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IN CITY COUNCIL

September 14, 1992

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RESOLVED: That the City Clerk be and hereby is requested to prepare a suitably engrossed copy of this resolution for transmittal to Mr. Fine's family on behalf of the entire City Council.

In City Council September 14, 1992.

Adopted by the affirmative vote of nine members.

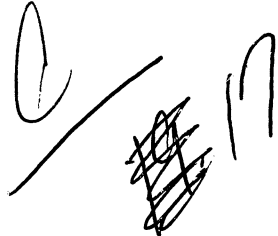
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A true copy;

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the mid '70s, Cage's *Lecture on the Weather* was premiered at Sanders Theater, on a Fromm Concert. *Lecture on the Weather* was for 12 (as I recall) men reading Thoreau on microphones, while a tape played the sound of a thunderstorm. Cage was at the mixing console, cheerfully raising the tape levels to the threshold of pain. At the storm's climax, many in the audience had their hands over their ears — others left, out of either physical or aesthetic discomfort. I first met Cage at the reception following that performance. He was gentle, soft-spoken, and remotely beatific.

Cage is most famous for his experiments with percussion (his early *Constructions* and his works for prepared piano), with unusual sound sources (one of his *Imaginary Landscapes* features an ensemble of radios), with noise, and with silence (his notorious 4'33"). Whenever he was challenged by confused or irate listeners, he was perfectly and maddeningly disarming, as at the end of his article "Experimental Music: Doctrine":

"Question: But, seriously, if this is what music is, I could write it as well as you. Answer: Have I said anything that would lead you to think I thought you were stupid?"

— Scott Wheeler

PORN REBORN?

Once again, Chinatown business leaders are seeking help from the city in battling the resurgence of adult entertainment in the Combat Zone.

Nick Romano and Bill Bennet, owners of the Glass Slipper, one of the few remaining strip clubs in the Zone, have made a \$420,000 cash bid to buy 681-691 Washington Street, which comprises the H.H. Richardson-designed Hayden Building and the site of the former Intermission Lounge.

Also interested in developing the parcel are partners David Wong and Historic Boston, Inc.

Wong, a Chinese immigrant, redeveloped the block across the street from the

THE PORK?



PORK FUTURES: Silber (upper left) and Kennedy (upper right) take pig-headedness honors, while Seinfeld (lower left) and Letterman are doing ham stands.

Now here's a poll result that should surprise no one: BU president John Silber, the acerbic conservative social critic and sometime politician, has been voted "Boston's Most Pigheaded Person."

Silber took the honors in the "Pass the Pigs Primary," a promotion launched by Milton Bradley to promote its new Pass the Pigs game, which is being introduced in Boston bars and colleges.

Coming in second was Ted Kennedy, with Roger Clemens and Dapper O'Neil tied for third. Nationally, George Bush took home the pig-headedness award, while professional misogynist Andrew Dice Clay was tabbed as America's biggest male-chauvinist pig.

In a more positive vein, David Letterman and Jerry Seinfeld took co-honors in the "Favorite Ham" category.

— Dan Kennedy

Mavroules campaign says the congressman has since changed his views.)

But Hildt herself "is opposed to term limits," says campaign manager Susan Shaer. "What she supports is campaign-finance reform."

Watch out, Barbara — quicksand! "She's saying he's hypocritical, yet she's attacking him on an issue she doesn't support?" asks LIMITS executive director Dorothea Vitrac. "There's a certain amount of hypocrisy in that."

— Jon Keller

DEATH BE NOT ACCURATE

For those who missed the correction the next day, the *Boston Globe's* August 12 obit for "ex-Red Sox pitcher Henry Fine" contained two major-league errors.

First, Fine never actually threw a pitch for the home team.

And incredibly, the tribute claimed that when he joined the Sox, in 1923, his teammate was "the legendary Babe Ruth." Problem is, the Babe was shipped 200 miles south to New York after the 1919 season. In 1923, he hit .393 with the World Series-winning Pinstripes while the Sox finished dead last. Maybe *Curse of the Bambino* author Dan Shaughnessy should hit the obit desk for a while.

➤ Cheap shot. In the "if you don't have something nice to say about someone..." category, how about this *Boston Herald* August 10 obit for hockey tough guy John Kordic, who perished under mysterious circumstances: NHL GOON KORDIC DEAD FOLLOWING FIGHT.

— Mark Jurkowitz

CORRECTION

Due to erroneous information provided to the *Phoenix*, a phone number for Light Up the Night, an August 22 AIDS benefit, was incorrect ("Future Perfect," Arts, July 31). The correct number is 964-8680.

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