

# marks the spot

A report on off-campus news

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## HITCHHIKING OVER THE ATLANTIC

Can you imagine boarding a plane in Frankfurt en route to Cairo, then taking a slight detour through New York City? Well, that was a situation that passengers on a German Lufthansa Airbus were faced with when a gunman hijacked their plane last Thursday. A young man of arabic origin presented himself and a gun about half an hour into what eventually became a ten-hour flight. The gun, which turned out to be nothing more than a starter's pistol, was pointed at the pilot's head. Of the 104 people on board 7 were Canadians. The hijacker seemed to be interested in freeing some political prisoners but was safely apprehended after the plane touched down at the John F. Kennedy airport.

## NANNYGATE

President Clinton has been having a hard time filling the Attorney-General position on his cabinet. Having pledged to put a woman in this position, he has already appointed two people, Zooie Baird and U.S. District Court Judge Kimba Wood. Both of these candidates stepped aside because they hired illegal immigrants to take care of their children. The third nominee is Janet Reno, a 54 year-old Florida State prosecutor. Ms. Reno is single and has no children which makes the nanny problem nonexistent in her case. President Clinton claims that Reno was hired for her merits, not only because of her gender. The nominee must now be approved by the Senate Judiciary Committee.

## CANADIANS TARGETTED

Recently there have been many reports of attacks on Canadians vacationing in Florida. Last week a Quebec man was shot and wounded while trying to stop robbers from stealing his wife's purse outside a Florida liquor store. Another Canadian couple was robbed in rural Florida while stopping to look at an orange grove. These are the fourth and fifth attacks on Canadians in the state. Whether the violence is directed solely at Canadians or at out of state visitors in general is not clear. Tourists are easy sources of quick cash for these people and they

are very easy to identify. All of you heading south for the break are urged to be careful and advised not to carry large sums of money.

## MORIN BAILED OUT

A convicted killer, Guy Paul Morin, left the Kingston penitentiary last week. Morin was freed on bail while his appeal waits to be heard by the courts. He returned home to Queensville, Ontario after paying his bail of \$120,00. Morin was convicted last July for sexually assaulting and murdering nine-year-old Christine Jessop, and received a life sentence. In his first trial, Mr. Morin was acquitted but that ruling was overturned on appeal. Morin was instructed by the judge to get a job and avoid contact with anyone under the age of 16. It is unusual for a

convicted killer to be released on bail, but this has been a unusual case from the start.

## NOT AN "EXPO" SITION

The Montreal Expos are crying foul after hearing about the disparity that will exist between their air time and that of the Blue Jays on National television for the 1993 season. Compared to the over 100 Toronto Blue Jay games that will be aired over the next year, the Expo's 35 seems quite paltry. The ironic part is that while the Blue Jay's are the defending World Series Champions, the Expos have as good if not a better chance of reaching the World Series than the Jays. Beside that they are a much younger, more dynamic team. ●

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