Israeli Lt. Col. expresses bleak outlook for the future

By Kent Bronson

In a lecture concerning peace in the Middle East last Wednesday, Israeli Army Lieutenant Colonel Eli Cohen, who spoke to approximately 40 people, gave a brief analysis of the Middle East situation, the history of the conflicts there, and his assessment of what the future might hold for the region.

Specific topics included the Gulf War, Arab-Israeli tensions, and the Palestinian question.

Discussing overall tensions in the Middle East, Cohen said the tensions are a combination of many things including the Arab-Israeli conflict, a history of tension among the Arab nations themselves, characterized by disputes such as the eight year war fought between Iran and Iraq during the 1980's and disputes between virtually all of the Arab nations with one another at some period in time.

He explained the conflicts arise from two reasons: The first reason is religious conflict; not only those between Jews and Muslims, but also tension between the more moderate Muslims and those adhering to more fundamentalist or extremist views of the Islamic faith. The second reason is conflicts over power, territory, and wealth, epitomized in many ways by the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait but also evident in other areas (chiefly Arab claims to Israeli land).

These conflicts, Cohen said, result in a constant struggle for power between Arab nations which results in regional instability. "For this generation, unfortunately, I don't believe there will be a stable, definite solution that will solve the problems of all the sides."

Cohen also pointed out the struggles are hindered by the fact that the majority of the Arab nations are dictatorships with a great deal of internal instability, which also contributes to the unpredictability of events in the middle East. He cited the sudden overthrow of the Shah of Iran and the establishment of the fundamentalist regime of the Ayatollah Khomeini, during which Iran's relationship with Israel went from one of relative peace to one of extreme hostility practically overnight.

Cohen said hopes for lasting peace between Israel and the Arab world, "The fundamentalists...the ones that believe in Islam as the main way of their lives, they don't want to see Israel in ruins."

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Cease fire blocked

Presidential inauguration

Legislative Palace. It came five years to the day after the fall of the brutal, 25-year-old Duvalier family dictatorship.

The army is charged with guarding the president, the national palace and the melding of the two forces into a national army.

The council also strengthened public defense, as did Shawcross' attorneys in his 13-week trial said Shawcross told the Monroe County jail guard who took Shawcross to and from court during his trial in neighboring Wayne County for the serial killings of 10 Rochester area women. He faces a second trial in a neighboring Wayne County for the 1989 death of 29-year-old Elizabeth Gibson.

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Kisses turn steamy

In the February 8 issue, a letter to the editor says they are Anti-Zionist when they really mean Anti-Semitic. The letter also referred to a group on campus entitled the "Coalition to End the Gulf War."

We regret the error.

Killer is on trial

A prosecutor in the Wayne County murder trial of serial killer Arthur J. Shawcross said Friday he may try to use statements Shawcross allegedly made to a guard during his previous trial.

"There may be a bearing concerning the statements he made to the deputy sheriff," Wayne County District Attorney Richard Healy said.

Shawcross was sentenced in Monroe County Court last week to 250 years in prison for the serial killings of 10 Rochester area women. He faces a second trial in a neighboring Wayne County for the 1989 death of 29-year-old Elizabeth Gibson.

Wayne County Public Defender Ronald Valentine intends to present an insanity defense, as did Shawcross' attorneys in Monroe County. One element in that defense was Shawcross' accounts of being severely sexually abused by his mother as a child.

But at a news conference earlier this week, the Monroe County jail guard who took Shawcross to and from court during his 13-week trial said Shawcross told him he had made up the stories.

President sworn in

Haiti's first democratically elected president, termed "courageous." The letters need not find a recommendation for Senate punishment.

Aristide's inauguration, televised live from Port-au-Prince, Haiti

NATION

Four are investigated

Washington, D.C.

(AP) The Senate Ethics Committee is caught in a partisan split over how to treat four of the five senators who intervened against the president. He promptly challenged the

Caught in a partisan split over how to treat National Palace. "Not one drop of blood

Four of the five senators who intervened

"If I could, I would come down and

The prohibitions adopted Wednesday are among a half dozen new measures that Mayor Sonny Bonso, the pop singer turned politician, termed "courageous."

Revealing G-string bikinis, termed a distraction to motorists, will be banned by decades of corrupt and repressive rule.

"I could, I would come down and wash your feet (of blood)," he told army

POST-PRINCE, Haiti

The radical priest Jean-Bertrand Aristide, draped in a red and blue sash provided by a peasant woman and four homeless boys, was sworn in Thursday at Haiti's first democratically elected president. He promptly challenged the army to rise to six consecutive officers.

Thousands of Haitians poured into the streets, singing and dancing, after Aristide's inauguration, televised live from the Chamber of Deputies of the Legislative Palace. It came five years to the day after the fall of the brutal, 25-year-old Duvalier family dictatorship.

The 37-year-old Roman Catholic priest assumes leadership of the poorest and most politically unstable nation in the Western Hemisphere, a country ravaged by decades of corrupt and repressive rule.

"If I could, I would come down and wash your feet (of blood)," he told army chiefs gathered with him outside the National Palace. "Not one drop of blood should flow in this country again."
Footworks dancers storm PAC

This year's theme stressed unity through dance.

Although Footworks gives a concert annually, this is their first season under the direction of Smith-Broaddus, who was hired as professor of dance at SUNYA in September, 1990. She has previously held positions at the Imagination Dance Company, as well as the New York State Foundation and the New York State Museum. She also has a private dance studio in downtown Albany.

Speaking of her hopes for the concert, Smith-Broaddus said, "I think this is going to be a totally new type of concert, a total reflection of a dance and stagnant dance environment."

Smith-Broaddus also said students choreographed most of the pieces except for the opening and closing numbers which were choreographed by Smith-Broaddus. A piece titled "Addiction," by guest choreographer Jamie Stiller from New York City.

Smith-Broaddus said she invited Stiller "so that students would have a touch of the outside world with regards to performances and_ERROR_ and dance styles."

Of the dancers who make up Footworks, Smith-Broaddus said, "We're among us the best technically fit movers in this area."

About 70 dancers belong to Footworks.

During an interview last week, Smith-Broaddus said Footworks influences include: "modern dancers, hip hop, jazz, ballroom, improv...and ethnic dances." She added, this year's concert is "a reflection of the multi-cultural diversity of the student body of the University at Albany."
Moscow Circus accused of animal cruelty

Holly Cheever, a member of the Association of Veterinarians for Animal Rights. A Moscow Circus fact sheet distributed by People For The Ethical Treatment of Animals (PETA), stated bears weighing five hundred pounds and standing six foot tall, are kept in cages measuring three by five by four, for as many as twenty hours a day, often without clean water.

As stated in the sheet, these crowded animals are joined by their cubs. In Canada, four horses died from a contagious disease while traveling with the Moscow Circus in 1989, according to PETA. Following this incident were deaths of the cubs of a pregnant tiger in 1990 who became ill and required surgery while traveling with the circus.

In January of 1989, a public complaint regarding the Moscow Circus was filed by an individual, unaffiliated with any animal rights organization, who, according to Dr. Field Investigator Lisa A. Landres of the HSUS said the insufficiency of laws regulating wildlife in traveling circuses brought into this country under a foreign entity, allows the Circus to continue performing despite complaints.

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In January of 1991 by the Humane Society of the United States (HSUS) against the Moscow Circus for its neglect to upgrade abusive conditions, PETA stated. Yet another complaint in January of 1991 by the Humane Society of the United States (HSUS) against the Moscow Circus was brought to the attention of the director of Operations at Channel Thirteen.

Participants hope, ultimately, to bring down the curtain on the circus’ animal acts, infamous for their cruelty, according to Dr. Field Investigator Lisa A. Landres of the HSUS said the insufficiency of laws regulating wildlife in traveling circuses brought into this country under a foreign entity, allows the Circus to continue performing despite complaints.

The Animal Welfare Act doesn’t apply,” Cheever said. She also said from a doctor’s point of view, the treatment of the circus animals maddens her.

Cheever said, people should "stop and realize how abusive (the circus) is to the animals and begin to enjoy the circus for the human acts alone."

Last year the protest brought a crowd of seventy people to demonstrate, and Cheever said she is calling for people to join their effort this Wednesday. Signs which foreshadow the decreasing amount of animal acts in the Moscow Circus are the absence of tigers in this year’s performance and the discontinuation of a poster picturing a bear wearing a muzzle that was previously used for advertising, Cheever said.

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Jerusalem, Israel
(AP) Iraq fired another Scud missile at Israel today and the rocket hit a deserted site in central Israel, causing no damage or casualties, the army said.

Chief army spokesman Brig. Gen. Nachman Shai said it was believed the missile carried a conventional warhead. Another military spokesman, who cannot be identified by name under military regulations, said there were no immediate reports of casualties or damage.

Both refused to say exactly where the missile had struck, although they did say the site was deserted.

Shai told Israel radio "we have not yet managed to launch from western Iraq toward Israel."

He added: "As far as I can determine now it was a conventional warhead. Certainly we'd be acting otherwise if we knew differently."

A 12th attack on the Jewish state by Iraq since the Persian Gulf War started Jan. 17. About 30 Scuds were fired in the past two weeks.

At least two people have been killed and about 300 injured in the previous missile barrages. In the most recent previous Scud attack, one missile hit the Tel Aviv area on Saturday, injuring 26 people.

Today, reporters in Tel Aviv said they heard what sounded like U.S. supplied Patriot interceptor missiles being fired.

Shai refused to say whether the defensive missiles were used.

All the missiles fired at Israel have carried conventional warheads, despite repeated threats by Iraqi President Saddam Hussein to use chemical weapons.

Cairo, Egypt
(AP) Hundreds of young Kuwaitis are taking crash courses in such basic skills as sewing and car repair to prepare for returning to a Kuwait stripped of the riches and luxury it provided them until six months ago.

Kuwait's exiled government is making the vocational training program compulsory for all 800 Kuwaiti students between the ages of 13 and 18 stranded with their families in Cairo.

They're preparing for the jobs that were performed by Asian and Arab guest workers who fled the Gulf after Iraq's Aug. 2 takeover.

At a recent class, Mansel Sayeb, 16, carefully ironed a red-and-white-striped galabiya, a house dress she had just made in her first sewing experience.

"I'm learning how to do this because when we go back to Kuwait there'll be no work and we'll have to do everything ourselves," she said. "We'll have to rebuild our country."

The Kuwaiti Educational Center in Cairo, founded by the Kuwait Embassy to look after Kuwaiti students, launched the training program in January.

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WT's raises money for Children's Hospital
By Jonathon Kornreich

For raising the most money for the Children's Hospital downtown, radio station Q-104 hosted happy hour at the victorious Washington Tavern (WT's) on Friday.

Bob Welch was the disc jockey. Uncle Vito Masonetti and the station's newest arrival, Bob Mason of Mason and Sheehan were also there. Harvey Smilovich from Channel Ten News also did a live sports broadcast.

Starting in mid-December WT's, with the help of the Off Campus Association (OCA) and Sigma Lambda Sigma (Sig Lam), raised $2800 dollars for the Albany Children's Hospital to win the contest sponsored by the hospital and Q-104.

Several Albany bars purchased paper balloons for a dollar. Customers could buy a balloon and write a message to a child in the hospital.

After fighting broke out in the Middle East, the organizers decided that the balloons should be directed to soldiers overseas, said Michael Farakas, president of OCA.

OCA and Sig Lam were instrumental in helping raise the money, Farakas said. OCA sold about 200 balloons during happy hours and 150 after the contest ended. Sig Lam sold about 400.

Farakas, who is also president of Sig Lam said, "I was grateful for the chance to have my fraternity get involved in such a worthwhile community service event. It was a great opportunity to show that the Greeks can really benefit the community." WT's manager Larry Drew was enthusiastic about SUNYA students for their support. Drew said: "The students have gotten a bad press lately, but we support them...This is definitely a sign of their worthiness and charity."

Farkas said, "OCA is dedicated to performing any community service for the downtown Albany area. This is another example of how students are eager to improve the community in which they live."

Drew said the event was a huge success.

According to sources at the Albany Children's Hospital, the money raised by all the bars will go a long way to help the children. It will be used to help pay for food and housing as well as operating expenses for the hospital, they said.

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"They would hold up a green sign at the Lamp Post if the contest was still on," the Lamp Post also served coffee and donuts all night until the winners were announced, Munoz said.

Kanterman also said, "It was something different to do..."I would've had a good time even if we didn't win. It was a refreshing change."

Another participant agreed, "It was so much fun that I felt bad for the students that were doing the ordinary bar scene."

Scher and Kanterman's teammates, the other two winners, were Adam Ganz and Wayne Mandel. Three of the winners said they have already spent their prize money.

Mandel said he bought a stereo, Kanterman bought a compact disc player, and Scher took his girlfriend out to dinner at the Michelle Deverona and bought himself a receiver.

Ganz was unavailable for comment but Scher predicted he would buy a lot of apple juice with his prize money. "He really likes apple juice."

According to Munoz, most contestants said the third clue was the most difficult. Kanterman and Mandel agreed.

The answers to the clues were (1) executive (2) Hawaii (3) Rockefeller. The final answer was 120 South Lake.

"The search for $1000 was a great idea. The clues were good and well thought out and the whole event was well organized," said Hugh Spiegelman, a participant.

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"We have to show the governor that he can't expect the State's budget to be balanced on the backs of students," Cullen said.

"New York has the money, but they're in the mood for building prisons these days, and not for education," she added.

"Education is an investment," Cullen told Council members. "If New York's quality of education declines any further, and it's going to if we don't act now, the pool of educated prospective workers will diminish, and businesses will move out of the state," she said.

"It's as simple as that. We are one of the best investments going for New York State right now, so what does Cuomo do? He keeps pulling the rug from beneath us," she said.

"3000 classes across the state have been cancelled so far ... and this doesn't include Albany," Cullen said.

"You guys think this is bad," Luk's told Council, "what do you think will happen when tuition deferments for graduate assistants are cut off? This means fewer teachers' assistants, fewer classes, and longer lines, as if they could get any longer."

Student Community Chair Larry Diamond then gave the floor to Erica Wyman, a student political activist with the Young Communists, who accused a member of RZA of verbally threatening her. Wyman said the student threatened her and said, "You're dead!"

The student allegedly pulled down a poster advertising an African nationalist who would be speaking on campus.

"As I went into Campus Life to file a complaint," Wyman told Council, "he followed me, looking at the whole way into the office. It was then, she said, that she was threatened.

According to Luk's an investigation by UPD and Central Council is underway.

The third controversy in Council was sparked when Elections Commissioner Lisa Austin decided to remove Interim Vice President Kazim Ali's name from the ballot for the Dutch Quad Central Council seat that he vacated to take his new position.

Austin said she made the move "over a conflict of interest. "As vice president, Kazim has to oversee the elections, including his own on Dutch Quad. The conflict," she said, "is in having a candidate for Central Council who has a key to the ballot box."

In a close vote Wednesday night, Council failed to get the 2/3 vote required to override Austin's decision by two votes.

Council member Ryan Don,
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**Speaker**

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Concerning the problem of the Palestinians in and around Israel, Cohen said the solution to the Palestinian quest for a homeland is dependent on negotiations between the Arab nations, especially those surrounding Israel, to find an acceptable answer to the crisis. He also said Arab nations have as been unwilling to do so yet because they desire to use the Palestinian problem as a political lever against Israel.

"For me, the Palestinian problem is a kind of hypocrisy of the Arab countries," Cohen said, adding the Arab nations have a history of using the Palestinian question as a way to justify their opposition of Israel without making any genuine efforts to solve the problem. Cohen said this was a key reason behind Saddam Hussein's decision to invade Kuwait.

According to Cohen, because of a severe economic backlash resulting from his eight year war with Iran, Hussein felt he had to keep his army active to avoid total economic catastrophe.

"So he had to go and provoke Israel right after that...and use the excuse of the Palestinians, and maybe the Arab world would support him...and will get the support of money, his army would be stronger, and he will be the new leader of the Arab world." Cohen said when this support failed to materialize, Hussein chose a more indirect route and invaded Kuwait.

Cohen also discussed two of the major proposed solutions to the Palestinian problem. He said despite the fact that "if Israel wants to stay a democratic country, Israel has to solve the problem of the Arabs in the West Bank and Gaza Strip," it cannot convert the West Bank and the Gaza strip into a Palestinian nation, nor can it make the Palestinians into full-fledged Israeli citizens. Cohen said that both were unrealistic measures.

**Police**

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two men walked off the elevator the officers arrived and asked to see some identification, Henighan said. They refused to comply he stated.

Beltri said she heard from someone that the people were arresting Davis and Richardson.

"We all went running out. We tried to find a solution before anything got of hand," Beltri said.

She said, one officer told Richardson to get on his knees and then about nine more officers arrived on the scene.

"We heard him (Davis) being bageg up against the wall. Four officers had Rick (Richardson) on the floor with their knees on him. We all started crying. We yelled at the police to get off of him," Beltri said.

Henighan said, "There were a lot of witnesses. They were struggling and refusing to

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cooperate."

"One cop yelled 'Move' and
swung his billy club at us and it
slipped out of his hand" Belchi
said. "If we didn't move it
would have hit us."

Richardson was unavailable
for comment.

Davis said he wouldn't
comment as it might jeopardize
the case. "It's still in the court. I
don't think it'd be a good idea to
talk about it until the court case
is over," he said.

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Never mind that Social Distortion no longer sound like their name suggests, tonight they bridge the gap between the powerhouse rock of Neil Young and the blitzkrieg hell's fire of Sonic Youth. These are four guys in black who like to rock, sort of like the Godfathers. There's just barely enough grit to satisfy, but plenty of power to back it up. Their massively-tattooed 50's greaser of a singer belts out hard luck stories like the very catchy "Ball and Chain" and, on the gruffer side, "Bad Luck."

Raymond Rogers

Old-timers probably cringe at the new spiffed-up format, but their revamped breed of guttural guitar rock and hooky melodies will most likely take Social Distortion where they want to go (which is sort of ironic — maybe they should change the name to Social Conforming?). This band is for those who are keen on the idea of head-crunching, but prefer to keep their cranium intact.

Sonic Youth weren't so friendly. They introduce themselves with a handshake that breaks every finger and a bear hug that cracks every rib. Even after hooking up with — hold yer ears die-hard college radio djs — a major label, these avante-rockers still screech and howl along the periphery of artful guitar rock. This year marks their tenth in the biz, and they've perfected their craft steadily. The emphasis on melodies is slightly apparent on newer tracks like "Dirty Boots," but the melodies were always jammed in there somewhere anyway. The difference these days is now you can actually hear them.

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Neil Young channels his power in different frequencies (ie: more conventional), but his set is equally as nostalgic beauty. The cover of "Blowin' In The Wind" is grandiose, reverby, and a bit corny, but completely inspiring. This was Neil Young in all his ragged glory. Young's unflinching, unapologetic, and rebellious attitude and career turns make him the perfect compliment for the lesser-known —who push the limits in their own ways— he's championing on this tour.

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Neil Young channels his power in different frequencies (ie: more conventional), but his set is equally as powerful. The sonic strains of "The Star-spangled Banner" gives way to the crunch of "Hey, Hey, My, My." There's constant references to world peace — from the gigantic peace sign hanging in the backdrop to the pointed lines like "we got a kinder, gentler machine-gun hand" in the stirring anthem "Free World." Neil Young is pretty angry tonight (Why does he always look like he's got a bad hangover?), and his playing, at turns, very tough and somberly gorgeous. "Fuckin' Up" soars with bitter contempt as much as "Cortez, The Killer" resonates a simple, nostalgic beauty. The cover of "Blowin' In The Wind" is grandiose, reverby, and a bit corny, but completely inspiring. This was Neil Young in all his ragged glory.

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Old-timers probably cringe at the new spiffed-up format, but their revamped breed of guttural guitar rock and hooky melodies will most likely take Social Distortion where they want to go (which is sort of ironic — maybe they should change the name to Social Conforming?). This band is for those who are keen on the idea of head-crunching, but prefer to keep their cranium intact.

Sonic Youth weren't so friendly. They introduce themselves with a handshake that breaks every finger and a bear hug that cracks every rib. Even after hooking up with — hold yer ears die-hard college radio djs — a major label, these avante-rockers still screech and howl along the periphery of artful guitar rock. This year marks their tenth in the biz, and they've perfected their craft steadily. The emphasis on melodies is slightly apparent on newer tracks like "Dirty Boots," but the melodies were always jammed in there somewhere anyway. The difference these days is now you can actually hear them.

Sonic Youth are a dreamscape into the nightmare of real life, with heavy doses of black humor included. Their tribute (parody) to Karen Carpenter is especially camp. Bassist and singer Kim Gordon is certainly the belle of the ball in her red, corduroy bellbottoms, singing in detached wonder of "fading, getting smaller every day, but when I open my mouth I'm bigger in every way." It's tragic and hysterical. Kim is pointedly seductive for the college radio staple "Kool Thing," where she improvises, in her women's power t-shirt, "you gonna liberate us girls from the male, White corporate rock?" Sonic Youth did quite a bit of liberating for themselves. Sonic Youth welded these new tracks between the squeal and abandon of past faves like "Catholic Block" and "White Cross." The power and intensity, the rhythmic pulsing, was sort of like sex, only with your clothes on. Now I know why they call their record Goo.

Neil Young channels his power in different frequencies (ie: more conventional), but his set is equally as powerful. The sonic strains of "The Star-spangled Banner" gives way to the crunch of "Hey, Hey, My, My." There's constant references to world peace — from the gigantic peace sign hanging in the backdrop to the pointed lines like "we got a kinder, gentler machine-gun hand" in the stirring anthem "Free World." Neil Young is pretty angry tonight (Why does he always look like he's got a bad hangover?), and his playing, at turns, very tough and somberly gorgeous. "Fuckin' Up" soars with bitter contempt as much as "Cortez, The Killer" resonates a simple, nostalgic beauty. The cover of "Blowin' In The Wind" is grandiose, reverby, and a bit corny, but completely inspiring. This was Neil Young in all his ragged glory.

Young's unflinching, unapologetic, and rebellious attitude and career turns make him the perfect compliment for the lesser-known —who push the limits in their own ways— he's championing on this tour.

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The most frightening films are not the ones that get their shock value out of blood and guts, but out of playing with your mind. Everyone who has seen "The Silence of the Lambs" will tell you that they will leave you exiting the theater a quivering mass of jelly, unconsciously checking around every corner for some unseen bogeyman. It's rare that one film can do this, but The Silence of the Lambs does succeed in doing this, and it does so masterfully. This film is perhaps the most scariest film released in the past five years, but also one of the best.

Ed Vaira

The story starts as Clarice Starling (Jodie Foster), a novice FBI agent, is called in by her superior (Scott Glenn) to interview maniacal mass murderer Hannibal Lecter (Anthony Hopkins) a nickname of "Hannibal the Cannibal" due to his method of killing. Unbeknownst to Clarice, her superiors are hoping she'll make a connection with Lecter so that he can help them catch a vicious serial killer, a person known only as "Buffalo Bill" because he skins his female victims alive (for horrifying reasons we learn later). This sort of makes sense, because who better to delve into a psychotically mind than a psychotic himself, especially since Lecter was a respected psychiatrist before being caught. What happens however, is that Lecter starts getting inside Clarice's mind as she's trying to get inside of his and probes some of her deep secrets (including one back seat to the mental game of chess that Clarice and Dr. Lecter play.

Credit for this film's success must go to absolutely everyone involved. Jodie Foster, in her first movie role since the Oscar-winning The Accused, is absolutely brilliant in her scared, determined portrayal of Clarice, a neophyte who ends up being the only one in the FBI capable of dealing with both Dr. Lecter and Buffalo Bill. However, the greatest acting kudos go to Anthony Hopkins as Dr. Lecter, who deftly keeps the almost parallel stories of Clarice vs. Lecter and Buffalo vs. Dr. Lecter from clashing. Tally handles each story with clarity and suspense as he crafts his wickedly plotted story, based on the 1989 Thomas Harris bestseller of the same title. Just as high praise must be given to director Jonathan Demme, although he has an odd choice for director considering his past experience in comedy (Something Wild, Married to the Mob). However, he proves to be an able craftsman at turning the screws up several notches until the suspense almost chokes the life out of the audience, creating what will be remembered for years as a masterpiece of its form.

TOWER POP FOR NOW PEOPLE

"Excuse me," says Jim Ellison, lead singer and guitarist for the highly-touted power pop band Material Issue, who are coming to QE2 on Feb. 21. "I just burped."

 Ellison is certainly smooth. Other musicians trying to promote their bands may have been embarrassed at belching in the ear of an interviewer, someone with the potential power of the media to make or break them (or even in the ear of a college journalist who may or may not have a delicate constitution). Still others may have passed off the expulsion of stomach gas as a hiccup, or pretended it never happened. Not Ellison, a candid, take-me-as-I-am kind of guy who chews what sounds like carrots throughout the interview (thereby causing the burp, which was infinitesimal but pretty darn funny). Belching is just a part of his charm.

Susan Friedman

So's his honesty. He explains that while their label PolyGram heralds Material Issue as '70's power pop incarnate (like Cheap Trick or the Elvis Brothers), he doesn't agree with that — not that it matters. "We don't call ourselves pop — we play rock music and put melodies to it, so they call us pop...They can call us whatever they want though, so long as people buy our records. A song's a song."

It certainly sounds like classic power pop. Material Issue's songs are bouncy and energetic, chock full of irresistible hooks, crunchy guitars and catchy choruses that'll leave you bopping uncontrollably. Ellison's voice is exuberant and actually recalls a very young Robin Zander, and what pop song would be complete without the fervent power that are tunes that may not have a lot of meaning and semantics aside, Material Issue put out an EP and a 7" on their own label, Big Block, before they got signed to PolyGram. In between they participated on compilation albums (BCA's Ten Best Unsigned Bands) and toured. And toured. And toured some more. According to their press release, Material Issue just love to tour. "Yeah, it's more fun than hangin' around home," Ellison agrees. "You know, you're the new kid in town...it's pretty cool."

"Yeah, Material Issue are real. Down-to-earth, kinetic power pop (coops-rock'n'roll) at its best. And the fact that their lead singer has stomach gas just makes it all better. These guys ain't no poseurs. Pop or rock, they're the real thing.

Cool guys with gas — From left, Jim Ellison, Mike Zelenko and Ted Ansanl bring their sound to the QE2 on the 21st.

Material Issue started four years ago when Ellison and bassist Ted Ansanl met at college in Illinois ("Columbia College, no, not the famous one"). They drafted drummer Mike Zelenko after placing an ad in a music mag. The band members are very young — they just recently graduated from school, but Ellison's fondness for power pop goes back to the late '70's, early '80's. "When I was 15, my friends and I would sneak into clubs. We used to take traffic tickets from our older brothers and use 'em as ID. We'd go see Cheap Trick, Shoes — it was great."

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Well, usually. "We did play Albany in October, though, I have no idea where we were. Big parking lot...there was this terrible huge flood. Not very exciting, sorry." It was their live performances at the Midwest Music Foundation that helped get them signed to a major label. "We weren't avidly trying. We got a deal because we're good, not because we nagged people by sendin' them stuff. We're real, that's what it is."

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**EDITORIAL**

Council is toughening up this semester

There are times when praise is in order, and this is one of them. It's a new semester, and the leaders of Central Council seem to have taken on a new approach. It's called "sticking to the rules." Last week's Council meeting, Fuerza Latina and WCDB 91FM resolved their differences regarding an issue that was brought before Council last semester. Is WCDB in violation of Affirmative Action policy because they do not have a Latino music segment? The issue that was brought before Council last semester: Is WCDB forced to play any type of music? WCDB was in violation of S.A. Affirmative Action policy; a hasty decision. Council Member Cliff Roberts probably hit the nail on the head when he said people were intimidated by the sixty plus Latino music supporters in the gallery. By the turn of that meeting, it was obvious many people felt strongly about having Latino music played. But it was wrong of Council to pass a resolution criticizing WCDB without hearing all the facts and without getting both sides. This was proved at last week's meeting when Council passed an amended version of the resolution, urging WCDB to continue their support of Affirmative Action. Both groups vowed to work together to iron out their differences.

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Vice Chair Judy Zuckerman made an issue about waiving the aging requirements on the bill too hastily, and she is right. The aging requirement insures that a bill will be on Council's agenda well before they formally meet, thus insuring members will have enough time to review a bill before voting on it. The rules Council abides by are there for a reason, and Council should use extreme caution before overriding them.

In addition, groups should try to make every effort to settle their differences outside of Council. It was interesting to see how well WCDB and Fuerza Latina worked things out once they dispensed with emotions and calmly reasoned together. Hopefully, they will maintain open lines of communication and work out an arrangement that gives everyone what they want.

SA Programming gets a "thumbs up"

Cheers to SA Programming for coming up with the "Search for $1,000," historical hunt through Albany. The event drew a huge turnout on Friday night; a time when most students are hitting the bars. By coming up with the Search, SA has found a cheap way to entertain students without alcohol. The entry fee was $15 a team, a modest price for what many participants called, "An awesome time."

Bringing programming like that to students unifies the campus and promotes school spirit. It brings students closer to Albany and, more importantly, it proves that there is something to do in Albany besides get drunk.

A little creativity goes a long way.

Thank you Programming Director Paul Faulhaber, who has been called "the brainchild" of the Search, and Bill Weitz, assistant programming director, for showing students a really good time.

Hopefully, SUNYA will be seeing the Search for many years to come.

**COLUMN**

Show your displeasure with the war

We are fighting for oil companies and defense contractors. Oil companies were the number one contributor to George Bush's presidential campaign.

Jeffrey Humphrey

Did you know that Amoco posted a 69 percent gain this quarter, while the rest of the nation is gripped by what is being called the beginning of the most vicious recession since the Depression? College students will not be the last to be drafted, they will be the first. The draft laws have changed since 1973, the last year of the draft. 20 and 21-year-olds will be drafted first, then 22, 23, 24, and 25. Then 18 and 19-year-olds. It will not be unenrolled high school graduates. It will be you, it will be your best friends. 14.4 million young men are signed up with selective service, including you if you get any financial aid, and even if you probably don't. The mechanisms are in place to draft 100,000 in two weeks.

Two weeks.

You cannot go to Canada, immigration laws have all been changed drastically. You have ten days to file for Objector Status, which must be thoroughly documented by clergy, school advisors, employers. You must object to all war, not just this one. It's a much harder nut to make than it seems. No deferment is available for students; you may finish your semester, and then you are in for two years minimum, not just until the war is over.

Why weren't you there?

Protesters went more than out of their way to demonstrate that they did not oppose troops, but the policy of George Bush. It's true that some soldiers misunderstand where anti-war sentiment is directed - at the government, not them. Some soldiers will return home with bad feelings.

Better to return home with bad feelings than dead.

CIA director William Webster stated that the sanctions would work given nine months' time. Of course, the CIA also thought that the Soviet Union was incredibly stable. Saddam wasn't going anywhere. Saudi Arabia (I don't know why) was fully protected. Israel had not been attacked. There were no U.S. POWs or hostages. George Bush's speech on the day of the attack, written by himself, was done two weeks in advance. U.S. troops attacked under a new moon, total darkness, perfect conditions.

George Bush never had any plans other than war. Iraq no longer has the capability to produce nuclear or chemical weapons. The Israelis have always initiated wars to defend themselves. Oil from Kuwait and Iraq, pre-invasion, accounted for 5 percent of U.S. consumption. The amount of money raised from cutting TAP and raising our tuition is equal to 3 of the 350 Tomahawk cruise missiles from the Battlefieild Wisconsin. The cost of the twenty American planes destroyed so far as enough to run the entire SUNY system of 63 schools for an entire semester.

Why weren't you there?

There's a letter in the Sunday Times Union saying, to paraphrase. Since the war is inevitable, let's put all our support into it. My response is: Why should we give up protesting stupidity, even when it seems hopeless? Isn't giving up in the face of adversity unpatriotic? Shouldn't blind obedience be un-American? It was 200 years ago.

No matter how much we like to see the U.S. kick ass every now and then, war is still wrong and must be the last resort of intelligent people. These are real human lives at stake. This is war, people die for no good reason. This is not the Superbowl. The fact is, the sanctions would have worked. It is not too late. I am afraid that these are just words, and I am preaching either to the deaf or to the already converted. But this war would certainly end if public opinion were against it, as it will be when the draft begins.

You will not be able to attend protest marches when you are in boot camp.

*This is the continuation of the column that appeared in Friday's Issue.*

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**SA Programming**

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LETTERS

Earthbound wants you

To the Editor:

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J.L. Paul

Correcting his letter...

To the Editor:

I would like first to make some clarifications of the letter that appeared in Friday's ASP (2/9/91). Due to editing and/or typing errors, appears in my letter. I do not support this war in the Persian Gulf, and do not display the disinformation that is being spread by the network media. I object to the emotional wrenching campaigns of both modes of thought (the neo-conservatives and the Trotskyists). And for those people who are of the opinion "Love this country or leave it" I have to say that the Constitution does not only apply to those citizens who support the policy of its leaders. It also applies to those who wish to question this current policy because of its flaws and who want to change it. This is a country of laws, not of people!

I would like to add that the list I gave sources of alternative media and the list of political intellectuals/activists is by no means exhaustive or complete. These are the ones I know, and there are plenty more that I do not intend to profess a manner that is omniscient of knowledge and others are more informed than I do know of other sources of information. "Enter" is publication of Fairness and Accuracy in Reporting, a media watchdog group. I do not have an address for "Extra," but I would believe that the library would have it. In These Times is a different publication.

Their address is In These Times, 1912 Debs Ave, Mt. Morris, IL 61054.

Vic Tuchinsky

The GSO is for all grades

To the Editor:

We understand there has been some apprehension about the organizational processes of SUNYA's newly formed Graduate Student Organization (GSO). The following comments are directed at eliminating the confusion that has been well expressed by Robert Clark and Robert Underwood, authors of a January 25, 1991 letter to the editor of the ASP.

Mr. Clark and Mr. Underwood, I believe it was not clear for the current year that the fee was mandatory. It was voted on last spring with a ballot which stated, "Students with more than six credit-hours and those with six or less credit-hours will be voting separately to determine whether they will be members of the GSO. Either option for the budget committee. The activity fee for those with more than six credit-hours would be $15 per semester. The activity fee for those with six or less credit-hours would be $6 per semester (emphasis ours)." This wording clearly indicates that two groups of students would decide separately to join the GSO as constituents, not as individuals. Thus, as the presidential constitution states, any current student must pay and voting fee would be the member. The wording was discussed and approved by members of the administration with the clear understanding that the fee would be mandatory.

Clark and Underwood indicate they feel inadequate numbers of persons voted in the election last spring. In the full-time category, 20 percent of the students voted. Jeff Luka, Student Association Central Council Chair, says that there was an 8 percent voter turnout in their last officer elections and that their constitution requires that they hold a referendum elections. In a letter, dated July 13, 1990, to the President of the SUNYA GSO Assembly Representative

Anne V. Masters

SUNYA GSO Assembly Representative

I am not a liberal

To the Editor:

I would like to take this opportunity to respond to recent comments made by various students regarding my comments and organization.

While I am encouraged by Kevin Coleman's support of the President's policy, I must clarify for him exactly what I meant. When I said, "We see all the liberals on campus protesting but they don't have a reason why we (the US) should leave," I was referring to the students who attempted to disrupt our rally, and not meant to suggest that all liberals are anti-war. The Persian Gulf War has broad popular support from all sides of the political spectrum, and not meant to suggest otherwise.

Christian J. Klosner seems to believe that he can use his position as an ex-vice President of the New York State University Republicans to influence the College Republicans. He also accuses us of being a shoddy ourselves in secrecy. Perhaps he attended the rally and, if so, went to talk to us we participated in. Just for his information, I am free to attend one of our meetings Monday nights at 8:00 p.m. in LC140.

It does seem, however, that Mr. Klosner is being overly bitter and vindictive in his charges that the College Republicans do not reflect the policy of the national party.

Christopher Sandor Co-Chairman, SUNYA College Republicans
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-Chloe (from Michaels)

Lori

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### Applications Due by Friday, February 22.
Two losses at Pennsylvania end wrestling's dual season

By Ari Kampel

The Ivy League has proven too tough for Albany to conquer.

First-place Niagara kills Albany's win streak

By Andrew Schotz

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Fighting
Continued from back page

Ivy League wrestling is dominated by the Ivies. The Danes had 11 wrestlers lose, including Joe Palumbo, out for the season. The Danes' hopes for victory all but ended when Palumbo was called for high sticking, but Chad Buchta scored a shorthanded goal and it was suddenly 5-2.

At 15:34, Palumbo was called for high sticking, and Niagara went on the power play to regain Niagara's three-goal lead. Gallagher scored his second goal at 8:54 while Craig Miller was serving a holding penalty. His replacement, freshman Bob Gillespie, suffered two losses during the ni-me.

Against Harvard, the return of Albany stalwart John Pavlin, as well as the continued excellence of Bill Mallin, help to keep the Danes relatively close. The Crimson were too strong, though, and Albany improved its mark to 4-0 vs. Albany.

Approximately 28 schools are eligible to compete in the Eastern Regional competition in Rochester on Friday and Saturday. According to DeMeo, about eight will not show up, including Yeshiva which doesn't compete on Saturdays, the Jewish Sabbath. Those that will be there include defending champion Ithaca College (who Albany recently defeated) and St. Lawrence University (who Albany lost to), as well as Hunter College, CUNY Western, RIT, and NYU.

At this tournament, 26 athletes will be selected for the NCAA Championships next month in Illinois. They will consist of all the region's top finishers, as well as six "wild-cards." The wild-cards, which come from a pool of third- and fourth-place finishers, will be decided by a coaches meeting after the event.

According to DeMeo, the vote can become an avalanche, and an athlete may take a few hours or more.

vs. U of Pennsylvania

The Danes defeated Penn (24-12-1) 12-11, 3-5, 13-10, 10-5 in overtime, in the last meeting of the season.

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The Danes took their only lead of the game. Mike Palumbo grabbed a loose puck and walked alone to beat Niagara goaltender Mark Bawbic

The Danes began to play better towards the end of the period, as they limited Niagara to few quality shots.

After, at 5:09, Melton scored his second goal, off a rebound, to tie the game. The first period ended with Niagara up 5-4.

Albany head coach Todd DeMeo felt his team could have won, but wasn't crushed. "I'd rather lose now than lose to them in the playoffs in two weeks," he said. "With a full squad, I'm confident we can beat them."
Keep fighting out of sports... and hockey, too
By Andrew Schotz
SPORTS EDITOR
The University of Nevada at Las Vegas (UNLV)-University of Arkansas basketball game, we had a chance to see the new National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA) policy on punishing players for fights. Play becomes tense during the second half and Arkansas' Todd Day exchanged a few words with UNLV's Larry Johnson. This was a clear-cut case of fighting, yet referee Jody Sylvester chose not to eject the pair for this infraction, which would have carried an automatic one-game suspension. Instead the call was "unsportsmanlike conduct." Day and Johnson were shown out, but Sylvester took the easy way out.

The NCAA has attempted to take the reins in a problem that, at times, has grown vastly out of hand in recent years-violence, fighting in particular. It wasn't too long ago that you could go to a fight and have a Georgetown game break out, as the joke goes. Only a few seasons back, the Hoyas were involved in at least two big-time brawls.

This year, if a player is opened for fighting twice, he is automatically suspended for the rest of the year. It is now up to referees to utilize this rule whenever a player "squares up," as happened Sunday. I can't belittle the NCAA very much in their efforts-the problem is certainly diminishing. If only other sports-governing bodies would follow suit.

For example, the most ridiculous punishment in athletics today has to be the National Football League's (NFL) turn-the-other-cheek offsetting penalties call. A player can actually throw punches at another and walk away scot-free...as long as the other player does the same. Referees to utilize this rule very much in their efforts-the NFL is certainly diminishing. If only other sports-governing bodies would follow suit.

But after a pair of costly turnovers by the Danes, Ihaha sealed the win with a three-point basket by Mike Hess and a lay-up by Pete Kowal for a 79-70 lead. "Our kids did a tremendous job," said Ihaha head coach Tom Baker. "We came in saying we were going to play hard for 40 minutes and we did.

Albany was able to make a second-half run by breaking the Bombers' press. But a change into a zone by Ihaha allowed them to hold their lead.

"The key point for us was when we switched into a 3-2 match-up," Baker said. "The ability to do that was the key to the game.

Freshman Bob Miller poured in 28 points, the most by an Albany player this season. Herr was the game's high scorer with 30.

Albany travels to Skidmore on Wednesday for an 8:00 game.