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cc:

The Honorable George J. Mitchell

United States Senate

Washington, D.C. 205/10

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We hold Samantha and her family in our thoughts ad prayers.

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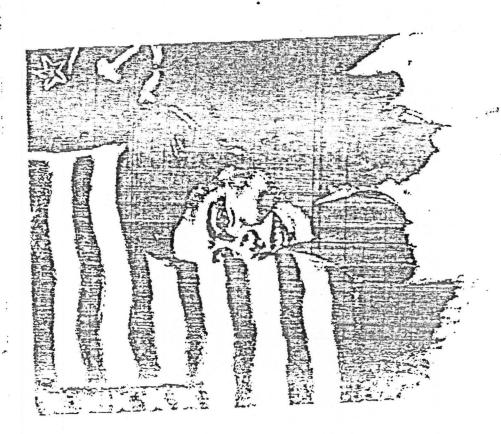
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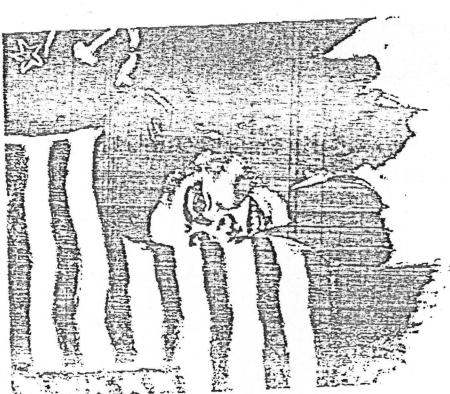
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