sales will account for only a fraction of the estimated \$185 billion that will be spent in November and December. According to a consumer survey by Deloitte & Touche and the National Retail Federation, Americans are expected to spend an average of \$849 at traditional stores this season, a 4.3 percent increase over 1998.

In other words, expect the usual mobs to swarm North Michigan Avenue, Woodfield Shopping Center, and the other malls in and around Chicago on "Black Friday"—the term retailers have given to the traditional start of the shopping season on the day after Thanksgiving. The term comes from the fact that it often was the day retailers put their bottom lines in the black for the year.

"No question, shoppers will be out in force," said Kurt Barnard, President of Barnard's Retail Trend Report in Upper Montclair, N.J. Barnard said shopping isn't

purely a chore for most people but a form of entertainment. Internet sites can't replicate the sights and sounds of Christmas shopping.

Consider the attitude of Alvin Isacowitz, a tourist from Brooklyn who was visiting Chicago's Magnificent Mile on Wednesday with his wife and young daughters. Isacowitz said he despises shopping but refuses to go on-line to pick out holiday gifts. "I like to see it, feel it, mutilate it, and spin it," said the bag-laden Isacowitz. "The Internet is all flash and no substance. Plus, it's very difficult to take your children shopping on the Internet."

George Whalin, President of Retail Management Consultants in San Marcos, Calif., scoffs at the threat of e-commerce. "We're not losing sleep over it," Whalin said. "Retailers are focusing on how to maximize their sales on people coming through the doors in the next five weeks."

But many retailers are pumping up sales by plunging into cyberspace with their own sites. In the past year, major companies such as Toys 'R' Us, Foot Locker, Target, and Abercrombie & Fitch have started on-line stores. And they're attracting loads of customers, said Diane Swonk, chief economist for Chicago's Bank One Corp. "Brick-and-mortar shops are effectively competing against their cyberspace counterparts by leveraging their well-known names and putting dot-com behind them," she said.

With so many companies catering to the web-savvy customer, Sam Mix said she hardly steps into a traditional store anymore. She even orders her groceries on-line via Skokie-based Peapod Inc.

"My gifts are coming in a big brown sleigh that is the UPS truck," she said.

Many students disagree with Smyth's view

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sense for the US to wipe out the FARC," he said.

Smyth placed the cartels involved in the export of coca on the top of the pyramid.

He went on to say that United States officials fail to recognize the mid-portion of his pyramid, Colombia's right wing paramilitaries, which are involved in processing and transporting the coca leaves.

Since the 1960s, the US has been backing the Colombian mili-

tary in their fight against the FARC. Amid the debate over whether to escalate US drug-war aid to Colombia, Smyth questioned US bias against Colombia's leftist guerrillas such as those in the FARC.

Smyth explained that there are some, like General Barry McCaffrey, who want to double current US military aid to provide \$600 million to help Colombia defense forces fight off the leftist "narco-guerrillas."

"[The US] still want[s] to back our allies, but we can't take it in the name of communism because we're

not fighting against communism anymore," Smyth said.

Colombia is already the fourth largest recipient of US foreign aid in the world after Israel, Egypt, and Jordan, making it the largest US backed counterinsurgency effort since Vietnam.

Smyth served as an investigative consultant for Human Rights Watch, as well as for Amnesty International, and writes about drug trafficking for publications such as *The Washington Post*, *The Village Voice*, *The New Republic*, and *The Wall Street Jour-*

Features

Do you copy?

This is the first time — or, at least, the first time in a while — that a Featuring has been written by a copy editor. And most of you are probably wondering, “what is a copy editor anyway? I’ve never seen this girl’s name under a byline before, why is she writing?”

Okay, so I can answer the first question for you pretty easily — a copy editor is generally the last person to read the newspaper before it gets printed. We see the paper the way it will look in final

Featuring...

**Karen
Forseter**

print and look it over for all grammatical, typographical, layout, and other mistakes. Now, you’re either thinking, “wow, you have an important job,” or “if you got stuck doing that job, they must really not like you down there at the *Daily*.”

Actually, I love what I do. In high school I worked as a writing center tutor during lunch and after school, helping other students with their papers. I’d always been pretty good at proofreading and enjoyed it, so working there was a great way to use that skill. When I got to college, I kept up my editing by volunteering to read my friends’ papers, as long as they didn’t mind the marks I would put all over them and my chicken scratch handwriting (let’s put it this way, it’s a good thing you’re seeing this typed). But outside of that, I wasn’t doing much correcting. In fact, I wasn’t even doing much writing because I became a quantitative economics major (yes, I like saying that just to scare people).

Outside of my major, I became involved in a variety of extracurricular activities. Like most freshmen, I put myself on way too many organizations’ e-mail lists and gradually picked and chose what was important. By sophomore year I had it more planned out; I became the president of Tufts Friends of Israel and co-chair of Hillel’s conservative committee. I worked hard with others planning programs and running religious services, but somehow I wasn’t completely happy. I loved both organizations, but I didn’t like being the one organizing the events. And part of me missed what I did in high school and longed to get back to it.

So, after two years of involving myself in all different activities on campus, I decided to ask about something I had been wondering for a while: “How do you become a copy editor for the *Daily*?” I had thought I would need to be a writer first because that was the policy of the newspaper at my high school. If you wanted to be any kind of editor, you had to write first, and that didn’t interest me at all. When I finally inquired about the *Daily*, it turned out I didn’t have to write, so there was nothing holding me back.

I volunteered to help with the commencement issue since I knew I’d be on campus then. The people in charge told me to come down to Curtis Hall around 9 p.m. I think. All I remember for certain is that I was there until 7 a.m. the next day. I think the other people working must have thought I was crazy, because here I was, not even officially on the *Daily*, and I spent the entire night there. For those of you who don’t know me, I am a night person, but even I can admit that 7 a.m. is a bit excessive. Even so, I had a great time, and I knew that I had found a way to get back to what I loved doing.

At the beginning of this, my junior year, I decided I wanted to work for the newspaper on a regular basis. I put in the time and the effort, and I felt appreciated. Because of my help at key times, I became a copy editor and I’ve been having a great time with it. After my late commencement issue night, I’ve tried to be around for a lot of the bigger issues that run into the morning hours. Sure, most readers out there have no idea that I exist, much less any about what I do. That’s okay; maybe that’s why I’m writing for once.

I’m not saying that everyone should join the *Daily* (although I’m sure some of our editors would appreciate it), just that it’s never too late to start something new. One of the coolest stories I heard was of a man who, although he was retired and living among other retired peers, decided to go to medical school at age 60 or so. He had his residency and then practiced for ten years before being forced to retire again. When friends asked him about it, he said those were the best ten years of his life; he finally did something he really loved.

I heard that story on the radio while driving to work this summer. It made me think about my job and realize that the part I liked best about it was the proofreading. I interned for the office in charge of mental health and substance abuse grants under the Department of Health and Human Services, and a lot of my work, like most internships, involved photocopying and mailing. However, my boss let me assist her in editing the official summary statements of the grant applications, a task that the other interns did their best to avoid. For me, however, this meant putting my skill to a practical use.

The story on the radio made me see that I was doing something I liked. I knew I should continue to do it to be happy, and working at the *Daily* has made that possible for me.

Maybe you won’t find something you like at Tufts, but there’s always Boston across the river where there are a lot of jobs and internships available. Whether you’re a freshman or a senior, you can always start something new. So don’t be afraid to try that thing you’ve been meaning to do; make the time and do it. I found something I love to do right at Tufts: copy editing.

Karen Forseter is a Copy Editor of the Daily. She’ll probably read over your next paper for you if you ask her nicely.

Nike hopes to remain a foot ahead of the competition with new personalized shoe design

Website allows customers to create their own sneakers

by KELLY WISNEWSKI

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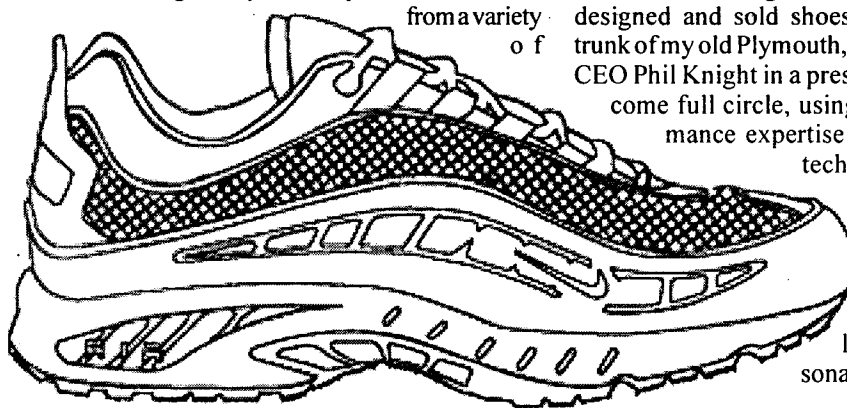
In an age when so many people display their own identities with vanity license plates and monogrammed “his and hers” towels, it’s no wonder that personalization has reached the clothing industry. Now, Nike is giving its customers the opportunity to design their own sneakers.

Anyone who wants to feel like a sports star, with their own customized sneaker, can visit the NIKE iD section of Nike’s website (www.nike.com) and purchase a personalized pair. Visitors to the site are led through a personalization process, where different aspects of the sneaker are chosen to their liking. Both men and women have two choices for the basic model of sneaker — either the Air Famished iD for cross training, or the Air Turbulence iD for running.

Once a model is picked out, the customer chooses from a variety of base color combinations, and then chooses an accent color. There are four base color combinations for the Air Turbulence iD, three base color combinations for the Air Famished iD, and six accent colors available for both models. Nike says that the color limitations are due to technical considerations, material limitations, and because some color combinations “would be just too darn ugly.”

The final step is to submit a personal identification, which can be up to eight characters and/or numbers long. Although Nike gives the customer a good deal of leeway as far as choices for a personal design, the company filters the personal identifications for offensive material that they do not want placed on their sneakers. Once customers have finished their design, they can inspect their creation

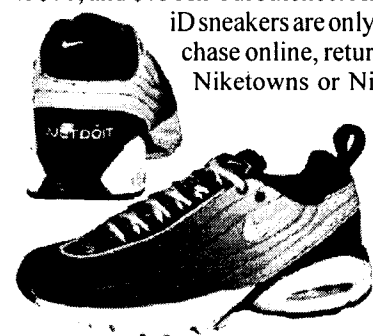
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Pictures courtesy of www.nike.com

angles on the site.

The service has been available for only a week so far, just in time for holiday shopping. The Air Famished iD costs \$80, and the Air Turbulence iD costs \$85, both in addition to shipping charges. Estimated delivery time is between two and three weeks of the completed order. The suggested retail price from the Nike online store for a regular Air Famished sneaker is \$70, and \$75 Air Turbulence. Although the NIKE



iD sneakers are only available for purchase online, returns can be made at Niketowns or Nike factory stores nationwide, as well as by mail.

Only 400 orders for the NIKE iD sneakers are accepted per day, and the availability is limited to the United

States for now. However, the company hopes to expand its customization operation in the future. With the growth of new technology and the expansion of Nike’s infrastructure to accommodate the delivery of personalized products, the company hopes to offer more sneakers and other personalized products to meet the needs of customers. The website states, “while we have big ideas for the future, we recognize that without your participation, we can only go so far. Your role is as important as ours in designing and delivering truly personalized products and services.”

“NIKE iD brings us back to our roots, when we designed and sold shoes one-by-one out of the trunk of my old Plymouth,” said Nike Chairman and CEO Phil Knight in a press release. “We have now come full circle, using our design and performance expertise combined with Internet

technology to offer customized products. This holiday season marks the first time in our history that consumers have the opportunity to literally leave their mark on a personalized pair of Nike shoes.”

Somerville joins in nationwide campaign against hate crimes

In response to an increase in the incidence of hate crimes across the nation, several cities are joining together to put a stop to them through a campaign called “No Place for Hate.” Recently, the City of Somerville has signed on to this campaign, with a pledge to stop hate crimes including vandalism, words of disrespect, harassment, acts of violence, and even murder.

State and local leaders gathered on Sept. 27 at the State House in Boston to launch the statewide campaign. The main goal of the No Place for Hate campaign is to set community standards of respect for diversity. It strives to end racism, anti-Semitism, and bigotry of all kinds. The program is sponsored by the Anti-Defamation League (ADL), the Massachusetts Municipal Association (MMA), and 50 other organizations.

“The MMA, on behalf of Massachusetts communities, is grateful to ADL for creating this program that will give cities and towns an opportunity to make a difference by supporting the primary goals of the program — awareness and understanding,” MMA Executive Director Geoffrey C. Beckwith said in a press release.

Through the program, cities and towns work toward being declared “No Place for Hate.” To participate, communities must fulfill one mandatory requirement, and then select three other activities from a list of over 30 programs and projects. All of this must be completed by Dec. 31, 2000.

Some of these activities include anti-bias training for teachers and administrators in city school systems, and the creation of signs displayed at the city hall that symbolize the city’s ideal of diversity.

When Somerville completes the programs for the campaign, a plaque will be awarded to the city hall. This will serve as a sign for the “entrance” to the community, and will be listed in a regional registry of participating municipalities.

“On behalf of the ADL, Massachusetts Municipal Association, and over 50 other coalition members, we are thrilled to have the City of Somerville begin the process toward being declared No Place for Hate,” said Kelly Vest, ADL assistant director, in a press release. “By taking part in this program, the community of Somerville will be helping to set a standard of respect for diversity and anti-bias efforts, not only in their city, but in the larger community as well. We look forward to working with members of the Somerville community to achieve this very important goal.”

—Kelly Wisnewsiki

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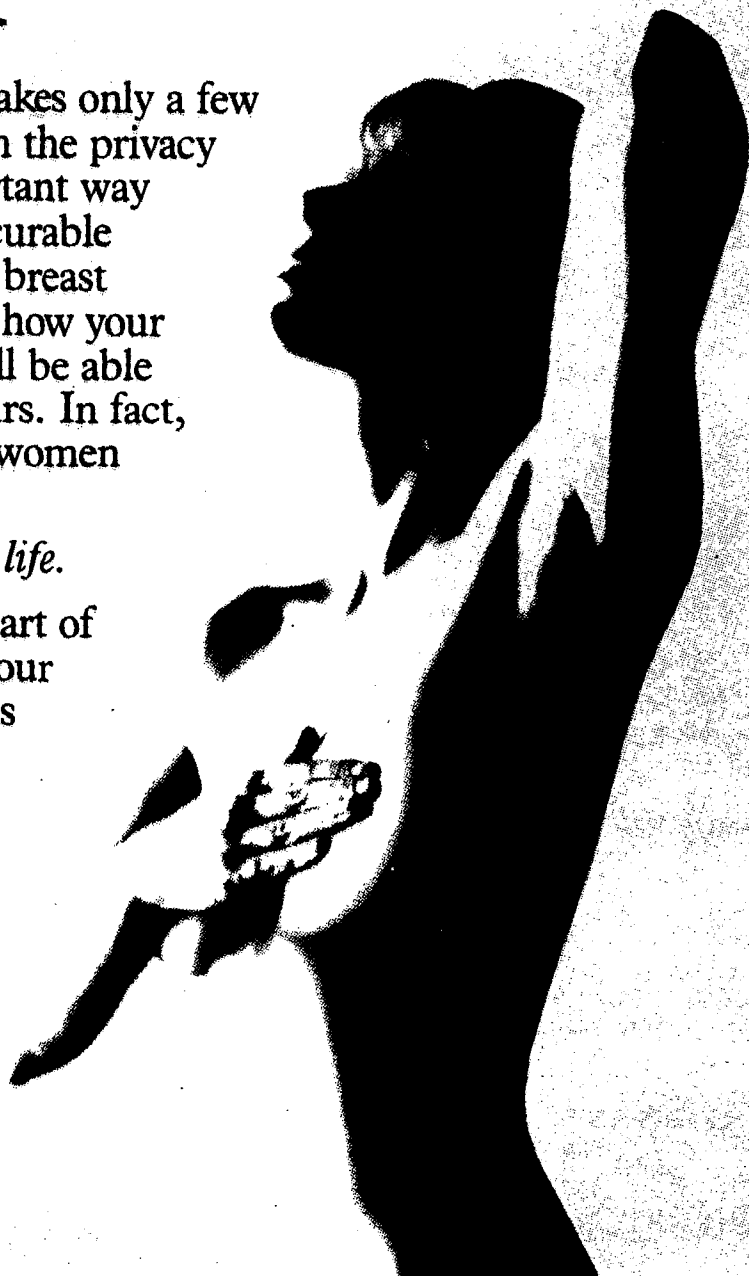
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Arts & Entertainment

Politics in film explored

The *Daily's* all-time top ten political movies

by ROBERT LOTT
Daily Editorial Board

With former Senator and presidential candidate Bill Bradley visiting Tufts today, Jumbos across campus are getting psyched for the rapidly approaching presidential race. The first primaries are just a few months away, and television, radio, newspapers, and magazines will soon be filled with an

uneasy melange of campaign promises and cruel mudslinging.

With such an important position at stake during a crucial time in our nation's history, it would be easy to be intimidated by such a momentous decision. It will ultimately influence our lives in numerous very real and permanent ways. So why not start with something not so real and a little more entertaining: movies.

It's the perfect

way to get your

feet wet in the

complex the

world of politics.

To make choos-

ing a few flicks a

little easier, we

here at the Arts

Department put

together a list of

the best political

films out there.

They're loaded

with treachery,

murder, sex, and

bribes: and those

are just the docu-

mentaries! Actu-

ally, a lot of the

fun in watching

these films comes

when you try to

figure out what's

true and what's

fiction. It is

harder than you

think. Of course,

it is not just the

inexperienced

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can benefit from

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the atrocious accusations thrown at the candidates in these movies, Bradley won't mind those pesky questions about why New Jersey smells the way it does. It could be worse, you know.

1. The Candidate

At once realistic and satirical, this film features Robert Redford as a naïve, young lawyer roped into running for Senator. In the process of his campaign, he learns the sad dark truth about the way people in the world of politics really function. It won the Oscar for best original screenplay in 1972 and features some of the most witty and caustic dialogue seen in a long time. From the director of *Bad News Bears*, Michael Ritchie, how could it be bad?

2. Bob Roberts

This fake documentary stars Tim Robbins as a simple folk singer who decides to run for Senator in Pennsylvania. He uses both his winning smile, a loyal entourage, and a whole slew of dirty politics to win the seat. Both written and directed by Robbins, the story is both hilarious and chilling in its ominous predictions about the future of politics. Interestingly enough, some of his predictions have come true already.

3. Dave

This is a fun story about a simple guy, like you and me, who gets suckered into playing the president because he looks exactly like the man the people

elected. When the real chief executive suffers a stroke he is thrust into the position full-time. Good-natured and full of hearty laughs, this winner features Kevin Kline in the title role and Sigourney Weaver as the estranged First Lady.

4. Nixon

Only Oliver Stone could give us a British Sir Anthony Hopkins and make us believe he is one of the most infamous American presidents of our time. This lengthy epic portrays Tricky Dick as both despicable and pitiful, a true tragic hero. Of course, the director inserts a few of his always controversial suppositions about the way things might have been. But then again, isn't that what movies are for?

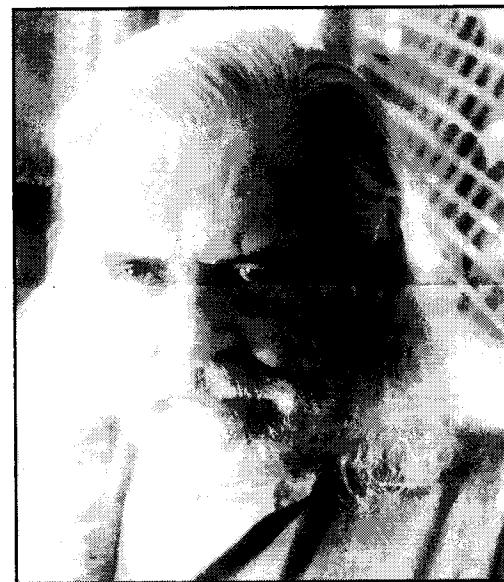
5. Wag the Dog

With a screenplay by David Mamet and stars like Robert De Niro and Dustin Hoffman playing off each other, this satire reaches absurd heights as we get a look into back room, executive office spin-doctoring. With an election approaching and a potential career-ending controversy hitting the fan, Hollywood creativity finds its way into the White House in more ways than simply the obvious ones.

6. The American President

Another all-American typical romantic com-

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Morissette mellows on 'MTV Unplugged,' recasts own image

Los Angeles Times-Washington Post News Service

When Alanis Morissette first leapt into the limelight back in 1995, the word most often associated with her work was "angry." Thanks largely to the emotional resonance teen-age girls found in the vengeful intensity of "You Oughta Know," Morissette's breakthrough single, the singer was hailed as a new kind of feminist hero, an angry young woman who stood as the distaff equivalent to alt-rock's tortured young men.

Never mind that many of the songs on *Jagged Little Pill*, her debut album, didn't quite fit this pigeonhole; as far as the pundits were concerned, Morissette's aesthetic could be boiled down to "you live, you learn/you rage, you burn."

Morissette, however, would not be so easily categorized. *Supposed Former Infatuation Junkie*, released just over a year ago, supplanted her first album's fury with spirituality and self-reflection. Now, *MTV Unplugged* goes a step further and recasts the wrath of those early

songs as wisdom and transcendence.

Not for nothing does the album open with the low-key jauntiness of "You Learn." As her band eases into an almost jazzy shuffle, Morissette advises, "I recommend getting your heart trampled on/To anyone."

Where once the lyric seemed infused with the bitterness of hard-won experience Morissette now presents the song as a saga of goodness and growth. It's almost as if she believes that the only way we can become better is by occasionally doing stupid things, and that she who dares most, gains most.

Or, to quote the second verse: "I recommend biting off more than you can chew/To anyone." *MTV Unplugged* itself doesn't find Morissette biting off much in the way of new material. Although three of the album's dozen titles are making their first appearance on CD, none are exactly new. The moody, discursive "No Pressure Over Cappuccino" made its first appearance in Morissette's repertoire during the *Jagged* tour,

while "Princes Familiar" and "These R the Thoughts" were written for (though not included on) *Infatuation Junkie*.

Then again, this album seems less about breaking new ground than shattering old stereotypes. After a year on the road, touring behind the *Infatuation Junkie* album, Morissette has settled into a comfortable, confident groove, offering a stage presence as powerful as on her first tour, yet operating on an entirely different wavelength.

Nowhere is this more evident than on the hits. "Ironie," reset in an easy, mostly acoustic arrangement that emphasizes not the momentum of the melody but the space between notes, has become a cosmic joke that has even Morissette chuckling to herself, while "Head Over Feet" undercuts its own self importance with a delightfully incompetent harmonica solo.

Even the most serious songs have been given a new take. Although "You Oughta Know" is still shot-through with rage and

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'Beau Jest' to be performed at Hillel this weekend

This weekend, the Hillel Theater Troupe will be making a comeback after a two year hiatus with the hit comedy *Beau Jest*. This fun and hysterical play by James Sherman tells the tale of how far one character will go to make her parents happy. The play examines the timeless problems that arise when one seeks true love while trying to satisfy family at the same time.

The comedy, directed by seniors Brian Schneider and Dara Resnik, is a riotous comedy about a young Jewish woman, Sarah Goldman, who is deeply in love with her boyfriend, Chris. There is one small problem though. Chris is not Jewish, and Sarah, who intends to marry him, realizes that this fact could cause havoc in her family. She decides to hire an unsuspecting actor to play her beau in order to keep her parents placated. The story proceeds with the actor's comical attempts to portray a Jewish doctor. His knowledge of Judaism, however, is a bit limited. He bases his medical skills on episodes of *ER* and his knowledge of Jewish culture on his familiarity with the end-all, be-all of Jewish musicals, *Fiddler on the Roof*. One can only imagine the craziness that ensues from this bizarre situation!

The second act, of course, keeps the laughs rolling. The cast of *Beau Jest* features a diverse group of actors who are all new to the Tufts stage, but have a great deal of past experience in theater. The comedy will star senior Alan Silver, junior Matthew Waterson, sophomore Rebecca Cohen-Shrage, and freshmen Melissa Holman, Lara Saïpe, and Evan Weinberg.

Director Brian Schneider feels the show will appeal to those of any faith, as the difficult themes of interfaith relationships and domineering parents are explored with lightheartedness and intelligent commentary. "Everyone can relate to this show," says Schneider, "as we've all tried to impress our parents at one time or another." He adds that the play's humor is "extremely clever and really makes you laugh throughout the show."

Performances are this Saturday, Dec. 4th at 8PM and Sunday, Dec. 5th at 7PM at the Granoff Family Hillel Center on campus. Tickets are \$5 each and are available at the Hillel office or by calling 627-3242.

—by Alison Damast

Bradley's visit prompts our top ten list

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edy, we are given Michael Douglas as a widowed president searching for love while holding the nation's highest office. Typical fare from director Rob Reiner, this one tries to pull on our heartstrings and succeeds.

7. All the King's Men

An old one but still a great one. Based on the novel by Robert Penn Warren, it tells the story of the tragic rise and fall of Southern governor Willie Stark and his lackey, Jack Burden. The novel is itself based loosely on the story of demagogue and Louisiana Governor Huey Long. It was made in 1949 but still fares well today. A classic.

8. All the President's Men

For all of those aspiring investigative reporters out there, this one is for you. It is the story of *Washington Post* reporters Bob Woodward (Robert Redford) and Carl Bernstein (Dustin Hoffman) taking on the Watergate scandal with little support and few leads. They end up, however, breaking the story wide open. Watch for those eerie parking garage scenes with the mysterious Deep Throat.

9. Mr. Smith Goes To Washington

For everyone out there who thinks that our government is corrupt and wishes they could go to D.C. and change a few things, Jimmy Stewart is the man for you. In this classic, directed by Frank Capra, a

newly elected Senator arrives to take his seat and is immediately overwhelmed by dirty politicians itching to capture his idealism and take advantage of it before he knows what hit him. He stands his ground, though, and fights the mob simply to do the right thing.

10. President Clinton's Testimony for Kenneth Starr's Special Investigation

Sure to go down in history as a sad day for democracy and the White House. This one provides hours of fun on a rainy day. Slick Willy comes clean discussing his relationships with all kinds of people. Some of those people care for him. Others work for him. Some are kind. Some are cunning. Some are loyal. And some just suck.

Alanis shatters stereotypes with new *Unplugged* album

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revenge, Morissette doesn't burn so much as smolder, switching the focus from the protagonist's feelings to the misdeeds of her former lover. By scaling the arrangement down and pulling the energy back, Morissette lets us hear the song, not the fury, and that makes a world of difference.

Of course, it doesn't hurt that she prefaces "You Oughta Know"

with a cover of the old Police song, "King of Pain." Perhaps because she herself has been portrayed as a Queen of Pain, Morissette sees through to the self-mockery at the song's core and presents it with wry humor that respects the melody while asking us to think about the lyrics.

It's entirely typical of what Morissette does on her *MTV Unplugged* and one more reason for us to reconsider our sense of the singer.

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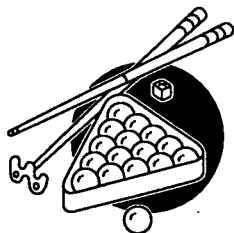
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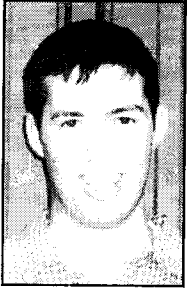
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Sports

Jon Japha

Inside a rivalry

My Thanksgiving break took me home to Colorado, and I was fortunate to land a ticket to the best game in town. Every Friday after Thanksgiving the Colorado Buffaloes play the Nebraska Cornhuskers. In past years, this game has meant a trip to the Orange Bowl and a shot at a National Championship, but, more than anything, this game is about pride.



Mile High

For Nebraska, a team that is almost always in the National Championship hunt, beating Colorado has become second nature, but it still views the post-Thanksgiving game with a little more passion than its games with other strong Big 12 teams.

Yeah, this rivalry used to be important back in the late 80s and early 90s, when Colorado was a perennial national powerhouse and Nebraska, under coach Tom Osborne, was still searching for a Bowl victory. In fact, the joke in Colorado went: Why does Tom Osborne eat cereal off of a plate? Because he can't reach a bowl.

Now those jokes don't have the same effect with Nebraska winning three National Championships in the past five years. Nebraska has won the past eight matchups in a rivalry that used to be grouped among the best in the country. For Nebraska, it's just another important game and nothing more.

That is not the case at all in Colorado. For the Buffaloes, this game is the season. They could go 0-10, beat the Huskers, and go out happy. Hatred towards Nebraska is taught to Colorado youth from birth. I know nothing more than to hate anyone with a Nebraska license plate. If you're born in Colorado, you can't look at red — Nebraska's obnoxious color — without thinking about the program that Nebraska has built. Of course, we think about the negative aspects of the program — the Lawrence Phillips and the Christian Peters, who assaulted and battered their way through school. We ignore the eight straight beatings and the three National Championships.

All we know is that Nebraska players are criminals, their coach is a deity in the state, and the rabid fans are hicks and rednecks and farmers who have nothing better to do than drive eight hours on a Saturday to watch their beloved Huskers play, even though most of them couldn't have graduated from third grade. This is just what we're taught.... I don't really think it's the truth.... Maybe.

For one insane week you cannot wear red in Boulder. When one Colorado assistant coach wore a red plaid shirt to practice, his players tore it off and continued practice with a shirtless coach. The town is plastered Black and Gold and "Huck the Fusers" signs are ubiquitous.

Personally, I couldn't wait to see a big-time college game. Throughout the game, I kept drawing comparisons to Tufts' football games, and none were favorable. The atmosphere in Boulder was electric. Kids and adults, both donning Black and Gold face paint, surrounded us in the 52,000-seat stadium.

One of Colorado's mascots is a real buffalo, which runs around the field at the beginning of each half. For the first time in as long as anyone can remember, though, it refused to run. This was an inauspicious start for the Buffs, who were 14-1/2 point underdogs and showed it through the first three quarters, trailing 27-3 entering the fourth. What amazed me was that not only had no one left, we hadn't even sat down the entire game! At Tufts, if the Jumbos are in the midst of a blowout, students head back to their dorm rooms and then sit down.

It was as if eight years worth of experience had told the fans that this game was far from over. It didn't matter that the Buffs were unranked and getting manhandled by the number three team in the country, the fans remained standing. The 45-year-old engineering student in front of us kept drinking heavily out of his cooler, and yelled a variation of the "Huck the Fusers" sign. His prayers were answered, as the Buffs hucked the fusers into a tie score, at 27-27, and had a 34-yard field goal with one second left in regulation to win.

We were all planning the best route onto the field. CU's kicker had already made a 49-yarder, and there was no question he was putting this one through. We were ready to charge the field, tear down the goal posts, pass them up the stadium, and throw them over. Sure, it's a little dangerous, but when you haven't beaten a team in eight years, a few lives can be sacrificed for the sake of mob violence.

These grand schemes never materialized, though, as the wind, or some ungodly presence, pushed the ball wide right. I'm pretty sure the old engineering student in front of us started to cry, and I couldn't blame him. He had put his heart and soul and liver on the line for the game, and came up empty.

After CU lost the game in overtime, an amazing thing happened. No one left the stadium. Both the players and the fans were in shock, and no one could move. The undulating emotions had taken its toll on everyone in Boulder. The Buffs had gone from a 24-point deficit to a chance to win the game, and now it was over before anyone was ready.

So what's the point of this little narrative? I think it's to show that it doesn't matter what level of football your school is playing, if your team is in a big game, you should be there the whole time, standing, cheering, crying when they lose, charging the field when they win, and drinking heavily out of a cooler the whole way. Sure, Tufts could use a legitimate rival, but why don't we support our teams fully every week?

Jumbos drop two close games at NYU Invitational Tourney

Tufts falls victim to turnovers without starting point guard

by BEN OSHLAG

Daily Editorial Board

The men's basketball team took a small step in the wrong direction during the NYU Invitational Tour-



Men's Basketball

namment on Nov. 20 and 21. Tufts suffered two close losses to open the season, falling to RPI and NYU by scores of 75-69 and 66-63, respectively. The Jumbos are not too worried about the slow start, however, since they have overcome a number of obstacles and are already starting to show signs of improvement.

"We're 0-2, but we weren't at full strength, and we played two good teams," coach Bob Sheldon said. "To play them both down to the last shot the way we did I think says a lot for where we're going this year. It's just a matter of getting everybody healthy and getting back."

Tufts faced off against host NYU in the consolation game on Sunday, Nov. 20 after losing to RPI the day before. Even though Tufts put together an all-around solid game, the team was unable to keep up with its opponent, gradually falling farther and farther behind. Nor did the Jumbos help themselves, committing 13 turnovers in the first period. By the half, NYU had built up a solid nine-point lead, despite shooting just 35 percent from the floor.

The lead grew to as much as 16 in the second half before the Jumbos began to mount a comeback. Tufts slowly battled its way back into the game, with junior co-captain Dan Flaherty leading the way. Flaherty scored 13 points in the final ten minutes, and the Jumbos cut the margin down to four with 4:17 left on the clock. The team could not overcome the deficit,

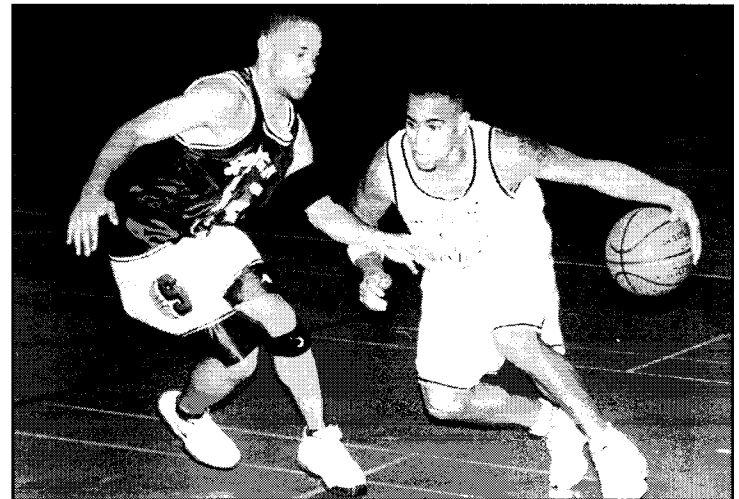


Photo by Daniel Rodrigues

Graduate student Mike Andrews filled in at point guard for Tufts, contributing 20 points and eight assists in two games.

however. NYU forward Brian Beggans had six points down the stretch to help his team hold on to its lead, and graduate student Mike Andrews' field goal with five seconds remaining could only cut it to 66-63. That was as close as the Jumbos would get, as all NYU had to do was let the clock tick down.

Despite the loss, the Jumbos came away from the game with a number of positives. The biggest was the play of Flaherty, who dominated in the paint, scoring 30 and grabbing 17 rebounds while playing all but one minute of the game. He also demonstrated his ability away from the basket, sinking two of four three-point attempts, while going 4-5 from the free throw line.

"[Flaherty] had a great game," Sheldon said. "He's our number one option and they realized it. We're going to go to him, and I think he's going to have a great year."

Andrews also stepped up his play, settling into the point guard position to put up 11 points and five assists to just two turnovers. As a whole, Tufts was able to cut down significantly on turnovers in the second half, only giving up the ball four times. The Jumbos edged out their opponents on the boards, holding a 38-36 advantage in rebounds, and shot 47 percent compared to NYU's 41.

"We didn't want to have to play NYU in the first game on Sunday, but we had to," Sheldon said. "We played a good game, we out-rebounded them, and we shot better from the field. They're a pretty good team, too, and we did everything and just came up short."

The loss came just one day

after Tufts' season opener against RPI. The game was tight the whole way, and the Jumbos held the lead heading into the final minutes of the game. RPI was able to put a run together and overtake the Jumbos, however, and came away with a 75-69 victory.

"It was a close, back-and-forth game the whole way," Sheldon said. "We were ahead with about five or six minutes left. They were 17-8 last year with only one senior, though, and their experience just came through in the end."

Tufts led 42-37 at the half after shooting a red-hot 63.2 percent in the opening period, but turnovers plagued the team throughout the game and the Jumbos could not hold on to their lead. With junior co-captain Bobby Mpuku out, and Andrews and Flaherty, who finished with 14 points despite limited playing time, in foul trouble, the team lacked the on-court leadership and experience it needed to take care of the ball. The result was a disappointing 28 turnovers, a setback the team could not overcome.

"The whole story [against RPI] was turnovers," Sheldon said. "Not to make an excuse, but Bobby Mpuku didn't play. We'd been building up for two and a half weeks to have him play at the point, and Mike [Andrews] just started practicing [at point guard] Monday. We kind of did it point guard by committee, and it was tough for us to get in the flow of stuff. There's nothing that could have hurt us more than missing our point guard the first game."

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UPCOMING SCHEDULE

Monday, November 29
No Games Scheduled

Tuesday, November 30
Men's Basketball: @ Suffolk, 7:30 p.m.
Women's Basketball: vs. Babson, 7 p.m.
Women's Squash: @ Wellesley, 7 p.m.

Men's Basketball Statistics

Record: 0-2

Name	FG	ATT	FG%	FT	FTA	FT%	REB	AST	PTS	PPG
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Paul Smith	11	17	64.7	4	6	66.7	8	5	28	14.0
Mike Andrews	7	11	63.6	5	7	71.4	6	8	20	10.0
Bobby McMannis	4	10	40.0	2	3	66.7	3	4	14	7.0
Fred Pedroletti	4	12	33.3	4	6	66.7	11	3	12	6.0
Eddie Vazquez	0	0	0.0	2	3	66.7	0	0	2	2.0
Kyle Van Natta	1	6	16.7	0	0	0.0	5	1	3	1.5
Tom Bernier	1	1	100.0	0	0	0.0	5	1	2	1.0
Lee Neugebauer	1	4	25.0	0	1	0.0	3	0	2	1.0
Brandon McKenzie	1	1	100.0	0	0	0.0	2	0	2	1.0
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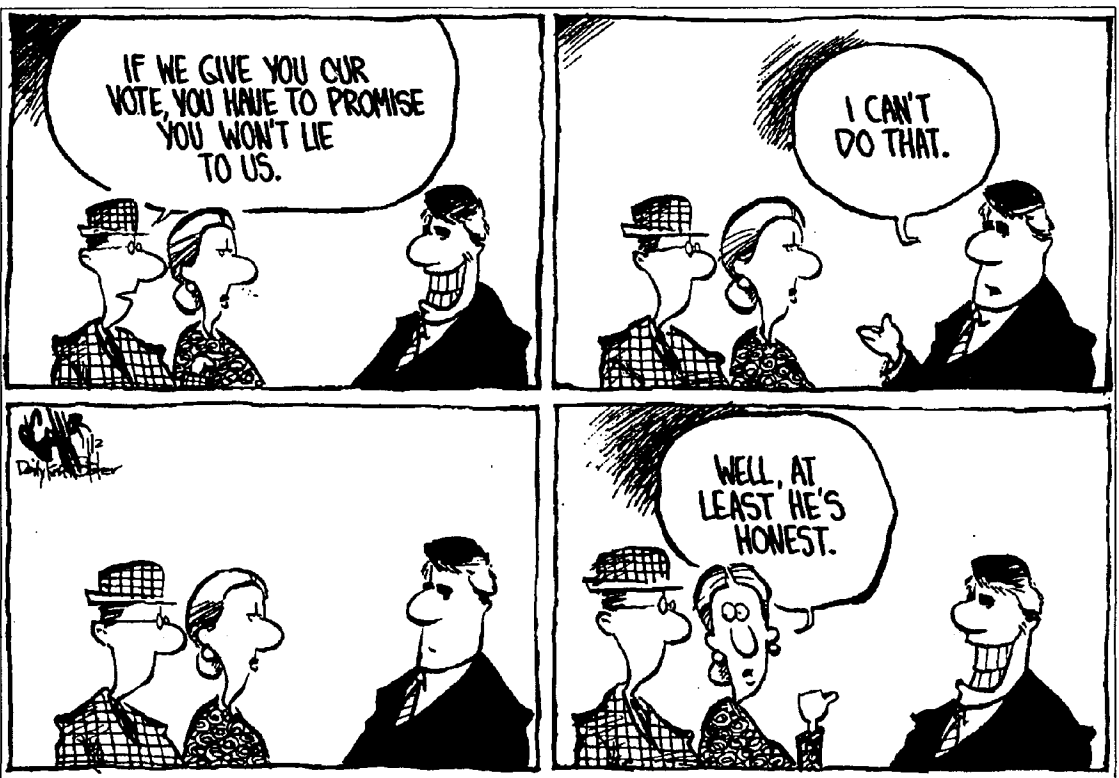
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Off the Hill

Religion thriving on campuses across US

TMS Campus News Service
CHICAGO — Religion is thriving on college campuses, but it doesn't look much like the high-church services students' parents may have attended years ago.

Students these days are more into spiritual exploration than formal worship, researchers behind a new study funded by the Lilly Endowment report. They presented their findings this week at the annual conference of the American Academy of Religion.

The study focused on four campuses that were not identified but chosen for their distinct character. They were a state university enrolling more than 30,000 students, a Lutheran liberal-arts college with about 3,000 students, a private, historically black university with fewer than 1,500 students, and a Roman Catholic university with more than 8,000 students.

Researchers studied each campus for two years. They talked with hundreds of students and professors and observed religion classes and worship services.

Despite each campus' distinct religious character, researchers said students shared some common traits:

- They were more likely to consider themselves "spiritual" than "religious." Students viewed spirituality as a continuing journey and religion as a fixed set of rules handed down from their ancestors, said Conrad Cherry, director of the Center for the Study of Religion and American Culture at Indiana University-Purdue University Indianapolis, who led the

project.

- They were not likely to participate in religious organizations or attend worship service, but they didn't think that was an accurate indicator of their interest in religion.

- They were very interested in courses on religion and deemed them a useful means by which they could sort out their own beliefs.

- They felt spirituality and social service were closely linked. And while they may have their own, unique approach to religion, they still considered public service an expression of their religious beliefs.

With the exception of the state university — where no one religion appeared to dominate — each of the campuses studied had its own religious identity, researchers said. They also noted that the campuses appeared to enjoy a significant amount of religious tolerance — an indication, researchers said, that students aren't as loyal as their parents to any one denomination.

The study did reveal some tensions. Evangelical Christian groups were perceived by many to be anti-intellectual and superficial. Some professors also reported that they had a hard time persuading evangelical Christians of the importance of better understanding non-Western religions. Researchers said they also found discord among religion professors, some of whom viewed themselves as teachers of religious history, and others of who felt they should contribute to a student's spiritual growth.

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National/World News

Ulster Unionists back deal for shared government

Los Angeles Times-Washington Post News Service

BELFAST, Northern Ireland—Overcoming decades of hatred and deep internal divisions, Northern Ireland's largest Protestant political party decided Saturday to back a compromise deal to set up a power-sharing government with Roman Catholics before the Irish Republican Army begins to disarm.

The Ulster Unionist Party council's vote clears the way for Northern Ireland to establish its first provincial government in more than a quarter century.

Parties in the Northern Ireland Assembly are expected to name a 12-member cabinet on Monday that would assume powers from the British government before the end of the week.

The Ulster Unionist council's vote is a triumph for party chief David Trimble, who is to become first minister of the new provincial government. Trimble forged the compromise with Gerry Adams, leader of the IRA's political wing, Sinn Féin, and then put his own leadership on the line seeking the support of Unionists.

To do so, Trimble effectively gave Sinn Féin a deadline of two to three months to persuade the IRA to begin getting rid of its weapons. He promised the 858-member council a chance to vote on the deal again in February and told them that if the IRA had not started disarming by then, he would resign as first minister and pull the party out of the government.

Trimble won the vote and threw down the gauntlet to the leader of Sinn Féin.

"This clears the stalemate we have had in terms of the process," Trimble said. "Now, we've done our bit. Mr. Adams, it's over

to you. We've jumped. You follow."

Adams said Trimble's ultimatum went beyond the terms of the compromise painstakingly crafted during five weeks of negotiations with US mediator George Mitchell.

"It is, in my opinion, the wrong way to sort this matter out," Adams told British Broadcasting Corp. radio. "It will fuel the uncertainty and it will also keep alive the hope of the rejectionists (of the peace process) inside and outside the Ulster Unionist Party."

Many Unionists do not believe that the IRA intends to get rid of its weapons at all, and they see the agreement as a con by the republicans to get into government while keeping a private army to enforce their will.

Others suggest that Sinn Féin might be sincere about trading bullets for democratic politics, but does not have the clout to convince the IRA to disarm. Few Unionists say they are convinced

that the peace process will work, although many are willing to give it a try.

Northern Ireland's pro-British Unionists — the vast majority of whom are Protestants — along with the Catholic minority that wants to be united with the Republic of Ireland, signed a peace agreement in April 1998 calling for the establishment of a regional government with Sinn Féin in exchange for the disarmament of paramilitary groups such as the IRA.

The accord was overwhelmingly endorsed by Protestant and Catholic voters, but until now neither side had been willing to take the first step.

The British, Irish, and US governments had all pressed Trimble to abandon his "no guns, no government" policy and test Sinn Féin's commitment to end 30 years

of bloody conflict. But after days of intense talks with the British and Irish prime ministers in July, Trimble refused, and the so-called Good Friday peace agreement ap-

peared on the verge of collapse.

"This is the lesser of two evils and we've got to give it a try."

— Tom Davison
Delegate from Bangor

Mitchell, the former US Senate majority leader who had brokered the original agreement, was called back in September. Under the deal he hammered out with the two sides, Trimble agreed to form a government with Sinn Féin in exchange for a public commitment by the IRA to name a senior member to an international commission on disarmament.

The IRA representative would be appointed on the same day the cabinet took power, and disarmament would be completed by May 2000, according to the terms of the Good Friday accord.

But the fate of the step-by-

step compromise was entirely in the hands of the Ulster Unionist council, and Trimble was by no means guaranteed their support going into the closed-door meeting in Belfast on Saturday morning.

Six of the ten Unionist members of the British Parliament already had declared their opposition to the deal. The council, made up of independent-minded farmers, homemakers, small-business owners, and local politicians, was seen as highly unpredictable.

Trimble called the meeting at the modern Waterfront Hall, on the banks of the Lagan River.

According to delegates, the three-hour debate was highly emotional, with 27 people speaking for or against the motion that Trimble put forward to allow him to proceed until February.

The final vote was 480-349, about 58 percent in Trimble's favor. It was short of the two-thirds

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Russian bombardment kills hundreds

Los Angeles Times-Washington Times News Service

MOSCOW — Russia intensified its bombardment of the rebel capital of Grozny on Saturday, unleashing wave after wave of rocket and bomb attacks that local officials said left hundreds of civilians dead.

Residents have so far reported 260 deaths since the new Russian assault on the Chechen capital began two days ago, Grozny Mayor Lecha Dudayev told the Interfax news agency. He said he expects the final tally to be twice as large.

The intensity of the attack is so great that residents sheltering in basements are no longer safe, he added. The city has no food. Dur-

ing pauses in the bombing, residents scurry into the street to collect water from puddles.

"Grozny does not have a single hospital or medical clinic," Dudayev said, according to Interfax. "If passersby don't carry the wounded to a clinic outside of town, they just die on the spot."

Russian officials describe the two-day-old assault on Grozny as the decisive phase in their campaign to rid the country of "bandits and terrorists" and regain control of the separatist republic, which wrested itself from Russian rule in 1996 after a 21-month war for independence.

Russian forces are shelling the city from the air and with powerful, long-range artillery weapons that

human rights groups say increase the number of civilian casualties. Russian officials have consistently discounted such reports, saying that their weapons have "pinpoint" accuracy and that many of the civilians killed were being used by the rebels as "human shields."

Chechen guerrillas inflicted serious losses on the Russian army during street battles in the last war, and Russian officers are clearly reluctant to engage in any form of close combat. To date, their strategy has been to shell the rebels from a distance until they retreat.

"I think a dramatic change in hostilities will occur in the near future," Chechen Security Minister Turpal Atgeriyev said in an

interview from Grozny broadcast on the independent NTV network. "We wish the Russians would launch a (ground) assault. We want closer contact with them."

The new wave of bombing has increased the flow of refugees out of Chechnya. Russian officials reported that nearly 2,000 people arrived in the last two days at refugee camps in the neighboring republic of Ingushetia. An estimated 220,000 had fled earlier. It is not known how many Chechen civilians remain inside the republic, including in Grozny.

The Russian military campaign began eight weeks ago after the rebels led two incursions into the neighboring republic of Dagestan and after a series of apartment bombings in Moscow and elsewhere killed nearly 300 people. Russian leaders say they have traced the bombers to Chechnya, but have provided no evidence to support the claim.

Western leaders have harshly condemned the Russian campaign, saying the size and strength of the attacks are out of proportion to the danger posed by the terrorists Moscow says it is fighting.

On Saturday, outgoing IMF Director Michel Camdessus warned that the West is unwilling to finance the war either directly or indirectly and may decide to cut off aid if the fighting continues.

Russians overwhelmingly support the war.

But the Russian army's image has suffered in recent days following an incident at a refugee camp in Ingushetia on Thursday in which a group of drunken Russian soldiers opened fire on saleswoman who said she had no liquor for sale at her kiosk. The woman was killed and two other people were injured. Five soldiers were arrested Friday and confessed to the killing on Saturday, Russian news reports said.

In an effort to contain the crisis, which has been widely covered in the Russian media, Defense Minister Igor D. Sergeyev sent a letter of apology to Ingush President Ruslan Aushev.

Taliban greets UN sanctions with defiance

Los Angeles Times-Washington Times News Service

KABUL, Afghanistan — In the chilly corridors of power, Taliban officials huddled around space heaters as defiant as ever about the cause of Osama bin Laden, the wealthy Saudi fugitive whose alleged terrorist attacks and continued sanctuary in Afghanistan have led to new UN economic sanctions against the impoverished nation.

"The United States wants us to tie Osama bin Laden's hands and send him to them as a gift," said Wakil Ahmad Muttawakil, the new foreign minister of the Taliban regime. "We are ready to talk on all issues. We have offered to have him tried here, or to have other Muslim countries judge him. But how can we give them a human being as a gift, especially if his crime has not been proven?"

Muttawakil said Saturday in an interview that he expects only minor long-term impact from the UN sanctions, which have grounded all foreign flights by Afghanistan's only airline and frozen Taliban assets abroad since they took effect Nov. 14. He declared that Allah will protect the Afghan people from hardship at foreign hands.

"Every few years the United States looks for someone new to hate. Before it was Libya and Iraq, now it is Afghanistan's turn," he said. "But if they try to harm us, they will gain nothing. Almighty God always accepts the prayers of the innocent and defends those who are trampled upon."

But on the frozen streets of the capital, where families shiver in bread lines or spend

the days collecting firewood to burn for warmth, the traditional Afghan welcome for bin Laden, a once-revered Muslim guest, seems to be wearing thin.

"It is our custom to be hospitable to guests, but we would also like Osama to leave because of all the innocent people," said Mohammad Taj, 45, a laborer waiting in line for his daily

"Every few years the United States looks for someone new to hate. Before it was Libya and Iraq, now it is Afghanistan's turn."

— Wakil Ahmad Muttawakil,
Foreign Minister of the Taliban regime

bread ration. "The people with power will support themselves, and the sanctions will only hurt the poor. America should have more mercy, but the mullahs must solve this problem with the United Nations, too."

Many Afghan people blame the United States and its allies for imposing new economic hardships on them. A week ago, buildings occupied by UN employees in six Afghan cities were stoned or burned by mobs, even though they provide the bulk of food and medical aid to the country.

"We are a weak country now, and America is trying to keep us that way," said Abdul Razaq, 30, a father of five who earns \$4 per

month as a night watchman. "This is the time they should be helping us, but instead they are aiming these cruel actions against us because of one man."

Bin Laden, an Islamic extremist who has reportedly maintained a base in Afghanistan for several years, is believed by US officials in Washington to have planned and financed the bombings of two US embassies in East Africa in August 1998, in which 224 people died. Later that month, the United States launched a cruise-missile attack against Afghan training camps allegedly under his control.

Since then, Taliban officials have offered to prosecute or monitor bin Laden, but they have refused all US demands to turn him over for trial in the United States. In retaliation, Washington banned all US trade and investment with Afghanistan, and in October the UN Security Council threatened further sanctions if the regime did not comply. When it did not, the sanctions took effect.

Although the sanctions do not prohibit food imports, medical relief, or trade between Afghanistan and its customary partners in nearby Muslim countries, the sanctions have come at a time of multiple new hardships here. A drought caused a poor wheat harvest this fall, Pakistan's new military government has cracked down on unregulated trade and winter has struck this war-scarred, largely heatless capital with unexpected ferocity.

In addition, the new sanctions have made it more complicated for Afghans to receive cash

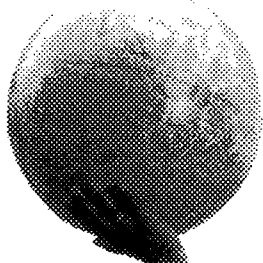
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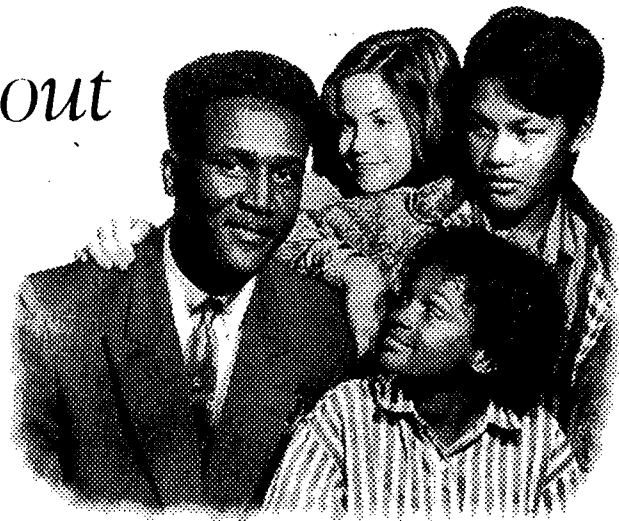
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Jumbos will look for first win tomorrow

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Aside from the turnovers, Sheldon is happy with his team's performance. The Jumbos out-shot RPI 56.4 percent to 41.2 percent, and held a 36-29 advantage on the boards. Senior Paul Smith had a huge game for the team, contributing 22 points and six rebounds, while sophomore Bobby MacMannis went 3-5 from three point range on his way to 11 points. Junior Fred Pedroletti led the way on the boards, pulling down seven rebounds.

"Paul Smith had a great game," Sheldon said. "They had trouble stopping him and right from the beginning he was on fire. They had match-up troubles, and we saw that and got the ball to him. That was nice to see because I think he's going to have a good year for us."

"An older experienced team came through in the end and won it, though," he continued, "but I was happy with the way we played. As far as I'm concerned, it was a good game that we just didn't win."

The team will look to bounce

back from its 0-2 start tomorrow at Suffolk. Sheldon is confident in his team's ability to put the losses behind and move on, and the Jumbos are looking to be above the .500 mark by the time they return home to face MIT on Dec. 11.

"We set a team goal to win the next four, and we think we can do that," he said. "We need to tweak some things, and some pieces aren't quite there yet, one of those being Bobby Mpuku. We're happy, but we're 0-2, so we're not too happy."

Trimble, Adams barter deal

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majority Trimble's camp had hoped to get, but enough to declare victory over opponents in his divided party.

Key to his success was the support of his deputy, John Taylor, who originally spoke out against the deal but came around in the eleventh hour.

Trimble told the delegates Saturday that they would never get a better opportunity to bring the armed conflict to an end. Then, he said he had given the party president a letter of resignation as first

minister to hold in the event disarmament had not begun by February.

His lieutenant, Ken Maginnis, told the crowd that a "no" vote would likely mean isolation for Northern Ireland's Unionists. The British, American, and Irish governments would wash their hands of them, delegates recalled him saying.

"This is the lesser of two evils and we've got to give it a try," said Tom Davison, 83, a delegate from Bangor who said he made up his mind after listening to the speeches.

United Nations sanctions hurt civilians

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by mail from relatives abroad, a major source of income in a country where most people do not have jobs, and doctors, for example, earn less than \$5 per month. Since all flights into the country are banned, people must travel to Pakistan to pick up mailed money.

Some people in Kabul accused the United States this past week of being hypocritical in its pursuit of bin Laden, an important figure in

financing the Afghan resistance against occupying Soviet troops during the 1980s.

The United States heavily backed that resistance, but after the Taliban militia seized Kabul in 1996 and imposed harsh Islamic laws, Washington turned against the regime. Now, efforts to capture bin Laden have depressed relations further.

"For America, bin Laden was an angel when he was in the holy war against the Soviets, but now they say he is a spy and a terrorist," Mohammad Mirwaiz, a stu-

dent at Kabul University, charged. "Many people who did atrocities here during the war are allowed to live in the United States. Why cannot we ask for them to be turned over to us?"

Muttawakil, the foreign minister, asserted that the United States "is known as the world's policeman, but now those police are killing our people with missiles and hunger.... I don't know if Osama bin Laden is a hero or not. But now the United States has made him into a big hero."

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