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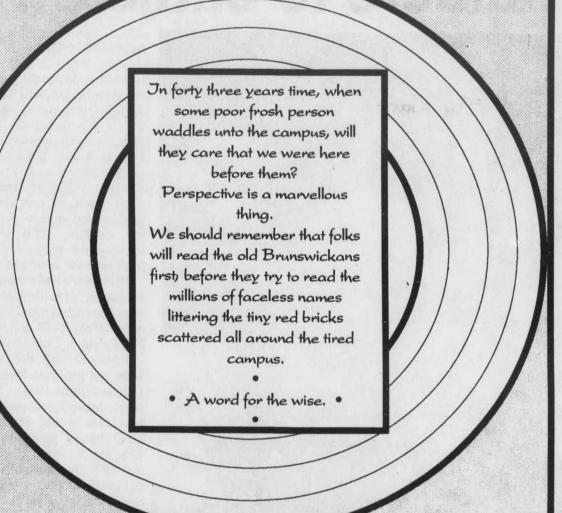
your editorial on "Truth and e Information Age" on January 0, 1992, you made some intersting and keen observations. For kample, "How unnecessary and significant most of us are to the hirlwind of events and happengs that make up our daily dose 'news'." Or, in the context of ading editorials and columns, e necessity "to find out where e writer's personal bent or bias es." It reminded me of selling e subscriptions to Time magane in Chicago, many years ago, ith the comment "This is a good ased magazine. It is very well ritten". Of course, the reader ad to know the nature of the bias. However, I must say that serious and logically consistent arguments are worth getting excited out even if they do not affect e price of tea in China. Some of ou are the future Bushes and lulroneys of the world, and an perience in logically consistent gumentation and with a little bit honesty, you might be able to eate a better world. The reasons most arguments

don't lead to consensus, are lack of agreement about the precise meanings of the words used, and lack of logicity. Even mathematicians can become illogical in dealing with non-mathematical subjects. Only in pure mathematics, the arguments do not lead to fist fights or armed attacks to prove a point.

Intellectual arguments should be the hallmark of university life, and, therefore, here is wishing that you will continue to argue...

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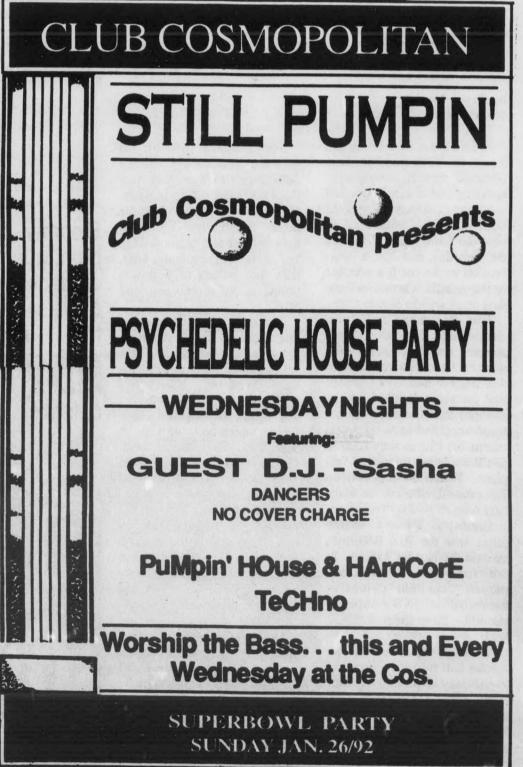
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