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Rhode Island College

Wind storm damages library

by Jessica D'abrosca
STAFF WRITER

Winds as high as sixty mph swept thru Rhode Island on the weekend of Feb. 25, leaving a path of destruction behind on campus.

Covers of exhaust fans were blown off the roofs of Donovan Dining Center, Adams Library,

and the Student Union. The ballroom in the Student Union also had water seeping through the walls due to the damaged flashing. The flashing connects the wall to the roof, with either copper or steel, and was blown loose. There was extensive damage done to the skylights directly above the periodical section on the library's third

floor as well.

According to David Maine, Library Assistant in the Circulation Department, the skylights were broken between noon and two p.m., that day.

"Because we had to rope off the area with yellow caution tape, the computer databanks had to be moved in front of the microform area," said Maine.

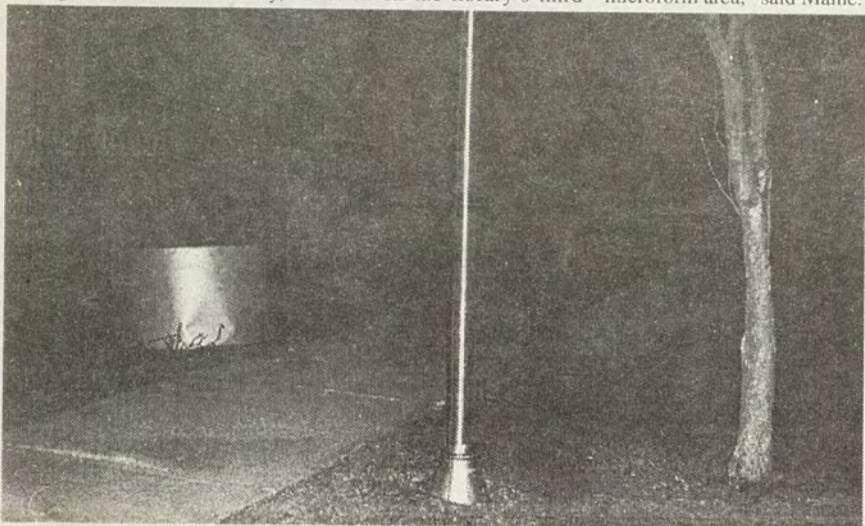
Asked if students found it inconvenient that the computers were relocated, Denise Bairow, sophomore, Elementary Ed., said, "I didn't know the skylights were even broken or why the area was roped off," she said adding, "no, I don't think the computers being relocated matters." Senior Amy Goodyear, Biology, thought differently. She said, "It is very disorienting and sort of sad, that the school doesn't have the money for good windows."

James Bucci, Assistant Director of Facilities and Operations at the Physical Plant, said, "We have the money but, the skylights are not available to us right now. They won't come in for another four weeks."

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Debris from the library lies on the ground outside the building shortly after the storm.

ANCHOR PHOTO BY CHRIS GREENE



Dine with your professor and eat free

Take a Professor to Lunch program growing

by Chris Greene
NEWS EDITOR

Once again students will have the opportunity to take a professor to lunch for free, this time during the week of March 25.

The meal is paid for by the college, and to participate, students simply ask a professor to lunch, and set up the time. Then students stop by Donovan Dining Center, go to the office on the second floor, and pick up

tickets entitling them to a free meal.

Close to three hundred students and faculty participated in the "Take a Professor to Lunch" program, last semester, said Charles Marzacco, Professor of Physical Sciences and part of the Student Engagement in Learning committee, said.

"It's growing on people," and adds, "we hope to make it a regular event, once a semester."

More than one student may take a professor to lunch, and Marzacco said that in a few cases last semester, the larger part of a class took their professor to lunch.

Marzacco hopes that the program will lead to more cohesive relationships between students and faculty.

User Services staff keeping busy managing 7 campus labs

by Joy Fox
STAFF WRITER

"The main function (of User Services) is to support students and faculty in their use of the computer equipment at the college," says Allyson Dickie, Manager of User Services.

User Services supports seven personal computer labs on campus in Gaige Hall (three labs), Whipple Hall, Horace Mann, Adams Library, and Henry Barnard School. The main office of the computer service is located in Gaige 165.

User Services has "three full time people on staff, all who have many years of computer programming experience," according to Dickie. The three people, between each other, cover the hours of 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday "full time, all the time."

Inquiring Photographer asks "What do you think of the computer labs on campus?"

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The student staff for the computer services is made up of approximately 40 people. Monitors, student staff in labs outside of Gaige Hall "are there to help others get started on programs and with basic printouts. Basically that is all that is expected of them," said Dickie.

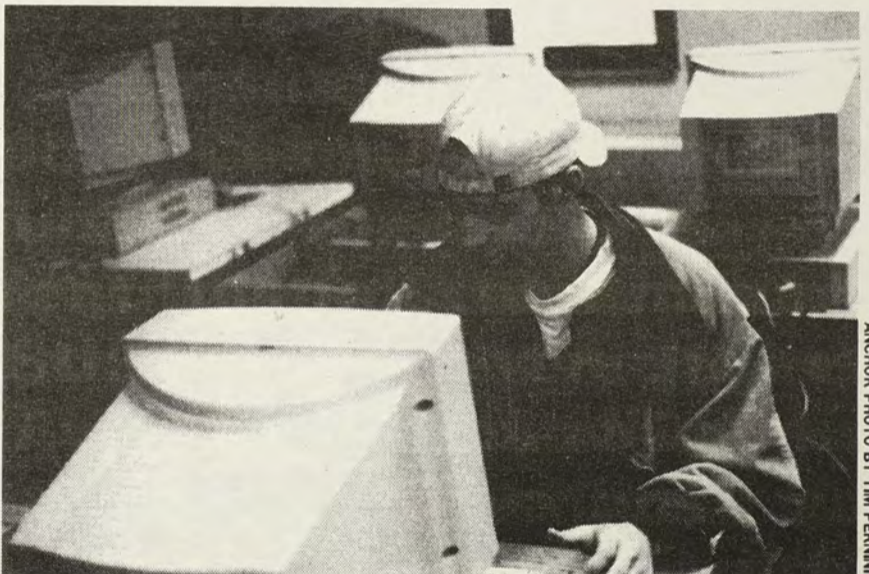
"The student consultants that work in Gaige 165 are more qualified," continued Dickie. Prerequisites for employment include experience with computers, the classes CS101, CIS 251 plus three programming languages. "The three languages show a certain level of computer training

actually in the programming area. Some of these students know more than the 3 on staff, at times," stated Dickie.

User Services is also the place to acquire Vax accounts for E-mail and Internet. Workshop dates for these programs are posted in Gaige and can also be found on the RIC World Wide Web site (<http://www.ric.edu>).

"Computing is so varied that we don't know everything but are trying (to help everyone). The best times for help are Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.," said Dickie.

User Services is always "very busy" she said.



ANCHOR PHOTO BY TIM PERNINI

A student works in one of the computer labs in Gaige Hall.

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and women's
basketball wrap up
seasons

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AMA planning events and looking for new members

by Tania Saguid
ANCHOR STAFF

The American Marketing Association, a student organization, is geared toward getting students and faculty together to develop organizational and communication skills. This is important not only for those who are business driven, but also for anyone who is in constant contact with other people

in their career field. The officers for this semester are: Kathryn Spohn, President, Christopher Mania, Vice-President, and Treasurer, Kendra Penacho. The AMA's faculty advisor is Dr. Stephen Ramocki, Professor of Economics and Management.

The organization has been active for about four years and is looking forward to a busy se-

mester in which, among other activities, they will participate as volunteers in Junior Achievement of RI. They will also have fund-raising bake sales and a possible guest lecturer on resumés and interviewing skills.

Members say that joining is a great opportunity to get involved with other organizations and meet new people. Right now is as good time as any to join, and the AMA is looking for new

members for this coming fall. Mania says, "the more people that come and join, the more activities we become eligible for."

To join, students should stop by Alger Hall on Wednesdays from 12:30 p.m. to 2 p.m. All students are welcome, especially those who are business majors. Students can also stop by their office in the Student Union, room 322 or call 456-8121.

INQUIRING PHOTOGRAPHER

What do you think of the computer labs and support services on campus?

ANCHOR PHOTOS BY ANNA SOUSA

Harambee's activities geared toward bringing cultures together

by Sheri Ross
ANCHOR STAFF

There are several organizations here at Rhode Island College which students may be unaware of. One such group is Harambee.

Harambee is RIC's multicultural student organization. Harambee is the Swahili word meaning "unity or stand together."

The group mainly consists of Afro-American members, and welcomes other diverse cultural backgrounds. There are approxi-

mately 10 to 15 active members, and 15 to 20 inactive members, according to Tina Woods, who has been the president of the organization for the past two years.

The goal of the organization, according to Woods, is for those individuals of diverse cultures to be recognized, and to come together as one. The organization provides a supportive and comfortable atmosphere to its members.

Woods encourages people to join Harambee. The group is always looking for people to help with different activities, and to

bring new ideas to the group. The group is active in planning different social events including educational workshops, trips, talent and fashion shows, speakers, and parties.

Harambee took an active part in Black History Month. Harambee, the staff of the Unity Center and another student group, OASPA, came together and planned different activities. Harambee was involved with the gospel concert, and meetings on the film *Waiting to Exhale* and the video *Skin Deep*. Also, Harambee was a large part of a fashion show that was put on in

the Gaige Hall Auditorium.

"The events we have are always pretty successful. We have the funds to use for different activities, but we need more people to join to make use of the funds," Woods said.

In April, the group anticipates sponsoring a semi-formal dance featuring hip-hop music.

Harambee holds weekly meetings every Wednesday during free period, 12:30 p.m. to 2 p.m., in Horace Mann, room 192. Their office is located in Student Union room 207, 456-8085.



Heather Palmer, Nursing, freshman: "I think that the computer labs are very useful to the students on campus."



Don Bollin, Social Science, senior: "I think they need better equipment to support the growing number of people who are using it."

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Bucci adds, "for now we have covered the holes with a weather proof covering to assure against any further damage." Bucci expressed relief that the computers were not damaged when the skylights broke. He stated that if there had been rain,

then, "absolutely those computers would have been our first priority."

The state puts out a bid proposal for snowplowing, clean-up, and repair crews. Winner of the Blanket Master Price Agreement with RIC for the construction of buildings and roof repairs, was Dome

Construction. Bucci wanted to point out that if something was to need fixing on campus, Physical Plant would use its own resources first before calling in Dome. If the problem posed to be something that was "out of the realm" of Physical Plant, due to lack of needed hands and/or materials, that is when the

college would then call Dome to come and repair what is needed.

As for the other damages around campus, all the covers for the exhaust fans have been recovered. Bucci couldn't estimate exactly when the flashing in the Student Union Ballroom would be fixed, but said he imagines "soon."

SPORTS

RIC gymnasts closeout season at national competition

The Rhode Island College Women's Gymnastics Team spent the last few months breaking every record in the school's history. Starting with the team's overall score, the team upped the record almost weekly from a 166.4 at the start of the season to a 179.175 as they captured the Division III ECAC championship on February 18 of this year.

As the team record was rising, individual records began falling. Nicole Centazzo established a new uneven bar record score of 9.05 (the old record, which had

stood for ten years, was held by Cathy Duza), which was broken five minutes later by Jenna Daum's 9.15. Daum also broke the balance beam record scoring a 9.4.

Sue Paul increased the top scores she already held on the vault to 9.65, on the floor exercise to 9.5, and in the all-around to 37.4. These records, on top of solid performances by co-captain and academic All-American Stephanie Cleary, co-captain Jodi Harding, and teammates Brandy Brown, Laura Murphy, Virginia Mello,

Amy Bright, Katie Goyette, Michelle Pelletier, Jen Carlen, and Jen Nichols, led to a championship year.

These accomplishments qualified the team to compete in the NCGA Division III National Competition on March 1 and 2 at Ithaca College in New York. Although the team finished seventh, there were some outstanding individual accomplishments. Paul, with a strong performance on the vault, captured the Division III National Vault title. She is the first RIC gymnast to attain a

national event honor. Daum qualified for the individual finals in both the uneven bars finals and the floor exercise, taking home a third place medal for her floor exercise performance. As a result of their performances, Daum and Paul were named to the Division III All-American team.

Also, in recognition of an outstanding team showing both locally and nationally, Coach Richard Stapleton was named Coach of the Year for the Division III National Women's Gymnastics program.

Women's hoops lacked "team chemistry"

by Eric Sardinha
SPORTS EDITOR

The Anchorwomen basketball team closed out a sub-par season with a loss in a Little East Conference playoff game against Western Connecticut. The team finished the season at 9-19.

The season was a disappointment for fans and players alike, seeing a group of talented young players come up short, especially with the potential that they had.

How do the players feel about such a season? They're obviously disappointed, and Amy Hoxie-Quinn, a sophomore in

her second season on the team, said "Unfortunately, there was no one way to change the team for the better. From the beginning of the season to the end, I do not believe that my teammates and I were used to our talented individual abilities."

"Because we did not have a specific starting five, the team

chemistry wasn't there," said Sarah Kelly, freshman reserve point guard.

With the team losing only two seniors, Audra Plante and Valerie Verducci, they look to come back with strong base and the addition of freshman players.



Robert Auxier, English/Film, junior: "Not open enough hours, too few machines and too many classes!"



Allyson Ayote, Elementary Education, junior: "I think the equipment here is good. I do think it is a good idea for many of the professors to require work the computers since they are everywhere today."



Keith Brynes, Psychology, senior: "They're o.k. by me. I do not generally use them."



Sandra Mendonca, Biology, junior: "Not enough computers, I would like to see another computer center."



D. Robinson, Biology, sophomore: "I think they are alright. I really like the computer labs, but I haven't been to the support services, so I can't really say much about it."



Natalia Daniel, Pre-Med, sophomore: "I think that the User Services are doing their job well. Although, sometimes they don't know much about the programs they have."

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Entertainment

GET OUT!!! A LIGHT LOOK AT THIS WEEK'S EVENTS

by James Braboy
MANAGING EDITOR

Hello and welcome back from spring break. Well let's keep it very brief this week.

Monday March 18

On this day in 1776 Britain repealed the Stamp Act. Hurray.

Tonight let yourself be blown away... walk, don't run to **Club Babyhead** (73 Richmond St.; 421-1698) for **Kreator**, with Skrew and Facial Defecation. Make sure you bring protection, ear protection that is. Fun and excitement for all parties involved.

At **The Living Room** (23 Rathbone St.; 521-5200) believe it or not there is something happening. **Pope John and the Pontiffs of Pain**, Punch Monkeys, Hard Currency, and Peppe Broom.

Tuesday March 19

I've been working on the railroad... In 1917, the U.S. Supreme Court upheld the eight hour work day for railroads.

Tonight, break tradition and sleep on the wall. And before you do that explore **Buzz Night at Lupo's** (239 Westminster St.; 272-5876) Betty Goo, Mixyplex, and Gringo are on the bill and its a cheap show. Only \$3.

At **G-Clef** (570 South Main St.; 273-0095) it's a **jazz jam**. Partake in smooth grooves and mellow vibes.

Over at **The Met** it's **Mod**

Tuesdays with Tres Cuervos and Rock Toad. All ages and cheap cover, only \$3.

Wednesday March 20

It's the middle of the week, do you know where your friends are? In 1852 Harriet Beecher Stowe's novel about slavery, "Uncle Tom's Cabin," was first published.

This afternoon, feast on aural frequencies or should I say eat the music. The **lunchtime music series** continues at **AS220** (115 Empire St.; 831-9327) featuring Dave Tessier it starts at 12:40 p.m. and it's free. Later in the evening **Story Telling for Adults** at 7 p.m.

Feeling a little unsure of yourself? Need some direction and or discipline? Well what are you waiting for? It's **Fetish night at Club Babyhead**. Explore your secrets. You could win a free body piercing. Wo-Hoo!

At **The Call** (15 Elbow St.; 421-7170/421-7241) it is the mid week dance party with **The Dennis McCarthy band**.

Over at **Lupo's** a good size show with **Frank Black** and special guests Jonny Polonsky and Reid Paley.

Thursday March 21

On this day in music history, (this day in 1685 to be precise) composer a Johann Sebastian Bach was born. I could make some type of cool classical music reference or real awful pun but I ain't goin' there.

Tonight stay in and grab a

good shingle. It adds a whole new meaning to the phrase 'home cooked meal.' At **The Met** this evening it's **Purple Ivy Shadows**, Poem Rocket, and Tizzy. Minutely cheap charge. And remember to look for Buddy, he may be nearby.

Usually I tell you about a cool web site. That will happen next week. Got Eudora?

Friday March 22

Shame on you, Anne. On this day in the year 1638 religious dissident Anne Hutchinson was expelled from the Massachusetts Bay Colony.

Tonight make sure you celebrate the fact that in Rhode Island they're called potholes and on the moon they're called craters.

At **Trinity Rep** (201 Washington St.; 351-4242) it's Anna Deavere Smith's **Fire in the Mirror**. The play/production is about the 1991 Crown Heights incident in which a car accident causes a conflict to arise between African Americans and Hasidic Jews in Brooklyn. Go there and observe, absorb, then talk amongst your friends.

At **The Strand** it's the **Down-town Rumble**. Wow boxing at The Strand, and you pay to see it this time!

At **Lupo's** it's **Max Creek**. \$7 is what there asking.

Saturday March 23

Way to go, Benito! On this date in 1919, Benito Mussolini starts his Facist political movement in Milan Italy.

At **Club Babyhead**, it's **John Monopoly**, with special guests Powerman 5000, El Dopa, Thought Junkie, and Fun Loving Criminals. Only \$6.

Teens Blues Sensation Mon-

ster **Mike Welch** returns to the **Met Café**, \$5 is what they are asking for, so start saving those pennies.

At **The Call** its those **Heavy Metal Horns** with special guests Friday Rain.

Sunday March 24

The week has once again come full circle.

Today the town of **North Smithfield** (767-2200) is celebrating their **125th anniversary**. It's a birthday party of sorts. Go be festive and merry.

And no, Willard wont be there.

Tonight At **The Met Café** it's **Flat Duo Jets** and **The Modulators**, \$4.

At **Babyhead** it's **Sunday School**. House, classics, breaks and other stuff.

At **AS220** it's an all star variety show with **The Pork Chop Lounge**. The show begins at 6 p.m.

Monday March 25

Today get those hiking boots out and go for a walk. Tell your friends to join in at about 2 and

three quarters miles into the hike.

This afternoon travel to the distant area otherwise known as the **University of Rhode Island** and check out **In Memoriam**. It's an art exhibit containing Daguerre-type death portraits from the collection of Stanley B. Burns. Photography Gallery, Fine Arts Center, 874-2775.

Tonight at **Lupo's**, go ahead with your bad self and get your groove on. It's **360's Mad Mondays** with DJ Buck representin' on the one and two's. You know what I'm sayin' (ding!)



Skrew (those guys in the picture) will be at Club Babyhead this Monday with opener **Kreator** and **Facial Defecation**.

STAY HERE!!! A LOOK AT THIS WEEK'S CAMPUS EVENTS

by Scott Feiro
STAFF WRITER

Hello, and welcome to another exciting installment of Stay In!!! This is where I graciously tell you all the wonderful things that you can do without ever leaving campus. I wasn't expecting an issue this week (because of Spring Break), but, since there is one, here is everything you need to know. (Deja vu? Yeah, I already told you all of this stuff in the last paper. Just pretend that it's new, and enjoy!)

March 18

As RIC's **Rock Hunt** continues, three bands will be performing tonight at the **CoffeeGround** starting at 7:30 p.m. Playing will be: Toss-offs (opener), Fess, and Fake ID's (closer).

March 20

As part of RIC's **Chamber Music Series**, **The Singing Boys of Pennsylvania** will be performing in **Roberts Hall**, room 138 at 1 p.m. Admission is free.

The **Reggae Band**: One
The Anchor

People will be playing in the **Donovan Dining Center** tonight at 8 p.m. Admission is free.

March 22

As part of RIC's **Performing Arts series**, **The Ohio Ballet** will be performing in **Roberts Auditorium** at 8 p.m. Reserved seating is \$17, senior citizens and RIC faculty and staff \$15, non-RIC students \$13, and RIC students pay only \$5.

Student Government and **Student Activities** will be sponsoring "Finding the Leader in You 'Mystery Weekend' Conference." It starts today, and runs through March 24. The bus leaves at 3 p.m. Friday, and returns Sunday at 4 p.m. Tickets are \$10, and are on sale at the Student Union Info desk. (\$5 will be refunded to those who attend, and the price includes transportation, accommodations, and six meals.) Only RIC students may attend this outing.

Is your group planning an activity? Think it needs to mentioned in Stay Here!!! (on campus) or Get Out!!! (off campus)? Then send it to us: The Anchor, SU 308. Or e-mail anchor@grog.ric.edu.

Melissa Lawrence
ANCHOR EDITOR

Try to think back before the **Bostones**, think back a mighty,



mighty long time ago. What do see? You might see a lot of things, like hot pants on your grandmother or a big tub of applesauce, but chances are you won't see ska in the **CoffeeGround** (okay, think back before even **Big Lick**). Well, thanks to **The Agents** and the censorship laws which keep granny out of them hot pants,

original tunes and high horn ska took over the **Coffee Ground** on March 4. And **The Agents**, are hoping the buzz from their performance will be enough to take

the prize in this year's **Rock Hunt**.

The Agents played the third spot in the Monday night show, opening up their set with an original, piped up piece of Providence homebrewed ska. Doubling up on percussion, **Joe McLaughlin** on kit and **Keith Cronin** on conga drum backed the boys on lead guitar and vo-

cal, while **Dawn Hamel** busted out cardrums on trumpet and a sharp dressed bassist disrupted a few pacemakers.

Playing mostly originals, vocalist **Derek 'Count Chocula' Ewing** and guitar/vox man **Jason Dalumba** generate lyrics resonating with the quality of **Operation Ivy's** thoughtful tracks and **Bad Religion's SoCal** intelligencia punk. Although, you can really never be sure of a band who names a song after themselves, i.e. **Bad Company** and **Iron Maiden**, **We Are The Agents**, turned out to be an entertaining two and a half minutes. Keep in mind that it's no small feat to fit six full grown people on the **Coffee Ground's** luxurious and conveniently collapsible **InstaStage**.

The band attracted a friendly

bunch of bald, suspender snapping fans to the show, getting everybody moving when they performed a decent cover of **Neutral Nation's Psychopathic Killer**. These kids have a belly full of energy and a couple of cannons stuffed with smart-ska goodies.

The Agents admit that they are still a young band, but they put on a better then average showing with songs like **Two Men**. Both **Dalumba** and **Ewing** drop a mature vocal line and together, the band is pretty tight for being so fresh.

Either way, if you like ska, check these kids out ASAP. And if you hate ska, I might suggest dusting off your 12-inch **Rick Springfield** spinners and roasting a pan of **Jiffy Pop**.

Bretano String Quartet performs at Brown University

As part of the **Rhode Island Chamber Music Concerts series**, the **Bretano String Quartet** will perform the following pieces: *String Quartet in E flat Major* by Franz Joseph, *Opus 71, Number 3* by Haydn, *Lyric Suite* by Alban Berg, *String Quartet in D Major*, and *Opus 44 number 1* by Felix Mendelssohn.

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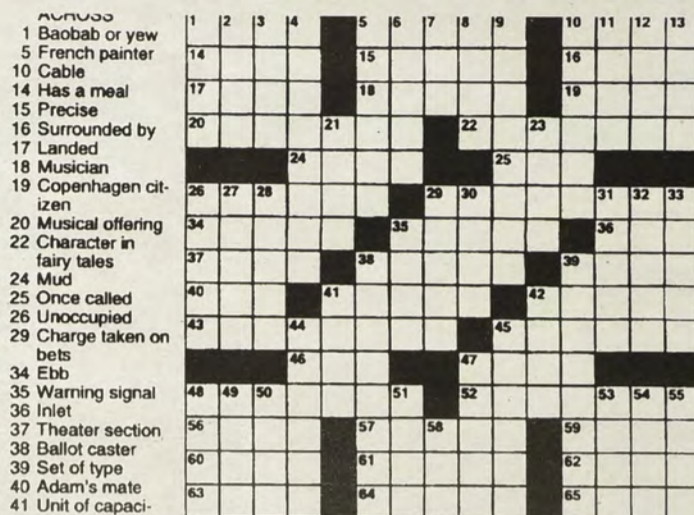
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