



Zaccaro pleads innocent

Ferraro lashes out against charges

by Paul Moses
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Geraldine Ferraro lashed out at Queens District Attorney John Santucci Thursday for charging her husband, John Zaccaro, with trying to extort a payoff from a company seeking a cable television franchise.

Zaccaro, a 53-year-old real estate broker, pleaded innocent Thursday to a three-count indictment charging that he worked with the late Queens Borough President Donald R. Manes to solicit a bribe from Cablevisions Corp., an unsuccessful bidder for a cable television franchise in the New York City borough of Queens in 1981.

After a brief arraignment in which Zaccaro was quickly released without bail restrictions, he and Ferraro held a news conference on the front steps of the Queens Criminal Court Building. In a clear, confident voice reminiscent of her days on the

vice-presidential campaign trail, Ferraro told reporters that her husband was indicted because "poor John Santucci has been left behind" while other prosecutors pushed forward with political corruption cases against Queens politicians.

Ferraro said that she had testified before the grand jury. And she described that Zaccaro turned down an offer to get immunity from prosecution in return for testimony against Queens Administrative Judge Francis X. Smith, a close friend of the couple.

"John refused to do so," she said. "His response was 'I know of no wrongdoing on their part. I will not lie in order to save myself from an indictment; I've got to sleep at night.'"

Prosecutors are considering prejury charges against Smith who, according to sources familiar with the investigation, was said to have helped introduce Cablevision executives to Zaccaro.

Smith, who has denied wrongdoing, had no comment Thursday on Ferraro's remarks. While they would not confirm the specifics of Ferraro's claim, sources familiar with the investigation said that it was not unusual for immunity to be offered some people during the course of investigation.

The news conference supported what court papers had described Wednesday as a bitter falling out among longtime associates who stand at the top of Democratic politics in Queens. Ferraro's autobiography, published a year ago, noted that Santucci was with her when she kicked off her first vice-presidential campaign trip in 1984. But Ferraro, a former assistant district attorney under Santucci, attacked him sharply Thursday as a publicity seeker.

"I am appalled by the action of the district attorney, but not terribly surprised. Remember, I used to work for him," Ferraro said. She added that former

Manhattan District Attorney Frank Hogan "had a policy in his office ... that you don't ruin people's lives for the sake of politics. I probably am anticipating that Hogan is turning over in his grave today."

A spokesman for Santucci, Thomas McCarthy, responded by saying that the grand jury investigating political corruption in Queens has handed up a series of "six or seven" indictments, with all but Zaccaro's under seal. The defendants in two sealed cases are known - Jerome Driesen, a witness cooperating with federal authorities, and former Manes political consultant Michael Nussbaum.

"The reason she may be unaware of these six or seven indictments is precisely that we have not engaged in publicity," McCarthy said, adding that Santucci had not held news conferences on any of the cases.

If convicted, Zaccaro faces up to seven years in prison under each of the two most serious charges-bribe receiving in the second degree, in which he is charged with seeking payoff, an attempted grand larceny by extortion in the first degree. The third count, attempted grand larceny by extortion in the second degree, is punishable by up to four years in prison.

The indictment charges that on Oct. 27, 1981, Zaccaro solicited a payoff from Cablevision attorney Richard Flynn, currently chairman of the New York State Power Authority. According to sources familiar with the case, the request for a \$1 million payment was rejected.

"Look at the motives of the person whose testimony has brought about the indictment," Ferraro said Friday in apparent reference to Flynn. "He had never mentioned John Zaccaro's name for five years, never mentioned it was John Zaccaro who supposedly brought him an offer until he got inside the grand jury. Remember, he is a public official, and perhaps he is also trying to save himself his job."

Stephen Kaufman, Flynn's attorney, issued a statement responding that "Mr. Flynn waived immunity, and his actions were con-

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Kelly Harnish enjoys the beat of DJ Mike Rudolph's music mix at last night's dance in the union. Voice photo by A. Schillemans

BU student escapes serious injury in Friday morning fall

A BU student escaped serious injury early Friday, falling 40 feet from the roof of either the Capitol Theater or the Pro Audio building and becoming wedged between the two buildings.

Robert M. Brennan, 21, of 317 W. Main St., struck a window air conditioner during the fall. He escaped without serious injury, only suffering a chipped tooth and cut chin. He was treated and released at the Bloomsburg Hospital.

Because the narrow, three foot space between the buildings could not be reached from street level, firefighters had to descend from the roof using ropes. They removed Brennan by strapping him into a wire stretcher and hauling him up.

As reported by the *Press-Enterprise*, Bloomsburg Fire Chief Ralph Magill said rescuers strapped Brennan into the wire stretcher as a precaution because, "He had complained of hand injuries."

Brennan's fall was broken by leaves that had accumulated between the buildings.

As reported by the *Press-Enterprise*, Joann Allen, who

lives in an apartment above Pro Audio, said a man named Jake in apartment 8 had his air conditioner knocked into his room. "When he fell off, he hit it. Dented it pretty good and knocked in the window," Allen said.

Residents of the Pro Audio building discovered Brennan around 1:35 a.m. Friday. Terry Foose, of apartment 4, used Allen's phone to call an ambulance.

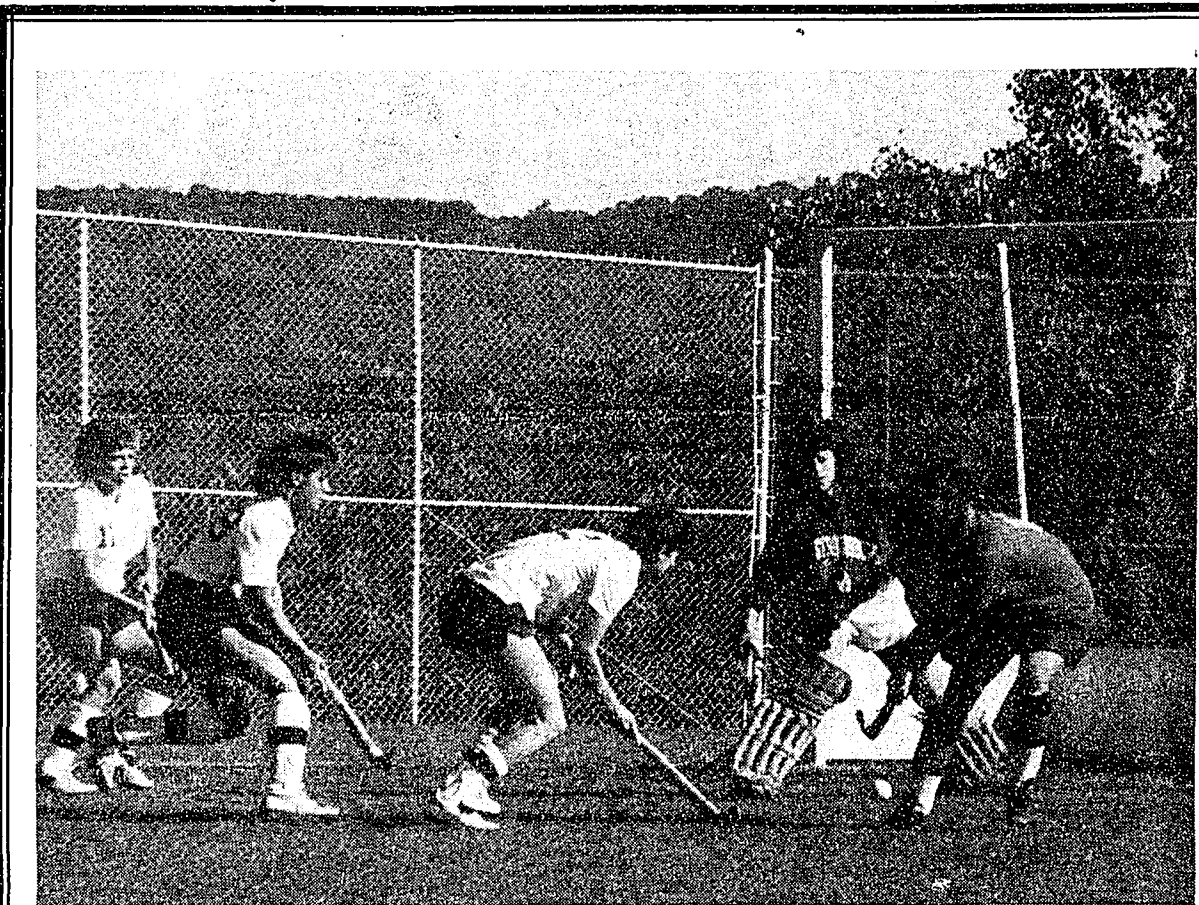
According to the *Press-Enterprise*, Magill said he did not know why Brennan was atop the building. "As far as where he was before, I have no idea."

Allen said she did not know what Brennan was doing on the roof. As reported by the *Press-Enterprise*, she was not aware of any parties in the building.

After rescuers hoisted Brennan to the top of the roof, he passed out.

Brennan was quoted by the *Press-Enterprise* as saying, "I don't remember anything about it." He refused to comment further.

Brennan was charged with public drunkenness. He was issued a citation by Bloomsburg Patrolman Steve Marino.



The Bloomsburg University field hockey team remains undefeated after this weekend's wins over East Stroudsburg and Kutztown. The Huskies are ranked second in the latest NCAA Division III poll with a record of 12-0-1. Above, (from left) BU's Diane Shields, Donna Graupp and Kim Fey pressure the East Stroudsburg goalie in Friday's match. Voice photo by Imtilaz Ali Taj

National theme highlights 59th annual homecoming

BLOOMSBURG--"America--From Sea to Shining Sea" is the theme of the 59th annual homecoming at Bloomsburg University Oct. 17-19.

Diane O'Connor, a special education major from Hughesville, is the homecoming committee chairperson.

Friday, Oct. 17, the traditional pep rally starts at 7 p.m. on the parking lot adjacent to Waller Administration Building. It will be followed by a bonfire and fireworks. During the pep rally, the freshmen sweetheart and the five homecoming sweetheart finalists will be announced. The Husky football team also will be introduced.

Saturday starting at 8:45 a.m., six decorated residence halls and many campus office decorations will be judged.

This year the homecoming parade will be a combined effort with Bloomsburg High School. The parade will leave the Bloomsburg High School at 10 a.m., travel up Market Street, east on Main, then up College Hill and Second Street to Centennial Gym. The parade grand marshal is retired Bloomsburg High School principal Frank Golder, BU '31.

Music will be provided by the BU Maroon and Gold Band, BU Alumni Band, Pioneer Ancient Fife and Drum Corps, Keystone Ancient Drum and Bugle Corps and the area high school bands of Millville, Bloomsburg, Central Columbia, Southern Columbia, Northwest, Berwick and Benton.

The parade also features eight floats, the homecoming sweetheart contestants, local dignitaries, a multiple Irem Temple unit and the Army/Air Force ROTC color guard.

After the parade, students, staff, faculty, alumni and friends

will head to Nelson Fieldhouse for the third annual "ox roast." Proceeds benefit the BU athletic department. Luncheon tickets must be reserved in advance by contacting the Alumni Office at 389-4058.

The Husky soccer team will entertain Cheyney University at 12 noon on the upper campus field.

The Mansfield Mounties will invade Redman Stadium at 1:30 p.m. for homecoming game with the Huskies. Halftime entertainment will feature band performances, the crowning of the 1986

homecoming sweetheart, awards for floats, residence halls and office decorations, banners and academic accomplishments by the interfraternity and intersorority councils.

An added attraction will be the induction of Central Columbia High School football coach Robert Rohm into the BU Hall of Fame by Ira Gensemer, Husky Club president, and university President Harry Ausprich. Rohm, a 1960 graduate, participated in three sports and won 12 varsity letters during his collegiate career.

Professional Studies

BU college announces new appointments

The College of Professional Studies announced a number of new appointments during the summer to take effect for the fall semester.

Four persons were employed in the Department of Communication Disorders and Special Education. Sandra Davis was appointed to a temporary part-time position in Speech and Hearing. Sharon Glennen was appointed to a tem-

porary position for the fall only to serve as a sabbatical replacement in speech pathology for Robert Kruse. Loline Saras was appointed as a temporary full-time faculty member in speech pathology to replace Robert Lowe. Joanne Jackowski was appointed to a temporary position in the interpreter training program to replace Gary Mowl.

The Department of Curriculum

and Foundations hired four people. Maurice Collins was appointed to a permanent tenure-track position in education to replace A.J. McDonnell; Bonita Franks was appointed to a permanent tenure-track position in education to replace Robert Miller; Lorraine Shanowski has been appointed as a temporary faculty member in early childhood education to replace

William Woznek; and Carol White was appointed as a permanent tenure-track faculty member in educational computing replacing Mathew Zoppetti.

Three people were appointed to permanent tenure-track positions in the Department of Nursing. They are Mary Ann Cegielsky in medical surgical nursing, Elaine Francis in obstetrics and Mary Tod Gray in acute critical care.

Weather & Index

A former BSTC graduate, Frank J. Golder, is chosen as grand marshal for the Bloomsburg University and Bloomsburg Area High School homecoming parade. See page 3.

Former Miami Dolphin Mercury Morris spoke last Tuesday night in Mitrani Hall concerning the rehabilitation of drug users. See page 4.

Bloomsburg Huskies beat Cheyney Wolves 39-14. See page 6.

Today's forecast: Cloudy skies with afternoon rain showers. Afternoon temps will be in the mid 60s. Showers overnight with low temps in the 50s. Tuesday's forecast is the same. Wednesday through Friday: Clear and cooler throughout the period. Afternoon temps in the mid 50s, overnight lows in the 40s.

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Commentary

'Greek Is It' may not be 'it' for everyone

Editorial

Why do people pledge fraternities and sororities? Many people offer different reasons, some positive and some stereotypical. But from most of the answers, there is an underlying current of the need to be accepted into a group.

Overhearing one sorority sister last week commenting on one of her sorority's rushees and how she was not voting for the girl because the girl wasn't the right type for the sorority, I was appalled to see that people will actually try to sell themselves to a group because they feel this is the way to be accepted at Bloomsburg University.

It is true that some people are mature and secure enough to know that pledging is not an act of escapism, but another activity in which to meet new people, open a door to contacts and form some long-lasting friendships.

But there are those who believe that rushing a sorority or fraternity is the most important thing

in the world and if, for some reason, they did not receive a bid, they are devastated.

This narrow attitude says something about our culture today—if you are not accepted by the right group, you are no one. If you are a little different and the "norm" doesn't accept you, you are labeled a nerd or different.

This attitude stinks and it forces some young and insecure people to do sometimes outrageously stupid things in the name of sisterhood or brotherhood.

On this campus, students can pledge as early as the second semester of their freshmen year. First of all, are these freshmen really acclimated to college life and all it has to offer? Second of all, do they really know what a fraternity or sorority is all about?

College is a place to develop yourself personally, intellectually, socially, spiritually and emotionally. There is so much that can help in this development. Fraternities and sororities can help in some areas of development, but they are not the answer

to every part of you that should be developed while you are here at BU.

There are stereotypes attached to fraternities and sororities. We all know brothers and sisters who do not fit these stereotypes and who actively try to break these narrow views, but we also know of brothers and sisters who just keep reinforcing the reputations over and over again. Do these young people understand these stereotypes and are they prepared to deal with them when they are confronted with them?

I am not anti-Greek. I have some wonderful friends who are sisters and brothers of various fraternities and sororities. I just wonder why people really pledge and if they are being honest with themselves about their reasoning.

I do believe students should be at least sophomores before they are allowed to pledge. I think this change would allow students to experience BU a little more and make a better decision as to whether or not Greek is really it for them.



Soviet cruelties in Afghanistan

by Imtiaz Ali Taj
Guest Columnist

It has been almost seven years since the Soviet Invasion of Afghanistan and the Soviets are still there. One third of the total population (about five million) is in refuge in Pakistan and Iran; making it the largest concentration of refugees in the world; and more than one million have been killed. We seldom hear the news about it because of the restriction on journalists from the Karmal government.

Does the Soviet Union have the right to be in Afghanistan? More importantly, why are they still there, and how has this holocaust escaped the eyes of the world?

It happened just after Christmas of 1979. Afghanistan's President Hafizullah Amin was overthrown and subsequently executed in a firepower of Soviet combat troops. In Amin's place Moscow installed Babrak Karmal, a former deputy/prime minister long considered to be a Soviet protegee. This action of the Soviet Union received outraged reaction from the world.

The most direct impact fell on Pakistan, whose territory has provided refuge for over three million Afghan rebels.

Moscow claimed it intervened only at the request of the Karmal government under a term of a 20-year friendship treaty, signed in December of 1978. The Russians made no attempt to disguise the fact that the airlift began 2 days before the coup that brought Karmal to power.

Karen McKay is an American journalist, who after a visit to a refugee camp in Pakistan wrote: "Her name was Sabra. She was about four years old, hungry and scared. I took some candy from my pocket and held it out to her. She gazed at me. Gently, I reached down for her thin, tiny wrist to put the candy in her hand. Her fingers were gone! Then the veil fell away from her head, where it had half-hidden her tiny, delicate face. The left side of her head was burned away; no hair, no scalp. And on her left eye—her beautiful, big, doe eye—was a great, ugly white mass on the iris and pupil."

"I thought it was a bird, a toy bird," she explained. The Russians left toys scattered all over the village for the children to pick up. It exploded in her hands, tearing off her fingers and setting her on fire.

Another journalist on a visit to a refugee camp in Pakistan saw a seven year old boy named Nabab. Nabab's hands were blown off under the elbow. The child explained: "One morning a Soviet helicopter flew over my village dropping pretty toys, and trinkets on the ground, little trucks, fountain pens, cigarette lighters, green plastic leaves, I liked the butterfly. It was too late when I realized it wasn't a 'toy'; it was a bomb that exploded in my hands."

There are thousands of children like Sabra and Nabab, childrer with no hands, no feet, no eyes, even no faces because the Soviets sent them 'toys'. Now, one has to ask themselves what kind of people make bombs especially intended to disable and mutilate children?

In a report to the United Nations, Felix Ermacora, a retired Austrian diplomat who was appointed by the chairman of the U.N. Commission of Human Rights, says:

"The Soviet-controlled government of Babrak Karmal is holding perhaps 50,000 political prisoners. Torture of these and other detainees is common. Methods of torture include: the use of electric shocks applied to men's genitals and women's breasts; tearing out fingernails; and various forms of degradation involving human wastes, plus rape and other types of sexual abuse of women.

Execution is common, by some estimates more than 21,000 political prisoners have been executed since December, 1979.

In an attack on the village of Padkhab-e-Shana in Logar province on Sept. 13, 1982, Soviet troops burned alive about 105 civilians, who had taken refuge in an under ground irrigation channel. On Oct. 12, 1982 Soviet/Afghan forces massacred 360 civilians in Kandahar province. In March 1984 several hundred civilians were massacred in the Kohistan region.

There is much, much more in Ermacora's report, including specific allegations of Soviet/Afghan use of lethal chemical weapons. He estimates that 80 percent of Afghanistan's educated class have been imprisoned, killed, or fled the country. In all, over 5 million Afghans are refugees in Pakistan and Iran, with smaller numbers going to Western Europe and the United States.

The evidence amassed by Ermacora led up to an indictment of the Soviet Union for that amount to deliberate extermination of an entire nation. Yet, its release last year evoked little more than shrug in the United States, and a deafening silence almost everywhere else. Where such wickedness being committed on by any third world countries, or even the United States or Western European countries, no day should pass without violent protests around the world.

Yet the Soviets butcher and kill at will in Afghanistan with hardly a murmur of objection from the great capitals of the world. Can it be that Soviet power and arrogance are so intimidating as to dampen indignation over the most barbarous crime?

Jerry Laber and Halsinki Watch, wrote in the New York Times, on Nov. 22, 1984 that:

"Two men, brothers, from Mata, aged 90 and 95, and blind stayed behind when the rest of the villagers fled during spring 84's offensive. Russians came, tied dynamite to their backs, and blew them up."

"Civilians are burned alive, blown up by dynamite, beheaded, bound and forced to lie down on the road to be crushed by Soviet tanks."

Grenades are thrown into rooms where women and children have been told to wait. Mothers are forced to watch their infants being given electric shocks. A young woman who has been tortured in prison described how she and others had been forced to stand in water that had been treated with chemicals, which

made the skin come off their feet."

I can go on and on, right now there is something akin to a holocaust taking place in Afghanistan. The systematic destruction of villages and the murder of all their inhabitants precisely parallel to the infamous Nazi atrocity at Lidice. Neutral observers, are unanimous in concluding that the Soviets are literally destroying rural Afghanistan—emptying it of its own population and starving those who remain.

The Soviets are, for all intents and purposes, destroying Afghanistan. Unless they are stopped it will cease to exist and will become a Soviet Republic in every thing but name.

Once people learned of the holocaust, no one denied how evil the Nazis were. Today on the other hand, despite all we know about Afghanistan and the Soviet atrocities, calling the Soviets evil is to be considered a "cold warrior", a "reactionary".

How many more human beings will the Soviets have to burn alive? How many more children will lose their hands and feet? How many more tens of millions will they have to murder? How many more women will lose their honor, before Soviet cruelty becomes the primary item on the agenda of people who care about people?

In the mean time however, if you ever wondered how good people can ignore a holocaust, open your eyes, look around and think!

To the Editor

Overplayed prank

Dear Editor,

It was late Sunday night, and I was walking back to my dorm after a long study session with a friend for a Monday morning exam, when I observed a large group of guys gathered in front of Schuykill Hall.

Being curious, I decided to watch them from a distance. In progress was one of the oldest, and most popular practical jokes of colleges nationwide: one guy had a loathsome mask on with a black overcoat and other dark clothes, and was proceeding to knock on lighted windows and scare whoever pulled back the curtain.

It was an extremely funny sight as they proceeded to Lycoming Hall and then to Elwell Hall.

In any case, somebody complained to Law Enforcement and I quickly melted into the shadows as they approached the offenders.

The entire group was issued verbal warnings and escorted to their dorms where they were forced to show their i.d.'s before being permitted to enter. They were also told, in affect, that they were grounded and could not go back outside to play.

It is the opinion of this writer that Law Enforcement overplayed the incident.

It must be okay for people to speed around campus in cars, blaring horns at two in the morning or for others to tear apart volleyball nets and break windows in the dorms.

But these young men better watch their step because it seems Law Enforcement does not like people having innocent fun.

Name withheld upon request

Green: liberal but not suicidal

by George Will
Editorial Columnist

NEW YORK--When the stars wink out and another wan dawn peeps through the particulate matter that makes Manhattan's air so flavorful, the sun's rays bounce off the toothy smile of Mark Green. Why is he smiling?

Green, 41, a former colleague of Ralph Nader, is the Democrats' Senate nominee against incumbent Al D'Amato. Immediately after Green won the late (September) primary, New York's cantankerous Mayor Koch, a semi-conservative Democrat, lavished praise on D'Amato, who was pulled into office in 1980 on Ronald Reagan's coattails. Since 1981, D'Amato has campaigned like a state legislator. As Green says, D'Amato "has arrened every bar mitzvah south of Mars."

Green calls D'Amato a "6 o'clock news senator" meaning that D'Amato is nimble at leaping on the issue of the instant and offering 20-second "sound bites." But Green hopes to beat D'Amato on the 6 o'clock news. Green does not have enough money to advertise his views. He will not take money from political action committees—not that many would offer it.

Liberal reforms passed in the 1970s prevent givers from giving a Senate candidate more than \$1,000. That limit especially cripples candidates who win late primaries. It helps incumbents, who can raise money steadily for six years. Liberal reformer Green is another victim of liberal reforms. D'Amato has raised more than \$7 million.

Green is hoping for \$2 million. True, in the primary he spent just \$800,000 and beat a millionaire who spent \$6 million. He says "message beats money." However, his message won because New York's Democratic primary electorate is liberal. Is New York?

Green says D'Amato is "a person of no consequence in the city results (Washington)." But Green thinks of "consequence" in terms of national reputation on "progressive" issues, as exemplified by such New York senators as Wagner, Javits, Robert Kennedy, and Moynihan. Green says D'Amato is only interested in constituent service and showering New York with pork. To many ears, that charge does not sound wounding.

Green's optimism is grounded in this fact: New York has never elected a conservative senator in a two-way race. James Buckley won in 1970 running on the Conservative Party ticket against liberals in the Democratic and Republican tickets. D'Amato won in 1980 by beating the incumbent Republican, Jacob Javits, in the primary, then beating a liberal Democrat by 1 percent, getting just 45 percent. He won by 80,000 votes while Javits took 664,544 on the Liberal Party ticket. In a two-person race, D'Amato would have lost.

But Reagan has carried New York twice. How liberal is it? Micheal Barone, the human encyclopedia who writes "The Almanac of American Politics," says New York no longer has a left-wing vote larger than that of all other states. He says New York may be 3 to 5 percentage points Democratic than the national average, but notes that in 1980 John Anderson carried only 8 percent of New York—and got even less (6 percent) in the city.

New York pioneered the welfare state and pushed it to beyond, actually—the fiscal limits. The worst excesses were committed by Republicans: Nelson Rockefeller and John Lindsay. Today, Barone writes New York's basic constituencies have a Democratic heritage but are "displeased with the cultural liberalism of Manhattan and interested in disciplining and

preserving, but not expanding, the welfare state that was established for their forefathers."

Green thinks his nomination reveals the resiliency of liberalism. However, it may actually illustrate the pathology of a party in spiraling decline.

In 1982, more than 1 million people voted in the Democrat's Senate primary. This year, fewer than 500,000 did. As the Democratic Party's liberalism causes many centrists to drift away, the residue that dominates primaries become more intensely liberal. So the drifting accelerates. If that is the significance of Green's nomination, it is a grim portent for Democrats who hope to make the party more competitive in presidential politics by nominating a centrist like Virginia's former Gov. Chuck Robb or Arizona's Gov. Bruce Babbitt.

Until recently, New York did not have primaries. Liberal Rockefeller-style Republicans opposed primaries because they were afraid the unwashed Republican masses would get out of control and nominate conservatives like D'Amato. They did.

Now liberal Democrats have nominated, in Green, a pure specimen of an endangered species—the undiluted liberal. He is witty and articulate, but has less than a month and less money than he needs to tell New Yorkers how liberal he is. And telling them may be suicide.

Green is glad (but cannot say so) that the Yankees and Mets are not in a "subway series." That would prevent people from paying attention to politics for two more weeks. He must be hoping the Astros eliminate the distracting Mets, but he won't say that. He is liberal, but not that suicidal.

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Former BSC graduate named grand marshal

Frank J. Golder is grand marshal of this year's combined Bloomsburg University and Bloomsburg Area High School homecoming parade Oct. 18.

Golder retired from Bloomsburg Area High School in 1975 after 38 years as a teacher, coach and principal. A 1931 graduate of Bloomsburg State Teachers College, he is remembered by his college friends as the school's outstanding athlete from 1927 through 1931.

Residence halls undergo renovations

by Sandi Kaden
for the Voice

Bloomsburg University's residence halls have gone through some important renovations recently and it is expected that more work will be done in the near future.

Major renovations took place in North Hall this summer due to it becoming a co-ed hall. Beginning in mid-July, North was repainted, new bathroom floor tiles were laid, and new shower partitions were put up.

These particular jobs were only the beginning of more extensive maintenance that was done in North. Work was also done on the second floor bathrooms to make them more suitable for women to use.

Other buildings have also had some maintenance work done. Montour and Luzerne had their second and fourth floor study lounges carpeted. Montour has also had half of its shower rooms renovated; the other half is to be

Following his graduation from BSTC, Golder spent six years teaching and coaching at Hughesville High School while earning a master's degree from Columbia University Teacher's College. In the fall of 1937 he joined the Bloomsburg High School faculty to teach English and civics classes and coach basketball.

During his 19 years of coaching in the Susquehanna Valley League his teams won 10 championships. For 13 years,

done within the next couple of months.

As for up and coming renovations, Lycoming can expect to get new countertops and shower partitions in its bathrooms, the driveway in front of Columbia will be widened either late this fall or early spring, and Luzerne will be completely renovated this summer depending on what needs to be done.

All of these renovations are funded by the Residence Life Department. Residence Life works in cooperation with the Maintenance Department through Tom Kresch, R.D., North Hall. Kresch basically keeps track of the ongoing maintenance and repairs needed in the residence halls and aids in the decision making of what should be done with certain maintenance problems.

According to Kresch, maintenance of the buildings is done in the interest of the students and benefits the University as a whole.

Golder was a member of district IV PIAA board of directors serving as chairman the last three years. He retired from Bloomsburg Area High School in 1975, serving his final 14 years as principal.

Golder played varsity baseball and basketball at BSTC for three years and was captain of the basketball team during his senior year. Although the college was not associated with a conference at that time, the teams Golder played on had some outstanding seasons.

Nursing Foundation to award scholarships

by Sandi Kaden
for the Voice

The Oncology Nursing Foundation Board of Trustees announced that ten \$1,000 undergraduate scholarships and two \$2,500 graduate scholarships will be awarded to registered nurses pursuing Bachelors of Science and Masters degrees during the 1987-88 academic year.

The twelve scholarship applicants will be chosen by the members of the Oncology Nursing Foundation Scholarship Review Committee. Winners will be announced at the Nursing Society Annual Congress in Denver, Colorado, May 7, 1987.

The society's goal is to educate nurses in effective care of individuals with cancer, to educate the public regarding cancer and

Family Feud coming soon

The Program Board's Recreation Committee presents BU's own version of Family Feud.

"Families" of on and off-campus students will feud it out on Wednesday, Oct. 15, at 8 p.m. in Multi-A. Everyone is welcome to come cheer on these "families" free of charge.

Students wishing to participate in this night of "family" fun can pick up applications at the Information Desk.

Golder was presented a meritorious service award from Caldwell Consistory in 1973 for his contributions to the youth of the Bloomsburg area. In 1976 he was the recipient of the BU Alumni Association's distinguished service award and life membership. For a number of years, he served as an alumni representative on the university's planning commission.

Golder and his wife, the former Myra Ritter, reside at 1103 Market Street, Bloomsburg.

cancer care, and to conduct research to advance nursing care of individuals with cancer.

Applicants must demonstrate an interest in oncology nursing. To obtain more information on the criteria or an application, contact the Nursing Department at BU.

Alumni-student mixer Friday

Interaction between Bloomsburg University Alumni and students is the goal of the First Annual Alumni-Student Mixer on Friday, October 17, the day before Homecoming.

Suggested by Alumni Board member Steve Andrejack '74, this program is designed to give our students an opportunity to meet informally with alumni engaged in a variety of professions and occupations.

The program will begin at 2 p.m. in the forum of the McCormick Human Service Center (third floor). Each alumni participant will be introduced and given two or three minutes to describe their career path. The rest of the informal program will give students an opportunity to seek out the alumni with whom they would like to speak—over punch and cookies. The program should conclude by 4 p.m.

Final Sweetheart elections to be held today and Tuesday

Final elections for Homecoming Sweetheart will be held today, Oct. 13, and Tuesday, Oct. 14, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Kehr Union Information Desk and from 4 p.m.-6:30 p.m. in the Scranton Commons. Today's voting in the Commons will be in AB lobby and Tuesday's voting will be in CD lobby.

Students must have at least 24 credits and must show their BU ID and current Community Activities sticker. Students will vote for one of the top ten candidates.

The top five finalists will be announced at the Pep Rally on Friday Oct. 17. The Homecoming Sweetheart will be announced at half time of the Homecoming Football Game.

The top ten homecoming sweetheart candidate are: Caroline Dahl, sponsored by Zeta Psi; Bridget Gasper, sponsored by Chi Sigma Rho; Noreen Hanus, sponsored by Alpha Sigma Tau; Cindy Hurst, sponsored by FCA; Lori Kinder, sponsored by Sigma Iota Omega; Debbie Porter, sponsored by Tau Kappa Epsilon; Sue Reed, sponsored by Montour Hall; Mary Shanley, sponsored by Phi Sigma Xi; Michelle Tinman, sponsored by Phi Delta; and Kris Wetherhold, sponsored by Theta Tau Omega.

Homecoming concert scheduled for Sunday

The Women's Chorale Ensemble, Concert Choir and Husky Singers of Bloomsburg University's department of music will perform their annual Homecoming Pops Concert at 2:30 p.m. Oct. 19 in Mitrani Hall of Haas Center. The public is invited free of charge.

The groups will perform choral numbers, dances, solos and small ensembles using music appropriate for the homecoming theme "America from Sea to Shining Sea."

The Women's Choral Ensemble, under the direction of Wendy Miller, will open the concert and perform a continuous program of songs that expand on the homecoming theme. Their portion of the program is titled, "The American Way—Dancin' and Romancin'." Selections will include "Varsity Drag," "At the Hop," "Forever," "It's Raining Men" and "Last Dance."

Husky Singers will open with Irving Berlin's "God Bless America," continue with the favorites "Cherish" and "Mandy" and add two of their specialty numbers using choreography and the typical Husky fun, "A Whale

of a Tale" and "Jailhouse Rock." A barbershop octet will complete the men's portion of the program.

Concert Choir begins its program with "God Bless the USA" and concludes with a special medley of George M. Cohan favorites. In between them will be solos and dances and choral versions of "St. Elmo's Fire," "Birdland" and "Give Me Your Tired, Your Poor." In the last selection, the choir will be joined by 40 Concert Choir alumni who look forward each year to returning to Bloomsburg and participating in this concert. Both the Choir and the Singers are directed by William Decker.

The Concert Choir will perform again Oct. 25 with the famed Pittsburgh Symphony in a special benefit concert at Millersville University. The Husky Singers will travel to Fairfield University Nov. 15 for a concert with the FU Women's Choir. The Women's Ensemble will sing Nov. 15 during campus visitation day, and will be featured Dec. 13 at the all-campus midnight Christmas mass.

Newspaper headliners offered on Wednesday

by Jackie Sinchick
for the Voice

On Wednesday, Oct. 15, Richard MacLeay will be in the Kehr Union from noon to 4 p.m. drawing caricatures. He will return on Thursday at noon to do

Ferraro lashes out at charges

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sistent with his well deserved reputation as a lawyer and public official of ability and integrity." The indictment charges that Zaccaro, "acting in concert with Donald Manes, then Queens borough president, attempted to steal a sum of money" from Cablevision by "instilling in the executives... a fear" that unless the money was paid, Manes would reject their application for a Queens cable television franchise.

Manes, who committed suicide in March, did not choose Cablevision, which currently holds cable TV franchises in the Bronx and Brooklyn boroughs.

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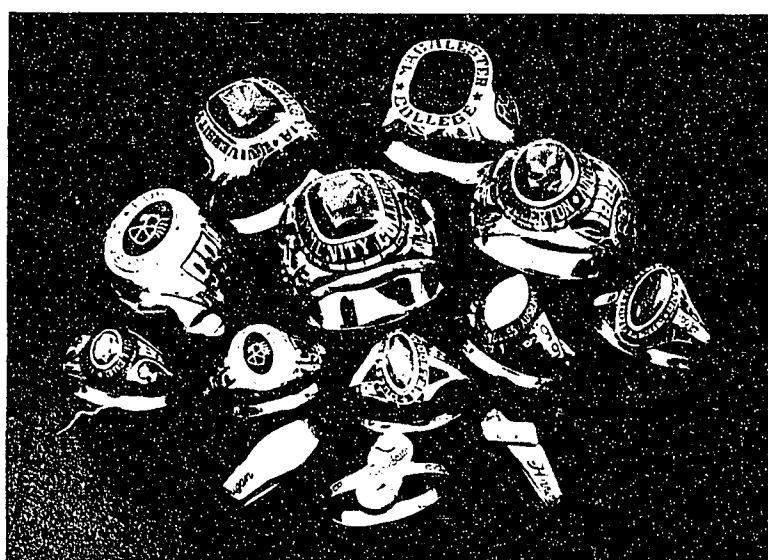
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Don Chomiak

Standing on the summit of the animal kingdom, Man looks down upon the remainder, a monarch 'too pretty' to stand among his subjects.

Able to see the primitive nature of the rest, he balks at the thought that he, though his fur may be less thick and his teeth less canine, is simply a member of the kingdom.

His language allows him the privilege of communicating with other members of his kind, but he remains deaf to the primitive side of his being, an optimist in a nuclear disaster.

Wishing to forget his origins and often his motives, he labels his non-positive characteristics downfalls or vices. Viciousness, savagery, and other such things are termed inhumane and animalistic. Man pretends his baser nature is beneath him and not his own.

Jealousy is such a "vice." The wish to have or do what encom-

passes the life of another is as basic to the human condition as having to use the bathroom very badly. Being successful in dealing with both requires strength, endurance, and occasionally, character.

A multi-headed monster, jealousy says "Nice to know you" much like sewage on a warm summer day. Backbiting, malicious criticism, spoiler tactics, insults, and other such barbs make up the aroma of man's jealousy.

Such methods and their motives are looked upon as petty and beneath the dignity of man, though he is a creature barely risen from the primordial swamp.

Often times masked in an attempted intellectual attack, jealousy rises through the thin oily film of thought, a stench lacking reason or equal.

Answerable only with silence, it is left to fester alone.

Jealousy vaults to new heights in the hands of those lacking any confidence in their own value. Bankrupt in a world of soaring personal costs, these individuals sink into a bog of the stench-ridden swill that encompasses the primate in us all, animalistically attacking with whatever they can find to throw, no matter how reaching the attack may be.

PMS drug discovered

by Paul Berg
LA-Times Washington Post Service

A drug has proven effective in the treatment of some symptoms of premenstrual syndrome, Australian doctors report.

The drug, mefenamic acid, has been used for women with difficult menstrual periods, Dr. Michael Mira and his colleagues at the University of Sydn report in the journal Obstetrics and Gynecology. But the value of mefenamic acid, a non-steroidal anti-inflammatory medicine, like that of other drugs used for PMS,

had never before been proven.

There is no general agreement on the exact definition of premenstrual syndrome, but its symptoms include fatigue, headache and mood swings, including sadness, irritability and a sense of pessimism.

In the 15 women given mefenamic acid, all of the psychological symptoms and many of the physical symptoms were reduced or eliminated, the researchers found. The women took the drug for 12 days before and 3 days after the start of their period. **see page 5**



'Mercury' Morris spoke about drug abuse last tuesday night. Voice photo by A. Schillemans

Drug problems and answers begin within

by Denise Savidge
Staff Writer

Eugene Edward Morris, better known as "Mercury" Morris, spoke about drugs Tuesday evening in Mitrani Hall. He says, "The use of drugs in any form is like a three ring circus: the engagement ring, the wedding ring, and the suffering."

Morris, a well known ex-football player of the Miami Dolphins, was arrested in 1982 on charges of conspiracy and trafficking in cocaine. He was tried and convicted and spent three and one-half years in prison.

Internships available to students

by Lias Barnes and
Kelly AnnCuthbert
for the Voice

Internships are now available in the mathematic and computer science departments, according to Dr. Charles Brennan, intern co-ordinator.

"We want these jobs to utilize training; to enhance working ex-

perience with professionals," says Brennan. An internship provides a merging of academic background and applied work experience in an industrial, business, government, or academic environment which is supervised.

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Eyecare looks appealing

by Lynne Ernst
Staff Writer

Bloom Vision Center, a new family eye care business gives Bloomsburg students and the community a choice to receive maximum eye care at a minimum price. Through the hard work of the husband and wife team of optometrists, Dr. Laurie Costarelli and Dr. Nick Drobny, a 102 year old Victorian house, located at 301 East Street, has become their comfortable home as well as an efficient and affordable eye care center for the community.

Costarelli and Drobny say they believe that Bloomsburg is a great choice for them to start their business. Bloomsburg's atmosphere agrees with their lifestyle; it allows them to achieve a respected business and make friends.

Drobny, who also worked as a contractor at one time, worked 14 months on the house to make it energy efficient, practice efficient and attractive to the community.

Drobny added that he is "excited about the center all of the time. By doing it yourself, you motivate yourself."

Both Costarelli and Drobny say have they have worked for the "fast foods" of eye care. These are the places that are interested in the money, but not overall eye care treatment.

At Bloom Vision Center, they make follow-up care possible by including it in the rates.

The comfort and care of each individual coming to Bloom Vision Center is essential to Costarelli & Drobny, they say. Appointments last an hour to give the doctors time to check for glaucoma, hypertension, and other problems often overlooked. Also, exams at Bloom Vision Center cost considerably less than the same exams at other facilities.

Bloom Vision Center's regular hours are Monday thru Thursday from 10:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m., with emergency hours at anytime.

Myth:

Alcohol can help to prevent spinal injury

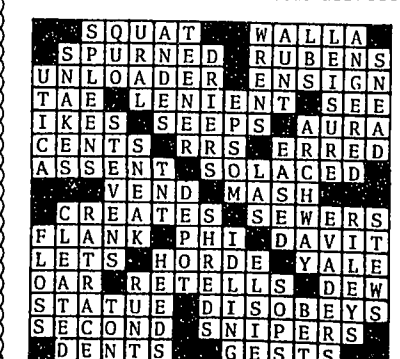
by Paul Berg
LA-Washington Post Service

The commonly held belief that a little alcohol loosens up the muscles and in that prevents serious injury in automobile accidents is myth, a new study concludes.

To the contrary, when speed and severity of the accidents were taken into account, drinkers were 2.25 times as likely to die as were non-drinkers, according to Dr. Patricia F. Waller of the University of North Carolina School of Public Health.

In another comparison, which accounted for driver age, car weight and seat belt use, "alcohol-involved drivers were found to have serious and fatal injury rates that were 1.73 to 2.09 times as high" as non-drinkers, Waller says in the current Journal of the American Medical Association.

Studies have shown that alcohol makes animals more vulnerable to certain types of injury, including head and spinal cord injuries. However, such a relationship has never been demonstrated in humans, Waller and her colleagues report. The study examined data from five years of auto accidents in North Carolina, including information on more than 1 million drivers.



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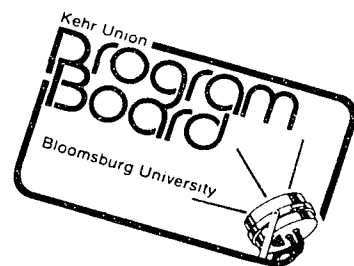
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Sports

Final: 39-14

Huskies tame Wolves

by Ted Kistler
Sports Editor

The Bloomsburg University Huskies' Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference (PSAC) record stands at 2-1 (4-1 overall) following Saturday's 39-14 trouncing of Cheyney University.

A high-powered Husky offense faced the conference's number-one ranked pass defense of the Wolves, who now are 1-2 in the conference.

BU's Jay DeDea connected on 14 of 35 passes for 151 yards and three touchdowns. The Husky offense showed balance, accumulating 180 yards passing and 187 yards rushing.

Behind the arm of Rob Lewis, Cheyney was unable to move the ball. Andrew Williams came off the bench in the fourth quarter to complete seven of nine passes for 104 yards and to engineer two touchdown drives.

In the first quarter, Kevin Grande caught a 15-yard DeDea pass to take the lead. Chris Mingrone posted the extra point to set the score at 7-0. The Wolves never came any closer to catching the Huskies. The quarter ended 10-0 following a Mingrone 32-yard field goal.

Cheyney's offense remained unproductive in the second quarter. The Huskies were slowed down by the Wolves' number-one pass defense and were unable to stretch their lead. The half ended 10-0.

BU came alive once more in the third quarter as they scored 22 unanswered points.

Ken Liebel caught a seven-yard toss from DeDea, to bring the score to 16-0. Mingrone (3-2 on extra point attempts for the day) missed the extra point.

Tom Martin scored on a three-yard run, but, once again, Mingrone's extra point attempt was off. Mingrone then connected on a 27-yard field goal. BU finished the quarter scoring with another DeDea touchdown pass to stretch its lead to 32-0.

In the fourth quarter, Williams replaced Lewis for Cheyney and guided the Wolves for two scoring drives. The Wolves capped their first scoring drive with a Ben Frazier rushing effort from two yards out. The Wolves tried for the two-point conversion, but were stopped by a tough BU defense.

The Huskies responded with a Paul Venesky to Jeff Bolles 13-yard pass. Mingrone's extra point attempt was on the money

and BU stretched their lead to 39-0.

The Wolves again found the end zone as Williams hit Norm Trawick with a 24-yard pass. Cheyney attempted the conversion, calling Frazier's numbers. Frazier took it in for the final score of the game.

Game Notes:

Jake Williams led the Husky defense with 1 interception, 3 fumble recoveries and three tackles (2 unassisted). He was named the Eastern Collegiate Athletic Conference's (ECAC) 'Defensive Player of the Week'.

Tom Martin had 28 carries for 140 yards and was named to the ECAC Honor Roll.

Cheyney's leading rusher had only 26 total yards.

BU and Cheyney had identical passing yardages of 180 yards each.

Six of Cheyney's eight turnovers resulted in BU scores. BU, in comparison had only one turnover in the game.

Cheyney was penalized 13 times for 100 yards.



The BU field hockey team is ranked second in the nation. Voice photo by Imtiaz Ali Taj

Field hockey ranked second

by Elizabeth Dacey
News Editor

The Bloomsburg University field hockey team didn't let the news of their second place ranking in the latest NCAA Division III Field Hockey Poll go to their heads. Friday they shut down the East Stroudsburg Warriors 4-0, and Saturday defeated the Kutztown Golden Bears 5-1.

Friday's game against East Stroudsburg was a rematch due to an earlier rained out date. The Warriors, 5-5-2, were immediately put on the defense as BU's Donna Graupp rolled one in two minutes into the game. The assist was from Kate Denny.

The first half remained in the Huskies control as Maureen Duffy shot a drive in off an assist by Cindy Daeche and Graupp later scored again unassisted. Carla

Shearer concluded the scoring with the Huskies fourth goal ten minutes before the first half ended. Kim Fey had the assist on that drive.

Bloomsburg outshot East Stroudsburg 35 shots on goal to three and had 19 penalty corners while the Warriors only managed to get one.

Saturday, BU took on the Kutztown Golden Bears, 7-4. Kutztown is ranked 10th in the same NCAA Division III poll. The Huskies defeated them 5-1.

BU's Lynn Hurst struck first from outside the circle off a pass from Shearer. She was successful again ten minutes later with an unassisted goal.

The Bears didn't give up as Joanne Rogers drove one in at 30:05 into the first half for Kutztown's only goal. The Huskies struck back 25 seconds later on

a play that must have added a little finesse to the game itself.

Shearer scooped the ball off the endline from the right side of the goal. As the ball drifted down to land in front of the goal, Denny came in from the left and batted the drive in like a baseball. BU's Lynn Hurst, link, said, "We were all really excited to see a play like that work so well."

The Huskies kept the spirit up as Shearer scored twice in the second half on penalty corners off endline passes from Denny.

Kutztown gave BU its best game yet as they tied the Huskies in penalty corners 10-10 and were only outshot by 18 drives. Kutztown also penetrated enough to force nine saves off Husky goalie Lori Guitson.

Give instant replay a chance

by Gary Pomerantz
The Washington Post

The instant replay has had an instant impact on the National Football League: instant havoc.

In 70 games spanning five weeks, 12 calls have been overturned, the equivalent of about one of every 915 plays, but several miscommunications have allowed incorrect calls to stand. Consequently, a controversy of a magnitude no one in the league could have imagined before this season sweeps on in brushfire fashion. Opponents of the replay have taken an "I told you so" posture; proponents grit their teeth and say, "Give it time. It will work."

Washington Redskins owner Jack Kent Cooke, a proponent of the replays said, "The theory is first-class, but the execution (of the system) has been last-class. ...I'm horrified, chiefly because of this lack of preparation to ward off the egregious, humiliating mistakes they've made. They must have strange intellects or intelligences operating this equipment. I think grade-school level could have done as well."

"I don't think that verbiage is going to make it work or not work," Commissioner Pete Rozelle said, responding to the criticism. "We just have to make it as foolproof as possible. Public statements aren't going to make it continue or not continue. We are doing our darndest because we get the blame."

NFL owners will convene in Chicago Tuesday for their annual fall meeting and the instant replay, now being used on a one-year trial basis, is on the agenda, with Rozelle expected to give an update.

Despite widespread apprehension about the replays, it is unlikely any vote to cancel their use will be taken. But New Orleans Saints General Manager Jim Finks predicted, "There will be a total ventilating on the subject."

There have been misunderstandings and malfunctions and, as

Cleveland Browns owner Art Modell said, "it is not making us look good."

The system deploys a replay official in the press box with two aides, two video cassette recorders and two television monitors. This official is supposed to reverse an on-field official only upon "indisputable visual evidence" a mistake has been made. The limited use of replays (it is not used to determine whether penalties were committed) was approved after several years of backroom haggling among owners.

Communications between replay officials and on-field officials have been at the heart of the problem. On a Monday night in Pittsburgh a month ago, Denver running back Gerald Willhite took a backfield toss from quarterback John Elway and threw a 79-yard touchdown to receiver Steve Watson. An on-field official nullified the play, ruling two forward passes. The press box official, after monitoring replays, wanted to overrule the incorrect call, but a miscommunication prevented his reaching referee Bob McElwee.

Perhaps the most embarrassing replay-related error occurred last Sunday when field umpire John Keck misunderstood replay official Jack Reader's ruling of "pass incomplete" for "pass is complete" and let stand a second-quarter touchdown catch by Los Angeles Raiders receiver Dokie Williams in a 24-17 victory in Kansas City. To avoid a recurrence, the NFL has adopted new terminology for replay officials to use.

On the one hand, both Elway and Washington Redskins Coach Joe Gibbs cite these plays as examples of why, in theory, the instant replay is worthwhile and why the glitches must be worked out. "We could have corrected a play that was an obvious error," Gibbs said of the Raiders game misunderstanding. "It could have helped save a coach's job or corrected a play or kept the wrong

team from going to the Super Bowl. ...They just aren't implementing it very well."

On the other hand, Finks said, "It's been a comedy of errors. We've tinkered with the game pretty consistently over the last 10 years. This is beyond tinkering, though. It's having a dramatic effect on the game itself and it wasn't intended for that."

Philadelphia Eagles owner Norman Braman said he fears crowd reaction if the replay official overturned a play at the end of a game and it costs the home team a victory. "Maybe I'm somewhat overalarmed at the possibility," Braman said, "But we know the increased difficulty in controlling crowd decorum."

Modell, Braman and Cooke were among the 23 league owners who voted in favor of instituting the replays this season (21 votes were required for passage).

Only St. Louis, Denver and the New York Jets and Giants voted last March against use of the replays; Pittsburgh abstained. Said Steelers President Dan Rooney, "Our coach, Chuck Noll, was on the committee that made the recommendation and we wouldn't vote against him."

Since the instant replay is scheduled as an "update" issue for Tuesday's meeting, if a vote to abort the program is taken, it would take a 28-0 count to end it, according to Rozelle.

"No way we'll drop it this year," Modell said. "We'd look worse if we dropped it now."

Braman and Finks said that if Art McNally, supervisor of league officials, remains on favor of the replays, so will they. McNally said, "Certainly we've had problems. Nevertheless, I feel that we can get those ironed out. I believe that this is definitely good for the game."

The opponents have been given fuel for their anti-replay fire. "I don't really want to comment on it," the Steelers' Rooney said, "because I don't want to say, I told you so."

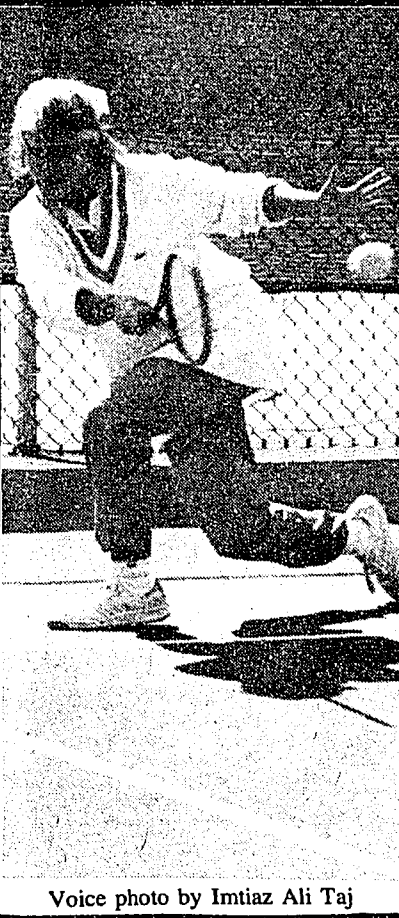
Denver Broncos owner Pat

Bowlman said, "The reason I voted against it, and I don't mean to try to sound so smart, is for the exact reasons that it is now being criticized. It's almost creating more problems than it is solving, in my mind."

Contrary to popular belief, the replays are not extending appreciably the length of games. The average length of games this season has been 3:11:03 compared with 3:10:06 last season and 3:11 in 1984, according to an NFL spokesman.

All the foul-ups have left Dallas Cowboys President Tex Schramm, considered the most fervent supporter of the replays, backed into a corner, but still defending his cause. Schramm said communications breakdowns in the system haven't caused any correct calls mistakenly to be reversed, but have prevented some incorrect calls from being rectified.

"There have been errors of omission," said Schramm, "so nobody's been hurt."



Voice photo by Imtiaz Ali Taj

Ninth inning rally gives Mets 2-1 playoff lead

by Mike Mullen
for the Voice

Mets Manager Dave Johnson said his chances against the Houston Astros in the first two games were good due to his ability to use his table-setters.

The little guys, Len Dykstra and Wally Backman, were there to pave the way for the big guys that followed and allowed them to do what they get paid for, namely, knock in runs.

It did not work in the first game and consequently, the Mets lost. However, the formula returned in Thursday's 5-1 blowout of the Astros by the men from New York, thus evening the series before returning to the friendly confines of Shea Stadium.

The two little men, Dykstra, the center fielder, and Backman, the second baseman, combined for three runs scored in the first five innings off of starter and eventual loser, Nolan Ryan.

Although the Mets had won all three decisions against Ryan during the regular season, it did not look like a replay as Ryan proceeded to pitch three perfect innings while striking out five in the process.

In his first stint through the line-up, he was able to retire Hernandez on a weak fly, while fanning both Gary Carter and Darryl Strawberry. Then disaster struck in the form of a fourth inning single by Backman, another by Hernandez, and then Carter, batting for only the second time in the series with runners in scoring position, drove a Ryan fastball to the warning track for an RBI double.

Strawberry then sacrificed Hernandez home with a deep fly to the outfield.

The fifth inning proved just as fruitful as Dykstra stepped to the plate with two out and two on. With the count no balls and one strike, Ryan decided to waste a pitch in the face of Dykstra. Realizing his brush with death, Dykstra walked around a bit and then returned to the box an one pitch later stroked a single to left field. This was immediately

followed by a two-out single by Backman and a triple by Hernandez.

If Ryan had intended to prove something with the brush-back pitch, it certainly had no negative affect on the Met ballclub. "It kind of pumped the ballclub up," Strawberry said. "You never think of a veteran ballclub doing something like that, but it's postseason and anything can happen." Indeed, it can.

So with the series tied at one apiece, the two teams traveled to New York, where they staged a most exciting game before over 55,000 fans.

In classic fashion, the eventual winner (and of course home team), fell behind early. The Mets were behind the Astros 4-0 on the strength of a two-run blast by Bill Doran.

In the sixth inning, batting against fiery Bob Knepper, who had beaten the Mets three times previously, Darryl Strawberry launched a soaring home run into the right-field stands for a three run homer that tied the game at four.

The Astros regained the lead in the seventh without the aid of a hit. A walk, a bunt, and a throwing error gave the Astros a 5-4 lead going into the bottom of the ninth.

In the inning, Wally Backman led off with a controversial drag bunt down the first base line. Houston Coach Hal Lanier charged the field after it had appeared to him as though Backman had run out of the baseline in his attempt to avoid being tagged out by first baseman Glenn Davis. The argument proved in vain as first base umpire Ducht Rennert ruled that the play stood as called.

Then one out later, little Len Dykstra, who had been called on in the seventh inning to pinch hit and struck out, sauntered up to the plate and jumped on the second pitch thrown, blasting it out of the park for an impressive come from behind victory for the New York Mets, who now take a 2-1 lead in the best of seven series, with game four to be played in New York.