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Resounding victory for McLaughlin

By Scott Rolph

Incumbent District 9 City Councilor Brian McLaughlin is headed back to the council for a fourth term, after defeating challenger Judith Bracken by some 1,500 votes, a margin that surprised most observers.

Unofficial figures yesterday showed McLaughlin with a 4,333 to 2,889 advantage over Bracken, the former Mayor's Office of Neighborhood Services liaison to Allston-Brighton. Winning some 60 percent of the votes, McLaughlin Tuesday night said he received "a resounding af-

firmation" of his six years of work on the council.

Bracken, meanwhile, highlighted the positive aspects of her unsuccessful bid, saying she had done well as a first-time, female candidate trying to unseat an incumbent from a body in which a district councilor has yet to be unseated since 1983, when district councilors were first elected.

For McLaughlin, the victory seemed particularly satisfying. After a general campaign in which Bracken had criticized him severely, he was

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Bowman wins by 4 to 1 margin

By Daniel Hurewitz

Despite the activity and interest sparked by the school governance question, the races for school committee membership brought few surprises. As expected, incumbent Allston-Brighton representative Rosina "Kitty" Bowman soundly defeated her challenger Jefferson Boone. The three at-large incumbents were also re-elected, with newcomer Stephen Holt filling the at-large seat vacated by John Nucci.

Unofficial tallies indicated that Bow-

man defeated Boone by a ratio of 4 to 1. Bowman's total vote neared 4,555, with Boone receiving only 1,146.

Bowman viewed the results as "a definite mandate and an overwhelming endorsement of what we've done." "It's a clear expression of faith in what we've been doing," she said, "and I'm very pleased."

Tuesday night, Bowman was already laying out her agenda for the coming term. She plans to focus, she said, on the high school curriculum, the

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Newly re-elected City Councilor Brian McLaughlin celebrates his overwhelming victory over challenger Judith Bracken. Derek Szabo Photo

REFERENDA RESULTS

Slim victory for appointed school committee

By Daniel Hurewitz

In addition to casting ballots for city council and school committee candidates, Boston voters passed two referendum questions on Tuesday: the highly publicized school governance proposal and the less touted recycling question. School governance

A slim margin of voters voted "Yes" to the mayor's proposal to change the school committee left both sides claiming victory.

The mayor proposed replacing the thirteen-member elected board with a seven-member, mayoralty-appointed board. According to unofficial results, 50.6% of the voters favored the proposal, with 49.4% voting against it. The margin of difference was some 670 votes city-wide.

The mayor quickly claimed a decisive victory Tuesday night. "Fifty-one to forty-nine is a majority of people," he said, adding that "the parents won a significant victory here in Boston."

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Q'NEIL TOPS TICKET

Confusion over fourth at-large seat

By Daniel Hurewitz

The outcome of the at-large race for city council remains largely overshadowed by the uncertainty surrounding the number of votes received by John Nucci and incumbent Councilor Michael McCormack.

While the top three finishers in the race for the four seats are known, the identities of the fourth- and fifth-place finishers remain unknown. Both Nucci and McCormack were named the fourth place finisher in different unofficial totals released by City Hall Tuesday night, and as of press time, no official count was available.

The first unofficial results Tuesday night showed Nucci with a 151-vote lead over McCormack. At that time, Nucci made an acceptance speech and McCormack offered a concession speech.

By 11:30, however, two more rounds of unofficial results were released, and McCormack was being declared victor. The second report showed McCormack with a 604-vote lead; the third with 437 votes more than Nucci. The discrepancy, according to City Hall officials, was due to a data-entry error.

Commenting Wednesday, Nucci said that "like every-

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Shortfall overshadows savings plan

By Barton Clark

Monday, the House Ways and Means Committee unveiled a \$401 million savings plan. The proposal calls for a combination of cutbacks and non-tax revenues, some to be implemented by January 1.

However, another announcement dulled the measure's reception and made still more cuts or new revenues necessary.

The Revenue Advisory Board lowered its estimate of

annual state income growth to a rate of 0.7%. The original budget had been drawn up with a 7% figure in mind, and the new shortfall leaves the state budget over \$700 million short—\$300 million more than the Ways and Means package can generate.

On Beacon Hill, legislators by and large consider new taxes politically unfeasible until the public's faith in the legislature's ability to deal responsibly with the fiscal crisis has been restored. Given the public's perception of

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JOURNAL BRIEFS...

Crime Watch group responds to "Posse" attack

City officials, exasperated neighbors, members of the local music scene and a Boston College representative last Wednesday acted upon their frustrations with local crime, forming a Neighborhood Crime Watch in Brighton.

The group decided to organize the crime watch after an attack on two local musicians by a group of young men touting themselves as the "B.C. Posse," according to Lisa Venkatesh. Venkatesh, who is friends with the two victims, said she wants people to "get together and do something. ... It's long over due. ... We have a very severe problem."

Venkatesh would like to develop a "Telephone Tree" which neighbors would call to report where troublesome people are coming from and where they might be headed.

The November 1 meeting, which was held in the Rabbi Shubel Auditorium of the Temple B'nai-Moshe and co-sponsored by The Circle/Reservoir Community Association, featured Judith Lorei, organizer of Street Safe, and members of the Boston Police Department as speakers.

Lorei outlined a plan for the crime watch. Her group, Street Safe, located in the Fenway, consists of 50 volunteers that patrol the east and west ends of that area looking for "dangerous and suspicious activity." Lorei noted, "Street Safe has worked in The Fenway for the last six years and continues to be very effective. ... Our job is to observe and report." Street Safe works very closely with Boston Police Area D and also with Northeastern University to control disruptive student behavior.

Local police hailed the creation of a crime watch as a way to monitor suspicious activity in the neighborhood. The officers, including District 14 Captain Edward O'Neil, Sergeant Howard Donahue and Captain Charles Cellucci, stressed the importance of the crime watch and the need for help from the members of the community.

"One of the biggest things we can do is watch out for our neighbors," said O'Neil. He cited the three major problems police have in the area as drugs, parking and students and said "residents are the ones that suffer" as a result.

O'Neil, however, doubts allegations that the "B.C. Posse" is an organized gang, noting that the recent attack



Police Captain Edward O'Neil believes that neighborhood crime watches can be the eyes and ears of the police.

Derek Szabo Photo

was an isolated incident.

Of the "B.C. Posse," Cellucci said, "We are treating it with some credibility, but it's snowballing and becoming very dramatic." But both he and sergeant Donahue expressed strong support for the crime watch. "We have some good ideas; we just need to activate you. You can be the eyes and ears for us," noted Donahue.

Sensitive to the neighbor's concerns, Boston College's Director of Community Affairs, Jean S. McKeigue was present at the meeting on behalf of the college. She spoke about the Boston College Community Assistance Patrol

(C.A.P.S.), a complaint response network made up of B.C. graduate students who monitor off-campus student activity. She expressed her desire to work together with Venkatesh to improve the area.

"A lot of our kids live in that area and are victims too," said McKeigue. She noted that it is hard to discipline students that do not live in school housing — "If they live off campus they are hard to identify" — but said the college was committed to addressing student-related problems.

Members of the local music scene are often victims of harassment or violence in the area because of their different style of dress or unusual appearance, according to several of those in attendance. Manager and booking agent, Tony Mangina said he would like to see the program extended into Allston where clubs like Bunratty's are frequent meetings spot for that portion of the community.

"Allston is a strong base for musicians and they are sick of being harassed because of look, style or sexual preference," said Mangina. "I don't mean to point the finger at the colleges, but a lot of kids go out, get drunk and come out of bars looking for fights."

Mangina and fellow booking agent at the club Donna Estes said that if Venkatesh needed financial support they would host a benefit at Bunratty's.

Larry English of the Circle/Reservoir Community Association, co-sponsors of the meeting, said, "We do feel we need a lot more help if we are going to solve these problems." He went on to say that part of the problem was that crime-watch organizations do not have the needed support from the state.

District 9 City Councilor Brian McLaughlin called for a multi-faceted approach to the problem. One method, he said, was to ask building inspectors to do a sweep of the buildings in the area and replace broken street lights to make the area safer.

Anyone interested in joining the crime watch should call 731-8909 for more information.

By Elizabeth Fearnley

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Peg Daley puts the soft sell on Esther Cotter (left) and Rita Hartin (center) at the annual Veronica B. Smith Senior Center Holiday Bazaar last Saturday.

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Campus safety legislation stalled in committee

Legislation is currently pending in the state House Ways and Means Committee which would require local colleges to give prospective students information about crime on their campuses. The Campus Security Information Act was introduced into the legislature last April by State Rep. William Galvin (D-Brighton), but has yet to see discussion on the House floor.

The bill would require all Massachusetts colleges and universities to provide an annual report of on-campus crime and security measures. That information, including statistics from the three previous years, would have to be distributed annually to students, employees and applicants.

That the legislation has languished in committee since April worries many local activists. They fear the bill may not be brought to the floor for debate by the end of the year, and would then need to be re-filed.

Local interest in the legislation was raised by Marion Alford and Steve Costello of the L.U.C.K. organization, who, according to Alford, encouraged Galvin to sponsor the bill. Alford said that her interest stems from the belief that "the neighborhoods that abut the campus are as safe as the campus." She is concerned that "campus security is sorely lacking and the crime rate is increasing every year."

"If I were a parent," said Alford, "I wouldn't want my youngster going to a college that lacked campus security. ... When a parent ... [is] practically mortgaging their home to send their kids to college, they expect a safe campus. ... If you're going to spend \$80,000 or \$100,000 for your kid's education, you want to be sure that they're going to live to use it."

Alford said that there are two mottos to keep in mind.

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Anti-Semitic graffiti outrages B.C. community

In the wake of several local incidents involving anti-Semitic graffiti, Boston College is investigating the origin of similar graffiti scrawled onto dormitory walls this past month.

Walsh Hall Dormitory came under attack sometime in the early morning of October 15. A marking was made on each of the eight stairwell landings, with a ninth next to the lobby elevator.

The graffiti included swastikas, the word "JEW" with a circle around it and a line through it, and the term "ZOG" with a circle around it and a line through it. According to Sally Greenberg, Civil Rights Counsel for the Anti-Defamation League, "ZOG" stands for "Zionist Occupation Government."

and is used by neo-Nazi and white supremacist groups such as the Aryan Nation.

According to Doug Whiting, B.C. Communications Director, the B.C. community was shocked and outraged by the incident. No other incident of anti-Semitic graffiti has occurred in the college's history.

Both Whiting and Greenberg suggested that the B.C.

occurrence was an imitation of a similar incident the previous week in Wellesley. The term "ZOG" was used in that incident as well, which took place during the Jewish High Holidays.

College administrators have established dialogue with students and Jewish groups on campus, and are discussing the importance of "building and promoting a healthy multicultural community, not simply free of intolerance, but actively supportive of person from different background and beliefs." Representatives from the Anti-Defamation League, a watchdog organization designed to combat anti-Semitism, will be meeting with administrators next week to discuss programs for educating the B.C. community.

Greenberg stressed the importance of not underestimating the seriousness of the incident. Asked if it might have been kids playing around, Greenberg said, "They're not just playing around. It's a real statement of anti-Semitism that can't be reduced to just a prank, or just playing, or just having fun."

By Daniel Hurewitz

Republican gubernatorial hopeful brings message to Allston

Gubernatorial candidate Paul Cronin was one of nearly 120 Republicans who carried a message of "unprecedented opportunity" to City Committee meeting a week ago Wednesday at the Jackson/Mann School.

Cronin, a former U.S. Congressman who is one of several Republican candidates hoping that the state's fiscal woes have opened a path for the party, stressed his tough-on-crime stance, the importance of fiscal responsibility and the opportunity for a 1990 Republican victory in his speech.

Though support among those in attendance was divided between Cronin, former U.S. Attorney William Weld and rumored candidate, State Rep. Steven Pierce, there was widespread agreement on the opportunity the 1990 gubernatorial race offers the party, which has long played second fiddle to the Democratic Party in the state.

After Cronin's speech, the Ward 21 and 22 Committees met and picked up on the theme of fiscal responsibility, according to Ward 21 Chairman Paul Durr. "Everybody I talk to is concerned about the fiscal issues," said Durr

afterward. "It's scary; now they want to talk about more taxes."

The possibility of new taxes, added Durr, has prompted many people to become politically active who otherwise wouldn't be. "We added ten new members to each ward," he said. "There is real interest locally. These are people who are saying, 'Maybe I don't want to get involved, but I want to hear what they have to say.'"

Durr said he is very optimistic about the party's chances in the gubernatorial race, noting that, at least, "there's a race and it's good for the party — and it's good for the state."

The state's fiscal crisis, Durr added, is in part the result of the Democratic majority in the state. "I don't know how you can have a really effective government unless you have a two-party state," he said.

By Scott Rolph



Pharmacy Tips

by Charles P. Kelly
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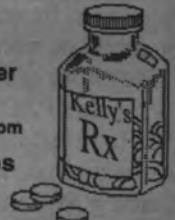
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JOURNAL BRIEFS...

PAC's could face stricter financial disclosure requirements

A bill that would reform the disclosure requirements of Political Action Committees (PAC's) recently passed the Senate and is now in the House Ways and Means Committee.

The bill, filed by State Senator Michael Barrett (D-Boston), would make it easier for political candidates to identify the origins of donated money and the special interests of the groups giving donations. The PAC's would be required to submit a description of their goals and name the occupations of people donating \$200 or more. The plan, according to Barrett, is meant to help candidates make the best decisions when accepting PAC funds.

The Office of Campaign and Political Finance (OCPF) now requires PAC's to fill out a general statement of purpose. However, a lot of them use vague or obscure information that can make it difficult to tell who is providing money, according to Barrett. "You hear about Political Action Committees with vague titles and you don't know who they are," said Barrett. "The candidates are occasionally in the dark, but more often it's the public."

Barrett said he is concerned with the public being confused by the fund collecting process. "The best way to let the media and the public know what the political action com-

mittees are up to is to examine a list of where contributions come from. ... I think the public has a right to full disclosure of the information."

Barrett has confidence in the bill, noting, "It's more than halfway through the process and we have high hopes."

PAC's were originally created in the 1970's to reform campaign finances and identify where money was coming from. According to Barrett, the state's law governing PAC's is flawed because it doesn't specify the kind of information that has to be filed with the OCPF.

Common Cause, a public interest group that is committed to campaign financing reform, has placed the bill close to the top of their list of priorities for this year, according to Pam Willmont, executive director of the Mass. chapter. She believes the bill is important because there should be a statement of what interests support the PAC's.

"Some PAC's are unidentifiable by name or use an acronym you can't figure out," said Willmont. The public, she added, has a right to know which groups support the PAC's.

By Elizabeth Fearnley

Governor poised to sign Gay Rights Bill

By a vote of 21-9, the Senate rejected the final legislative challenge to the gay rights bill.

The measure now sits on Governor Dukakis' desk, where he has 10 days to sign it. An aide said that Dukakis will confer with the gay and lesbian community in order to determine a mutually desirable signing date.

Dan Gorton, chairman of the Massachusetts Gay and Lesbian Political Alliance, reflected on the seven-year fight to get the bill through the legislature. "We were willing to give whatever it took," he observed, "and fight as long as necessary."

The snail's pace of the bill means the celebrations will be all the sweeter, he added.

When it becomes law, the bill will protect gays and lesbians from discrimination in housing, credit and employment. But challenges to these civil rights being explicitly extended to gays remain. Opponents to the bill plan to organize a recall petition for next year's ballot.

By Barton Clark

Two injured in Everett St. collision

A head-on collision at the intersection at the foot of the Everett Street bridge Tuesday left both a driver and the passenger in her car with head and neck injuries.

At approximately 7:45 a.m., Margaret Solis, 25, of 6 Marie Avenue, Cambridge, was driving north in her 1985 white Plymouth Reliant station wagon when she collided with a garbage truck owned by Waste Management of Massachusetts. The 1987 maroon Mack Truck was being driven southbound by Brian Rivard, of 26 Elmwood Avenue of Bradford. Rivard, who was traveling alone, apparently tried to make a turn at the foot of the bridge where the crash took place.

Solis and her passenger, Patrick McVay, age 25 of 102 Murdock Street in Brighton, suffered neck and back injuries and were taken to St. Elizabeth's Hospital in Brighton. Solis may have also suffered a broken leg, police reported.

The station wagon sustained damage to the front end and the right front fuel tank of the garbage truck was damaged.

By Elizabeth Fearnley

Camps lines up state house bid

Perennial candidate Aramis Camps has now set his sights on a state legislative seat.

Camps, who was unsuccessful in his bid for the District 9 City Council, has already declared his intention to run for city council at-large in 1991. But last week he said that first he'll vie for the seat currently held by State Rep. William Galvin, who would leave the position vacant for next year's election if he runs for state treasurer, as is rumored. If Camps is unsuccessful in that bid, he said he'll then mount an at-large city council campaign.

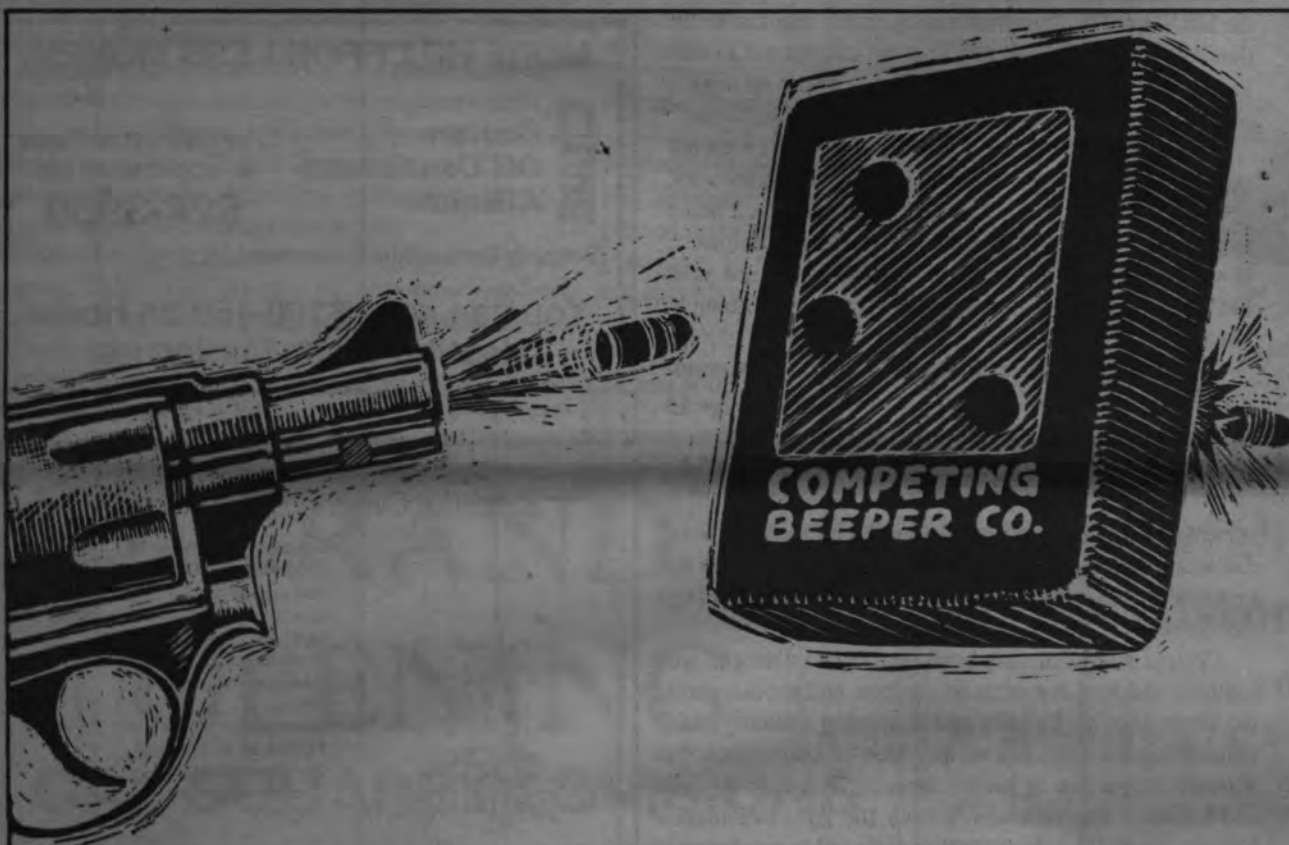
Camps, leader of Independent Latin American State-wide Political Task Force, said he doubted that the 150 votes he received in the city council preliminary election represented his actual support in the community. "I know I had a disappointment in the city council race," he said, "but people understand that I work hard for the community."

He added that he will continue to attack what he perceives as widespread racism in the city.

"The only problem in this community," said Camps, "is that the majority of white Americans don't understand Latin Americans. I get things done for people of all colors."

He said he would continue to speak out against patronage and bureaucratic excess in government, pointing to what he sees as waste in the Mayor's Office of Neighborhood Services — which he calls a "political agency" — and the school department.

By Scott Rolph



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POLICE REPORT...



Police showered with beer at party

Pandemonium broke loose at 27 Seattle Street, the site of a late night party last Wednesday. When local police finally harnessed the situation they had called out additional units, been soaked with beer, been assaulted with expletives and arrested 13 individuals whose ages ranged from 18 to 41.

Police arrived at the scene about 1:00 p.m., responding to calls on a disturbance. A large group of individuals were drinking in the front yard and on the porch, but would not disperse as police requested. Instead, they threw beer at the police and yelled at them. After the first unit called in back-ups from Brighton and the South End, the group was quelled and arrests were made.

Local man arrested for officer assault

Police arrested a local man last Wednesday after he rammed into an officer with his fists up high. The officer was standing in front of his cruiser at around 3:45 a.m. motioning for a group outside 301 Washington Street to disband, when the suspect charged him.

David Tatro, age 22 of Gardner Street, was arrested on charges on assault and battery on a police officer, and was taken into the District 14 Police Station for booking after the incident.

South Boston men arrested for car theft

One man was taken into custody and another who eluded police but was later identified is being sought, after police came upon a stolen car double parked last Friday night. Police spotted the red Agency Rent-A-Car double-parked in front of Fathers, 130 Harvard Avenue at 6:45 p.m. Having noticed a Budweiser can on the dashboard and a man, beer in hand, in the passenger seat, they approached the car and asked the man to get out.

After a brief check, they uncovered that the car was stolen. At that time a man — later identified as Alan

McComber — came out of Fathers, saw police and fled. A brief search was fruitless, but police obtained a warrant for McComber's arrest. The passenger, Robert Sullivan, age 42 of South Boston, was arrested on larceny charges.

Two wanted in gold chain robbery

The two victims told police that they were walking at the corner of Commonwealth Avenue and Washington Street at around 2:45 a.m. Sunday when two men jumped out of a green pick-up and assaulted them, hitting them against the wall with their fists, grabbing their gold chains and fleeing in the truck. The two chains were worth an estimated \$800 in total. Police have no clues as to the identity of the men, except that they were white and in their mid- to late-twenties.

Crime tally

Police report that in Allston-Brighton 1 driver was arrested for operating a motor vehicle under the influence of alcohol and 3 people were arrested for drinking in public. Also, there were several houses and motor vehicles broken into and robbed, police report.

Report compiled by Scott Rolph

The next meeting of the Allston-Brighton Police and Community will be held on Thursday, November 9 at 7:30 p.m. at the District 14 Police Station. State Reps. William Galvin and Kevin Honan will be the featured speakers.

The public is invited.

OBITUARIES...

BRESLIN: Mary Elizabeth Breslin, in Allston, died on October 31, 1989. She is the sister of Gertrude A. Breslin and the late Frank J. Breslin, and the sister-in-law of Mrs. Ann Breslin. Ms. Breslin is also survived by nephews Robert and James Breslin, niece Mrs. Carol Parisi, two grandnieces and one grandnephew. A Funeral Mass was held Saturday morning in St. Anthony Church. Interment is in Evergreen Cemetery. If desired, contributions may be made to St. Anthony Church, 43 Holton Street, Allston, MA 02134 or to the Good Samaritan Hospice, 272 Allston Street, Brighton, MA 02146 in memory of Mary.

LANDRY: Mary A. (Cosgrove) Landry, of Brighton, died on November 3, 1989. She is the wife of the late Joseph P. Landry, and the mother of Mrs. Mary E. Murphy of Brighton and Joseph P. Jr. formerly of Brighton. A Funeral Mass was held Tuesday in St. Columbkille's Church. Interment is in Forest Hills Cemetery.

O'REILLY: Sarah T. (Coyne) O'Reilly, in Brighton, died on November 2, 1989. She is the wife of Robert J. O'Reilly, and the mother of Martin, Thomas and Robert J. Jr. all of Brighton. Mrs. O'Reilly is the daughter of Sarah (Connolly) Coyne of Brighton and the late Festus Coyne, and the sister of Nora Walsh of Brighton, Mary Monaghan,

Thomas Coyne and Festus Coyne, all of England. She is also survived by several nieces and nephews. A Funeral Mass was held Monday in St. Ignatius Church. Interment is in St. Joseph Cemetery. Mrs. O'Reilly is a late employee of Boston College, a member of the Irish Social Club, the Norwood Irish Club, Pride of Erin Club, The Tara Club and the Cedars Sports Club. If desired, contributions to the Good Samaritan Hospice, 272 Allston Street, Brighton, MA 02146 in the memory of Sarah would be appreciated.

SAWAYA: Ruth Sawaya died on November 3, 1989 after a long illness. A resident of Brighton for 25 years, she is the wife of the late Joseph Sawaya. She is survived by one daughter, Nancy Turileo of Everett, and one grandchild, Stacy Turileo. Services will be held at Romano Funeral Chapel, 355 Broadway, Everett. Interment is in Woodlawn Cemetery in Everett.

YUNG: Kai Gee Yung, in Brighton, died on November 2, 1989. He is the husband of Lai Ling (Wong) Yung, and the father of Wai Ching Wong of Boston, Patricia Yung, Jenny Yung and Lily Yung all of Brighton. Mr. Yung is the son of Ming (Lim) Yung of Boston and the late Lu Yung. Interment is in Forest Hills Cemetery.

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EDITORIAL ...

Flynn's politicking fails

That Judith Bracken lost the race for the district council seat is perhaps at this point no great surprise. The fact, however, that Bracken was backed by a political machine made up largely of the staff of the Mayor's Office of Neighborhood Services is extremely significant.

The mayor vowed to stay out of the district race but provided tacit approval of the the political activities of his Neighborhood Services Director Donald Gillis and staff through a policy statement. The mayor's Press Secretary Arthur Jones issued the mayor's policy on political activity by city employee's, saying that Mayor Flynn "encouraged involvement by city employee's in the political process."

Of course, Mayor Flynn was ignoring abuse by the Neighborhood Services Department of their organizational position, access to city facilities and equipment as well as their willingness to prioritize their involvement in the Bracken campaign over and above the, so called, duties of department. This was evidenced by the fact that all key personnel were absent from the department on election day and active in the Bracken Campaign. Anyone wishing "neighborhood services" on election day would have best been advised to call Bracken Campaign Headquarters, where they probably would have been offered a ride to the polls.

Lately, there has been evidence of Mayor Flynn's growing arrogance, which naturally has begun to permeate his administration. He has shown a clear preference for a "rigged game." It is abuse of power, and although he will not admit it, Mayor Raymond Flynn knows that it is abuse — and so do we.

It is a credit to the voters of Allston-Brighton that they rejected Bracken, the political machine which she represents and the carpetbaggers from the Mayor's Office of Neighborhood Services, who conceived, promoted and supported her candidacy.

That's Democracy and a clear indication that the honeymoon in Allston-Brighton is over for Ray Flynn.

Wake-up call for McLaughlin

Brian McLaughlin won what might be considered his most convincing victory of his four runs for the district city council seat. That victory, however, is at best a rejection of what his opponent Judy Bracken represented — specifically



her poorly run campaign — not a mandate for McLaughlin.

The book on Brian McLaughlin is clear. He is passive, not active.

He does not project a presence or engender a great deal of respect on the city council. And it has been rumored that his work habits are less than they should be.

McLaughlin needs to take stock and act in this new term. He needs to assert himself. He needs to recapture the enthusiasm of his first days in the city council.

We do not doubt that Brian McLaughlin is an honest politician. In six years on the council, however, he has yet to prove himself to be the effective force that Allston-Brighton deserves as its district representative on the city council.

While we congratulate Brian on his success at winning re-election, we also hope that in his new term of office he will have equal success in being an effective, independent city councilor.

Bowman receives mandate

Rosina "Kitty" Bowman has worked diligently on the school committee for Allston-Brighton, and this community has spoken overwhelmingly in favor of her pro-active work. The job ahead is of staggering proportions, and we congratulate Kitty and wish her all the best in the task ahead.



New faces on the school committee a promising prospect

While some of the "old guard" will be returning to the school committee, some new faces will likely spur it to the kind of action critics have long said it has lacked.

With the election of Stephen Holt to an at-large seat (taking the seat vacated by John Nucci) and Marian Ego to the district 6 seat (vacated by Tom O'Reilly), look for steady action, notably the ouster of School Superintendent Laval S. Wilson.

Both Holt and Ego have been vocal critics of Wilson and the political compromises surrounding the vote last winter to temporarily renew his contract. The committee should vote on Wilson's fate in the next few months, and if they enact on their rhetoric both Holt and Ego will be at the fore of his ouster.

The election of these two competent candidates will surely inject new vigor into a committee that has been plagued by complacency and political compromise, and is evidence that, contrary to what Mayor Flynn thinks, the fruits of Democracy are not always sour.

LETTERS...

Iannella has "mixed-feelings" about Neighborhood Services

Dear editor:

The Yes or No format of your recent questionnaire left unclear my feelings about the Office of Neighborhood Services.

Some parts of their work deserve praise — I think the summer clean-up of public property and vacant lots was the best ever. The Early Notification Program has "tipped off" residents and neighborhood groups early enough to fairly judge development proposals. Where there were negative aspects, this extra time allowed plans to be changed, or sufficient opposition to form.

On the other hand, many of the department's services seem duplicative, and, I wonder if we can justify spending scarce tax dollars on this agency while police protection, etc., is short-funded. I would be happier if the agency were eliminated.

Rather than yes or no, consider me as having mixed feelings and inclined to give the Office of Neighborhood Services real close scrutiny at budget time.

Sincerely,
Christopher A. Iannella
At-Large City Councilor

Thanks for Halloween Party help

Dear editor:

Our eleventh annual Halloween Party was a great success and we were able to raise over \$200 for UNICEF!!

We would like to send special thanks to Sigma Alpha Upsilon Fraternity from B.U., the Women of the Senior Class of B.C., who volunteered their time to Teens Unlimited for their really scary haunted house and also to the following companies for their support and donations:

Dunkin Donuts (Market Street and Brighton Avenue), McDonald's, Rite Aid, Party Stop, Bon Bon Gourmet, May-

fair Market, University Bank, Shawmut Bank, Grove Bank for Savings, Allston Board of Trade, Friendly Pharmacy, Blanchards, Woolworth's (Brighton), Mr. Music, Purity Supreme, Video Smith, Osco Drug, and NECCO.

Sincerely,
Althea Grey
Office Manager
Jackson/Mann Community School

Community comes through for K of C drive

Dear editor:

The Knights of Columbus would like to thank the community for helping us with our annual tootsie roll drive for the mentally retarded. Members of the K of C, stationed throughout the community on Columbus Day weekend, had great success in selling tootsie rolls to benefit the mentally retarded.

Again, thanks very much. Your money will go to a good cause.

Sincerely,
Jim Dekas
Tootsie Roll Drive Committee Chairman

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McLaughlin

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beaming as the size of his victory became evident.

As the last precinct tallies came in, supporters roared in McLaughlin headquarters. Many supporters were incredulous as McLaughlin campaign manager Tom Philbin shouted out the final vote count.

Those in the McLaughlin camp attributed much of the margin to the tenor of Bracken's campaign. For much of the six weeks since the preliminary election, Bracken criticized McLaughlin for accepting what she said were "questionable" campaign contributions, a charge that created a hostile tone to the campaign.

Philbin said that although he was surprised by the margin, he felt it was the direct result of Bracken's "negative campaign." "If she went one-on-one with us in a positive campaign, I think it would have been closer," he noted. "I think people were happy we could promote the community. This shows that people are proud of the community and proud of Brian McLaughlin."

The candidate reiterated those sentiments. "I'm ecstatic. A lot of people were predicting a defeat by a small margin. We stayed positive and issues-orientated. I think the voters of Allston-Brighton have given our message a tremendous endorsement. We've turned back a trend of negative campaigning."

In the wake of her defeat, Bracken stuck by the campaign she launched, maintaining that McLaughlin warranted the ethical criticism. "I wouldn't change any of our tactics or issues," she said. "I haven't changed my mind. If I thought the status quo was O.K., I wouldn't have run."

Bracken was very positive about what she accomplished in the campaign. In a short speech to supporters, she cited the obstacles her candidacy faced at the outset and hailed the effort of her staff and supporters.

"We almost did it," said Bracken. "We worked very hard and I feel very bad for all of you." She said she wasn't surprised by the margin of her defeat, noting that "it's very difficult to unseat an incumbent, and it's very hard for a first time candidate, especially a woman." The margin, she conceded, revealed that the voters who supported candidate Cornelius Hurley in the preliminary election did not transfer their support to her.

Bracken said she had no specific plans for her political future, noting that she hasn't ruled another campaign and that she looked forward to working with McLaughlin. On her immediate future, she was also reticent, only quipping that she knew she had to clean out her cellar.

Asked if she would consider returning to the Mayor's Office of Neighborhood Services liaison position she left in May, she would not comment specifically, saying only that she "resigned that position in May."

As far as McLaughlin's future, he said he was headed back to work the next day. In an interview as he walked from his campaign headquarters to the Oak Square V.F.W. where celebrating supporters awaited, McLaughlin said the size of the victory gave him "extra motivation" to represent the community.



Councilor Brian McLaughlin celebrates with campaign manager Tom Philbin. Derek Szabo Photo



Judy Bracken chats with supporter John Riordan after learning of her defeat. Derek Szabo Photo

"I think that it's a brand new day in terms of going back to the city council," he noted.

Asked what he hoped to accomplish in the next term he said he looked forward to making ground on the issues he's worked on the past six years — such as institutional expansion and housing — and said he wanted more routinely to publish a newsletter.

At-large results

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body else in this city, we're totally confused. We really don't understand how City Hall could have one set of numbers at 11:00 and a very different order of finish at 11:30." Nucci said that he has officially asked for a recount, which will entail re-checking every voting machine in the city.

Nucci stated that the changing counts "raises some concerns," and pointed out that "no other candidate experienced a 600 vote swing at 11:30 at night."

Nucci added, however, that regardless of the final totals, he feels a true sense of victory. "In the final analysis," he said, "we feel tremendous about the fantastic comeback we made. ... We came back from a 4,500-vote deficit." He went on to state, "I can assure the people of Boston that I'm not going away. I will work in any capacity that I find myself to improve the city of Boston."

McCormack observed that Tuesday night's figures were unofficial, and "unofficial results always change. ... The fact that there was a swing in the vote didn't surprise me. The fact that there was a wide swing did." He said that he is still awaiting the official report.

With the last unofficial tally showing McCormack the winner, though, he said that he felt "very tired, but very good." He added that when the official results are released Wednesday night or Thursday, he will be "relieved it's over."

Tuesday's election results for the top three slots mirrored the results from the primary and brought little discussion. In September, Albert "Dapper" O'Neil topped the ticket, followed by Council President Christopher Iannella and Rosaria Salerno.

O'Neil received 39,337 votes in Tuesday's final to take the first place spot. O'Neil offered a simple explanation for his victory. "I beat the mayor," he said. "He didn't endorse me. I beat *The Globe*. I beat *The Herald*. But it was the people who were with me, not the press."

Iannella took the second spot with 37,538 votes. On the finish he noted, "I just hope that I'm worthy of that expression of support and I shall try to live up to it."

Salerno finished third, gaining a second term in office. On her behalf, her staff expressed both pleasure and exhaustion.

John Newman Flanagan, Joseph Casper, and Althea Garrison finished sixth, seventh, and eighth respectively.

Referenda

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Flynn's senior policy advisor, Neil Sullivan, expanded on that sentiment Wednesday, arguing that "what we have now is overwhelming support in the city for abolishing the present system, and majority support for a specific proposal."

Opponents of Flynn's proposal, however, are also claiming victory. "I don't look at this vote as a victory for the mayor," said School Committee member Daniel Burke. "Quite to the contrary." "As far as his feeling that this was a mandate," he added, "his feet will come back on the ground when he starts talking with legislators."

At-large School Committee member Jean McGuire commented more bluntly. "If I only won by one or two [percentage] points," she said, "I would say it's a political failure." And out-going School Committee President Tom O'Reilly described the results as "a pathetic win."

Both Burke and McGuire, who worked with the Rainbow Coalition and the Citywide Parents Council to defeat Question Two, viewed the 49% figure as a victory in the face of the heavy advertising and financial backing the referendum's supporters received. "We see it as a victory for us," explained McGuire, "because we didn't have any money."

According to Burke, the proposal's proponents spent some \$100,000 to \$150,000 dollars on the campaign, while only \$2,200 was spent by its opponents. "I was quite surprised," added Burke, "that we were able — that 49% of

the people were able — to suffer the media onslaught of the last three days, and still support the right to vote."

Newly re-elected Councilor Charles Yancey stressed that the proposal lost in many of the communities that have a majority of children in the Boston Public Schools. "Those who have the children in the system," said Yancey, "are not necessarily satisfied with the quality of education, but they don't believe that by simply replacing the elected board with the appointed board, that that's going to save the system."

While victory may not be clear, Harry Grill, whose Better Education Committee was formed specifically to campaign for Question Two, is claiming one thing. "If this campaign did anything at all," he said, "it put education out front for everybody."

Flynn has already announced plans to draft a home-rule petition along the lines of the referendum, but proposal opponents have not yet determined their next move. Burke said that because the vote was so close a recount may be necessary. McGuire suggested that there may be an effort to have the option of a smaller, elected committee considered by the City Council.

Recycling

Question One on the ballot received far less media attention before the election than Question Two, but a much larger majority of voters voted in favor of instituting a curb-side pick-up and recycling program than voted for an appointed school committee. Nearly 80% of the nearly 52,000 voters who voted on the referendum voted in favor of a recycling program.

Newly re-elected City Councilor Brian McLaughlin said that he was "surprised that there was so much support for the proposal." "I think it is a signal," said McLaughlin, "to the city and state that it's time to start moving on recycling and making it a reality in Boston."

Howie Michaelson, whose Boston Food Co-op worked in favor of the referendum, said that "we're all pretty pleased with the results of the referendum. ... It's a pretty resounding endorsement of it as far as we're concerned."

Michaelson went on to say that "we all feel that it's clearly a mandate both to the mayor's office and the City Council to move forward on curb-side recycling on a city-wide basis." "I would realistically expect," he added, "that when a public official sees such a strong endorsement of a particular idea, they would move to make that happen."

Both McLaughlin and Neil Sullivan, Flynn's senior policy advisor, pointed to difficulties in getting state funding as the largest obstacle to a city-wide recycling program. Said Sullivan, "What's keeping us from a bigger program is that we've still been unable to get support for a recycling facility; within the city ... which can handle the kind of volume which city-wide curb-side recycling might produce." He added, however, that state officials are "talking promisingly now of breaking that gridlock."

Currently there are four recycling drop-off sites city-wide, and the city is initiating a curb-side program in Jamaica Plain on a trial basis.

BUSINESS SCENE...

Bus Stop Cleaners pulls into Brighton

By Elizabeth Fearnley

Marcia McConolouge and her sister Lisa are shrewd businesswomen who know how to make a profit. Co-owners of Bus Stop Cleaners, the sisters have kept their business growing and still have managed to travel Europe, buy a house and visit Brazil twice a year.

Bus Stop Cleaners, open since September 1, is located at 140 North Beacon Street. This is the third business in the Boston area to be opened by Marcia (29) and Lisa (27). The sisters presently own a Laundromat in Boston's South End and are the former owners of the Wash Cycle, a Laundromat located on Boston University's South Campus. Marcia said they decided to sell the Wash Cycle because "it was a pit and a man came in and offered us three times what it was worth." With the money from the business the women took a trip to Europe.

On her way to a potential business location in Brookline, Marcia drove past the space on North Beacon Street that was for rent, and she thought it would be the perfect site for her new dry cleaners. Shortly thereafter, the McConolouge sisters opened their dry cleaning outlet store. "We opened here by accident," noted Marcia.

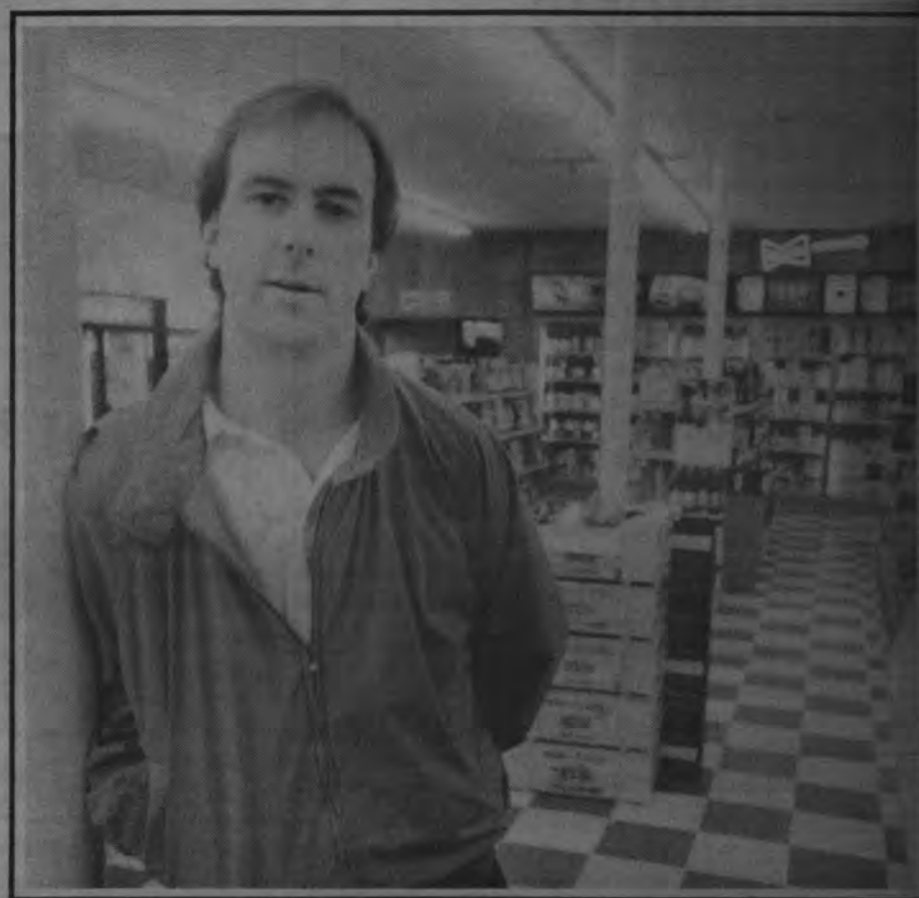
The establishment offers services for

dry cleaning and laundering shirts, washing, folding and drying for laundry service and alterations. The sisters hired a driver that picks up and delivers the serviced laundry every day. They also offer shoe repair.

Every month the Bus Stop offers a special. For October, a four dollar suit cleaning deal is in effect. Marcia feels their success is a result of their low prices and monthly specials. She said of the Laundromat and cleaning businesses, "There is definitely more money in Laundromats because you have money from the machines." She explained there were more bills and overhead to pay for a Laundromat, but still bigger profits.

The sisters are also the owners of Brasil International, a stone supply business for local jewelers. They travel twice a year to Brazil to buy stones, bring them back to the states and sell them. Supplying the Jewelers Building in Downtown Boston and some private buyers, the women have been successful in this area too.

The sisters are happy with their new local business. They hope eventually to own a chain of cleaning businesses. Marcia said of Brighton, "I love the people who come in here. I already know everyone's life story."



Jay Foley, owner of Oak Square Provisions.

Derek Szabo Photo

Oak Square convenience store unveiled

By Elizabeth Fearnley

The grand opening of Oak Square Provisions, a liquor/grocery store, featured a wine tasting and free give-a-ways to announce its arrival to the neighborhood.

Provisions, located at 600 Washington Street, opened on Tuesday October 10, and had its opening festivities on Saturday October 28. Along with the Gallo Wine Company tasting that ran from 4-7 p.m., free t-shirts and koozie's (or cold drink holders) were given away to customers. Balloons were also handed out to the children.

Formerly the site of Gray's Market, Oak Square Provisions (located next to Rent-A-Center which shares the space) moved into the location and offers a variety of foods and liquor in the same store. Owner Jay Foley, former owner of C and F Liquors, moved into the space after obtaining a license to carry take out deli and market items and

transfer his liquor license from the City's Licensing Board late last summer.

Of his new store Foley said, "Business is fantastic so far. We doubled our business the first week." He went on to say he does not foresee any potential problems in the neighborhood and anticipates, "nothing but good."

Foley said that they have renovated the inside of the store, put in new ceilings and floors, walk in coolers and are in the process of installing automatic teller machines. Citizens expressed concerns at a hearing last summer that the increase in delivery trucks to the area would hinder traffic. Foley said that he was working along with Rent-A-Center to receive deliveries in the back of the store. He said, "Traffic out front hasn't been a problem."

The store is open Monday through Saturday from 6 a.m.-11 a.m. and Sunday, 7 a.m.-7 p.m.

Allston Board of Trade's efforts bear fruit

The involvement of the Allston Board of Trade in the community is increasingly evident.

The ABOT Board of Directors voted recently to make donations to the Franciscan Children's Hospital, the American Heart Association and the Jackson/Mann Community School's 11th annual Halloween Party for Children, in addition to their annual scholarships for Brighton High School students, according to Herb Harris of the New World Bank, the Board's 2nd Vice President.

Also, the Board has already started working on the Christmas lights they sponsor and put up each year in Allston. Harris expects that the lights will be up by early December, and reports that although the Board "pays the rising cost of these lights each year, contributions from local business people and individuals help to defray those costs are being solicited." (Checks, he says, can be dropped off at the New World Bank on Harvard Avenue or mailed to P.O. Box 334, Allston, MA 02134.)

By Scott Rolph

LOCAL SCENE...

Oak Square party revives old memories

By Catherine Donahue Hanley

Last Saturday's reunion at the V.F.W. in Oak Square wasn't celebrated by members of any particular class from any particular school. Rather, the gathering reunited three decades of "alumni" who grew up in the Oak Square area of Brighton.

Oak Square natives Billy Martin, Jimmy Gavell, Jimmy Carr and Karen Carlson planned the event, which was conceived by Carlson.

"It started out like a class reunion," said Martin. "Then it grew into ... an Oak Square reunion. I think it's international now," he added, jokingly.

Martin was aware, however, of one Oak Square alumnus who would have flown back from Europe "if she had more notice" about the party. As it was, people came from as far away as California and Florida to attend the special celebration.

"You walk in and you're very sheepish," said Cathy Coyle Burke of arriving at the reunion. "I was in total awe."

Burke, a member of Presentation

Academy's Class of '65, said it had been a long time since she had seen some of her friends and former classmates.

During the evening, Burke was one of over 300 "Oak Squarians" who was reacquainted with old friends amidst signs and momentos, recalling C.Y.O. dances, the Links, Baby Day at O.L.P.A., and Frank and Fran's Penny Candy Store. Familiar tunes from the 50's, 60's and 70's sparked conversations about "old flames," school days and good times hanging around "the square."

A wall of old snapshots, class photos and prom pictures drew gasps of disbelief and laughter from party goers as they reviewed trendy teased hairstyles and outdated fashions; while other photos rendered melancholy feelings, as people remembered friends who had passed away.

More sentiments from the past were summarized eloquently in "Oak Square," a poem by Danny McCarthy, which was read to the crowd by Karen Carlson.

"Butch" Connolly, an Oak Square alumnus who attended Newton High, was overwhelmed by the evening and the number of

people who came to the celebration.

"It's fantastic!" Connolly remarked. "It's been about 20 years since I've seen some of these people."

Boston City Councilor Mike McCormack, another Oak Square native, said the he was "amazed" at the number of people who attended the party.

"There are a lot of dear friends [here], who I grew up with," McCormack fondly noted, "and it's fun to see them [again]."

State Representative Bill Galvin echoed McCormack's sentiments. "It's very nice to see all of these people [back] here [in Oak Square]."

Reunion organizer Gavell encouraged all of the party goers to sign an Oak Square reunion guest book, so that it will be easier to locate people for the 2nd annual Oak Square reunion.

Proceeds from this year's event are going to three local charities: Dave Maynard's fund for the Children's Hospital, the V.F.W. Post 2022 Christmas Party fund, and the Allston-Brighton Viet Nam Veteran's Memorial Fund.

Excerpts from Oak Square

The text below contains excerpts of a poem written by Danny McCarthy.

Oak Square, it was there
Long before we came along.

Early days I recall
Fire at the First National.
Gray's Market, Stop & Shop,
Kids with groceries in their carts...
Brasco's Flowers, church stairs...

Home from school in marching routes,
Frazier in his cowboy boots...

At the Bungalow, doin' the twist,
On the benches, kitty whist...
On the corner, acting tough,
"There's my mother. Cuff the butts..."

Jimmie Rice in Viet Nam
Wrote poems of peace, then was
bombed...

Much has happened since those days.
Drugs, AIDS, lost faith,
Love, children, New Age.

Oak Square will still be there
Long after we have gone
And friendships will carry on.

CALENDAR...

ARTS

Rugg Road Arts District Opening

The Rugg Road District will hold its 3rd Annual Open Studios, November 11 & 12, from noon-6:00 p.m. The showcase of talent will include photography, pottery, sculpture, mixed media and many more unique and creative artistic expressions. The event will take place at the District's two studios at 20-32 Rugg Road and 119 Braintree Street.

Evening With Saul Bellow

The Boston Lyceum presents Saul Bellow reading from his work on Thursday, November 16, 1989. The reading will begin at 7:30 p.m. at the Tremont Temple, 88 Temple Street in Boston. For tickets send check or money order for \$10 to The Boston Lyceum, Brian McLaughlin, chairman, 68 North Beacon Street, Allston, MA 02134. Call 782-8267 for more info.

COMMUNITY SERVICES

Battered Women Support Group

A support group for battered women meets every second and fourth Wednesday of the month from 7:00-8:00 p.m. Call 354-8807 or 492-5630 for more info.

Community Counseling

The Jackson/Mann Community School offers counseling and psychotherapy services at no charge. Call Judith Schwartz, MSW, LICSW, at 783-2770 for an appointment.

Donate Items for Russian Immigrants

The Jewish Family & Children's Service is looking for unwanted furniture, rugs or kitchen appliances that are in good condition to help the many Soviet immigrants that are arriving daily in Boston. Transportation can be arranged. Call Joanne Spector at 566-5716 for more info.

Eating Disorders Support Group

Hahnemann Hospital holds a monthly support group for people with anorexia nervosa and bulimia and their friends and family members. The meetings consist of a lecture followed by a discussion group, and occur from 9:30-11:30 a.m. in the Hospital Conference Room, 1515 Comm. Ave.

Hire a Teen

The Jackson/Mann Community School is setting up a teen resource center to assist teens in obtaining jobs. The School asks that local businesses consider hiring a local teen. Call Tim at 783-2770 for more info. or mail a description of the job to Teens Unlimited Resource Center, 500 Cambridge Street, Allston, MA 02134.

Newspaper Recycling

The Boston Food Coop, 449 Cambridge Street in Allston, accepts newspapers for recycling 7 days a week. Monday-Saturday, 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. and Sunday, noon to 9 p.m. Bring newspapers tied or in paper bags to the trailer in the Coop's parking lot. Call the Coop at 787-1416 for more info.

Volunteer Teacher Naturalists Wanted

The Boston Environmental Education Experience is currently recruiting volunteers as Volunteer Teacher Naturalists to teach children or as Support Volunteers to work at the Thomas Gardner School in Allston-Brighton. No previous teaching or previous natural history experience is needed. Flexible hours. Call Honi Schiffman at 367-1026 for info.

EDUCATION

GED's

The City Roots Alternative High School Program would like to hear from persons aged 16-21 who are not enrolled in school but are interested in obtaining their high school diploma. Call 783-0928 for more info.

GED for Pregnant and Parenting Teens

The Crittenton Hastings House, 10 Perthshire Street in Brighton, operates a high school equivalency diploma program for pregnant and parenting teens, aged 16-21, who have dropped out of school. Classes run weekdays from 9:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m. To be eligible for the program, clients must receive General Relief, Aid for Families with Dependent Children, or be registered with the Department of Welfare's Employment Training Program. Call Julia Gitelman, program director, at 782-7600 for more info.

Jackson/Mann GED

Registration for the GED at Jackson/Mann will be held from November 20 to Dec. 1. Testing will be held on Dec. 18, 19, 20. Call 783-2770 for more info.

Jobs Academy

The Boston Jobs Academy offers Boston residents assistance in their job search. Call the Academy at 330-8879 for more info.

FREE LUNCH



Maryann Kelley and 2 1/2 year-old Catherine Flaherty feed the birds on Lake Shore Drive Tuesday afternoon.

Derek Szabo photo

ENTERTAINMENT

Double Edge Theatre

The Double Edge Theatre is located at 5 St. Luke's Road in Allston. Call 254-4228 for more info.

Playwright's Platform

The Platform holds weekly readings of one-act plays at 7:30 p.m. every Sunday. The readings are held at the Mass. College of Art, 621 Huntington Ave., and are free and open to the public.

HAPPENINGS

"Apples for Students"

St. Columbkille Elementary and High Schools are participating in the Stop & Shop "Apples for Students" program. The students are collecting Stop & Shop register tapes in hopes of receiving free Apple Computer Systems, Printers and Educational Software. The school seeks help, requesting that you save your register tapes and drop them off at the School, Rectory, Church or participating businesses in the area. Students will be collecting tapes until March 10.

Brighton Emblem Club Christmas Bazaar

The Brighton Emblem Club will hold a Christmas Bazaar, Saturday, November 18 at the Brighton Elks Lodge, 326 Washington Street from 10:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m. Refreshments will be available to purchase. Free admission. Free parking at the rear of the Lodge off Academy Hill Road or Winship Street.

Mount Saint Joseph's Open House

Eighth-graders interested in attending Mount Saint Joseph's should register for the entrance examination scheduled for Saturday, December 9. Registration forms are now available at the Academy, 617 Cambridge Street from 8:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m. Call 254-8383 for more info.

Mount Saint Joseph's Reunion Banquet

The Academy will hold a reunion banquet for classes with graduating years ending in the number 4 or 9 on Friday, November 17 in the Academy gym, 617 Cambridge St. Call 254-1510 for info. \$30 tickets must be reserved.

Our Lady Presentation Dance

Our Lady Presentation Grammar School will again sponsor "The Harvest Dance" on Friday, November 10 from 8:00 p.m. to midnight at the Sons of Italy Hall, 520 Pleasant Street, Watertown. The event will feature music, buffet and entertainment. Costumes are optional. Tickets are open to the public and may be purchased by calling 782-8670. \$25 per couple & \$15 per single.

Shopping at Kittery, Maine

If you're interested in a shopping trip to Kittery, ME call Susan at 783-2770 for info.

WBZ "Drugbuster" Presentation at Jackson/Mann

WBZ and the Governor's Alliance Against Drugs are sponsoring a special presentation on drugs, which is aimed at helping parents and young children talk about drugs. The presentation will be held in the Jackson/Mann Community

School Auditorium, Thursday November 16, from 7:30-9:00 p.m.

LIBRARIES

Boston Public Library

The central library is located in Copley Square. On Monday, November 13, A Film Tribute to Sir Laurence Olivier (1907-1989) will continue at both 2:15 p.m. and 6:00 p.m. in the Rabb Lecture Hall. The final film in the series will be *Pride and Prejudice* (1940), the classic adaptation of Jane Austen's novel. Olivier shines amid an outstanding supporting cast, including Greer Garson, Mary Boland, Maureen O'Sullivan and Ann Rutherford. Also, on Wednesday, November 15 Playwrights' Platform will present *Suspicious*, a musical by Allston's Gary Ralph, who will be available to talk to the audience after the performance.

Brighton Branch Library

The Brighton Branch Library is located at 40 Academy Hill Road. This afternoon at 1:00 p.m. there will be an adult book discussion about *Quartet In Autumn* by Barbara Pym. At 3:30 *Monster of Hygate Pond* will be the After School Children's film. On Saturday the Brighton Branch will be closed all day on Saturday, November 11 in observation of Veterans' Day. On Tuesday, November 16 *Cricket in Times Square* will be the After School Children's Film.

PUBLIC MEETINGS

Allston/Brighton Peace Council

The Peace Council will meet November 14, 7:30 p.m. at the Jackson/Mann Community School, Cambridge Street, Allston. The group seeks to "help plan peace and disarmament activities in the Allston/Brighton community. Everyone is invited.

Allston Civic Association

The ACA meets the third Tuesday of every month. Call 782-1857 for info.

Brighton-Allston Improvement Association

The BAlA meets the first Thursday of every month at Police Station 14 in Brighton Center. The open meeting starts at 8:00 p.m. The public is welcome.

JMCS Council

The Jackson/Mann Community School Council meets the third Thursday of every month at 7:00 p.m. at the School, 500 Cambridge Street. The Council determines policies and directions of the school. The public is welcome.

SENIORS

Jackson/Mann Hot Lunch

The Jackson/Mann Community School, 500 Cambridge Street, hosts seniors for hot lunches from 11:30 a.m.-1:00 p.m., Monday through Friday. Call 783-2770 for info.

Senior Lunch

The St. John of God Hospital, 297 Allston Street, Brighton, serves hot and cold lunches seven days per week at 11:30 a.m. in their private dining room. The hospital offers seniors several added features to lunches, including a free movie every Thursday and monthly birthday parties and holiday celebrations. Call 277-5750 for more info.

Nutcracker Trip

The Veronica B. Smith Senior Center is offering a trip to see the Boston Ballet Nutcracker, Wednesday, Dec. 20 at 2:00 p.m. Transportation and Orchestra Seat tickets are \$16. Seniors should call Marion at 254-6100 for more info.

SPORTS

Neighborhood Night

The Office of Community Affairs along with the Boston College Athletic Association invite area residents to Neighborhood night at the Silvio O. Conte Forum. Neighborhood Night will feature free tickets to one of the games below: B.C. Basketball vs Israel on Thursday, November 9, 1989 at 8 p.m., B.C. Basketball vs Maryland Eastern Shore on Saturday, November 25, 1989 at 8 p.m.

YOUTH

West End House

The West End House has opened its doors for a 19th season. The club offers boys and girls, ages 8 and older, recreational activities. The club is open Monday through Saturday during the school year. Registration fees range from \$2 to \$10, according to age. Call the West End House at 787-4044 for more info.

The Calendar listings are discretionary and are included on a space-available basis. All potential listings must be delivered to The Journal, 119 Braintree St., Allston, 02134 by Monday at 5:00 p.m.

ENTERTAINMENT...

Lean On Me : a tale of towering strength

By Daniel Hurewitz

In 1967, Eastside High was one of the best schools in the country. Twenty years later, it was yet another failing inner-city school, where only one-third of the students were able to meet basic skills requirements, and the government was threatening to take over. And then in 1987, principal Joe Clark decided to keep a promise.

VIDEO REVIEW

Lean On Me, from director John Avildsen, is the true life story of one man's struggle to prove himself, and, in so doing, change his high school from a nest of drugs, violence, and despondency into a vibrant center for learning. And while it is sometimes simplistic and heavy-handed in its dramatization of reality, *Lean On Me* overflows with hope and inspiration.

Clark's techniques seem radical, "fascist" even, to some: first expel the drug-users, then chain the doors so they can't come back and then demand the teaching of the school song. At heart, though, his methods rely on a fundamental belief in education: Clark insists that students and learning merit attention, protection and respect.

The challenge Clark faces, however, is not simply the enforcement of newer, stricter policies — though to do so he must

confront the disapproval of parents, teachers and city administrators. His greater struggle lies, instead, in understanding that leadership isn't derived solely from the wielding of authority. Clark must learn that trust, loyalty and encouragement are equal requisites for motivation.

Morgan Freeman, a former Electric Company performer, gives an outstanding portrayal of the principal Clark. From the first, Freeman fills the screen with energy. He creates a dynamic, fiery character, grounded in strength and filled with anger. And yet he also shades Clark with humility and compassion, so that caring and concern emerge as the sources of rage.

There are no great surprises in *Lean On Me*: heroes seldom fail. And though the film does take on real dilemmas — fragmented families, illiteracy, and "crack" use — its solutions feel somewhat superficial. A kind or stern word from Clark seems to remedy any problem.

Nevertheless, the film is powerful. The willingness to combat society's most destructive enemies demonstrates a courage our own "leaders" rarely show us. And that demonstration is inevitably moving.

Joe Clark's promise was simple: *Lean on Me*, I will be a tower of strength in a crumbling world. In keeping that promise, though, Clark allows another promise to emerge: the promise of young minds and talents. And that is a promise on which, someday, we all will lean.

Creasey's Choice



Gary Ralph

Derek Szabo Photo

Suspicious at the BPL

Allston playwright/composer Gary Ralph is at it again — his spy spoof musical *Suspicious* will play for one performance only at the Boston Public Library's Rabb Lecture Hall, Wednesday, November 15 at 7:00 p.m. For this production Ralph has enlisted some of Boston's top singers and dancers.

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Charming chaos in *Alphabetical Order* at New Rep

By Beverly Creasey

Newton's New Rep which was awarded "Best Little Theater" by Boston Magazine last year, opens its sixth season with Michael Frayn's wry little comedy, *Alphabetical Order*. The play is set in the highly disorganized library offices of a small British newspaper whose eccentric reporters and personnel come and go with much ado in search of hilariously irrelevant information.

THEATRE/ARTS

Frayn is the master of British understatement — or rather the art of British anti-statement — where characters are so wary of direct commitment that they qualify every sentence with an "as it were" so as not to meet a direct statement head on. Now the problem, *as it were*, with *Alphabetical Order* is that I couldn't commit altogether to its peculiar comic level, which seemed to hover somewhere between pathos and farce. I'm afraid I've been spoiled by Michael Frayn. Frayn's stiffest competition is Michael Frayn. His technical masterpiece of modern farce, *Noises Off*, operated on a sustained coloratura performed at fever pitch: it literally took your breath away with its multiple variations on a single joke; you laughed so hard you cried, so I had expectations of frantic frenzy in *Alphabetical Order* (although not so with Frayn's *Benefactors*).

Not to say *Alphabetical Order* isn't witty and clever; it's just not the out and out manic madness of *Noises Off*. With that proviso, I should say it does fulfill one of the classic rules of farce — all the characters go about their business with an absolute dogged singlemindedness of purpose — impervious to the others around them, compounding each other's desperation with hilarious results.

There's John who fanatically insists on identifying a quote, although he's really not sure what the quote actually was but he remembers it was halfway down the page. And there's Leslie, the new kid on the block, *as it were*, who has a grip — one might say a "death grip" on organizational efficiency. There's Lucy who really prefers the somewhat messy *status quo* and Arnold, who would rather not do anything, at all; he manages to raise the act of entering a room into an art form. Then there's Nora who gently "demands"



Stephen Benson and Dee Nelson mock pomposity in *Alphabetical Order*.

Dennis Stierer Photo

they all show her she's "loved and needed" and Geoffrey who "minds everyone's business" while Wally goes cheerfully mad. These delightful characters clash and collide, ever so civilly, mind you; and plot, ever so politely, of course, to interfere in each other's lives.

As Geoffrey, Derek Campbell is the consummate messenger, delivering his unwanted news with the utmost of care; his obtuse sincerity is completely winning. As John, Stephen Benson's upper lip is so stiff he practically wedges the words out sideways. He's one of those adorably uncom-

prehending British men who suffers, he tells us, from "total temporal blindness ... who [has] so little objective reality about [him] that people don't even talk about him behind his back." As Arnold, Bill McCann is perfect as the unassuming milquetoast who can hardly manage to enter a room; his existence is so tentative. As Leslie, Dee Nelson is a marvel of sweet malice, making "suggestions" to "rearrange the world's contents" while hiding her iron hand in a velvet glove so to speak. Frances West as Lucy is the perfect counterpoint to Leslie, going slowly mad from all the responsibility and reclassification.

Nosy Nora constantly asks for "credit where credit is due," and it's due to Penelope Kreitzer for the wonderfully exasperating character she has created while driving everyone dotty. James Richard Morgan as the deadpan Wally is the catalyst for one of the marvelous moments, when everyone breaks simultaneously into motion to look for something. Unfortunately there weren't enough of these moments to keep the audience laughing in the second act when the play turned more serious. Jayme Koszyn directed admirably — everyone worked with ensemble ease — but the play itself simply runs out of steam.

Nevertheless, *Alphabetical Order* is well worth the trip to see these wacky characters wield their "wit in the face of adversity," and Michael Frayn knows well how to throw adversity in the face of wit.

This company is a sheer pleasure to watch.

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Allston celebrates art at Rugg Road open house

By Beverly Creasey

Allston has had a close relationship with the arts right from the beginning of its township, having been named for Washington Allston, the first major landscape painter of these fledgling United States.

And this is the weekend to celebrate the Arts in Allston — and to meet with the potters, photographers, painters, sculptors and performance artists of the Rugg Road Arts District. This coming Saturday and Sunday November 11 and 12, twenty-five artists will open their studios to the public. Elynn Kroger, whose translucent watercolors were highlighted in last year's Open House, explains that they have expanded from one complex of studios into the "Rugg Road Arts District" in order to include another building of artists. Steve Stone, one of Boston's top photographic illustrators, and one of the first artists to move into Rugg Road, adds that "this expansion means the arts community in Allston-Brighton is growing ... and [it shows] the vigor of the [arts] community."

The Rugg Road complex, Stone explains, was converted (from the old Albany Carpet facilities) in 1977 and "has been upgraded and subdivided to the point it is now," housing open airy work spaces for a wide variety of artists and artisans like the Mad Oak Woodworking people who custom design furniture; Ed McAllister who fashions unusual neon assemblages; and Naomi Kahn who makes "wearable" art.

Kroger has done some new three-dimensional works on canvass, which she describes as "almost sculptural" and she will also be showing her unique and whimsical jewelry. The advantage of the Rugg Road Open House, Kroger maintains is "that you're not intimidated by gallery surroundings ... [in the studios] and there will be a wide range of prices, from \$2 to \$2000 ... it's art you don't have to be a highbrow to understand. You can come to buy or just come to look."

Stone adds that this is "a special opportunity to meet and talk with local artists ... [to] get to know the artist whose work is on your wall..." You can meet performance artist/



The Rugg Road artist community will display their latest works this weekend at their two studios in Allston.

Derek Szabo Photo

sculptor Doug Fitch at the Titanic Cafe; or meet David Palmer whose mythic stonelike canvasses are a marvel: his work represents "the dichotomy between contemporary society and that of our primitive or ancient ancestors." You might talk to Ted Hunter about his dreamlike paintings in which "he tries to capture what he absorbs in his dreams ..." or talk with Deborah Reed about her expressionistic figure/sculptures. Steve Stone's Newbury Street Series will be on display, as well as photos from his recent Asian tour.

Stone summed it up best: "Supporting local artists insures they'll still be here."

Rugg Road Open House
Nov. 11 and 12, noon to 6:00 p.m.
Rugg Road, Allston
and 119 Braintree Street (Behind Rugg Road)
tel. 782-1247 for more info

ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT...

Sculler's presents acclaimed jazz acts in Allston

By Craig Harris

Nationally-known Jazz vocalists and local, up-and-coming, performers are the key to Sculler's, the new Jazz Club located at the Guest Quarters Hotel in Allston.

MUSIC REVIEW

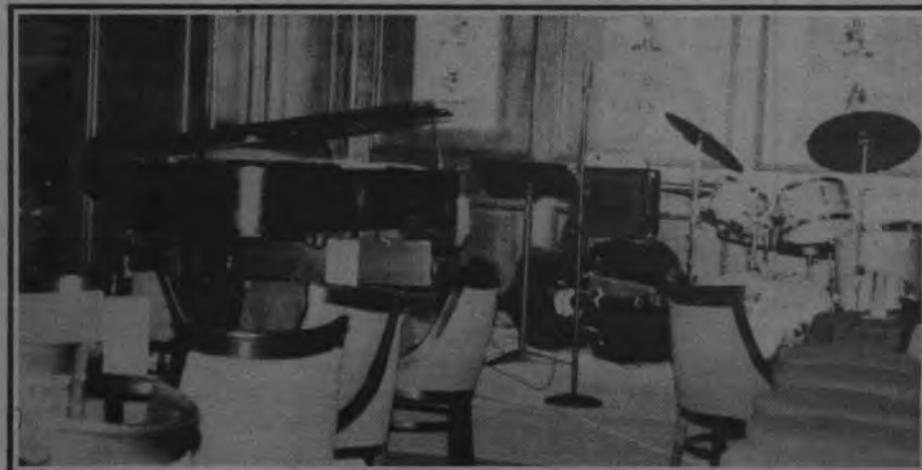
"When we first spoke about (producing shows in) the room, we realized that bands wouldn't be appropriate," Ron Murray of Consort Productions explains during a recent interview.

"The size of the room makes a big difference," Diane Barry of Barry Associates Entertainment adds. "Sculler's offers an intimate setting for singers".

The room, which seats roughly one hundred people, is marked by elegant, wood-paneled and a luscious view of the Charles River. "You can see the stage from every seat," Barry Claims. "There are no blind spots."

The club was initially planned in March, 1989. "Pam Withee [of Barry Associates Entertainment] got a call from George Taylor, manager of the room, and Herb Heischuber, food and beverage director of the hotel," Barry recalls. "They used to feature single piano players, but there was never any business."

Murray, ex-studio guitarist and former



Intimate cabaret setting at Sculler's.

Craig Harris Photo

manger of Rebecca Paris, was added during early planning stages. "Ronnie was well-versed in Jazz", Barry explains.

One of Murray's first projects was assembling a sound system for the club. "I knew that we were going to be dealing with acoustic jazz vocalists," he says, "so clarity and sound dispersion was important. The room has an unusual L-shape. It took quite a bit of shopping."

Murray eventually settled on a twelve channel mixing board. "We lucked into a board that allows us to get two different monitor mixes," he explains. "It's very rare in Jazz. It helps when the musicians feel good about the sound. It puts them in a mood where they could let it all hang out."

"The band sound is as acoustic as possible," Barry adds, "with the sound coming more from the stage than from the speakers."

Performers at the club have included Arthur Prysock, Dakota Staton, Mark Murphy and Wannetta Jackson. "People need a reason to go out," Murray suggests. "National acts give them that reason. With Jazz, people are more knowledgeable than with other kinds of music. They call to ask who's going to be playing drums. People are coming in [not] to get drunk, but entertained."

On Tuesdays and Wednesdays, local performers are featured. "We're sort of a triple A farm club for young jazz musi-

cians," Murray claims. "My first goal is management so it gives me a real insight as to which performers have what it takes to make it to the top."

"The success of the national acts make it possible for us to present the local acts," Barry adds. "It allows us to provide a comfortable, state-of-the-art setting."

Although they admit that it's "easy to eat up a Jazz audience," Murray and Barry believe that the potential audience is large enough to accommodate the club. "We've established a real working relationship with (Cambridge-based Jazz club) the Regattabar," Murray explains, "so that we don't both book the same kind of Performer at the same time. We talked about booking Morgana King, for example. She'd do a wonderful job in Sculler's. But, the same week, the Regattabar had Betty Carter scheduled. We thought that their vocal style was too similar, so we booked someone else."

Sculler's biggest problem is being difficult to reach by public transportation. "You can't get here without a car," Murray admits, "so it's not so much a student audience. But, it's easily accessible to people from the western suburbs who can jump on the Pike."

Future plans call for a series of live-in-concert albums recorded at the club. "A small record company is very interested," Murray explains. "It would really put Sculler's on the map."

Among Schoolchildren explores the educational dynamic

Among Schoolchildren

By Tracy Kidder

340 pp.

Boston: Richard Todd/Houghton Mifflin. \$19.95

Review by Andrew Jack

At Kelly School's Science Fair late in the year, one group of Kids — along with their parents — stood behind an elaborate working model of a village being supplied with electricity. Others stood nearby in front of a table displaying two potatoes and "a remnant of iceberg lettuce going brown."

BOOK REVIEW

"The whole event looked like a rigged election," writes Tracy Kidder, "distressingly predictable, as if to teach the children about the unfairness of life." The children whose parents were present had the best projects and knew most. The poorest children always seemed to learn least.

For anyone who thinks an educator has it easy and can switch off when the final school bell rings each day, it might come as a shock to read about elementary school teacher Chris Zajac marking books late into the evening, meticulously planning her future lessons, and spending restless nights wondering about her problem children.

It seems the only time her mind is off her work is when she chats to the other staff during breaks, talking about husbands or shopping: anything to retain some sanity with a little short-term distraction from the kids. Even at home, she has to sometimes hold her "teacher finger" in check.

Kidder has written a non-fiction book that feels like a novel. At times, he comes embarrassingly close to his subject's inner feelings. You begin to wonder whether his narrative is based on discussions, intuition or his own imagination of what his subject — his principal character — must be feeling.

It is never over-written. Scattered among the descriptions of class, generally from the teacher's perspective, come occasional wider commentaries on the status of teachers, corporal punishment, the techniques and philosophies of education. They nearly always slip unobtrusively into the text.

Then there are insights about the children. Periodically, Kidder masterfully uses the pupils themselves to comment on a situation — particularly the sage-like Judith, a Puerto



Tracy Kidder explores teacher-student relationships.

Rican whom Chris recognizes as a star and who easily puts to rest the prejudice she sometimes encounters about that ethnic group.

Among Schoolchildren is riddled with everyday insights. We are witness to a typical school year. There is no plot to be unfurled, nor a single story which develops. Instead, many characters and strands develop slowly before us. We read about a trip, the Science Fair, and mainly about life in the classroom.

There are no extraordinary events in the book, nor masterful insights which Chris should be teaching the nation's educationalists. In fact, reflecting on the evaluations counselors make on "problem children" she feels "the diagnoses are usually better than the cures."

That can make it difficult to remember, within a few days of reading the book, the practical, earthy wisdom that shines out in her style and is revealed in every chapter.

We see, particularly, the frustrations of dealing with children of vastly different abilities, from many different backgrounds: 60% are from families on public assistance, and many kids wear doorkeys on chains round their necks.

"Children get dealt grossly unequal hands, thought Chris, but that is all the more reason to treat them equally in school ... bringing the same moral force to bear on all of them." Later, she contemplates, "So much is outside your control. So much."

She worries that her quieter kids get neglected. She spends many sleepless nights when Clarence is removed to the dreaded Alpha class for problem children. In fact, thinking about his departure, she's in as much agony as when her father died a few years earlier.

She's masterful in her comradely advice to Pam, the student teacher, explaining things you can only learn on the job, like how to use confidence and avoid humiliation, to maintain discipline. "Kids could be so cruel when they spotted a weakness." She likes her protege, but feels pained when she is deprived of her class by Pam for just three days.

Kidder throws in a few of his own reflections, too. "Most people think they will never come to resemble their parents, until the process is complete and they don't mind anymore." That raises a question about the role of the author, who was apparently perched on a window ledge for most of the year.

He certainly didn't escape the watchful eye of Clarence, nor probably the eager mouth of Felipe. We're unclear how much he puts words into Chris' mouth. Equally, at the very least I want to know how the class reacted to him, let alone how it was influenced by his presence.

I'm not critical of the choice of subject, however. This isn't a book about our inner city high schools, where teen pregnancy, drugs and violence compete with the curriculum, and have captured most of the recent national attention on education.

It's becoming increasingly clear, after all, that elementary education is the place to begin attacking these problems. We need more teachers like Mrs. Zajac, who while she may not offer radical new approaches to their profession, is among the most worthy of its practitioners.

Counselor brings alcoholic "family model" to Mt. St. Joseph's

An alcoholic father stands on a chair; he is the pinnacle of the theater around him.

His wife is standing in front of him. He presses his hands firmly on her shoulder. Their oldest daughter — an over-achiever and the Family Hero — stands next to them. Around them, and in concert with them, moves the rest of the family: the Scapegoat chats suspiciously with a cohort; the Lonely Child sits alone; the Mascot prances around playfully; and the Placater caresses each family member.

This is a model of a chemically dependent family, explained Mimi White, alcohol and drug coordinator for Life Resources Inc., a consulting firm for the Archdiocese of Boston. White constructed the model, with the aid of seven daring parents, at a Mount St. Joseph's Parent/Teacher meeting Thursday in the school cafeteria.

The presentation was a unique way to introduce a program the school is implementing to identify kids from chemically dependent families. The model, said White, is designed to heighten awareness of the effect an alcoholic parent has on a child.

Members of a chemically dependent family tend to be saddled with deep-rooted insecurity, are susceptible to drug or alcohol addiction and

are considered high risk for suicide, explained White.

She noted that while these stereotypical roles develop in some form in most families, they tend to be more rigid in chemically dependent families. By acting out a role, each family member suppresses a range of emotions — from insecurity to anger to frustration — sustaining a superficial and unstable atmosphere in the family, she said.

White, whose brother died of alcoholism, travels around to the Archdiocese thirteen high schools and thirty-eight grade schools, explaining to parents, teachers and students how to detect students from chemically dependent family.

Detection, she noted, is the first step towards helping the students face their problems. "The idea is to see [the] behavior, confront the kid and if it doesn't get better direct them to the proper counseling."

The counselors and teachers at Mount Saint Joseph's hope that they can ward off potential problems by identifying students from chemically dependent families. When 90 percent of adolescents try alcohol before they are seniors, it's important to illuminate the issues around abuse, noted White.

By Scott Rolph



Mimi White explains the effect an alcoholic father (played here by John Boyle) has on the rest of his family.

Derek Szabo Photo

Bowman

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high school student assignment plan and restructuring parent organizations.

Bowman, however, was disappointed with the outcome of the school governance referendum. Particularly, she is concerned that "with the executive school committee question hanging over us, we will be treated as lame ducks and will be spinning our wheels."

Asked if she had any political aspirations beyond the school committee, Bowman said, "I know there's a lot of problems out there and I know I have a lot to offer. I have personal things to take care of and I don't have any plans at this time."

Campus Security

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"Prevention is everything," and, "An ounce of caution is worth a pound of cure."

Local universities

While Boston College officials have said that the college is not taking a public stance on the bill, they are working with the Association of Independent Colleges in Massachusetts to defeat the legislation.

Doug Whiting, B.C. director of communications, explained that "we in no way want to keep undercover information about crimes that occur on this campus. We make every effort to share that information ... when appropriate."

The concern is not one of trying to keep information to ourselves. There are concerns about the scope of the bill in terms of what it would require."

Specifically, B.C. and others seem concerned about publicity impact of reporting crimes. Whiting argued that by issuing "something against nothing," Massachusetts colleges would appear more crime-ridden than colleges in states that don't require crime information.

Asked if parents and students deserve crime and security information when choosing a college, Whiting replied that "parents certainly have their children's safety in mind, but, again, how is that determined?" "To say that one institution is safer than another institution is subjective," Whiting contended. "Crime statistics will not reveal that."

If there is necessary information for parents and students to have about campus safety, said Whiting, that is "the information that we currently provide." B.C. publicity information

Boone, a general practice attorney, could not be reached Wednesday. According to his secretary, he was already back at work, spending the day in court.

In the race for the four at-large seats, incumbent Rita Walsh-Tomasini lead the pack, followed by incumbents Jeane McGuire and John O'Bryant.

There will be two new faces on the committee: fourth-place at-large finisher Stephen Holt and District 6 winner Marian Ego. Holt, a Dorchester native and former school teacher, ran on the issues of leadership and commitment and received endorsements from labor organizations and Democratic Ward Committees. He finished 900 votes ahead of the next closest contender, Dr. Doug Johnson. Ego outdistanced Linnea Landraitis by some 500 votes.

currently contains an explanation of such things as security and support systems, and the role and duty of campus police.

Whiting added, however, that B.C. does report its crime figures to state and federal criminal information bureaus, information which is available to the public.

B.U. was unable to be reached for comment before press time.

The Cleries

The national push for campus security legislation comes from Connie and Howard Clery of Gulph Mills, Pennsylvania. Their work has brought about the proposal or enactment of similar legislation in eleven states.

The motivation for the Cleries is personal: their daughter Jeanne Clery was raped, beaten and murdered in her Lehigh University dorm room in the spring of 1986. The killer gained access to Jeanne's room because her own door was unlocked, and the three "locking doors" to the outside were all propped open for a party.

Upon winning a lawsuit against Lehigh, the Cleries established Security on Campus, Inc., an organization which now lobbies for tighter campus security measures. The organization has succeeded in having legislation passed in Pennsylvania, Florida, Tennessee and Louisiana requiring colleges to make their crime figures public. Bills are pending in seven other states, including Massachusetts, with still eleven more considering comparable legislation. A federal bill is also pending to require schools which receive federal funding to release crime information.

By Daniel Hurewitz

Budget confusion

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mismanagement and inefficiency, some legislators maintain that the budget must be fully purged of waste before the House could justify any new taxes.

"We have to persuade the public that we're serious," said State Rep. Eleanor Myerson (D-Allston-Brighton), since new taxes will "definitely" need to be implemented.

Proponents of the Ways and Means measure argue that it represents the cuts to the bone which the situation demands. "The fat is gone," Ways and Means chairman Richard Voke (D-Chelsea) told the *Globe*, and new cuts will be "exceedingly difficult to find."

Al Frezza, spokesman for House Speaker George Keverian (D-Everett), noted that "you have to have a balanced budget. Something's got to go. Either we raise taxes, or cut desirable programs, which are working well, and serve a purpose."

However, some legislators disagree with this assessment of the financial picture, saying the axe's work is not yet done. Rep. John Flood (D-Canton) told the *Globe* that "everyone wants to make a cursory pass at cuts, and then immediately start on revenues. We have to go deeper. The average citizen just doesn't buy it any more."

Rep. Steven Pierce (R-Westfield) finds that the mood on Beacon Hill is

being whipped up to deter further cuts. "I'm a little bit worried they're trying to stampede us into a tax increase," Pierce was quoted Tuesday.

The right timing for new permanent taxes thus remains an open question. The lack of consensus stems in part from the continuing unclarity of the whole budget process, to legislators as well as

to the public. Rep. William Galvin (D-Brighton) noted a "lack of credible information coming from Ways and Means, and from the Governor's office; there are a great deal of misleading [budget] cuts; we need more substantive cuts."

The uncertain state of existing revenues has continued to spawn disagree-

ments. Robert Copeless, a former Revenue Department Commissioner, told the *Globe* that the meager 0.7% growth figure may be too high. The true figures might be "disastrous," he warned. At the same time, others such as Pierce say the revenue figure is too low.

With little common ground on where the state actually stands financially, legislators continues to hammer out revisions to the budget.

Frezza said that the Keverian would go along with "doable" ideas for new cuts, and that the debate in the House could take up a week or more. The goal, he added, was to get this round through both houses by the end of the year.

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-Rep. William Galvin

SPORTS...

The Celtics' chances? Word on the street is...

The Boston Celtics opened their 1989-90 campaign in impressive fashion this week, downing the Milwaukee Bucks at home, and then stunning the Chicago Bulls on the road. Larry Bird is back; John Bagley is now in town; and Kevin McHale leads a revived bench as the sixth man. This week *The Journal* took to the streets to find out just where Allston-Brighton residents think the Celtics will finish this season.

Compiled by John Hoffman

How do you think the Celtics will do this year and why?



Jim Russell-Smith

They'll finish in second place because of the trade the Philadelphia 76's just made for Rick Mahorn. I would like to see them finish first, but I don't think they will.



Ben Salvucci

Boston High School teacher

They are going to take the title; everything's starting to gel. With Bagley there it's all coming together. They have speed which they didn't have last year.



Jack Accime, Thomas A. Edison Middle School student

I think they will do good this year—they were 6-1 in the pre-season. I wish them a lot of luck. I think Reggie Lewis will be their best player this season.



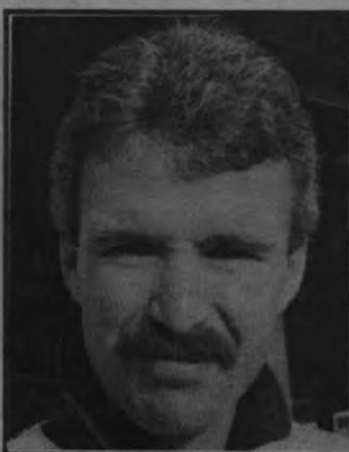
Jerry Rago
Northeastern student

I think they will improve from last year because of depth. Pickney will have a banner season. With Bird back they should win the division.



Cliff
Retired

I think they will have a very good year. They have enough experience from the veterans and speed from the youngsters—it's a good combination.



Tim Connolly, Restaurant Manager at Legal Sea Foods

I think they will go all the way. They have the backcourt problems solved and Bird's back, so I think they'll go all the way this year.



Richard Lalley

Union carpenter for Local 40

I don't think they will do so good this year because of mismanagement.



Elias Barahona, Worker at Ground Round Restaurant

So far they look good in the pre-season camp. They look sharp, I'm hoping for the best this year.

It's up for grabs in A-B Street Hockey playoffs

By John Hoffman

If you journeyed down to Faneuil St. Rink on a Tuesday or Thursday night, randomly picked four people and then asked them what team will capture the Allston-Brighton Street Hockey League championship this year, you would probably get four different answers.

That's because the top four teams heading into the play-

offs — Gerlandos, C&M Sports, J&P Gas Flames and the Schoolyard Warriors — all have legitimate shots at winning the crown this year. C&M Sports held on to first place for almost the entire season, but fell from that spot on Sunday as the J&P Flames upended them 3-2, in a thrilling double overtime game. The win moved Gerlandos into the top spot. The hero in the second overtime was Ryan McWhinnie, who won *Journal* Player of the Week honors just seven days ago.

Dennis McHugh had two goals for the J&P squad which is currently in the third spot at 8-2-3.

The first round of the playoffs begins this week and is scheduled to be the best of three games. Here's a look at how the teams matchup, and just what each team has to do to win in the opening round.

Gerlandos (10-2-1) vs. Schoolyard Warriors (7-4-2)

The two teams split their two contests in the regular season. For Gerlandos to win, they must concentrate on shutting down Darin Gentile and Danny Cuddy, the two leading scorers for the Schoolyard. The Schoolyard on the other hand has to contend with a slew of goal scorers from Gerlandos. Seth Frye, Gerry Caico, Fran Reed, Joey Felton and Paul McWhin-



Gerry Caico has the look of intensity in street hockey action.

Derek Szabo Photo

nie can all put the puck in the net. They also have an outstanding goaltender in Luigi Criscuolo. Meanwhile, Schoolyard goalie Billy Kilgallon is going to have his hands full in this series. The Schoolyard defenseman must make good decisions in their own end of the rink; if they don't Gerlandos will walk away with it. The feeling here is that this will be a tough series, probably a tough three game series.

C&M Sports (9-2-2) vs. J&P Gas Flames (8-2-3)

C&M had an outstanding season, but never beat J&P. Their first meeting ended in a tie, and J&P won the second in double OT on Sunday. Make no mistake, these are two explosive, evenly-matched teams. The question here is which goalie will play better — C&M's Al Anastos or J&P's Chris McCarthy. C&M has goal scorers in Steve Scanlon, Dino DiMascio, Joey Moran and both Mike and Vinnie Gilarde. J&P counters with Ryan McWhinnie, Jeff Carter, Dennis McHugh and Joey Callahan. It wouldn't shock anyone if all three games of this series went into overtime. J&P must stay away from penalties to win. If you give C&M too many power plays, forget it.

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HOFFMAN ON SPORTS**The Celtics are primed for the Atlantic Division title**

By John Hoffman

With the Celtics season now underway, I would like to give my analysis of the Atlantic division race. Here is how the teams will finish:

1. Boston 56-26
2. New York 54-28
3. Philadelphia 51-31
4. Washington 44-3
5. New Jersey 38-44
6. Miami 22-60

I just love the Celtics team this season because they play outstanding defense. Through seven pre-season games they only gave up 100 points once — and they won that game. In the opener against Milwaukee, the Celts used 11 players and forced the Bucks to shoot from the outside all night long. If you can make opponents shoot from the outside, you're going to win a lot of games. Early on Joe Kleine looks like the second coming of Bill Walton — ferociously ripping down rebounds — and he's scoring more after working with Kevin McHale all summer. McHale and Lewis meanwhile, are coming off of the bench and still scoring in abundance. John Bagley is distributing the ball nicely; everyone is getting a piece of the action.

And then there is number 33. The Celts have played two regular season games, and Bird has already made his presence felt, scoring 32 and 27 points. The Celts confidence level is sky high.

The Knicks will finish second behind the leadership of Patrick Ewing. Mark Jackson will get the ball to Ewing and Charles Oakley, but this team will miss Rick Pitino constantly on their backs. Philadelphia has the all-world Sir Charles Barkley, who proves that teams can win single-handedly. This year, Barkley will get help from Rick Mahorn, but the Sixers have a weak bench. Washington is Washington and will be inconsistent as always. We don't even have to mention the Nets or the Heat, do we!



Our House player looks for a lane to the hoop.

Derek Szabo Photo

All-Brite puck action

The All-Brite Youth Hockey League has started up once again under the direction of Mike Cashman. The Mites (1-3) defeated Hyde Park 7-2 earlier this year, and so far the leading goal-scorer is Brian Corbett with five this young season. Also playing well for the Mites are Alex Cardarelli and Patrick Arthur, according to head coach Jim Collins. The Squirts record stands at (1-1), after beating Parkway 5-3. Brendon Cashman had a hat trick in the win, and teammates Matt Moran and Carlton Quinn also added goals. Assists in the contests came from Steve Young, Ryan Th-

ompson, Cashman and Moran. William Bletzer has been outstanding in the goal. The Pee Wee's are still seeking their first win of the season, but have already received stellar play from Brian Coyle, John Reen, Erik Flaherty, Scott Sachetti and Fred Ickles. The youth hockey program is anxiously awaiting the opening of the M.D.C. rinks.

The "House" rolls on in Tag Rush

In the upset of the week in the Brighton Tag Rush Football League, Gerlandos knocked off C&M Sports 19-15. Reggie Kamm threw touchdown passes to Brian McCauley, Fran Reed and Paul Miller in the win. Jim Gordon added a key interception for Gerlandos. Three J's downed B.M.S. 15-6 as Billy Sullivan returned a kickoff all the way for a touchdown. Dave Maturo also added a TD, and John Burns had a big defensive sack for Three J's. Buff's had two wins, downing U.S. Healthcare 34-0 and Buc's 16-6. The Corrib downed the Buc's 22-6 as Jimmy Griffin and Bobby Walsh scored touchdowns. C&M beat B.M.S. as Mark Leonard scored two TD's and Joe Tessier and Dave Thomas also added scores. Paul Cellucci was brilliant at QB for C&M. Our House remains undefeated and only Buff's can stand between the House and an unblemished year heading into the playoffs.

ABAC hoop highlights

In Men's ABAC basketball action this week, Smoke pulled off a major upset as they breezed to a 72-52 victory over Freeze. In another upset, the Hobart Harps behind John Tapley's 27 points downed previously unbeaten B.U. Law 67-66. Wing It got back on the winning track by upending the Donlan Club 78-62, as Kenny Bean scored 24 points. And Joëy's Roadrunners knocked off the DT Express 56-50 as Pat Grealish scored 20 points. In Women's ABAC action, Our House downed the Bus Stop 30-22 as Michelle Jackson scored nine points for the winners. Marie Kelley was high scorer for the Bus Stop with nine points. The Model Cafe Roadrunners defeated the Sports Depot 28-18 as Karen Filonkowski led the way with eight points. Eileen Tobin had eight points for the Depot.

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The Home Inspection Report Part II: Better safe than sorry

By John F. Carmichael
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In examining the exterior, the inspector pays particular attention to the roof and the window casings. He evaluates how stable the roof is, noting how many layers it has left. If he suspects a problem, he might check the attic for evidence of leakage. Also, he checks the gutters and downspouts to make sure rainwater flows properly.



The inspector then looks at the window casings. Generally, they'll reflect any gaps or wood rot that may exist, and give the inspector a sense of the facade's stability.

After an inspector completes the inspection, he'll submit to you a comprehensive document evaluating the condition of the home. He'll analyze the structure, pointing out any potential problems.

If he discovers any serious problems, you should look into fixing them right away. Have a contractor prepare an estimate, and approach the seller to negotiate a settlement. Also, you should decide whether you can live with the inconvenience of having the repairs completed while you live in the home.

Lastly, keep in mind that the home inspection report is a guideline that you can use to determine the condition of the property. You should balance the larger picture with the smaller one. In other words, don't knit pick the seller; be more concerned with expensive repairs.

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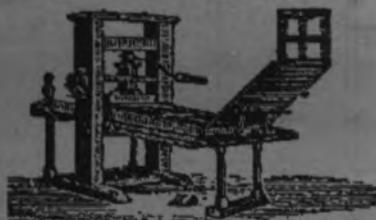
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THE BOSTON GLOBE

Monday, August 14, 1989

"The Allston-Brighton Journal last week published a poll of 200 registered voters in the district that showed McLaughlin favored by 22 percent; Bracken by 7 percent; Hurley by 6.5 percent and Aramis Camps, 0.5 percent. The weekly said 64 percent were undecided...."

THE BOSTON HERALD

Sunday, August 20, 1989

"Message from Michael"

"City Councillor at-large Michael McCormack said in an interview in *The Allston-Brighton Journal* that he believes the council and Mayor should be limited to serving two terms. 'You can do what you want in eight years and be gone.' Sounds logical. The only problem is, McCormack is finishing his eighth year on the council and running for re-election for a fifth, two-year term."

THE BOSTON GLOBE

Monday, August 21, 1989

"For the second week in a row School Committeeman John Nucci singled out incumbent councillor Michael McCormack for a zinger. In an *Allston-Brighton Journal* interview, McCormack said he would support changing the council term from two years to four and limit both the mayor and council to two terms because, 'you can do what you want in eight years and be gone.' McCormack is in his eighth year on the council and is seeking his fifth term..."

THE BOSTON GLOBE

Sunday, September 10, 1989

"Joseph Hogan popped off in an interview with *The Allston-Brighton Journal* last week accusing Bart McCauley, the Ward 22 Chairman, of sandbagging Bracken's effort because Hogan and other Bracken supporters refused to endorse incumbent Albert L. O'Neil in the council at-large fight. McCauley who says he had to twist arms to get several Bracken backers on the committee to the endorsement meeting, was beside himself over the attack. 'I'm livid that he'd go to the newspaper with these lies and innuendo that he dreamed up himself,' fumed McCauley."

THE BOSTON GLOBE

Thursday, October 26, 1989

"Allston-Brighton district City Council candidate Judith A. Bracken thought she had scored the knockout punch last week when she charged that a \$250 contributor to the campaign of incumbent Brian J. McLaughlin was a 'Combat Zone pornography profiteer.' But as far as the local press is concerned, Bracken's knockout punch was a nose dive into the cesspool.... In its editorial, *The Allston-Brighton Journal* said Bracken had 'hit a new low' with 'mudslinging and smear tactics' and added, 'Often failure breeds desperation, and perhaps that is the case in this instance.' Alongside the editorial was a cartoon of a wild-eyed Bracken wallowing in a mud pit with the legend, 'Bracken issues her latest campaign statement.'"

THE BOSTON SUNDAY GLOBE

Sunday, October 29, 1989

"In one of the toughest criticisms yet, *The Allston-Brighton Journal*, which has not endorsed a candidate and historically has been lukewarm toward McLaughlin, last week editorially accused Gillis of 'overt political patronage and growing machine politics.' Accompanying the editorial was a cartoon depicting Bracken as a wooden cutout propped up by a beefy coach called 'Office of Neighborhood Services.'"

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Candidates face issues in first debate
By David Horowitz
Before a crowd of nearly 200, candidates for the Allston-Brighton City Council and school committee last week presented their platforms and answered their opponents' questions in a Wednesday night debate sponsored by the Ward 21 and 22 Democratic Committees at the Jackson-Morse Community School.

The two candidates for the District 11 City Council seat traded questions last night from the Ward 21 and 22 Democratic Committees at the campaign's first debate. David Horowitz photo

JACKSON ON STRIKE

Reverend Jesse Jackson fueled the passions of striking NYNEX workers at a City Hall Plaza rally on Monday. See page 2 for details. David Horowitz photo

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