Hurricane Hugo leaves thousands homeless

San Juan, Puerto Rico

(AP) Hurricane Hugo's 125 mph winds pounded Puerto Rico on Monday after ripping across other islands in the eastern Caribbean, leaving at least 14 people dead and tens of thousands homeless.

The National Weather Service said Hugo, the most powerful storm to hit the region this decade, slammed into the eastern windward and Leeward Islands at 6 p.m. EDT as a Category 5 hurricane with maximum sustained winds of 130 mph. Forecasters said it would move to the north-northwest at about 12 mph.

The storm blew out the windows of high-rise told radio station WOSO of watching sections of the city darkens one after another as the high winds and heavy rains moved across San Juan. Widespread power outages also were reported in the Dominican Republic.

There were no immediate reports of casualties in Puerto Rico although a man was electrocuted Sunday while trying to remove a television antenna as he prepared for the storm. Bands of people, mostly youths, looted storm-damaged shops in San Juan and police patrols were reinforced at the main Post Office, political party offices and shopping areas.

In a boutique on the ground floor of the two-story building housing The Associated Press bureau in San Juan, young looters defied winds hitting 100 mph at the peak of the storm and carried out armloads of women's clothing.

The storm blew out the windows in the AP office on a peninsula between the sea and San Juan harbor, destroying its

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NYPIRG takes credit for irradiation vote

By Gal Mayer

STUDENT WRITER

This summer Governor Mario Cuomo signed a bill prohibiting the sale of irradiated foods in New York State citing "public reaction" as the reason, according to a press release from his office.

Much of that "public reaction" was generated by the New York Public Interest Research Group which has a chapter on the SUNYA campus according to NYPIRG Project coordinator Geoff Boehm.

NYPIRG has been the only organization in the state lobbying, generating public response and working on banning food irradiation for two years - a short time for progressing to getting state legislation passed, Boehm said.

At first, they added, they concentrated on the campuses where NYPIRG was prominent and worked on banning irradiated food on campus. Albany was the first SUNY school to convince its food supplier, Auxiliary Services, to ban irradiated food - a "major step," according to Boehm - and only the second in the state after Syracuse University.

Although US was not serving any irradiated food when the campus-wide ban went into effect, it did inform its suppliers that it would not buy irradiated food, according to UAS Director of Contract Food Service Ron Clough. "What we were doing is taking a stand against irradiated food," Clough said.

Food irradiation is a sterilization process that may prevent spoilage and kill bacteria and parasites by exposing the food to gamma rays emitted from radioactive materials. Proponents of the process point to its shelf-life prolonging abilities as a step toward solving the world hunger problem.

However, the controversy surrounding the process is over whether the benefits obtained outweigh the possible dangers of irradiation which include tumors, low birth weight and blood disorders, according to a NYPIRG new release.

NYPIRG's efforts to ban irradiated food went from on-campus education to public education by having students outside supermarkets with information on irradiation, writing letters to public officials and legislators, and lobbying, Boehm said. According to release from Cuomo's office, "That negative reaction is reflected in the overwhelming passage of this bill with only one negative vote in the Senate (of 60) and 26 negative votes in the Assembly (of 151). Continuing doubts about the safety of this process have led to the widespread rejection of food after irradiation stand in the way of public acceptance ... It is for this reason that I am approving this bill which provides a two-year period for further review of this process."

The bill exempts spices and irradiated food used clinically in hospitals from this prohibition.

Boehm said that this victory was important because food irradiation is still in the first stages of mass use. "As the government is considering this process, we want to let them know that consumers don't want irradiated food," he said.

Boehm cited this victory as "a tremendous example of how the students (of SUNYA and other schools) took a major issue and worked it."

The SUNYA chapter of NYPIRG - a "very strong" chapter, according to Boehm - is an organization of which every student is a member through a $3 student fee included in the tuition bill. This year, NYPIRG will work on environmental preservation, educational reform, small claims court help, Local government education, energy efficiency, student banking and

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LARKFEST '89—

Food, music, merchandise, and people lured thousands to Lark Street for the ninth annual fall festival.

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The two-hour outdoor Mass in the Ukrainian city of Lvov, which Western witnesses said drew up to 100,000 people, came on the 50th anniversary of the dictator Josef Stalin's annexation of the western Ukraine from Poland.

Ukrainian activists carrying candles planned to line up at dusk in the cobblestoned streets of the city of 650,000 to mourn the anniversary of the Soviet takeover, said Analoth Dosenko, a Moscow-based member of the Ukrainian Helsinki Group that monitors human rights abuses in the republic.

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Four out on bail

(AP) Four of the five defendants charged with murder in the racial killing of a black youth in Bensonhurst pleaded innocent Monday and were allowed to remain free on bail, sparking an angry outcry from the slain teenager's father.

"You should have kept them in here," Moses Stewart, father of Yusef Hawkins, shouted at Justice Thaddeus Owens at state Supreme Court in Brooklyn.

"Letting murderers walk home ..." Owens responded by calling for order in the courtroom, which was filled with supporters of Hawkins' family, including the Rev. Al Sharpton.

"I do a solo act here," Owens said.

Minutes before, he accepted innocent pleas from James Patino, 24; Keith Mondello, 18; Pasquale Raucci, 19; and Joseph Serrano, 19.

Correction

In the Sep. 15 edition of the Albany Student Press, Sen. Olga Mendez's ethnicity was misstated. She is of Puerto Rican descent.

We regret the error.
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NEWS FROM AREA COLLEGES

Siena's president steps down
Father William McGonville will become the eighth president of Siena College early next month.
McGonville replaces father Hugh Hines, who held the post for 13 years, according to Siena Promethean newspaper editor Dan Pickett. McGonville's administration will be heralded in an inaugural ceremony from Oct. 2 to 5, Pickett said. Among the alumni and administrators from other schools on hand to honor the new president will be SUNYA provost Vincent O'Leary, Pickett said.
O'Leary and McGonville may have plenty to chat about: the SUNYA president last week announced his plan to retire from the presidency and return to teaching at the end of this academic year.

RPI hopes to raise $200 million
The Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute will soon embark on a ambitious fund raising campaign designed to upgrade facilities and to recruit students to use them, a school official said.
Alan Moore, a communications official, RPI, said the school's New Century campaign will fund new buildings, renovations, endowed chairs, and scholarships, including an effort to recruit minority students who would not normally be able to afford the school's tuition. The program's goal is to raise $200 million, mostly from alumni and corporate sponsors, Moore said.
Moore said that the nation's engineering and science schools have been "ignoring women and minorities." RPI will seek to encourage and support minority students to pursue a college education in science, and to encourage all students to go on to advanced studies.
The nation is just not producing enough people who are knowledgeable in the sciences, Moore said.
The New Century concept is an extension of a 1970's program known as Rensselaer 2000, Moore said. Rensselaer 2000 was designed to forecast and meet the Institute's needs throughout the turn of the century. The New Century campaign is designed to take over from the old program left off.

Martin Luther King III to speak at Skidmore
Martin Luther King III, son of slain civil rights leader Rev. Dr. Martin Jr., will speak at Skidmore College in Saratoga Springs Monday.
King's visit kicks off the second season of monthly convocations designed to celebrate diversity of cultures, disciplines and perspectives, the school said. King's visit, which is co-sponsored by Skidmore's Student speakers bureau, is free and open to the public.

-Larkfest crowd huge, but quiet-
By Morgan Lyle
NEWS EDITOR

Cloudy skies did not keep thousands of people from jamming downtown street Saturday for the ninth annual Larkfest.
The street was jammed from sidewalk to sidewalk as vendors offered clothing, jewelry and food, and visitors listened to music and looked at each other. People watching seemed to be in the order of the day.
Tom Mottolese, Larkfest event coordinator, said the showers that came late in the afternoon may have dampened attendance a bit, but was still pleased with the crowd.
"I wouldn't say it was an unqualified success, but it was a qualified success. I think everyone got a return on their money and work," Mottolese said.
Larkfest is a "self-sustaining, non-profit event" designed to familiarize people with the Lark street area, Mottolese said. Most of the event's $15,000 budget comes from rentals of booth space by vendors, with the Lark Street Area Merchant's group footing the rest of the bill, he said.
And while the city of Albany gave no direct contribution to the event, Mottolese said the work of the city police, fire and public works departments was indispensable.
"Without the city, (Larkfest) would never happen," Community Services Officer Tom Fitzpatrick said that some 125,000 people visited the event. He agreed with Sgt. Leonard Crouch, who said the crowd was well-behaved.

Labor Day Greekfest turns into riot
Black frats battle National Guard; 260 arrested

(CPS) In what was either a student party run amok or a re-escalation of campus racial tensions, thousands of students banded with police officers and National Guardsmen during four days of rioting at Virginia Beach, Va., Sept. 1-4.

Primed by three years of burgeoning racial tension on campuses nationwide and the August murder of a black teen by white assailants in New York, many of the rioting students-most of whom were black - attributed the violence to white racism.
"The shooting in New York might have had something to do with this," suggested Norfolk State University (NSU) student and weekend veteran Willy Lindsey. "Basically all racial incidents over the past two months...have been building up.

The students were visiting the mostly white beach resort for the annual Greekfest, a four-day celebration marking the end of summer.
When they got there, however, they complained that many hotels required payment in advance, that, to get into their paid-for hotel rooms, students had to wear identifying armbands, and that they weren't allowed to bring guests from neighboring hotels to their rooms.
"Students as a whole just wanted to come down and enjoy the beach and be treated with respect," said Gerald Tyler, NSU's director of university relations.
"I saw a lot of Confederate flags," reported Chas Blanks, a junior at Morgan State University.
As if to underscore how many of the students battling the police felt the confrontation was racial, some chanted "Fight The Power," a call taken from "Do The Right Thing," a current movie about how a series of petty incidents led to a riot in a black New York neighborhood.

"It was public information in this area that the KKK and skinheads were coming with the intent to help with law and order," said Gerlad Tyler, NSU's director of university relations.

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-Gerald Tyler
Norfolk State Univ.
director of university relations

Greekfest began in 1985 as a relatively small beach party for members of predominantly black sororities and fraternities at southeastern Virginia campuses and Howard University. Last year, many non-students attended, and the number swelled to 40,000. Minor damage was reported.

With growing anxiety about the expanding celebration, city officials beefed up police patrols and announced that state police and National Guard had been asked to help.
An even larger crowd - estimates were as high as 100,000 people - jammed the area this year. Confrontations broke out late Saturday night, Sept. 2, after students, left with little to do, apparently went on a rampage through the main thoroughfare looting more than 100 stores.
On Sunday, Sept. 3, after a day of melee, Mayor Meyera Oberndorf called in the National Guard, claiming "We will not tolerate lawlessness from anybody."
Police arrested at least 260 people - half of them locals - and issued hundreds of summonses.

Students charged city officials unfairly singled them out because they are black.
"Virginia is not too keen on black students," said Sunni Acoci-Squir, president of the Interfraternity Conference at Howard University.
"I've been to Daytona Beach and it's a lot worse there," student Blanks said. "In Daytona Beach, (the cops) don't do that. The police just got out of hand."
Virginia Beach officials also contributed to revelers' lack of things to do by shutting shut down many of the facilities students had used for dances during past Greekfests, students said. They added that the Greekfest activities held at nearby Norfolk State And Hampton universities were off without a hitch.

Miffred Grain, a NSU student, said he'll try to form a "coalition" of students from different campuses to voice the campus view of the riot and to meet with Virginia Beach officials.
Grain predicted many students would return to the area next year, if only because officials have said they don't want them.
Grain hoped the meetings could help avoid a repeat of this year's disturbances.
Along with 14 other college newspaper editors from across the country, Albany Student Press Editor in Chief Bryan Sierra had an opportunity to examine the Israeli political situation during a nine-day seminar in Israel. Represented in the trip, which was sponsored by the Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith, were schools such as Michigan State, Rueters, Minnesota, Duke, Columbia, Oklahoma, Dartmouth, and others.

The trip was a densely packed study of Israeli politics, journalism, culture, religion, and most importantly, the intifada—the Palestinian uprising in the Israeli occupied territories of the West Bank and Gaza.

The network news flashes images nightly of stone-throwing and Molotov cocktails, while newspapers report daily fatalities and injuries. But what is the real story in Israel—these images, or a peaceful country that millions across the world consider to be the Holy Land?

Our hosts, members of the Israeli offices of the Anti-Defamation League, candidly explained that the purpose of the trip was to "correct misinformation" about Israel in the American media by allowing us, as young journalists, to see it first hand, and decide for ourselves. Although we questioned, at first, the objectivity of the program, we soon saw that the agenda included interviews with both Israelis and Palestinians.

Our tour guide, Ron Perry, gave us a brief introduction to Israeli history and politics shortly after we arrived in Israel. Perry, a SUNYA student in 1973 when he left briefly to fight in that year's Yom Kippur War. Perry encouraged us to keep our minds open, and said at the beginning of the trip that if we left with more questions than answers, we could consider it a successful trip.

And it was successful. Following our first interview, with Dr. Yacov Goldberg of the Dayan Center of Tel Aviv University, we were already filled with questions. Goldberg provided an overview of the Middle East, and maintained that despite the intifada and problems within Israel, the real places to watch were Lebanon (with a civil war being fought between "Pro" and "Anti" Lebanon) and Syria (with a huge population growth and a faltering economy). "Israel is not the major dominating force in the Middle East," Goldberg stated; but he added that Israel must relate to every problem and situation in the region.

The issue of why the occupied territories are so critical to Israel was addressed by Col. Raman Ginais, the deputy spokesman for the Israeli Defense Forces (IDF). Ginais said that because of Israel's size and geographic location, a strong defense was necessary for its survival. Ginais strongly argued that Israel had to do what was necessary to stay alive. "To my great sorrow, the Arabs have continuously felt that funding to Jewish towns or villages that is four times greater than attempts at crossing the border by terrorists, Shagig said, "doesn't make a hill of beans." The response of the average Israeli reader was that because of Israel's size and geographic location, a strong defense was necessary for its survival. Gissin strongly argued that Israel had to do what was necessary to stay alive.

The shot, Ryan said, probably came from an Israeli gun turret overlooking the camp. A small group of Palestinian children followed the group as we headed for the bus. Carrying empty tear gas and flashbang canisters, they posed the "V" for victory sign, the children posed the "V" for victory sign, the children posed for our photographs and answered questions, through a wall of officers. On our first day in Jerusalem, we traveled to the camps of the West Bank and Gaza. Our hosts did not attempt to hide anything from us, they said, "the average Israeli reader

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Earth Day 1990 planned

(AP) Environmentalists have to broaden their ranks and change their focus as they approach Earth Day 1990, says the organizer of the original Earth Day, the 1970 event that spawned the modern environmental movement.

"We've turned the environmental movement...into something that solicits money from people across the country and hires professional staffs to work on government," said Dennis Hayes, who dropped out of Harvard Law School in 1969 to organize Earth Day.

"The environmental movement for the last 20 years has focused much too exclusively on government and politics as the savior," Hayes said in an interview. "I think to too great an extent they have ignored the other tools that are available to the environmental movement."

Advocates should turn more attention toward corporations, Hayes suggested. "It's very impressive how boycotts or threats of boycotts will turn McDonalds around on a dime in terms of what packaging it's willing to use," he said.

On April 22, 1970, an estimated 20 million people participated in Earth Day in one form or another. About 10,000 schools and 2,000 colleges sponsored Earth Day programs. The mayor of New York City banned cars from Fifth Avenue. The U.S. congress adjourned. People wore green, planted trees, organized nature walks and took some time to think about the state of the environment.

Twenty years later, Hayes envisions an Earth Day celebrated by 100 million people around the world dedicated to individual changes in lifestyle and new international policies.

Earth Day 1990 will begin a crucial decade for the global environment, he said. "Everybody talks about the 1990s as the 'Decade of the Environment'" said Hayes. "The 1990s are our last chance to address some of these issues before we cross some irreversible thresholds," he said.

The increased attention on environmental issues following the first Earth Day eventually resulted in the federal Clean Air Act, Clean Water Act and the Environmental Protection Agency.

But the world needs to refocus its attention on the environment, which is losing ground to pollution and other threats, Hayes said.

"Global warming is in much worse shape now than it was 20 years ago. The destruction of the ozone layer is far worse now...The oceans are vastly more polluted than they were 20 years ago. The country has a multiple of toxic wastes in landfills than we had 20 years ago."

A ban on chlorofluorocarbons, an 80 percent reduction in acid rain and an increase in renewable energy sources are among the goals for Earth Day 1990, said Hayes.


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College women say they still aren't men's equals

(CPS) The Sexual Revolution has come and gone, but college women and men still aren't on equal ground in the bedroom, says sociologist Janet Lever.

Lever drew her conclusions from an October, 1988, roundtable discussion for six women attending the University of Wisconsin in Madison. They discussed things like fear of AIDS and pregnancy, condoms, oral sex, mutual satisfaction, date rape and intimacy.

"The biggest change I see in the last 25 years is that a guy doesn't have to say 'I love you' anymore to get a woman in bed," said Lever, whose thoughts are published in the current issue of Playboy magazine.

Once in bed, women typically are responsible for protection against pregnancy and sexually transmitted diseases. If they don't bring the matter up, their partners won't either, Lever found.

And some women on the pill will say they're not, just so the man will use a condom.

"It's okay to worry about pregnancy, but protection against disease is still taboo," Lever said.

"Women are still sexually active," Lever observed. "AIDS just makes them wait until the third or fourth date to have sex."

The women ranged from Carolyn, a 20-year-old junior who'd been having sex for more than three years but had never used birth control, to Emily, a 19-year-old sophomore who tries to use men before they can use her.

Other research has indicated sex habits of college women are about the same as in the 1970s. Iowa State psychology Prof. Meg Gerrard last spring surveyed female undergraduates at the University of Texas, finding that 34 percent reported having had sex within the last month. Similarly, her 1974 survey found that 35 percent were sexually active.

But in 1979 she found that 51 percent were sexually active. "It was an aberration," Gerrard maintains. "Everyone thought they ought to be having sex, even if they really didn't want to."

Student gatherings show chaotic trend

(CPS) The four-day conflict between National Guardsmen and students at Virginia Beach, Va., during the Sept. 1-4 holiday weekend was one of the most violent collegiate confrontations in years and, in its aftermath, was shrouded by racial overtones, but it was only the most recent example of student gatherings deteriorating into chaos.

Fistfights, vandalism, mass arrests and even riots have marked a number of gatherings of students both on and off campus since 1985.

Block parties and campus functions have spun out of control and into riots at Indiana, Colorado State, Iowa State, Mankato State, St. Cloud State and universities as well as at the University of California-Santa Barbara in recent years.

The melees frequently led to hundreds of arrests. At Colorado State in 1987, 91 people were injured.

Huge numbers of students, often lubricated by excessive drinking, funneling into certain vacation spots also have sparked confrontations.

In 1985, Fort Lauderdale, Fla., officials decided to start discouraging students from vacationing there after police failed to stop large roving gangs of drunken youths from vandalizing properties and harassing residents.

In 1986, Palm Springs, Cal., police arrested 500 vacationing youths who rioted in the streets, throwing bottles, ripping the blouses off passersby and breaking store windows. Nine people were injured in two days of rioting.

In March, 1988, an estimated 3,000 students rioted on Mustang Island, Tex. Four people were stabbed, 8 were arrested and nearly 100 police officers had to call in helicopters and tear gas before peace was restored 24 hours later.

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**Colombian bombs target U.S. embassy**

Bogota, Colombia (AP) A homemade rocket hit the US Embassy, but did not explode, and six bombs went off in the capital and the cocaine trafficking center of Cali, authorities said.

A security guard was killed in one of the Cali bombings on Sunday and another guard was hurt in a blast in Bogota, police said.

Newspapers on Sunday quoted the governing party's top presidential contender as urging that no more drug traffickers be extradited to the United States, and one paper that has crusaded against the cocaine cartels said one of its reporters was slain by thugs.

U.S. Embassy spokesman Peter Samson said by telephone that shortly before 9 p.m. "a homemade rocket propelled by a homemade launcher" struck a corner of the building, causing no injuries.

Embassy officials said the rocket did not explode and only chipped away parts of some bricks. Police were investigating.

Also Sunday night, three bombs exploded in the northern part of the capital, heavily damaging three banks and 30 other businesses and shattering windows over a large area. One security guard was injured, police said.

Two other bombs were deactivated by police.

In Cali, 185 miles southwest of Bogota, three bombs exploded shortly after midnight Saturday at two banks and a shopping center, killing a security guard, police said.

The city of 1 million people is home base for one of Colombia's two most powerful cocaine cartels. The other is in the northwest city of Medellin.

Cali, Bogota, and Medellin have been the sites of frequent shootings and bombings since Aug. 18, when the government cracked down on the nation's powerful drug traffickers, who in turn declared "total war" against the government. Forty-two people have been killed and 116 injured in the attacks.

**Congress considering new rules to deal with oil spills**

Washington (AP) The House will focus this week on protecting the nation's waters against oil spills, while a Senate subcommittee considers President Bush's bill to improve overall $7.9 billion anti-drug legislation to prevent future oil spills.

Meanwhile, Republicans say they may propose a new strategy to pay for the war on drugs. Senate Minority Leader Bob Dole said Sunday the GOP could make a counter-offer to the Democrats' proposed $2.2 billion addition to President Bush's overall $7.9 billion anti-drug plan.

The oil spill legislation will be on the House floor Thursday, just a week after Exxon finished its summer cleanup of the Exxon Valdez accident off Prince William Sound, Alaska.

The cleanup of the nation's worst oil spill ended with a dispute over the extent of environmental recovery, and the legislation to prevent future accidents is just as controversial.

The shape of the legislation is still under negotiation. Two competing bills would establish new shipping rules and make those involved in oil transportation pay cleanup costs.

But still unsettled is the most crucial issue: whether the federal government will be allowed to pre-empt state laws, including statutes in 17 states, that have no limits on liability for those responsible for spills.

The two bills would allow pre-emption, but environmental groups and the National Governors' Association are trying to convince their House supporters to let tougher state laws remain in effect. Reps. George Miller, D-Calif., and Gerry Studds, D-Mass., are preparing an amendment to establish minimum federal liability requirements but permit states to enact tougher laws.

Meanwhile, members of the House Energy and Commerce environment subcommittee have finished listening to each other's opening statements and are ready to consider amendments to Bush's clean air bill.

Battles are expected over the extent of auto emission requirements, sharing the cost of acid rain reduction and strict limits on utility growth after the year 2000.

With just two weeks left before a new fiscal year begins, Congress also is trying to pass a dozen money bills to keep the government operating, but there's a major disagreement over how much to spend to fight illegal drugs.

Dole, speaking Sunday on NBC's "Meet the Press," said, "I don't think we find any problem in the president's package," and added that other ways should be found to finance the plan that Democrats' proposed across-the-board budget cuts.

But Senate Judiciary Chairman Joseph Biden, D-Del., contends there are "glaring deficiencies" in Bush's plan. He said Democrats will be content only if the growth in the number of cocaine addicts is reversed, drug treatment is provided for all who want it and drug education is extended to nearly every school child in the country.

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Fla. college dumps 'wimpy' mascot

(CPS) Student government members at the University of Central Florida are pushing to replace their "wimpy" school mascot with a macho one.

The current mascot, Mac the Knight, isn't tough enough, complained government staffer Jeff Laing.

So student leaders, along with the Entrepreneur club, have come up with their own macho mascot, Knightstalker, a big burly character who has spikes protruding from his shoulders and carries a big club.

He'll be in front of the student section at the football games, while alumni and other fans will settle for the official mascot, Mac the Knight, who, students say, is too much like the McDonald's character who sings syrupy songs on television commercials.

"For football, you need a mean guy," Laing explained.

The athletic department has the final say, though, and alumni response to the Knightstalker hasn't been good so far, Laing said.

Students and administrators have battled over sports mascots frequently in recent years, mostly because students wanted to replace mascots or team images perceived to be offensive to some.

In 1988, St. John's University in New York and Northeastern State University both replaced their Indian symbols, and St. Mary's college in Minnesota dropped its "Redmen" nickname for the "Cardinals."

In 1986, New Mexico State University revamped Pistol Pete, its mascot, making him a symbol "more deserving respect."

Once again, a study says professors find their students unprepared

(CPS) college professors think their students are not very well educated.

Three-fourths of the 5,000 college teachers queried last spring by the Carnegie Foundation for the Advancement of Teaching said their undergraduate students are "seriously underprepared in the basic skills," preliminary data reveal.

Complete results of the survey, which the Washington, D.C.-based Carnegie group conducts every five years, will be released in November.

Professors at two-year schools complained most frequently, with 84 percent saying students lack basic skills. Sixty-five percent at liberal arts colleges said their pupils don't know enough.

Two thirds of those surveyed thought colleges spend "too much time and money teaching students what they should have learned in high school."

The data, says Carnegie President Ernest Boyer, prove "the nation's public schools are disturbingly deficient."

To boost sagging language skills, Boyer proposed that all freshmen be required to take an expository writing class.

Pan-Caribbean has plans for charity, programming

By Paul C. Webster

With a gathering of more than 70 students, representing 10 different West Indian and third world countries, the SUNYA Pan-Caribbean Association welcomed new and returning students to the University and pledged to continue being an active part of the Albany community.

The group, which was founded in 1976 to give students of West Indian heritage a place to share their experiences and provide support, sees as one of its priorities the education of all people about Caribbean culture.

"We try to make people aware of their cultural heritage," said Annie Kay Nelson, president of the organization. "It's important that people from the West Indies learn about each other."

Nelson, a Jamaican who has been a part of the organization since coming to the university, said that the group provides a link for Caribbean students who sometimes face culture shock of feel alienated at a large university.

"There are many students of West Indian descent who are sometimes frustrated, because it is hard for someone with an accent to talk to others," said the president, who explained that many people have a hard time understanding the different accent. "Pan-Caribbean was formed out of the basic need for West Indians to talk about their problems with people that they feel comfortable with."

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Foderingham, who is a coordinator for the university's Minority Assistance Program, said that Pan-Caribbean provides her and other West Indian students with the opportunity to have a greater connection with their culture and homeland.

"Pan-Caribbean is here as a form of unity for someone to turn to in a time of need," Nelson said. "We are many people, but one culture."
The Holy Land: the Palestinian struggle, the defense of a nation

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a meeting with Palestinian journalists that night, the intensity of the program returned.

The journalists spoke at length about the importance of information in an article can endanger Israel's security. Military censorship is imposed on Israeli, Arab, and foreign journalists alike.

Asad Al Asad, editor of the Alketei newspaper and General Secretary of the Palestinian Writers Union, charged that "the Zionist movement would like to uproot us from our cultural movement." He claimed that Israelis restrict as many as 5,000 books from the occupied territories, don't allow theater in those territories, and impair writers. Asad also said that Palestinians are given identification cards—green cards restrict entry into certain areas, while red cards provide normal status.

Sach Erekat, author and professor of political science, admitted to teaching "underground" when Israel closed Palestinian schools for military security reasons. He advocated a Palestinian state, surviving side by side with Israel. "We can both be winners, each in his own state."

When asked about funding and support for the Palestinian newspaper, Erekat admitted support for the Palestine Liberation Organization (PLO), but stated he could not say whether or not these papers were PLO-funded. Israel has to prove, in court, that support comes from the PLO, Erekat said.

"You can't separate a Palestinian from his profession. It is in your inner system," Erekat said, when asked whether he considered himself a reporter or a crusader.

Our agenda switched from Palestinian coverage of the intifada to foreign coverage. Joel Brinkley, New York Times correspondent in Jerusalem, and Bob Simon, CBS Jerusalem correspondent, provided insight into how their media reacts to the intifada.

Simon said the appearance of his television camera can incite action in certain areas, and recalled an incident where a cameraman was injured during stone-throwing. The instant images of intifada-related fighting carried by CBS and other television networks was then discussed, and the question of whether cameras promote violence arose.

Brinkley acknowledges that the intifada, and not terrorism, was the "big story" in Israel. Although the story has slipped off the front page in the American press, it is still newsworthy internationally. Ironcally, both Simon and Brinkley rushed through the meeting to cover the Israeli bombing of Southern Lebanon, a major news story the next day.

On our last day in Israel, we closed the discussion about the intifada after a meeting with Renyamim Netanyahu, Israel's Deputy Foreign Minister. Although our discussion was to revolve around terrorism, Netanyahu opted to discuss the intifada. "The first problem we have is survival," he said.

Netanyahu provided the most comprehensive understanding of Israel's position on a Palestinian state. He said that a power equivalent to that of the Warsaw Pact surrounds Israel, and the main question is how Israel can defend itself.

"If we cannot answer this, there are no more problems, because we cease to exist," Netanyahu said.

Netanyahu outlined what he saw as a two-point Palestinian plan to destroy Israel: first, to gain control over the occupied territories; second, to use those territories as a place of attack against Israel. Netanyahu said the world is not really listening to the PLO, who claims to want peace with Israel. "They're saying 'We don't want peace with Israel, we want a piece of Israel first,'" he said.

Negotiation with the PLO is not an alternative, he said. "We cannot collaborate with our destruction...that is why we do not support a Palestinian state."

Netanyahu outlined an initiative for eventual peace in Israel. He called for strengthened ties with Egypt, a peaceful resolution of the refugee problem, and a unification among Arabs into an autonomous regime that would get the territories calm again. "And in five years from that point, we negotiate what was then unegotilizable," Netanyahu also said that if Israel had borrowed from the tactics of Syria or Jordan, the intifada would not have gone as far as it has.

Half of the Palestinian casualties aren't due to clashes with IDF soldiers, Netanyahu argued. Rather, they are the result of PLO death squads that kill Arabs who cooperate with Israel. Many other sources say that this is an increasing phenomenon in the occupied territories. "Those who want to participate in the negotiation process are afraid of getting a bullet in their head...not by us, but by the PLO."

Netanyahu cited "unilateral apartheid" as a major obstacle to peace in Israel. Arab reluctance to tolerate Jewish settlers in their midst contrast with the Israeli government's tolerance of Arabs living where they choose, he said. "The only obstacle to peace is the notion that Jews and Arabs can't live together," Netanyahu said.

Not all of the trip focused on meetings and interviews. Sightseeing, such as an emotionally-charged visit to Yad Vashem (the Holocaust memorial) and visits to Bethlehem and the Old City helped place a historical viewpoint into the context of modern-day Israel and its situation. Religion is, and always will be, the dominating force in Israel, and it is impossible to understand the political situation without understanding that almost every inch of Israeli land holds religious significance.

What is the real Israel? Is it the beautiful Holy Land, but it is also a land torn by internal strife; a geographically small country that needs strong defense and strong borders to survive. It is, many feel, a country that needs to improve basic human rights for Palestinians. An overall solution seems, at first glance, impossible, whether it be through nine days or 41 years of study, Israel, to stay strong, needs to have stability within its borders, and a peaceful, carefully planned end to the intifada is the only way to achieve that goal.

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Nanci Griffith Storms

Nanci Griffith has been creating storms on the other side of the Atlantic for the past several years now, with her honest-to-goodness Minnie Mouse voice and simple-structured country/folk tunes. The ground in her home country is finally starting to rumble with the release of her new LP, The Storms.

On one track, "Radio Fragile," Griffith remembers "you wore your causes on your sleeve" and "they all said you'd never make it, because you had that fragile style." The "you" is, of course, she and she still possesses that deceptively fragile, yet gorgeous, voice. Her cause, however, are no longer on her sleeve; they are melded into her cohesive, non-preaching story-songs.

"Drive-In Movies and Dashboard Lights," a country-styled, piano pop tune, details the importance of inner beauty. "It's a Hard Life Wherever You Go," a disquieting soon-to-be folk standard, parallels life in Belfast with prejudice in Chicago, without all the bombast or preacher-fervor of many musical do-gooders. Griffith is more of an observer on these tracks, but when she sings about her unsteady romances, she's in there heart first. Her voice is sweet and her songs are intimate; listening to Storms is like having Griffith right in your living room.

Griffith pays homage to her mentor Loretta Lynn on the twang-tinged, two-step twirler "Listen to the Radio." When you can't find a friend turn on your radio

by Stef McDonald

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Reliving the classics of yesterday and today

Classic Floyd. Classic Zeppelin. Classic Hendrix, Joplin, Cream, Stones, Beatles, CCR, Jefferson Airplane, MTV. Classic MTV?

Brian Hartstein

It was a typical weekday night. I think it was a Monday. Aimlessly, I flipped through the buttons on the cable box, spending no more than a millisecond on any one channel. Suddenly, something caught my attention. It was MTV and they were playing a song I had not heard for years, proving the adage, "old videos don't die, they just gather dust," untrue. The last time I heard "867-5309" I was under the impression that a babe named Jenny would answer the phone should I call (it was a woman named Gladys, and she was not amused).

Why would MTV play a dinosaur video? It's crude by today's standards. Yet the biggest surprise came when they cut back to the "VJ". Standing before the camera, still looking as perky as ever, was Martha Quinn.

No, this wasn't the "Twilight Zone," this was MTV's way of patting themselves on the back with a show entitled, "Classic MTV."

Classic. Used as an adjective it's supposed to carry some measure of respectability. No longer. Now a video no more than seven years old is "classic." At this rate, three more years and the name of the show could be changed to "Ancient MTV." The premise could go something like this: Martha, Nina Blackwood, J.J. Jackson, Mark Goodman, and Alan Hunter all reunite in wheelchairs to chat, play checkers and reminisce about the good old days.

A scary thought. It's aging as if you were a dog. I'm twenty-one, which means I'm one hundred-forty-seven in dog years, and four hundred-sixty-nine in MTV years. Originally, the people at MTV heralded this show as "Deja Video," but MTV executives changed the title. It seems the average viewer couldn't get the play on words of the first title. This of course is a promising marker for society.

But, forget for a moment what this says about our generation, think instead of future "classics" we have to look forward to. The natural progression of time seems to suggest a world in which Madonna is an icon and Jackie Collins novels are used as part of a college's English curriculum. As senior citizens we could wax nostalgic about Big Macs, "they don't make em' like they used to."

Don't get me wrong, I'm not blaming MTV for the downfall of modern civilization, but I think it and other "classics" of our era can surely be held accountable for cheapening our society. Has originality and complexity left our culture completely? Not necessarily. Yes the average being of western civilization is not the motherlode of creativity he or she once was, but this will not last forever.

EPILOGUE:

One final thought on this subject. As I sit here in my La-Z-Boy watching "Classic MTV," I must pause for refreshment, as my "throat is parched. What should I get to drink, I wonder to myself. Ah, I know, a can of soda. "Classic Coke," and "Classic MTV" — perfect together.
EDITORIAL

Park your problems

The University recently took steps to alleviate a parking crunch on campus by restricting freshmen from registering their automobiles. That, in itself, is an idea whose time has come. The ban on freshman cars has been utilized by other campuses in the past, with some success. The administration took proper steps to alleviate a problem that aggravated all those who had their cars towed last semester, and it would seem that a parking problem was a thing of the past.

A few questions to the Public Safety Traffic Division: where are the parking spots this year? If those aren’t cars belonging to freshmen that are creating the new parking crunch, then whose are they? Are non-registered vehicles being towed, as they should be? Why would anyone register 15,000 cars for 7,000 available spots, as was the case last year? And why is it so hard to find a parking spot?

These questions, however, must be directed to the administration, and not to Public Safety. Traffic Division Director James Utermark has stated that he’s asked for more parking spots, but the question comes down to more parking spots versus the university environment. President O’Leary also cited being “caught between environment and convenience.”

With the fieldhouse currently under construction, a new atmospheric science building in the works, and a UAS complex planned, why the sudden concern for the environment?

The University has grown a lot recently, in population, building are, and prestige. Although measures should be taken to preserve the traditional “lawns and trees” college environment, isn’t it important to satisfy the students, who do pay the tuition, with simple things like ample parking? Before the parking situation gets completely out of hand, and a situation not unlike last semester’s tow fiasco is repeated, the University should open more parking spaces, as soon as possible.

Regardless of any traffic jams that occur now, the future won’t look any brighter. When the fieldhouse eventually opens, the whole Albany community will be attracted to the campus. Aside from regular students and faculty, where would anyone park for a concert or a major sporting event? If there’s a parking crunch now, the University can’t just expect it to ease when the fieldhouse, and other parking lot, opens. After all, you can’t fit 10 pounds of shit into a 5 pound bucket.

COLUMN

Communism: Riposa in Pace

Recently, many of our Western allies (as well as many Americans) have rushed to offer praise and kudos to Soviet Premier, Mikhail Gorbachev. He is thanked with awe and admiration for taking those few small steps towards democratic reform and restoring limited political and human rights in the USSR. However, prudence would lead us to take a more sober inquiry into Gorbachev’s motives for reform and the prospect for glasnost and the USSR.

We must first recognize that glasnost is a reaction to the rising tide of dissatisfaction with a debilitating Socialist economy and continued human rights violations. The perception that Gorbachev is leading the Soviet people towards democratic reform is a dangerous distortion that does not acknowledge the dissatisfaction that has been brewing in the Soviet Union. In actuality, it is the people who have demanded change; Gorbachev for the sake of maintaining powers into the next millennium, has sought to pacify this dissatisfaction with mild, if not illusionary reform. It is most important to understand Gorbachev’s motives in introducing glasnost and perestroika. It is the maintenance of Communist Party control which serves as his sole motivation for implementing economic, political and social reform. It is not, as some would like to believe, an attempt at achieving “the perfect communist society”, a notion which has been promised by the founders and progenitors of communism since its birth. In short, glasnost is merely Machiavellian. The Soviet Union’s goals and aspirations remain the same, however, it is those instruments by which they seek to attain these goals that has changed. As one former American statesman keenly noted; Gorbachev has discovered a change of heart, not the heart. Rather, it has been the world wide recognition of the failure of Marxism and the socialist economy, which has led the Soviet government into a corner whereby the only way out (other than military force) is reform.

The noted journalist Stewart Alsap said of death, “A dying man needs to die, as a sleepy man needs to sleep, and there comes a time when it is wrong, as well as useless, to resist.” In the same manner, communism is indeed a dying ideology. This has been demonstrated through recent events throughout the Soviet Union and the Eastern-bloc countries. The withdrawal of Soviet troops from Afghanistan marked a severe defeat for Soviet world expansion. An ailing economy has caused great financial constraints on Soviet aid to satellite nations as well as restricting the exportation of Marxist revolution. Within the Soviet Union, nationalist sentiments in the Soviet republics have caused great unrest. The people of Estonia, Latvia and the other occupied republics, with their independent cultures, histories and traditions are publicly demanding drastic reform, if not complete independence. Elsewhere in the Soviet Union, the so-called “worker’s party” has been crippled by striking coal miners and other union strikes. The irony is painfully obvious.

The most convincing argument that communism is dying is witnessed in the recent events in Eastern Europe. In Poland, the overwhelming victory of Solidarity and the election of a Solidarity member as Prime Minister will change the course of Poland’s history. Prospects for dramatic change in the Polish economy are promising, however the Communist Party has retained control of the military as well as some powerful civilian posts. Perhaps most extraordinary though, was the exodus of thousands upon thousands of East Germany, just one week ago. What is more impressive, is the fact that Hungary had opened its borders to allow those seeking freedom to escape to West Germany. It is evident that oppressed peoples around the world are discovering the superiority of capitalism and democracy, and as the freest people on earth, we should aid in their struggle for freedom and liberty from communist oppression. The world is discovering what we as Americans have always known; communism is an unnatural, immoral and inefficient system that is doomed to failure.

However, we should not for one moment, let our guard down and neither should those who live under communist oppression. The extraordinary events that have recently occurred, can be reversed with the iron hand of police state brutality. The Soviet Union has many historical precedents for brutalizing those who seek reform. More recently, we have witnessed the brutal massacre of protestors in Red China. The economic and political reforms in China, which occurred as a result of cultural, economic and social changes with the West, were, with one bloody reign of terror, extinguished. We can only hope for a different outcome in the Soviet Union and the Eastern bloc countries, but as the noted scholar Dimiter Simes observed, “the Soviet leopard has changed its spots, but it is still a leopard.”

Regardless of the reforms in the USSR, however promising they may be; Americans and more importantly those who live under communism, must not mistake illusory reforms intended to perpetuate communist control, for real change. In short, the death of communism is inevitable, but we cannot be assured of its peaceful demise.

The author is chairman of the College Republicans.
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Hugo
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computers and office equipment. One staffer said his furniture was blown out the windows of his apartment on the 20th story of his building.

In Miami, Eastern Airlines' spokeswoman Karen Ceremsak in Miami said the carrier was able to fly a special Boeing 727 charter to the Dominican resort of Puerto Plata earlier Monday and returned to Miami with about 135 vacationers.

NYPIRG
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voter registration.

This year's concentration, said Boehm, will be on environmental topics such as: on-campus recycling, a campus-wide styrofoam ban and the prevention of the building of a garbage incinerator in the Port of Albany; and Education Watch, a podium survey about the fairness of the Scholastic Aptitude Tests.

NYPIRG claimed victory last year when a state Supreme Court Justice ruled that SAT scores cannot be the sole criterion for granting Regents scholarships. The group had been working against standardized testing and plans to continue, according to Boehm.

Students interested in becoming a more active part of NYPIRG may come to the general interest meeting on Wednesday at 8:00 p.m. in Lecture Center 19 or contact the office at 442-5658.

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Standardized tests seen as biased

(CPS) Nearly two-thirds of the students who became National Merit Scholarship semifinalists in 1989 were males, and the phenomenon was more proof that Standardized tests are biased against females, a test critic group said in early September.

After combing through public records released by the Educational Testing Service (ETS), FairTest, based in Cambridge, Mass., reported that only 32 percent of the semifinalists last year were female, even though they earned the test used to award the scholarships - is slanted against women, charged FairTest's Sarah Stockwell. "Any time a test score is the sole criterium for scholarships it is unfair."

Tests aren't the problem, claims Nancy Burton of ETS, the company that writes the PSAT. "Men and women aren't getting equal educations. We can't agree that any question women don't do well on should be thrown out."

Test critics scored a major victory last February when a federal judge ruled that Preliminary Scholastic Aptitude Test (PSAT) scores to award scholarships because the test questions reflect a male bias.

This year, the first one in which grades were factored into the New York scholarship formula, females won $2.8 million more in scholarships than they did in 1988.

Janice Gams of the College Board, which sponsors the test, says the disparity between scores - is because women take more liberal arts courses, which tend to be easier than math and science courses, which males are more likely to take.
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Ithaca, Cortland triumph; Brockport State defeated

(3P) Three weeks into the college football season at least three teams are already shining and Cortland State because they seem to be as good as they were last year; and Brockport State because the Golden Eagles are bad and getting worse.

The Bombers, last year’s Division III national champion, continued to roll Saturday, crushing St. Lawrence 28-0. And so did the Red Dragons, who shut down Hobart 17-0. Both teams are 2-0 after two games.

Cortland improved to 3-0 with its win over Ithaca 21-20 during the regular season last year, but the bombers came back and beat the Dragons 24-7. It was a second-half Division III playoff and went on to win the Amos Alonso Stagg Bowl for the second time. The teams meet Nov. 4 at Ithaca, and the outcome of that game might decide who makes the playoffs this year from New York.

As for Brockport State, its season has been anything but golden. After two games the Golden Eagles have been outscored by a whopping 85-3. They were pounded 40-3 by Mansfield in their season opener last weekend and 45-0 to Saturday in Geneva of Pennsylvania. Geneva outgained Brockport 433 yards to 88 and averaged 9 yards a play. Three Brockport quarterbacks were intercepted five times.

Jeff Czarnecki scored twice and Scott Schmitz passed for a pair of scores to lead Geneva, which buried the Eagles with a 28-point third-period.

Cortland State 17, Hobart 0

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Albany victorious over Saxons, 35-31

By Christopher Scria
SPORTS EDITOR

Saturday was the "Night of the Big Play." For the Albany football team, it was long overdue.

The Danes ended their record at 1-1 with a thrilling 35-31 victory over the Alfred University Saxons at Merrill Field.

Albany may jump back into the Division III Upstate N.Y. Top Five Poll, because Alfred was fourth. It will be released later in the week.

The Saxons, who looked lackadaisical on offense in last week's loss to Ithaca, got the wishbone on track against Alfred. It just didn't happen until the second quarter.

After Saxon Joe Iudice intercepted an Albany Q.B. Pat Ryder pass at the Alfred 24, the game turned into the Roy Rogers Show.

The senior tailback on a third and two from the Alfred 46, hit the line, shed an Albany would-be-tackler and went down the right sideline untouched for a touchdown. With 6:43 left in the first, Steve McNeil added the PAT to make it 7-0, Saxons.

Albany got the ball back and had to punt on downs. Alfred took over at its own 37. The Saxons drove to the Dane 17 and looked to blow the game open. Then one of the "big plays" happened.

On first and ten, Saxon Q.B. Lance Locey handed off to Rogers who was tipped on the line by Dane defensive end. Dan Horakawitz, and was grabbed by Albany corner back Chris Pizzo at the Dane 10.

Pizzo took the pursuit out to a 90 yard interception return for a touchdown. It was the longest interception return in Albany history.

Also important, was that it got the Danes back into the game. Tony Chechile converted the PAT to tie it up 7-7, 53 seconds left in the first.

Neither team could sustain a long drive in the second quarter until Alfred started one at its 15. Eight plays and sixty yards later, it was first and ten for Saxons on the Dane 27.

Locey handed off to Rogers who passed back to him. The flea-flicker fooled Albany, as Locey threw a scoring toss to a wide-open Joe Haven in the end zone.

Another McNeil extra point gave the Saxons the lead, 14-7, with 3:08 left in the half.

Then the Danes finally got the offense going.

They started on their 13 as a result of an Alfred three and out. On this diagrammed reverse, Larry Jones scored from 20 yards out to help the Danes win.

Ryder was sacked for a loss of four yards, the senior took off on a 16 yard gain to get the first down.

That made it first and ten on the Dane 47. Pete Pedro then blew through the line to the right side and cut back for a 42 yard pick up to the Saxon 11.

McNeil carried for nine yards to the two and Pedro went in from there with 26 seconds left in half. Chechile again tied it with the PAT, 14-14. That's the way the first half ended.

Albany received a second-half kickoff and picked up where they left off.

Good solid running helped the Danes on a 11 yard drive scoring drive. Ryder capped it off on an important fourth and one carry from the Saxons one.

His first T.D. of the season gave the Danes their first lead. With 10:15 in the third, Chechile's PAT made it 21-14, Albany.

Alfred wasn't through as they got the ball to the Dane nine. On first and goal, Rogers fumbled a pitch, but he recovered it. He lost nine yards. Locey was incomplete on second and third and goal.

McNeil kicked a 35 yard field goal to pull the Saxons within four at 21-17, with 3:33 left in the third.

Ryder then drove the Danes across midfield but fumbled at the Saxon 39. Andy Manella recovered for the Saxons at the end of the third.

The Danes held the Saxons and sacked Locey on second and seven. Third and 17 was an incomplete pass, so the Saxons faced fourth and 17 from its 48.

Albany again was careless and it cost them. The up man caught the snap and passed to the right end who gained 39 yards. An Albany face mask penalty put the ball on the Dane eight. Rogers scored again to give the Saxons the lead. Milne got the PAT, so it was Alfred 23, Albany 21 with 13:24 left in the game.

"It was (the fake punt) an automatic adjustment from my special teams coach," Saxon head coach Jim Moretti said.

"I didn't know about it," he added. "I said 'Holy moley it worked!'"

Albany's Brad Acker returned the kickoff to the Saxon 48. Albany only had six plays and 2:16 to score again. Ryder went around the right side and powered his way to give the Danes the lead. The PAT made it 28-24, Albany, still 11:16 left.

There was no defense to be found as Alfred did it again. Rogers had 48 yards on four carries, to highlight a ten play 63 yard drive. Sam Goble went in from there with 7:06 remaining.

The Danes could have warmed up the buses and packed it in, but they used another PAT to make it 31-28, 11:16 left.

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