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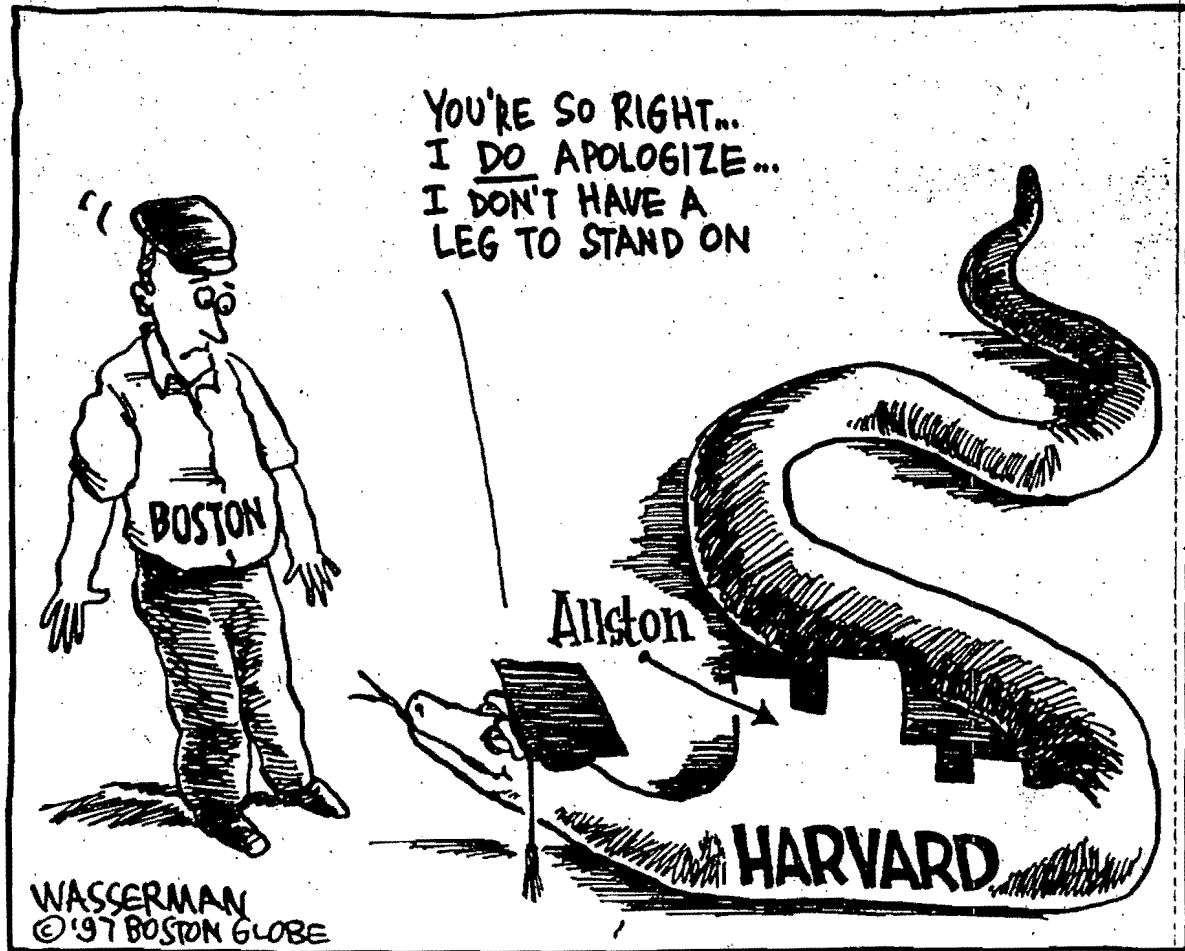
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- people feel they can't trust HU
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# Harvard reveals secret purchases of 52 acres worth \$88m in Allston

By Tina Cassidy and Don Aucoin  
GLOBE STAFF

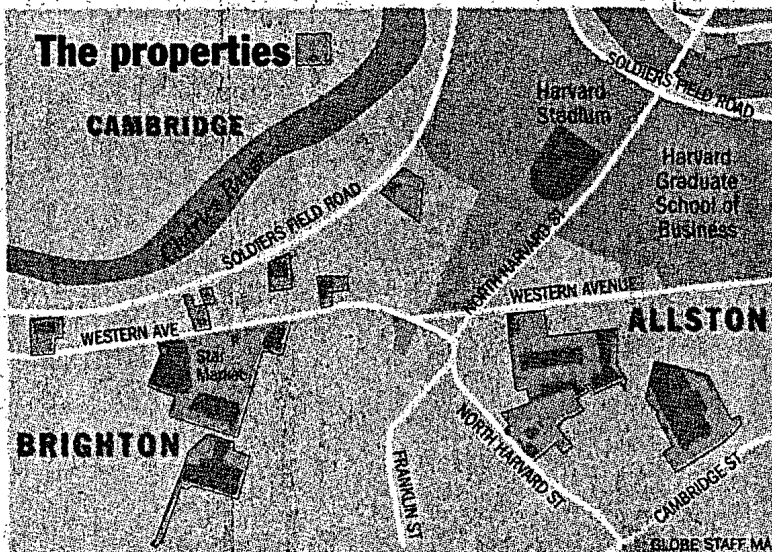
Harvard University has bought 52 acres in Allston during the past nine years in a secret buying spree that increases the school's land in Boston by more than a third.

Working through the Beal Cos., a prominent real-estate development company, Harvard spent \$88 million to buy 14 separate parcels in the area near its Graduate School of Business as they became available.

The university now owns nearly as much land in Boston — 192 acres — as it does in its home city of Cambridge, where it has 220 acres.

Harvard officials said the university made the purchases without revealing its identity to the sellers, residents, local politicians, or city officials because property owners would have drastically inflated the prices if they knew Harvard was the buyer.

"We were really driven by the need to get these properties at fair market value" and avoid "overly inflated acquisition costs," said James H. Rowe, vice president for



public affairs at Harvard. Rowe argued that it is "normal" for non-profit organizations to conceal their role in the purchase of properties to guard against overly high costs.

But those who were left in the dark — including Mayor Thomas M. Menino — weren't buying it.

"That's absurd," Menino scoffed. "Without informing anyone or telling anybody? That's total arrogance."

Menino was so incensed that

he adopted a mocking sing-song tone to mimic his view of Harvard's attitude, saying: "We're from Harvard, and we're going to do what we want."

The mayor also warned that unless Harvard gives the city a better indication as to how the university wants to use the land, the Boston Redevelopment Authority could make it difficult for the school to proceed with any current redevelopment plans it has for its

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WASHINGTON — The former Republican Party chairman, Haley Barbour, designated Chinese businessman Ambrous Young as a "key adviser on Asian policy" after Young guaranteed a \$2.1 million loan to Barbour's think tank, according to documents that have just been made available.

In addition, a document written by a Young associate echoes Democratic charges that the Republican Party used Hong Kong-based funds to help finance the GOP's successful effort to win a congressional majority in the 1994 election.

The documents provide the strongest indication yet that Barbour viewed the Chinese business-

## HALEY BARBOUR Denies wrongdoing in loan

man as a policy adviser after vining his financial support. Last year Barbour helped to lead the attack on the Clinton campaign for accepting donations from Asian interests in a way that could influence policy.

Two letters provided to The Boston Globe yesterday raised new questions about Young's status as a result of his \$2.1 million loan guarantee. In the first, dated Oct. 10, 1996, Barbour wrote to Young, "...pleased me very much to learn from BARBOUR, Page A2

## Helms flashes his old form in opposing Weld nomination

By David L. Marcus  
GLOBE STAFF

WASHINGTON — When Jesse Helms took control of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee 2½ years ago, many of Washington's policy makers expected a bomb-throwing isolationist.

They waited. And waited. And then last week, he tossed the first bomb, aimed at the man expected to be named the next ambassador to Mexico, Governor William F. Weld. "They ought to get somebody else," Helms said in a television interview that surprised even his own staff.

The North Carolina conservative has refused to say anything more on

the subject, and that has only added to the speculation: Would he really reject the nomination of a fellow Republican? Or is he using Weld as a bargaining chip for something unrelated, like reducing US payments to the United Nations?

The State Department, the White House, and aides who have worked with Helms offer a milder explanation: Helms, who dislikes Weld's relatively liberal stands on abortion and other domestic issues, got carried away expressing his irritation. Also, Helms was piqued because Weld was evasive last year when asked if he would support Helms to be committee chairman.

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RAY MELLONE  
Chairman of Harvard  
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# Harvard reveals Allston property

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other property.

Community activists and other residents also were stunned by news that the purchases — made from 1988 to 1994, many in the trough of the real estate recession — had been made at the behest of Harvard, one of the richest universities in the world.

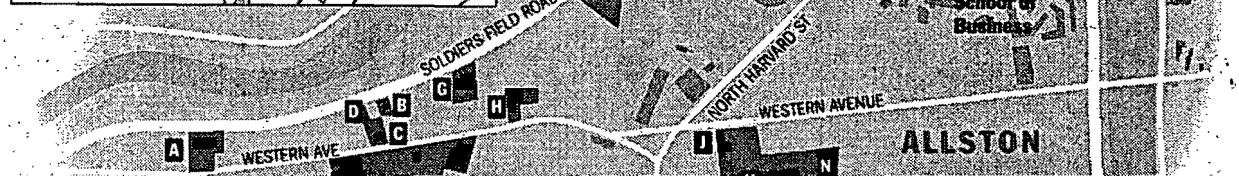
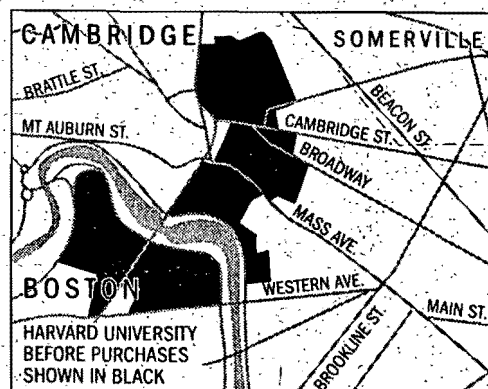
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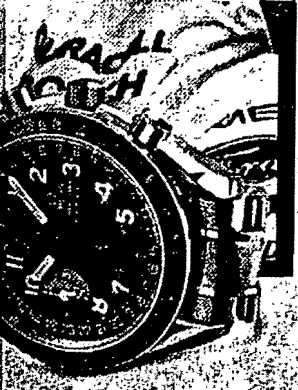
# Recent Harvard acquisitions

The Beal Companies, acting on behalf of Harvard University, have been buying property in Allston since 1988.

| Address                                                 | Tenant                                                                                                                                                | Use                                                                                         | Address                    | Tenant                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | Use                                                                                                                                                                        |
|---------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>A</b> 1360 Soldiers Field Road                       | Kinko's Graphics                                                                                                                                      | Manufacturing                                                                               | <b>M</b> 90 Windom St.     | Sal's Auto Body<br>Broadway Foreign Auto<br>Cablevision of Boston<br>Michael Crowley Trucking<br>Fastnet Foreign Automotive<br>Amtrack Auto<br>Alfa Auto<br>America Home Heating<br>Chicken and Shakes Automotive                                                                                            | Auto Service<br>Auto Service<br>Warehouse<br>Auto Service<br>Auto Service<br>Auto Service<br>Auto Service<br>Office<br>Auto Service                                        |
| <b>B</b> 1266 Soldiers Field Road                       | A & R Sales                                                                                                                                           | Office                                                                                      | <b>N</b> 100 Windom St.    | WGBH<br>P.A. Rodco Auto<br>Tripoli Auto Center, Inc.<br>Art Sign Express, Inc.<br>Diatech Diagnostics, Inc.<br>Mobile Auto Repair<br>Sandi Castleman<br>Alarmax Distributors, Inc.<br>Bertram Libon<br>Cambridge Television Productions<br>Linda Harrar<br>Bostonian Foods<br>Gerard Smyth/Supreme Auto Body | Warehouse<br>Auto Service<br>Auto Service<br>Manufacturing<br>Auto Service<br>Manufacturing<br>Manufacturing<br>Office<br>Warehouse<br>Office<br>Warehouse<br>Auto Service |
| <b>C</b> 367 Western Avenue                             | Blockbuster Video<br>McGarr Service Corporation                                                                                                       | Retail<br>Office                                                                            | <b>O</b> 115 Cambridge St. | Hillary Freight<br>Herb Chambers Honda<br>CBO Enterprises<br>Conrail                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | Warehouse<br>Warehouse<br>Warehouse<br>Warehouse                                                                                                                           |
| <b>D</b> 1274 Soldiers Field Road (back of Blockbuster) |                                                                                                                                                       |                                                                                             |                            |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |                                                                                                                                                                            |
| <b>E</b> Western Ave. shopping center                   | Caldor, Inc.<br>Star Market<br>McDonald's<br>Bed & Bath                                                                                               | Retail<br>Retail<br>Restaurant<br>Retail                                                    |                            |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |                                                                                                                                                                            |
| <b>F</b> 100 Holton St.                                 | Diamond Window & Door<br>Commonwealth Limousine<br>High Output, Inc.<br>Boston Auto Works (Carco)<br>HNQ Automotive Specialists<br>Nantucket Allserve | Manufacturing<br>Warehouse<br>Retail/Warehouse<br>Auto Service<br>Auto Service<br>Warehouse |                            |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |                                                                                                                                                                            |
| <b>G</b> 1230 Soldiers Field Road                       | Infographix, Inc.                                                                                                                                     | Manufacturing                                                                               |                            |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |                                                                                                                                                                            |
| <b>H</b> 287 Western Avenue                             | Baynes Electric Supply Co.<br>Smith Community Health                                                                                                  | Retail/Warehouse<br>Health Clinic                                                           |                            |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |                                                                                                                                                                            |
| <b>I</b> 1120 Soldiers Field Road                       | None                                                                                                                                                  | Restaurant                                                                                  |                            |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |                                                                                                                                                                            |
| <b>J</b> 168 Western Avenue                             | Boston Volkswagen                                                                                                                                     | Warehouse                                                                                   |                            |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |                                                                                                                                                                            |
| <b>K</b> 28 Travis St.                                  | Cablevision of Boston<br>WGBH Educ. Foundation<br>SMS, Inc.                                                                                           | Office<br>Office<br>Office                                                                  |                            |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |                                                                                                                                                                            |
| <b>L</b> 288 N. Harvard St.                             | Beal Employee<br>Hanlon/McMasters                                                                                                                     | Residential<br>Residential                                                                  |                            |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |                                                                                                                                                                            |



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"As far as I'm concerned, they practiced a deception," said Ray Mellone, chairman of the Harvard University / Allston-Brighton Task Force. "There are a lot of people who are going to say we can't trust them. We have to make the process work, and that means making the neighborhood involved, not having deals made in a back room and then coming to us and saying: 'Take it or leave it.'"

Paul Berkeley, president of the Allston Civic Association, said university officials told him Harvard would have paid two to three times more for the land if its role were known. In the end, however, Berkeley predicted Harvard will pay a

public-relations price for not coming clean sooner with residents.

"If you're going to deal openly and honestly with somebody, you tell them the truth. That didn't happen here," Berkeley said. "If Harvard wants to be believed and trusted,

they have to earn that."

The purchases make Harvard the owner of a diverse assortment of parcels, whose tenants include the Western Avenue shopping center that contains Star Market, Caldor, and McDonald's; Cablevision of Boston; WGBH Educational Foundation; Herb Chambers Honda; Blockbuster Video; a Conrail warehouse; the Joseph M. Smith Community Health Clinic; and a two-family house.

University officials say they don't know yet how they will use the land, only that nothing will change right away. They say they will evaluate Harvard's space needs in a few years, and then determine when and how to use the property. Until then, it will stay on the city's tax rolls.

Rowe said the university pledges to "be very sensitive to community interests" in determining the future use of the properties.

Rowe also said officials do not know how much Harvard saved by concealing its role in the purchase of those properties.

State Senator Warren Tolman, a Watertown Democrat who represents part of the area in question, scoffed at the argument that Harvard worried about being gouged.

"If you're a university with a \$9 billion endowment, how often do you have to worry about being squeezed

by an Allston landowner?" he asked.

Boston Redevelopment Authority director Thomas O'Brien said last night that he was frustrated to learn about Harvard's role nine years after the purchases began.

"It does not make for good neighbor policy if you keep a secret of this magnitude from the people who live next door to you," said O'Brien.

Harvard paid Beal a fee for making the purchases, but neither side would disclose the amount.

Beal's purchases have created a buzz for years in the neighborhood, where politically savvy residents have learned to keep their antennae tuned to any real estate goings-on. "He seemed to be grabbing everything that went available in Allston," Berkeley said.

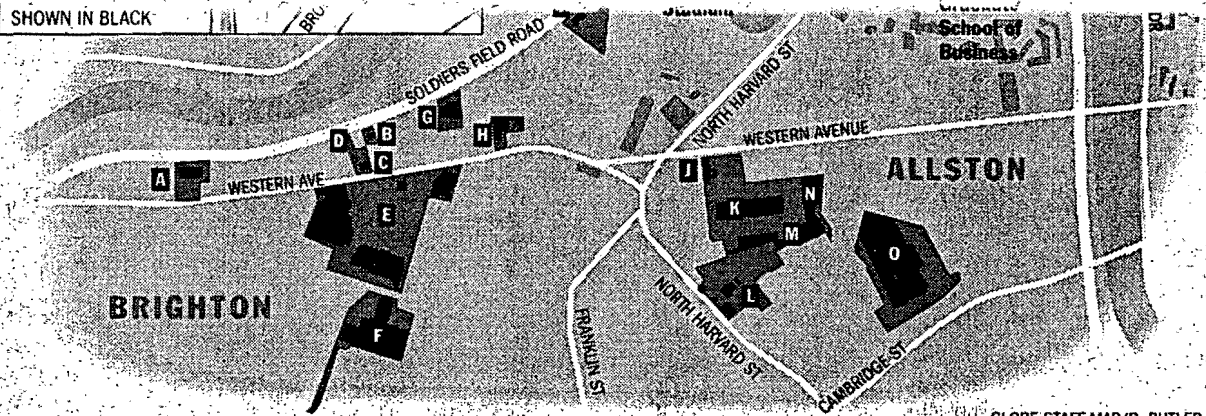
Quipped Tolman: "They're buying so many auto body shops, I thought they might want to start a vocational school at Harvard."

Meanwhile, at City Hall, BRA staff had also been tracking Beal's purchases, wondering what the buyer's motive was.

O'Brien, the BRA chief, said he is concerned about the possibility of the properties reverting to nonprofit status, at which time they will be taken off the city tax rolls. But his more immediate worry, he said, is

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given 40 mg pravastatin as measured by AUC. The oral administration of 10, 30, or 100 mg/kg (producing plasma drug levels approximately 0.5 to 5.0 times the human drug levels at 40 mg) of pravastatin to mice for 22 months resulted in a statistically significant increase in the incidence of malignant lymphomas in treated females when all treatment groups were pooled and compared to controls ( $p < 0.05$ ). The incidence was not dose-related and male mice were not affected. A chemically similar drug in this class was administered to mice for 72 weeks at 25, 100, and 400 mg/kg body weight, which resulted in mean serum drug levels approximately 3, 15, and 33 times higher than the mean human serum drug concentration (as total inhibitory activity) after a 40 mg oral dose. Liver carcinomas were significantly increased in high-dose females and mid- and high-dose males, with a maximum incidence of 90 percent in males. The incidence of adenomas of the liver was significantly increased in mid- and high-dose females. Drug treatment also significantly increased the incidence of lung adenomas in mid- and high-dose males and females. Adenomas of the eye Harderian gland (a gland of the eye of rodents) were significantly higher in high-dose mice than in controls. No evidence of mutagenicity was observed *in vitro*, with or without rat-liver metabolic activation, in the following studies: microbial mutagen tests, using mutant strains of *Salmonella typhimurium* or *Escherichia coli*; a forward mutation assay in L5178Y TK +/- mouse lymphoma cells; a chromosomal aberration test in hamster cells; and a gene conversion assay using *Saccharomyces cerevisiae*. In addition, there was no evidence of mutagenicity in either a dominant lethal test in mice or a micronucleus test in mice. In a study in rats, with daily doses up to 500 mg/kg, pravastatin did not produce any adverse effects on fertility or general reproductive performance. However, in a study with another HMG-CoA reductase inhibitor, there was decreased fertility in male rats treated for 34 weeks at 25 mg/kg body weight, although this effect was not observed in a subsequent fertility study when this same dose was administered for 11 weeks (the entire cycle of spermatogenesis, including epididymal maturation). In rats treated with this same reductase inhibitor at 180 mg/kg/day, seminiferous tubule degeneration (necrosis and loss of spermatogenic epithelium) was observed. Although not seen with pravastatin, two similar drugs in this class caused drug-related testicular atrophy, decreased spermatogenesis, spermatocytic degeneration, and giant cell formation in dogs. The clinical significance of these findings is unclear. **Pregnancy: Pregnancy Category X.** — See **CONTRAINDICATIONS**. Safety in pregnant women has not been established. Pravastatin was not teratogenic in rats at doses up to 1000 mg/kg daily or in rabbits at doses of up to 50 mg/kg daily. These doses resulted in 20x (rabbit) or 240x (rat) the human exposure based on surface area (mg/meter<sup>2</sup>). However, in studies with another HMG-CoA reductase inhibitor, skeletal malformations were observed in rats and mice. There has been one report of severe congenital bony deformity, tracheo-esophageal fistula, and anal atresia (Vater association) in a baby born to a woman who took another HMG-CoA reductase inhibitor with dextroamphetamine sulfate during the first trimester of pregnancy. **PRAVACHOL** (pravastatin sodium) should be administered to women of child-bearing potential only when such patients are highly unlikely to conceive and have been informed of the potential hazards. If the woman becomes pregnant while taking **PRAVACHOL** (pravastatin sodium), it should be discontinued and the patient advised again as to the potential hazards to the fetus. **Nursing Mothers** — A small amount of pravastatin is excreted in human breast milk. Because of the potential for serious adverse reactions in nursing infants, women taking **PRAVACHOL** should not nurse (see **CONTRAINDICATIONS**). **Pediatric Use** — Safety and effectiveness in individuals less than 18 years old have not been established. Hence, treatment in patients less than 18 years old is not recommended at this time. **ADVERSE REACTIONS:** Pravastatin is generally well tolerated; adverse reactions have usually been mild and transient. In 4-month long placebo-controlled trials, 1.7% of pravastatin-treated patients and 1.2% of placebo-treated patients were discontinued from treatment because of adverse experiences attributed to study drug therapy; this difference was not statistically significant. In long-term studies, the most common reasons for discontinuation were asymptomatic serum transaminase increases and mild, non-specific gastrointestinal complaints. During clinical trials the overall incidence of adverse events in the elderly was not different from the incidence observed in younger patients. **Adverse Clinical Events** — All adverse clinical events (regardless of attribution) reported in more than 2% of pravastatin-treated patients in the placebo-controlled trials are identified in the table below; also shown are the percentages of patients in whom these medical events were believed to be related or possibly related to the drug:

| Body System/Event | All Events            |                   | Events Attributed to Study Drug |                   |
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|                   | Pravastatin (N = 900) | Placebo (N = 411) | Pravastatin (N = 900)           | Placebo (N = 411) |
|                   | %                     | %                 | %                               | %                 |
| Cardiovascular    |                       |                   |                                 |                   |

# Neighbors stunned by disclosure

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the potential for a negative impact on a close-knit residential neighborhood.

"Here's an institution we want to make certain is a good neighbor to the people who live in this neighborhood," said O'Brien.

Harvard officials made the revelation of their role one month before the university is scheduled to present its revised master plan for expansion to residents and city officials. Rowe said Harvard wanted to be upfront about the purchases before that meeting to give context to the current discussions. He said that none of the land bought by Beal will be used to carry out that revised plan.

Nonetheless, the revelation does seem to put the university on a collision course with community activists who don't want any more institutional development in the area.

"If it's going to be an institutional use, that's a major concern," Mellone said. "They're not going to put students in there. They're not going to encroach on the neighborhood any other way."

Neighborhood activists were immediately alarmed at the prospect of losing one of the only grocery stores in the area.

However, Beal said it is unlikely Star Market would be moved out anytime soon because the grocer has a 25-year lease that would be enormously expensive to buy out.

The property - which generates about \$1.5 million a year in taxes to the city of Boston - will become tax exempt only if Harvard begins redeveloping the land for its own use. Even then, school officials said, it is likely that Harvard will make pay-

without the owners knowing it was to be used for the library.

Unlike in the more crowded and pricey Cambridge, the land in Allston was both available and relatively inexpensive.

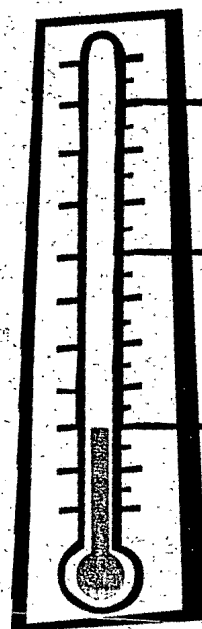
Harvard says it chose Allston not only for those reasons, but also with the neighborly intention of revitalizing the area. Beal said the company spent \$1 million to clean up a site that was just recently turned over to the city free of charge in order to

build an Allston library branch.

Tenants were to be notified yesterday. Beal will continue to maintain and lease the property until Harvard develops it.

Beal said Harvard never discussed a set amount of acreage to be acquired. The school simply "decided it was enough," Beal said, adding that he recently turned down offers to purchase adjacent property because he felt the price was too high.

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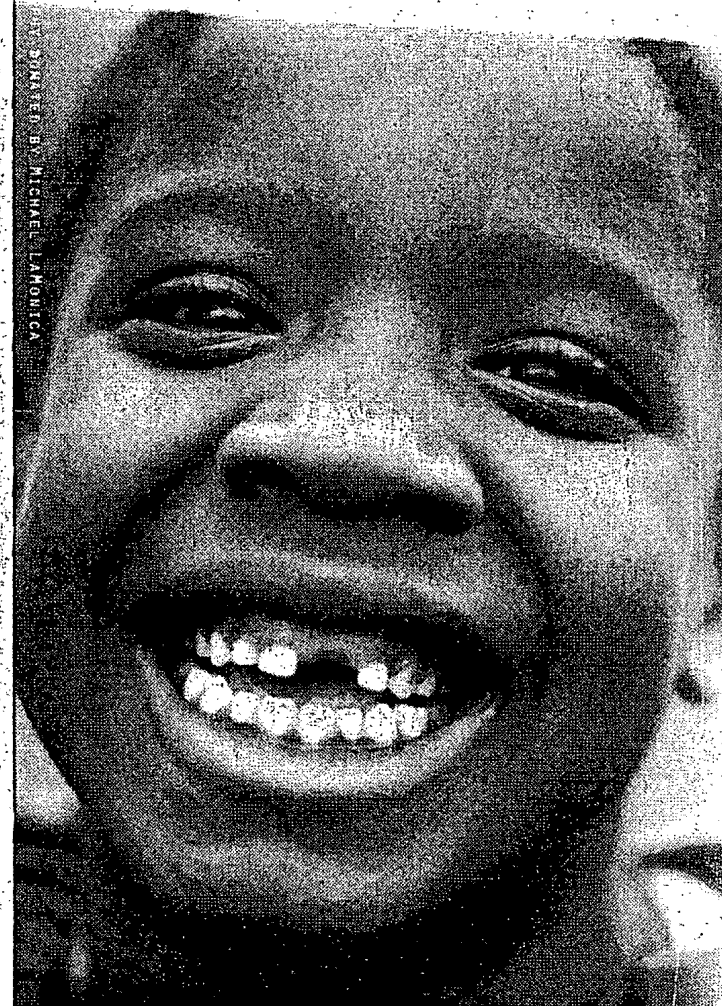
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"If it's going to be an institutional use, that's a major concern," Mellone said. "They're not going to put students in there. They're not going to encroach on the neighborhood any other way."

Neighborhood activists were immediately alarmed at the prospect of losing one of the only grocery stores in the area.

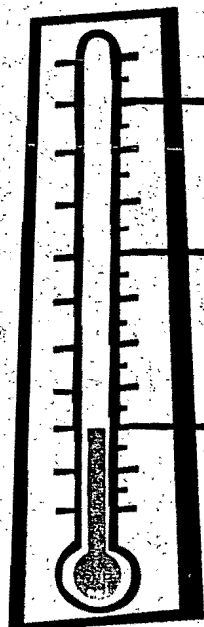
However, Beal said it is unlikely Star Market would be moved out anytime soon because the grocer has a 25-year lease that would be enormously expensive to buy out.

The property - which generates about \$1.5 million a year in taxes to the city of Boston - will become tax exempt only if Harvard begins redeveloping the land for its own use. Even then, school officials said, it is likely that Harvard will make payments to the city in lieu of taxes.

Bruce Beal, president of the Beal Cos., began acquiring the property on Harvard's behalf in 1988 with the intention of eventually transferring title to the university.

Beal said his company did the same thing many years ago for the trustees of the Boston Public Library when they wanted to expand the facility behind the McKim building in Copley Square. The Beal Cos. purchased the buildings on the site

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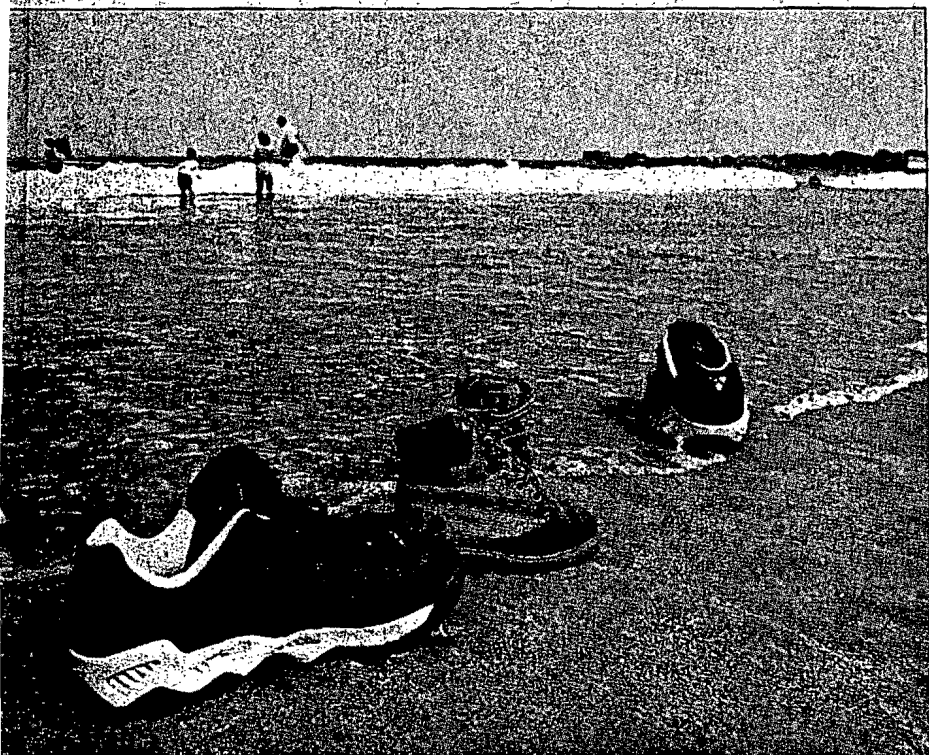
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The rising tide laps at shoes left behind yesterday by swimmers at Revere Beach as the temperature rose above 80 degrees since last Sept. 10. The dearth of hot weather of room to spare as the high in Boston reached 92. B1.

## Urge probe of military safety

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that oversee the Department of Defense and calling for hearings into whether the services are doing enough to assure that safety is a high priority inside the military.

"Military training and military operations have inherent risks, even during peacetime," said Kennedy, a senior member of the Senate Armed Services Committee. "But there is no excuse for these risks to be compounded by lax safety rules and enforcement."

Kerry criticized the Pentagon for allowing the services to investigate their own accidents. "The

issue here is to protect the integrity of military needs ... but at the same time you have to protect the integrity of the investigative process.

"Air safety needs some kind of independence and some kind of accountability," Kerry said. "If the investigators are all dependent on the chain of command for promotion and tied into the institution, it becomes self-defeating. The investigations need more independence."

The senators spoke out after a three-part series this week in The Boston Globe that focused

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## Harvard says its purchases violated trust

### Menino demands scholarships in return for Allston land buys

By Tina Cassidy and Don Aucoin  
GLOBE STAFF

A Harvard University official yesterday said the school was guilty of a "breach of trust" in secretly purchasing 52 acres over the last nine years in Allston, and Mayor Thomas M. Menino demanded that the university compensate the city through scholarships in return for the large-scale move into Boston.

As Harvard's public relations problems continued to snowball, Kevin McCluskey, the university's director of community relations, said Harvard does not have any plans for the 14 parcels it bought for \$88 million from 1988 to 1994. But McCluskey admitted Harvard had erred in the way it made the purchases.

"For anyone to pretend there hasn't been a breach of trust, that's ridiculous," said McCluskey. "There has been."

He added, however, that Harvard intends to do its utmost to "repair the breach" by consulting constantly with residents on any future plans for the properties.

Menino sent a letter to Harvard president Neil Rudenstine pledging to work on behalf of Allston-Brighton residents to protect them from "major disruptions due to rampant institutional expansion."

Bentley College in Waltham contributes more in scholarships to local students than does Harvard.

"Other universities are giving a lot in scholarships and other contributions to the city," Menino said. "I want to see how these [Harvard] acquisitions can better benefit the community."

Clearly, Harvard has a lot of ground to make up with some community residents who were incensed to learn that the university con-

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## Clinton targets race for national dialogue

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## Harvard admits acquisitions a violation of community trust

■ HARVARD

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cealed its role in major land purchases for nearly a decade.

Joan Nolan, head of the Brighton-Allston Improvement Association, said the neighborhood has "lost faith" in Harvard because the university violated an understanding that all major projects would be discussed with a community task force.

"My phone was ringing off the hook this morning, and the reaction was, 'How dare Harvard?'" said Nolan.

Nolan said she will seek a meeting with City Hall officials to discuss the neighborhood's options.

At the Joseph M. Smith Community Health Center, an Allston clinic that is a lifeline for many neighborhood families, there was uncertainty.

It is a future that seemed bright

after the clinic spent \$1 million on a new facility. But yesterday clinic workers learned that the new clinic, like the current site, sits on property owned by Harvard.

"This could be good; it could be bad. We just don't know," said Matti Glynn, clinic executive director. "It throws things into uncertainty."

Elsewhere in Allston, reactions varied.

Some, such as 43-year-old Linda Crehan, said Harvard will help revitalize the area. "As far as I'm concerned, if Harvard wants to buy up properties and fix them up, more power to them," she said.

Others, such as 80-year-old Joe Doyle, were still angry at the veil of secrecy surrounding the purchases.

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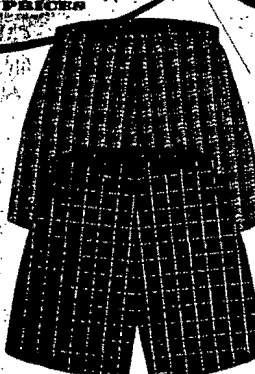
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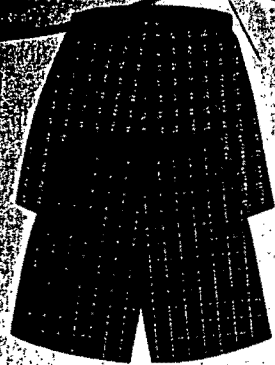
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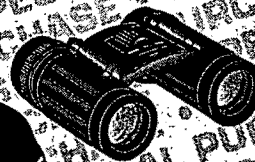
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Elizabeth Hanlon says she doesn't care who owns the house and has nothing against Harvard, but she confided that she hopes the university - whose endowment is \$9 billion - might do something about her damaged gutters and the peeling paint on her window trim. And she says she is not going anywhere.

"They'd have a job to get me out," Hanlon said yesterday on her front porch. "They'd have to pull me out by the feet."

Richard Chacon of the Globe staff also contributed to this report.

**TO MACY'S**

# Harvard's stealthy land grab

Harvard University has elevated anxiety levels in Boston's Allston neighborhood while enlarging its real estate holdings by 52 acres. The secret land purchases, mostly along Western Avenue, took place by proxy over several years without the knowledge of abutters or city officials. The university's desire to buy low apparently outweighed its obligation to establish trust with its neighbors.

Harvard is at risk of becoming a prisoner of its own secret. Public speculation grows as to why Harvard speculated in Allston real estate to the sum of \$88 million. Everything is in play: research alliances with commercial enterprises; Business School expansion; administrative buildings; residential high-rises; new schools; athletic fields; parking lots; laboratories; museums. Harvard officials said yesterday that they have no firm plans for any of the commercial and industrial parcels. Historically, they say, the university conducts large land acquisitions well in advance of specific needs.

If Harvard is indeed thinking 20 or 50 years into the future, then its land acquisition strategy

could work out. But dealing behind the backs of neighborhood groups, the Boston Redevelopment Authority, and the mayor won't help the institution if it plans to reuse the parcels much sooner. Harvard is capable of many things, but creating city building and occupancy permits is not among them.

The land acquisition is a done deal. What matters most now is that the university commit itself to a thoroughly open planning and review process with Allston neighborhood groups and city officials regarding what goes on the land. The university can bring attractive, job-generating uses that are compatible with Allston's needs provided it collaborates with its neighbors. Harvard should also increase its current \$1.2 million payment in lieu of taxes to Boston and its roughly \$1 million in scholarship aid to the city's public school students.

As wealthy as it is, Harvard cannot afford a repeat of the kind of town-gown clashes that disrupted Mission Hill and Cambridge during earlier expansion efforts. The Allston land acquisitions need not be more of the same.

## More money for the MCAD

"Understaffed and underfunded" is the theme song for many public agencies, but the shortages at the Massachusetts Commission Against Discrimination are startling. On Monday the MCAD got a brand-new commissioner, attorney Douglas T. Schwarz. Schwarz deserves a congratulatory pat on the back and an urgent request to please get busy, because the commission has a fat backlog of discrimination cases.

A chorus of lawyers has warned that the commission can't handle its load. Some \$200 cases are open, 40 of which are awaiting public hearings. Handling the backlog would take at least 10 years. But by then the state would have doubled in size.

One champion of the MCAD is the Boston Bar Association. Robert Gordon and Nancy Shilepsky, cochairs of the Bar Association's labor and employment law section, argue that the commission faces a crisis that merits more state support. In 1987, 2,994 complaints were filed with the MCAD, which received a state appropriation of \$1.3 million. In 1996, filings jumped to 5,400, and state funding fell to \$1.2 million. Federal funds bring the 1996 budget to just under \$2.9 million.

Shilepsky, who represents plaintiffs in discrimination cases, notes that the MCAD offers complainants no support and perspective that gives them an unfamiliar with discrimination can.



## Letters to the

### Peace casualties: Survivors should be able

I am writing to commend Stephen Kurkjian and Matthew Brelis for their thorough and exhaustive reporting in the series, "Casualties of Peace" (Page 1, June 8-11). My own son, an Air Force pilot, Major Donald G. Lowry Jr., who was mentioned in the series, was one of those casualties ("Americans' lives slip through the cracks," Page 32, June 8). Until the Globe series appeared, I was unaware of the number of parents, young widows, and fatherless children who have suffered losses similar to that of my family.

Survivors of these tragedies are prohibited from suing the military because of a 1950 Supreme Court decision that is known as the Feres doctrine, which immunizes the military against lawsuits stemming from injuries incurred in the course of a

person's military services.

This includes injuries sustained by a son's. The official report says from a "crush injury to the chest" caused by a defective design of the plane that he flew. It had been corrected, despite several accidents after previous near-disasters.

We who are left behind have been given our folded flags and official telegrams of sympathy. Our anguish we end up with letters to congressmen and noncommittal form replies. As a result of the Globe's attention to the magnitude of this problem, the ensuing injustices, and the doctrine and the fact that it is modified.

### The cost of pay cuts for children's guardians

It is almost  
 literally small.

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EILEEN McNAMARA

## A hard lesson, Harvard-style



JIGSY MADDEN IS USED to being squeezed.

Forces bigger than a small businessman have pushed him all over Allston since he bought his first dump truck after he got out of the service in 1947.

Construction of the Massachusetts Turnpike pushed Madden Asphalt Co. off Lincoln Street. The siting of a public housing project bumped it off Portsmouth. Financial pressures forced him to sell his property on Windom Street. A few years back, Madden Asphalt worked out of a mostly empty 13,000-square-foot building Jigsy owned on Holton Street. No one wanted to rent the vacant space for its approved industrial use, but Boston zoning rules prohibited him from converting to office space.

"I couldn't convert the place. I couldn't rent it. I couldn't do what I wanted with the property," he remembers. "That really screwed me up good. I was heavily mortgaged. Then, Beal came along."

That would be Bob and Bruce Beal of Beal Gos., the real estate development firm. They offered to take 100 Holton St. off Jigsy's hands. The alternative was bankruptcy. Jigsy Madden had considered bankruptcy, but that wasn't the way St. Columbkille's taught him to settle his debts.

"Everyone thought I'd hit a home run," he says of the sale that netted him peanuts after he paid off the banks and the tax collector. "When you're hurting, when you're under the gun and the banks are bugging you, you take a beating just to get out from under. I wanted to do the right thing."

And now, all these years later, Jigsy Madden

# Doctor's art repaying embezz

## Jailed cardiologist's collection fetching

By Patricia Nealon  
GLOBE STAFF



On the first evening of Sotheby's contemporary art auction, the 11 pieces offered from Dr. Bernardo Nadal-Ginard's collection sold for \$1.9 million.

When Dr. Bernardo Nadal-Ginard finally entered the Suffolk County House of Correction in March to begin a one-year sentence for embezzling money from two group practices at Children's Hospital, the world-renowned pediatric cardiologist left behind a shattered career — and a world-class art collection.

A stunning array of cutting-edge work from the 1980s and 1990s, the paintings, sculpture, photographs and "installations" once adorned the Back Bay mansion that doubled as his home and personal museum.

Now the collection, termed "incredible" by a contemporary art expert, will be scattered among collectors and dealers here and abroad. The record-breaking sale of 105 pieces last month by Sotheby's, less

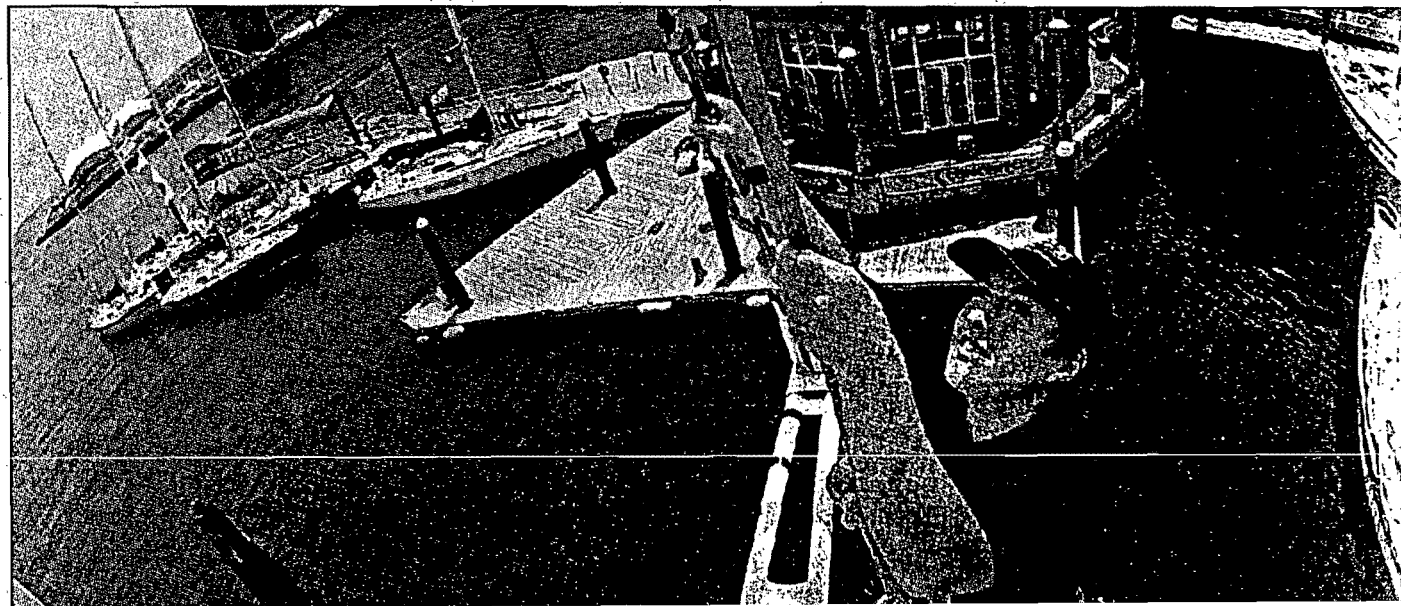
than half the total collection, took in \$4.3 million.

That's about two-thirds of the \$6.5 million Nadal-Ginard has been ordered to repay a group medical practice he founded.

The practice, known as the Boston Children's Heart Foundation, will not net the full \$4.3 million because Sotheby's gets a fee for selling the works. However, the record-breaking prices for numerous pieces suggest that the foundation could recoup much, if not all, of the \$6.5 million award it won in a lawsuit against Nadal-Ginard in 1994.

The art collection, valued at \$6.75 million in 1992, was amassed during a decade of gallery-hopping in New York and London and of prowling art fairs in Paris and Madrid by the Spanish-born doctor and his wife, Vijak Mahdavi, a medical researcher who ran a lab at Children's Hospital.

The collection became the property of



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And now, all these years later, Jigsy Madden learns that the Beal brothers weren't doing him any favors. They were fronting for Harvard University, a neighbor across the Charles River, which spent the last decade secretly buying up 52 acres in Allston. Harvard says it couldn't sign its own purchase and sale agreements for fear of getting fleeced by the likes of Jigsy Madden.

That Harvard turns out to be real buyer of his three acres on Holton Street came as a shock to Jigsy, who was too busy working yesterday to pay much attention to the newspapers.

"My right hand to God, we never thought it was Harvard. We aren't stupid. We saw Beal buying up everything he could get his hands on. We thought it was Japanese pension money, although I couldn't understand for the life of me what the Japanese would want in Allston. But Harvard? We had no idea."

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At Rows Wharf yesterday, Alex Sizer adjusts the spreaders on one of 14 steel yachts involved in a "wrong way" race around

## 'We're in this thing to race'

### Last of 14 yachts to arrive in Boston for final leg of 'wrong way' race

By David Arnold  
GLOBE STAFF

**T**he radio report from James Hatfield, who is skippering one of 14 yachts racing around the world, was terse, seemingly true to the nightmare global sailors have of severe injury at sea.

"Late this afternoon, crew Nigel Smith broke his right leg just above the knee exposing the joint. The medic cleaned the wound and gave it a squirt of WD-40 oil. It was then decided to fuse the inner scar tissue

with marine glue, then duct tape the whole thing until we get to Rio."

There was a pause. Then Hatfield's voice returned to the radio.

"By the way, Nigel is one of our amputees. The artificial leg's going to make it."

Welcome aboard Time & Tide, a yacht being sailed entirely by people with disabilities and a sense of humor. They are scheduled to arrive in Boston Harbor this afternoon, the last of 14 identical steel yachts to finish the fifth of six legs in a "wrong way" race around the world.

The "BT Global" national telecommunication company is the thing akin to a 32-wash cycle, sailing against prevailing winds as high as 70 feet.

For the right to sail, the company paid \$30,000 apiece. Americans, most of the sailors had e-

## Breaking the 80° barrier, and then some

After 272 days without recording an 80° day in Boston, yesterday's weather of 92° heat interrupted the extended span of cool days.

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Jigsy still operates on a handshake, the kind of guy, his friends say, who'll price a job at \$600 but consider knocking it down to \$400 if you offer to pay cash up front.

He misses Allston, but suspects that what's left of the neighborhood he remembers from growing up in Oak Square won't be around much longer. Harvard is encroaching from one direction, Boston University from another, Boston College from yet another. The march of higher education.

Allston could get squeezed right out of existence, he says, and getting squeezed is an experience Jigsy Madden knows something about.

# 'We're in this thing to race'

## Last of 14 yachts to arrive in Boston for final leg of 'wrong way' race

By David Arnold  
GLOBE STAFF

**T**he radio report from James Hatfield, who is skippering one of 14 yachts racing around the world, was terse, seemingly true to the nightmare global sailors have of severe injury at sea.

"Late this afternoon, crew Nigel Smith broke his right leg just above the knee exposing the joint. The medic cleaned the wound and gave it a squirt of WD-40 oil. It was then decided to fuse the inner scar tissue

with marine glue, then duct tape the whole thing until we get to Rio."

There was a pause. Then Hatfield's voice returned to the radio.

"By the way, Nigel is one of our amputees. The artificial leg's going to make it."

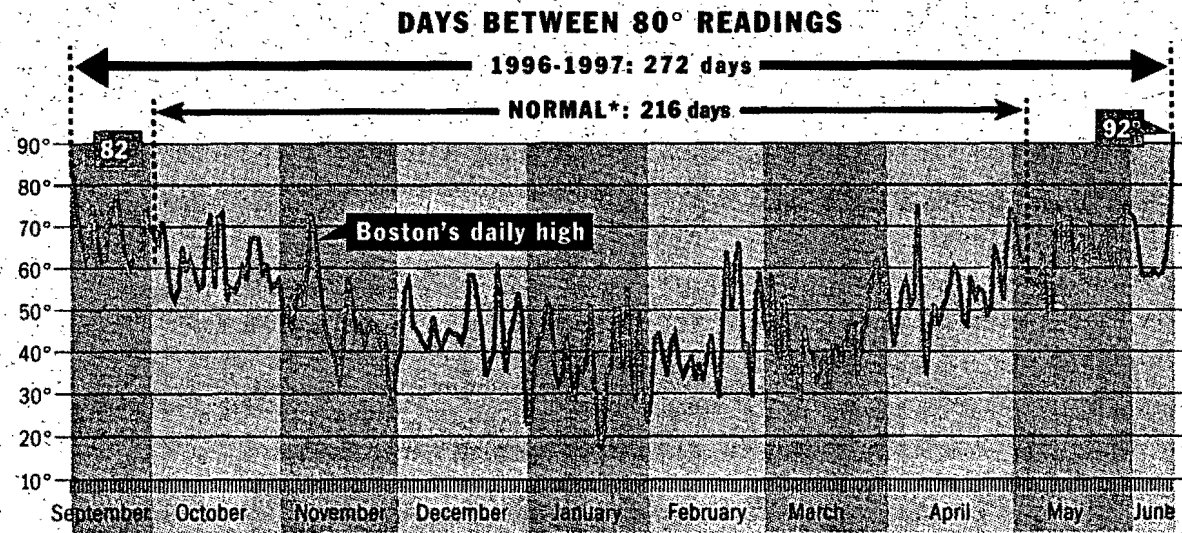
Welcome aboard Time & Tide, a yacht being sailed entirely by people with disabilities and a sense of humor. They are scheduled to arrive in Boston Harbor this afternoon, the last of 14 identical steel yachts to finish the fifth of six legs in a "wrong way" race around the world.

The "BT Global" national telecommunication system was launched in September in England, a thing akin to a 32.0 wash cycle, sailing against prevailing winds as high as 70 feet.

For the right to sail, the British paid \$30,000 apiece. Americans, most of the sailors had even

## Breaking the 80° barrier, and then some

After 272 days without recording an 80° day in Boston, yesterday's weather of 92° heat interrupted the extended span of cool days.



SOURCE: Weather Services Corp. \*Based on an average of 60 years of record-keeping at Logan Airport.

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## Lawmakers tackle divorce of old

From Kelly Flinn to Frank the Army to Frank the controversies spawned about as ubiquitous

And today the Massachusetts Supreme Judicial Court on the Judiciary votes banning adult

For the fifth time in a row, the state has filed legislation that imposes national sanctions against divorce, and sodomy

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## Harvard deal may hurt city's efforts

### Pressured to compensate, university says it does plenty

By Tina Cassidy  
GLOBE STAFF

As Mayor Thomas M. Menino yesterday intensified his efforts to extract reparations from Harvard in exchange for allowing the university to proceed with development plans in Allston, school officials said they already do a great deal of good in the community.

Harvard spokesman Joe

Wrinn said the university has always been a good neighbor, making its athletic facilities and museums available to the community at certain times.

A day after Menino demanded that Harvard compensate Boston through scholarships, Wrinn indicated that Harvard is unlikely to change its policies to allow such a preference. The university, he said, is one of the few "blind ad-  
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By Adrian Walker  
GLOBE STAFF

Allston Landing is a landscape dominated by small businesses and railway yards, and for city planners it has long been a field of dreams.

But Harvard University's surreptitious purchase of 52 acres of neighborhood real estate may well undermine plans to transform the area into a center of biotechnology and light industry. Harvard's moves, and the city's inability to realize them, have left observers questioning whether the city is safeguarding its future and the course of development.

As for the Harvard property in Allston, it became apparent yesterday that the city's role may have far less to do with planning development than with cajoling the university to disclose what it intends to do.

The city's chief economic development officer said he does not believe Harvard's claims that it

has no specific plans for the Allston property, and he said the city would soon ask the university for a full accounting.

"Our expectation is that there is a plan somewhere in this," said Thomas O'Brien, director of the Boston Redevelopment Authority. "We will continue to work with the neighborhood to ascertain what this plan is."

The city had become concerned several years ago that the Beal Cos. seemed to be purchasing important parcels in the neighborhood, O'Brien said. But he acknowledged that the identity of the true buyer in the deals, which took place over six years, had been easily concealed from the city's planning agency.

"We looked into it and there were no names, nothing from Harvard anywhere near it at all," he said. "Obviously, we're frustrated by the secretive way these transactions were made."

Though the city has floated various plans to  
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# University says it does plenty for Boston already

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mission" schools in the country, handing out scholarships based on need rather than preferences for athletics, academics, or geography.

About 60 undergraduates — those who listed Boston as their residence on the admissions application or who list their permanent address as Bos-

ton — receive \$1.5 million in aid, while graduate students living in Boston are getting about \$2.5 million in assistance. Those recipients would have gotten the financial awards regardless of where they came from, Wrinn said.

Undergraduate tuition, room, and board at Harvard will top \$30,000 next year.

Meanwhile, Menino wants the

university to be "creative" in its charity to the community.

"What the mayor is looking for is more than scholarships — possibly some sort of a prep school program, or where medical students go into a housing development, where the endowment helps give mortgages," said Jacques Goddard, a spokeswoman for Menino. "We feel there's a lot of creative ideas out there... and we would like Harvard to take a look at them if they're serious about doing things for the community."

Wrinn said Harvard contributes to the neighborhood in other ways.

It sponsors the Allston/Brighton skating party, a youth hockey league clinic, and a music group that performs concerts annually, he said. It has reconstructed and helps maintain two baseball diamonds that the Allston Little League uses. It provides scholarships for summer camps conducted by its athletic de-

partment. And it provides financial support for the local senior center and health center, as well as St. Anthony's parish and school.

Harvard students also participate in community service, and the university spends \$115 million a year on "goods and services in Boston," Wrinn said. Also, 2,600 Boston residents work for Harvard, and the university pays the city \$12 million in lieu of taxes.

Menino sent a letter to Harvard president Neil L. Rudenstine on Tuesday condemning the university for its "arrogance" in secretly buying 52 acres of land in Allston — worth \$88 million — from 1988 to 1994 and alerting the neighborhood and city officials of that fact only last weekend.

The mayor asked Rudenstine to "explain why Harvard suddenly thinks" that Allston "is suddenly such a good investment."

"Clearly," Menino added, "Harvard has shown minimal interest in our city in the past — suburban Bentley College invests more in scholarships for Boston kids than Harvard and Simmons College doubles Harvard's commitment — our people should be of as much interest to you as our property."

Wrinn said the mayor's message was understood, but he declined to say much more.

"I'm not going to talk about specifics of the letter," Wrinn said. "The bigger point is that we should be judged on how we move forward with the community and how we act responsibly within the community."

Harvard hired the Beal Cos. to purchase parcels on and around Western Avenue as they became available. Only last Friday was it disclosed that Beal was a front for Harvard.

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transform Allston Landing since 1991, when Genzyme Co. was persuaded to move into an abandoned rail yard, any hope for a general blueprint for development of the area now appears dashed.

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officials will hold virtually no leverage over the university, and will have limited authority to prevent Harvard from pursuing development plans or simply holding onto the parcels until converting them to an educational, tax-exempt use, observers agreed.

But Harvard may have little incentive to go through a difficult neighborhood process to develop the properties — and may not have to, some city officials and others believe. Though Harvard may have to secure some routine zoning approvals, the city and resident groups enjoy far more leverage when property is being conveyed than they do years later.

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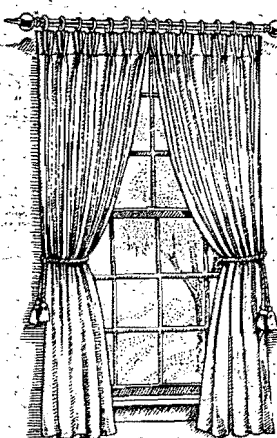
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Nonetheless, some observers say  
the wide-scale encroachment of such  
an institution into a residential  
neighborhood will likely transform it  
in time.

The area bordering Soldiers  
Field Road and Cambridge Street  
where the purchases are concentrat-  
ed has long been coveted by institu-  
tions, including Boston University,  
who hoped to convert it to other  
uses.

Allston's district city councilor,  
Brian J. Honan, said the residents  
will keep close watch over the par-  
cels, particularly the larger ones,  
waiting for any signs of Harvard's  
expansion.

"Although Harvard claims that  
for the foreseeable future these  
properties will remain taxable, they  
bought the land for a reason,"  
Honan said. "We've got to make sure  
the community is involved. Obvious-  
ly, Harvard wasn't upfront."

strong fathers and strong mothers,"  
said Lieutenant Governor Paul Cel-  
lucci, "and that is what we are doing  
here today."

The Department of Revenue's  
Child Support Enforcement Divi-  
sion, which tracks down fathers who  
are behind in support payments, in-  
vited the children of 1,500 fathers  
who have made timely payments for  
at least five years to submit essays,  
poems and pictures about their dads.

A dozen winning submissions  
were chosen and the fathers and  
their children were recognized at a  
State House ceremony with certifi-  
cates, T-shirts and tickets to a New  
England Revolution soccer game.

The ceremony served as a pre-  
lude to the first meeting of the gov-  
ernor's Commission on Father Ab-  
sence and Family Support. The pan-  
el is charged with coming up with  
suggestions on how to encourage re-  
sponsible fatherhood and deal with  
social issues linked to fatherlessness.

Governor William F. Weld noted  
that girls who grow up without fa-  
thers are more likely to become teen  
moms and end up on welfare and  
boys are more likely to land in pris-  
on and be unemployed.

The meeting came a day before  
the Massachusetts Family Institute,  
a Newton-based public policy group,  
is slated to release a report confirm-  
ing that the state has not escaped  
trends seen nationally.

Specifically, the report has found  
that more than 27 percent of chil-  
dren in the state are growing up  
without fathers in their homes, nearly  
four times greater than in 1960. It  
also links fatherlessness to a violent  
crime rate 14 times greater than in  
1960, a 60 percent increase in juve-  
nile incarceration since 1979 and a  
doubling of the percentage of the  
children living in poverty since 1970.

But yesterday's event held up as  
role models fathers who have re-  
mained involved in their children's  
lives despite living apart from them.

Michael T. McCarthy of Milton,  
whose 20-year-old son Michael's win-  
ning poem provided him with an ear-  
ly Father's Day gift, said dads who  
ignore their children do not know  
what they are missing.

"I enjoy it," said McCarthy, who  
has attended all his son's hockey  
games, parents' nights and band en-  
gagements despite being divorced  
for 17 years. "It lets you be a kid  
again. My son got me to try surfing,  
and I was over 40."

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