

<b>TIMELINE OF EVENTS</b>	<b>DATE AND PAPER</b>	<b>DESCRIPTION</b>
"Plans would bolster jails' mental health service"	Sunday Telegram-3/11/79	Gubernatorial commission reports need for \$628,000 to meet the needs of the estimated 30% of inmates who have mental health problems
Suicide in DOC mental health unit - civil suit	1998, Civil No.00-212-B-K	Ronald Pelletier suicide on mental health unit on 10-3-98, results in law suit claiming inadequate treatment and violation of 8th amendment.
"State defends treatment of mentally ill in county jails"	Kenn. Journal 11-29-00	Inmate at Kennebec County jails claims poor treatment of inmates with mental illness. Jail says, we are understaffed and trying to house 40 inmates with mental illness.
"Increasing problems create dangerous situations for officers"	Lewiston Sun Journal-4/9/00	Several families talk about police use of deadly force that killed their children. 1998 - Michael Searles son killed after incident involving alcohol; Commissioner of DMH quoted: "My whole mission is to do something about these kinds of compelling issues." 1-24-00 shooting death of Sidney Dunton -
"As services decline, Jails deal with more mental illness.	Portland Press Herald-6/8/00	Cumberland county spends \$200,000 a year on mental health services because of growing number of mentally ill and suicidal inmates. Even so, it's inadequate and the state should pay more of a role than they do.
"Throwing away the key"	Bangor Daily News 12-1-00	New prison described "concept of new pods and focus on efficiency in handling inmates. 966 beds Old prison with 440 inmates is full.
"Probationers toe the line or else"	Kenn. Journal 12-17-00	1,600 people on probation in kenn, franklin, knox, and Somerset. Caseloads over 140, with need to see 60 or more a day.
"Supermax suicide under review"	Bangor Daily News 2-11-00	James Thomas, 18, committed suicide by hanging

		while in solitary confinement.
"Cruel and Unusual: Does the supermax mistreat the mentally ill	Maine Times 8-16-00	Treatment at the supermax described and decried.
"May Jailers feel my pain	Kenn. Journal 11-16-00	Letter to the editor from widow of Darren Chamberlain whose husband died in the Kenn. Cty. Jail Lack of access to medications is blamed.
"Dead inmate's family mulls lawsuit"	Associated Press 11-8-00	Leroy Hampton, Jr. age 25, died at the Androscoggin County Jail. Family claims pleas for hospitalization were ignored.
"Inmate leaps to his death"	Bangor Daily News 1-2-01	Maine state prison inmate places tape over his mouth, a clothespn over his nose and jumps from craft room window. Death ruled a suicide.
"Suite alleges death was wrongful"	BDN 1-20-01	Police shooting of mentally ill man alleges disregard of Jerzy Sidor's rights.
"Inmate uprising at jail quelled"	Associated Press 2-6-01	Riot at York county jail is blamed on overcrowding The day of the riot there were 116 inmates in a jail designed for 58. Another 25 inmates are housed at other jails, and 25 low risk offenders are monitored in the community. York county DA calls the rampage a wake up call
"No vacancy sign still hangs at county jails"	Kenn. Journal 3-18-01	Skowhegan jail overcrowded and guards work 12 hour shifts alone. The 45 bed jail is frequently 20 inmates over capacity.
"Lawmaker seeks review of supermax policies"	Bangor Daily News 3-25-01	L.D. 1330 seeks examination of how inmates are treated at the max.
"Excessive jail term prompts inquiry at Bangor facility"	BDN 3-25-01	Inmate is held 2 months beyond release date inadvertently. Review suggested.

"Sheriff backs juvenile facility in Skowhegan"	BDN 4-18-01	New building needed for juveniles as well as 11.6 million to renovate existing adult facility
		Current jail has been cited for safety deficiencies
"Officials consider options for somerset county jail"	BDN 4-12-01	A new jail could cost up to 74,000 per bed. But almost double the number of inmates are in it than it was built to hold. Illness runs rampant in the delapidated jail. A chart shows that 7 of Maine's 15 jails are over census.
"Numbers of arrests up for girls in Maine"	BDN - 5-8-01	Maine arrested nearly 40% more girls last year than a decade earlier.
"Bangor home invader shot by police, indicted"	BDN 5-11-01	mentally ill man in critical condition after being shot following two home invasions. charged police officer with a stake.
"Neighborhood in crisis: fear and mental illness collide in Bowdoinham"	Times Record 5-31-01	Mentally ill man stabs pet dog after being released from hospital as not dangerous. Residents now armed.
"Knox County inmate commits suicide"	BDN 6-5-01	Barbara Luszczki hung herself after being sentenced to 5 years.
"Waldo county jail inmates might bunk in the kitchen"	Kenn. Journal 6-30-01	Designed to hold 17 inmates, jail holds 42. Many of the inmates have mental health conditions and drug problems which exacerbate the problem
"Supervisor resigns in aftermath of jail riot"	PPH 7-26-01	Disturbance attributed to overcrowding, incorrect inmate classifications, lack of sufficient outdoor recreation, inadequate supervision, and insufficient staffing and security.
"York County jail to add officers"	PPH 7-14-01	58 beds, 12 position vacancies, adding a modular unit with 30 beds due to over crowding
"Treatment lacking for mentally prisoners"	BDN 7-16-01	Only 1/5th of inmates in state prisons who are

		mentally ill are getting help according to Justice Department. States with the most inmates getting help include Maine.
"Belfast mulls county jail move"	BDN 7-25-01	County spends 600-700 dollars a night boarding prisoners in other county jails.
"Study faults state's spending priorities on juvenile crime"	PPH 7-27-01	Maine spends millions on consequences of juvenile crime but little to prevent it. \$49,000 a year on each of the 250 inmates at the youth center and \$32 million to build new correctional facilities in S. Portland and Charleston.
"State cites problems at old jail"	BDN 8-2-01	Somerset county jail can no longer accept females and must install a fire-rated door, along with additional items that fail to meet inspection requirements. Overcrowded, understaffed, and doesn't meet safety codes.
"Illegal immigrants arrested, half freed for lack of jail cells"	PPH 8-2-01	60 arrests over the weekend, 23 went to Cumberland city jail 7 to Piscataquis, rest released.
"Youth center still falls short of rehabilitative standards"	PPH 8-6-01	editorial urges legislature to create needed programs due to deficiencies.
"Stabbing probe begun at Maine State Prison"	BDN 8-9-01	Two men in ad. Seg unit at the supermax involved in stabbing.
York County accepts bid to build jail"	PPH 8-10-01	New jail is needed because # of beds is 56, usual occupancy is 100. Cost: \$17.7 million.
Boss testifies nurse hostile on prison job	BDN 8-16-01	Suit against prison health services claims nurse was fired from northern maine juvenile correctional facility for seeking better services.
Woman awarded \$200,000: nurse at prison	BDN 8-17-01	Prison Health Services found to have illegally

fired wrongfully; jury says.		fired nurse.
"County jails considering consolidation"	BDN 8-21-01	County jails concerned about staff shortages -call the problem serious and due to get worse. Cumberland and York county have biggest problem. Joining forces might help.
"Island ire hits sheriff's office.	Kenn. Journal 8-26-01	Vinalhaven police officer had to release a man because the local sheriff couldn't send help.
NAMI Jail survey	1-Sep	15 jails surveyed. Most report unable to access psychiatric hospital beds for inmates who need them.
"Task force needs more data on sharing costs"	BDN 10-4-01	Knox County developing fee for service plan for jail and police costs.
"Officials explain release of suspect"	PPH 10-19-01	Mentally ill suspect in death of cab driver was released even though charges were pending Spent time at Supermax, transferred from jail for threatening to kill people.
"Accused killer fell through the cracks"	BDN 10-20-01	Inmate with history of mental illness released because of breakdown in communications.
"Lessons from JD's case: where do we stand with mentally ill juveniles"	Maine Bar Journal Fall 01	Psychotic 12 year old details the court's poor handling of mentally ill juveniles in terms of placement.
"Counties ponder joining forces on jail	PPH 10-19-01	Lincoln and Sagadahoc county may collaborate on building a new jail. Lincoln county jail built to hold 12, averages 30
"Counties crisis: jails become the new state hospitals"	PPH 11-4-2001	Overview of increase of people with mental illness in jail. Cumberland county says 35% of inmates are receiving treatment.

"Maine prisons filling up with mentally ill"	BDN 11-5-01	Official says state's jails serving role hospitals played in the past.
"Man held at jail tries suicide after failing to make bail"	PPH 11-14-01	Larry Alexander found hanging by another inmate.
"County Rx: Inmates pay own bills"	Courier Gazette 11-15-01	Knox County jail will no longer pay for medical services for inmates who come to the jail with pre-existing conditions.
"U.S. District Court - Maine: Cole vs. York Cty Sheriff etal	11-17-201	Psychotic man held for 5 days in restraint without toilet facilities at York County jail.
Committee to study the needs of persons with mental illness who are incarcerated	12/19/01	Report released calling for reform.
"Limits on inmates mail promptly prison ministry to sue state"	BDN 11-20-01	Prison ministry sues for ability to send mail to inmates.
"Neighborhood evacuated in standoff - Bangor man threatened to kill himself"	BDN 11-24-25-01	Alcohol involved with man barricaded in house in Bangor.
"Report: Lincoln, Sagadahoc need jail"	Waterville Sentinel 2-29-02	Report recommends that Lincoln and Sagadahoc spend \$17 million on a new jail.
"Studying mental illness and incarceration"	BDN - 4-18-02	oped regarding needs in Maine's jails and prisons and outcomes from legislative study.
"Jail supervision fails to prevent inmate suicide"	Kenn. Journal 4-12-02	Jason Rozwell suicide leads to call for additional services in Maine's jails and also calls for an independent review of the death.
"Man incompetent to stand trial"	PPH 4-12-02	Derek Wilhelmsen is mentally unable to assist in his own defense for killing of cab driver.
"Mother: suicide warning ignored"	BDN 4-12-02	Mother of Jason Rozwell claims she begged for help for her suicidal son prior to his death at the Kenn. County jail.

"inmate protest sparks new prison lockdown"	BDN 4-9-02	100 inmates have been locked down 23 hrs/ day due to a protest staged over clothing rules at the new prison.
"DA gets police report on suicide"	Kenn. Journal 5-4-02	Police report re: suicide complete, no details released.
"County jail pact provides model for entire state"	Kenn. Journal 5-3-02	editorial calls state agreement with penobscot county jail a model for the state.
"Police put new weapon to test"	PPH 5-3-02	William Knight shot with beanbag - Portland police's new nonlethal rounds.
"Jail suicide called avoidable"	Kenn Journal 5-8-02	police find that death of Jason Rozell was avoidable.
"Safety oversight in jails variable"	Kenn. Journal 5-9-02	Wide gaps in the quality of jails is reported by director of pretrial services in Washington DC. Report shows that nationally, jails are less crowded and down to 90% occupancy.
"Cumberland sheriff suspends guard"	Kenn. Journal 5-9-02	Corrections officer suspended for smuggling heroin and tobacco into jail.
"State investigated suicide at new prison in Warren"	Kenn. Journal 5-10-02	Police are investigating the suicide death of Adam Dupuis, who hanged himself on the mental health unit and died later at Pen. Bay hospital.
"Prison guard accused of assaulting inmate"	BDN 5-11-02	Kevin Procehner, 20, claims he was assaulted by a correctional officer
"Inmate dies in Cumberland County Jail"	WMTW radio news 5-13-02	Brian Whitehouse died Sunday while in custody. Cumberland County jail. Cause of death drug overdose.
"Inmate found dead in suspected suicide at Waldo County Jail"	WMTW news 6-3-02	Lee Chambers, 27, was found hanging by a sheet on Saturday. Chambers was in jail for

		violating his probation by consuming alcohol.
"Inmate hangs self with sheet in cell: 2nd incident"	BDN 6-3-02	Lee Chambers hanging was second suicide incident in 48 hours. Thursday jail staff found stash of medications being hoarded by another inmate who planned to commit suicide
"More state prisoners arrested after release"	BDN 6-3-02	Recidivism rates are up nationwide. 67% of former inmates released from state prison in 1994 were arrested again within 3 years, up from 62% just a year earlier. 3 year study found highest rearrest rates among those who had been incarcerated for stealing cars, stealing other stolen property, or larceny. Comment: need to shift from tougher sentencing to rehab.
"York County Sheriff suggests inmate visitation by video"	KJ 6-4-02	To avoid exchange of contraband, sheriff wants to spend \$100,000 for video conference equipment so that there is no contact between inmates and visitors.
"Drugs drive sharp rise in prison population"	PPH 6-11-02	The state's new prison, built to handle growth for the next ten years is full as are jails. One of the causes is the growth in drug related arrests and incarcerations.
"Health Services for Prisons Faulted"	PPH 6-15-02	Describes gaps and problems in the health care of inmates in the Maine State Prison
"Inmate dies at Waldo County Jail"	WMTW news 7-9-02	faulting prison health services.
"Hanging death in Somerset jail probably suicide"	Kenn. Journal 7-29-02	54 year old John Steward died Monday by hanging with clothing in his holding cell.
"Judge to decide on release of jail suicide report"	Kenn. Journal 8/31/02	Jospeh Hayes, 20, died of an apparent suicide in his cell. The suicide was the 5th this year to occur in jails and prisons in Maine.
"Penobscot county inmate hangs self"	Bangor daily news 9-2-02	K.J. has sued for release of DOC report on suicide of Jason Rozwell. Judge will decide.
"Second death in as many days reported at Penobscot County Jail."	WMTW News 9-4-02	Gardener Whalen hanged himself Monday - the 6th suicide in the state's corrections facilities this year.
		Bruce Hanson died from alcohol withdrawal seizures in his cell. He was a transient arrested for criminal trespassing held at the jail because



	he couldn't make \$10 bail.
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