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The Bacchae

sex, wine, hysteria

by Gary J. Conover

Mix one part sex, one part wine and three parts mass hysteria. The product is *The Bacchae* by Euripides. The Maine Masque will produce *The Bacchae*, directed by Al Cyrus, March 18-22.

Euripides wrote *The Bacchae* in response to changing attitudes toward religion. Dionysus, the Bacchae, comes on strong establishing his position as god of wine. His new religion offers the wonders of intoxication and liberal sexuality as keys to a utopia. The new religion has tragic consequences for Pentheus, King of Thebes, who dies defending the establishment.

The Maine Masque is modernizing this production of *The Bacchae*. Masquers achieve this effect through the chorus' interpretative dances. Choreographer Birgitte Flanders says the major problem involved with modernizing the chorus is in "trying to dream up combinations of steps that will go with the music and the play."

A rock group provides background with music written by Alden Flanders, a graduate assistant in Theater, as part of his Master's Thesis. Says

Flanders, "I am writing folk styles as related to the Greeks."

Designer Frank Mitton, a graduate student in Theater, modernizes costuming by using several types of plastics and netting for construction of Greek styles. Says Mitton, "We have never used plastics before."

Members of the cast wear a minimum of clothing with clear plastic overlays. Several wear plastic costumes molded to their bodies.

Some of the props are ultra-realistic. At one point in the play Pentheus' mother carries what she imagines is a lion's head, but is in fact her son's head. The severed head was created through the skills of Frank Mitton and the patience of Danny Field, who plays the part of Pentheus.

Warm liquid "silastic" was applied to Field's head to form a dense but pliable "negative" mold. Mitton then formed a full head "positive" from the skin-like "silastic".

The set also modernizes this production. Action takes place on step levels descending near the front rows of Hauck Auditorium.

Student Services report awaits official reaction

by Paul MacGarvey

President Libby's office released this week the report of the President's Advisory Group on Student Services.

The report was presented to the President last Thursday by the student-faculty-administration investigating group after nearly four months of study. It was released to the *Campus* Monday after discussion between the president and the study group.

The group was formed last November to study the area of Student Services following the so-called "chicken incident" in which members of the Students for a Democratic Society scuffled with campus police. Following the incident, questions were raised among students and administrators as to whether the situation had been handled properly by the administration. There was particular concern over the aspect of "commitment" by Student Services to the new Disciplinary Code philosophy.

Soon after, the Student Senate passed the following resolution: "Be it resolved that the Student Senate go on record as expressing a vote of 'no confidence' in the actions of Mr. Robert B. Cobb as Director of Student Services."

The Senate also resolved that "in view of various instances of conflict between students and the Office of Student Services . . ." a special committee be set up to "study the area of Student Services."

The advisory group presented a number of recommendations which, if adopted, could result in major structural changes in the present administrative system.

The most notable change in the administrative system is the proposed establishment of the position of Dean of Students. This change could result in the elimination or creation of some offices.

Libby said that the report was "very fair and reasonable" and that the recommended changes were "evolutionary rather than revolutionary." "I will be considering the report in great seriousness with the administrative staff," and will issue an official reaction through the *Maine Campus*, he added.

When asked about implementing recommendations in the report, Libby said that it would be difficult to find a dean of students and reorganize the structure before the end of this school year.

President Libby said that if the idea is adopted "the Dean of Students needs to be evaluated quite carefully. He must be able to work sympathetically with students; and he must have empathy with students."

One of the initial objectives of the president's advisory group was to develop a closer co-ordination of the non-academic and academic phases of student life. In this respect the proposed Committee on Student Affairs is the most important innovation in the report.

President Libby said as the duties of the chairman of this committee are outlined, he resembles an ombudsman.

While President Libby thought the report was generally well done, he did say there were "several things he would like to explore with the advisory committee."

"The proposed changes are not necessarily those to be adopted. The recommendations are subject to change by the president and the dean of students, if one is appointed," said Richard C. Hill, acting dean of the college of Technology and chairman of the advisory group to the president.

The report, in full, of the President's Advisory Group on Student Services, will be found on page 12 of this issue.

Orono Housing Code

ordinance tightened

by David Bright

A revised housing code is one of the items on the agenda of the Orono town meeting scheduled for March 17. The new code is more general in many areas than its predecessor and, while much of it is meant for landlords, there are items of interest to students and faculty who rent in Orono.

William Chipman, Orono building inspector, explained that the new code was instituted mainly because the old one did not apply to single family, owner-occupied buildings and that it was necessary for these to be included if the town was to have a proper housing code. He said that the town fathers decided it was time to update and simplify the code. As a result the code has been significantly shortened.

Chipman explained that one reason the proper code was needed was that it is required before a community can apply for government aid on such projects as the urban renewal program presently slated to bring extensive changes to Orono in 1971. If the urban renewal program becomes a reality, the Orono housing authority will have to relocate some residents. Federal funds for his also depend on whether a town has a proper housing code.

Other regulations of interest to students are that any building "where sleeping quarters are furnished for more than five persons, all sleeping rooms shall contain at least 50 square feet of floor area, for each occupant thereof."

Every habitable space is required to have artificial light or electric outlets and must have ventilation through windows or other openings which face directly out-of-doors.

Plumbing systems must be "installed and maintained to function properly" and "be kept free from obstructions, leaks and defects to prevent health hazards." Bathtubs or showers and kitchen sinks must have both hot and cold running water.

Every dwelling must have heating facilities. The code places the responsibility on the owner to see "they are properly installed, safely maintained and in good working condition." Heating systems are required to be able to heat all habitable rooms to a

temperature of 70 degrees fahrenheit with an outside temperature of ten degrees below zero.

All units with an oil burner for boiler, furnace or central hot water heater must have a fire extinguisher provided.

The code requires occupants to be responsible for limiting the number of persons to comply with space regulations; for maintaining the property in a clean, sanitary and safe condition; for maintaining all equipment owned by him; for keeping exits clear; and for disposing of garbage and waste in a clean and sanitary manner.

Owners are given ultimate responsibility for compliance with the ordinance. They must be responsible for proper maintenance of service facilities and all plumbing fixtures.

The new ordinance, as well as the old, provides for a fine of not more than \$100 for each offense as well as a Housing Appeals Board which rules on contested violations, variances and legality of the code.

Both also give the building inspector, in the performance of his duties, the "right to enter any premises at reasonable hours for the purpose of making the inspections required by" the ordinance, and require owners and occupants to "provide access to all parts of the premises within their control to the building inspector of his acting in the performance of duties"

Chipman explained that this provision would be changed before final enactment of the new code. Since recent Supreme Court cases require the inspector to have owner's and occupant's permission to enter a premises unless a search warrant for a specific violation has been obtained. Chipman added that warrants could probably not be obtained unless a complaint was reported.

Asked about the probability of the code's passing, Chipman said he was uncertain because he didn't know how much the public's interpretation of the code's interaction with urban renewal plans would influence voting. He expressed hope that persons opposed to urban renewal will pass the code and wait to vote against the urban renewal proposal itself.



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UM drinking

by Linda M. Rand

If campus surveys are accurate, a strong majority of students at this University are in favor of a change in the present policy regarding the use of alcoholic beverages.

Dick Lindsay, chairman of A.C.T.I.O.N. (A Committee to Implement Our Needs), reported a moderate-volume response to the questionnaires passed out to students last week.

A.C.T.I.O.N., a committee of the General Student Senate, used the poll to determine the mood of the students on the drinking policy.

With a 95% favorable response for change, Lindsay commented, "We didn't want to go into this thing blindly, but now I think we have a good reason to go ahead."

The committee plans to submit a final recommendation to the Student Life Committee no later than April 1, said the Chairman.

Lindsay believes the lack of a greater response to the poll is due in part to the inaction of previous committees. "Others have conducted surveys, nothing happens, and now the students don't trust them," he said.

University officials will attend a smoker in Dunn Hall this spring to hear student suggestions for the renovation of the dormitory's main lounge and basement.

Karl Oxner, president of the Dunn Dorm Activities Board (DAB), said plans now under consideration would involve converting part of the carpenter shop into a recreation area and constructing a canteen service area in the basement. On the first floor, improvements to the main lounge, including building a trophy case, are being discussed.

Oxner said the DAB would like to see renovations similar to those made recently at Corbett Hall, but he understands there is not enough money available to construct a central stairway and house-mother's quarters as was done at Corbett.

Students for ACTION

Lindsay said of the questionnaires sent to faculty and administration members, there has been only one return.

The members of A.C.T.I.O.N. found many administrators would not commit themselves on this issue. "If someone has a conviction to carry out University policy, they should also have the courage to commit themselves publicly," the chairman said. He added they received much "behind-the-door" cooperation but no "out and out support."

Commenting on factors that may be influencing the administration, Lindsay cited worry over the Maine Legislature's reaction to a change in University policy on drinking. "It seems that what we do affects them, which, of course, in turn affects us," he said.

Turning to outside sources for help in their investigation, the committee sent letters to several public officials. They have received few replies. Timothy Murphy, Director of Enforcement, Maine State Liquor Commission, refused to even be quoted, said Lindsay.

"Somewhere there is a cloud of resistance. We'd like to find out who it or they are so we can talk with them about it," Lindsay added.

Dunn Hall may be renovated

A study lounge in the basement next to the TV room is nearly completed. Oxner called this a "step in the right direction." He expressed hope the remaining work could be done during the summer.

William C. Wells, director of residence and dining halls, said funds for the project would have to come from the regular maintenance pool.

He said the work might be started this summer if costs can be determined and the plans drawn up in time.

Among those to be invited to the DAB smoker to discuss the plans are Herbert L. Fowle, Jr., vice-president for administration and finance; Linwood L. Carville, acting dean of men; Vernon C. Elmore, manager of men's housing; and Wells.

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University housing

infamous past and hopeful future

by Jim Smith

University housing for married students and faculty has a history dating back at least as far as 1946. That year the Federal government issued to the University of Maine a set of 23 barracks to house veterans and their families. The barracks were called the South apartments and they had a long and infamous career.

In December, 1958, after several years of complaints to the *Campus* about rats, roaches and generally bad conditions, one of the South apartments burned. Although no one was injured and most of the belongings were salvaged, the fire caused the university to re-evaluate its position.

It took three years for new housing to become available, in the form of University Park.

A *Campus* story in February 1961 revealed that the rental fees for University Park would be as fol-

lows: A one bedroom dwelling, \$75 per month. A two bedroom dwelling, \$90 per month. A three bedroom dwelling, \$105 per month.

A controversy over these prices began immediately, and a *Campus* editorial that same month summed up the problem as follows: "The state legislature is at fault, since they require occupants to pay not only for use of buildings, but for the cost of building them. The state is unwilling to bear the burden of paying for new housing so we, and those who come after us, will."

In March, 1961, then-President Lloyd Elliott made the point that by providing University Park at cost to students, the university was making an effort to provide low cost housing for married students. He also pointed out that the university remained ready to assist students in cases of individual hardship.

The controversy did not end there, though. It has not ended now.

Now the cost of housing in University Park is nine dollars more per month than it was in 1961. Many students feel that this sets a base for local landlords, which accounts for the high rental fees in this area.

Vice President Herbert Fowle feels that the high cost of off-campus housing is a matter of supply and demand. "In the University's opinion," he said, "the base theory is untrue." He pointed out that there is a long waiting list of people who want to get into University Park.

Fowle said, "We feel a great responsibility for inadequate housing, both on and off campus." He said that presently the university is trying to encourage private realtors to provide off-campus housing. Also the university is working with urban renewal people in Orono and Old Town on the problem.

Students wonder if off-campus housing built under these conditions will be more expensive than the housing in University Park. "It will have to be less expensive than university housing," said Fowle. He added it should not be under university jurisdiction, because most students who move off campus do so to get away from the rules and regulations.

Fowle said there are at least 2000 students living off campus presently and added, "there is a demand for 500 good apartments off campus right now." He also pointed out an immediate need for more dormitory space on campus.

Fowle said new off-campus housing can be expected within two years. "Off-campus housing is generally poor," he said. "It is our responsibility to see that we get new housing. It will stunt the growth of the university otherwise."

SRA sponsors Fox lecture

Monsignor Robert J. Fox of the Roman Catholic Archdiocese of New York, who once led a peace march of 1000 Puerto Ricans through the streets of New York City to avert a riot and ease tensions, will speak at the Orono campus of the University of Maine Thursday (March 13), at 7:30 p.m. in the Bangor Room of the Memorial Union.

Monsignor Fox is the creator and director of the Summer in the City Program, a program which utilizes the talents of creative people such as artists, musicians and dramatists to aid people in poverty areas of New York City to learn to live in their surroundings.

On the night of July 25, 1967, Monsignor Fox and others of his staff led a peace procession through the streets of East Harlem following a night of sporadic violence caused by the explosion of racial tensions. For five nights the peace marchers walked through the stricken areas of the city carrying flowers, candles and banners and singing songs. The rioting stopped.

Speaking on the Summer in the City Program, Monsignor Fox will address students and guests under the auspices of the university's Student Religious Association. He was ordained at St. Patrick's Cathedral in New York City in 1955.

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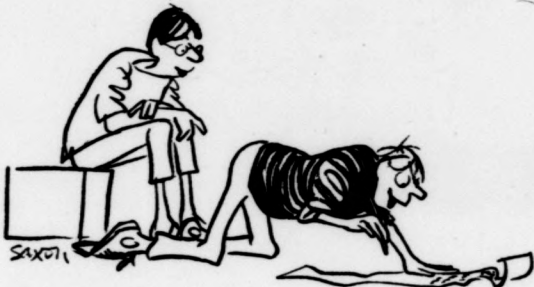
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AWS elections March 20

by Linda White

Associated Women Students' (AWS) spring elections will be held March 20. Campaigning for offices is scheduled from March 16 to 19.

Before the campaigns begin, girls must meet several preliminary qualifications. Candidates must obtain petitions and resumes of the offices they are running for from the AWS office in the basement of Lord Hall. The petitions will be available from March 10-14. Offices of the president, vice president, and judicial board chairman require 100 petition signatures. All other offices require 50 signatures. Students may sign only one petition per office.

Coeds are required to meet the qualifications for office as stated in the AWS Constitution and to secure approval from the Dean of Women's Office. Candidates must also maintain a 2.0 average.

Although each girl must pick up her own petition, she does not have to circulate it herself. Also, if a girl living off-campus wishes to participate, she may submit in writing her reasons for wanting to run and a list of previous offices held.

Campaigning is limited to one poster per dormitory, union, and dining area. Candidates for president, vice president, and judicial board chairman will give scheduled speeches at all dormitories and also at an assembly March 19. Candidates for other offices will also be introduced at the assembly.

Pictures of all candidates will be taken on March 14 at noon in the Memorial Union.

Alumni Hall renovated

by Mike Zubik

The Treasury and Accounting Departments, located in Alumni Hall, will soon be moving into new offices as work is completed on the partial reconstruction of Alumni. The University's Vice-Presidents will also be moving into new offices in that building.

On the ground floor of Alumni, a large area that once housed the Security Office, the gun storage room, the Prism office, and a warehouse for the Supply and Inventory Department has been turned into offices for the Accounting and Treasury Departments.

On the second floor, previously the seating area for Little Theater, are offices for the University's three Vice-Presidents and their staffs. The stage of the Little Theater is being retained for use by ETV, which has been using it as a broadcast studio.

Overall improvements on the whole building include an entirely new heating system and the installation of a fire sprinkler system, according to Richard A. Eustis, Director of Engineering Services. He noted that until now the mostly wood-interior building had no fire-prevention system.

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McNeil at Hauck

By Alan Shevis

Chancellor Dr. Donald McNeil told a faculty-administration meeting Monday that students are dissenting, and "If we are not listening, we had better listen. We must encourage student ability through open discussion and debate at the decision-making levels."

McNeil, who began his duties as Chancellor less than two weeks ago, came to Maine from the University of Wisconsin, where he was Chancellor of University Extension.

During the meeting, McNeil said he hopes to set guidelines for the administration of each campus flexible enough to guarantee autonomy, yet which would still insure co-operation for joint efforts.

The role of the faculty in the system, McNeil said, should be a powerful one. They should have a strong voice in the directive process. But power should be balanced between faculty and administration, he indicated.

According to McNeil, the student role in the system should be one of involvement. Students should be allowed to make their sentiments felt in any legal manner; they are to have a greater share in policy and decision making, he added.

"We should regard students as young adults," McNeil stated. "They should have freedom to make mistakes; to gain responsibility as they mature." The tendency at universities across the country, he said, is not to attempt to regulate student lives. Universities cannot hope to regulate student actions. McNeil stated morality and rules of society establish norms of conduct; they cannot change personalities.

McNeil said the university must cater to disadvantaged student groups where there is untapped talent. He said efforts must be made to help these groups get into college. According to the Chancellor, even though there isn't discrimination, administrative policies deny the disadvantaged higher education. McNeil said new ways must be devised to motivate the disadvantaged higher education.

There is a Time for military

The annual Military Ball planned for March 21 will have something extra this year. That extra is the 18th United States Army Dance Band, a 19 piece band which has performed at official military functions and other functions all over the East Coast.

The theme of this year's Ball will center around the important periods of a young man's life, utilizing the phrase, "There is a Time." The Ball is sponsored

each year by the 20th Maine Military Honor Society in conjunction with the ROTC cadre and the Pershingettes women's drill team.

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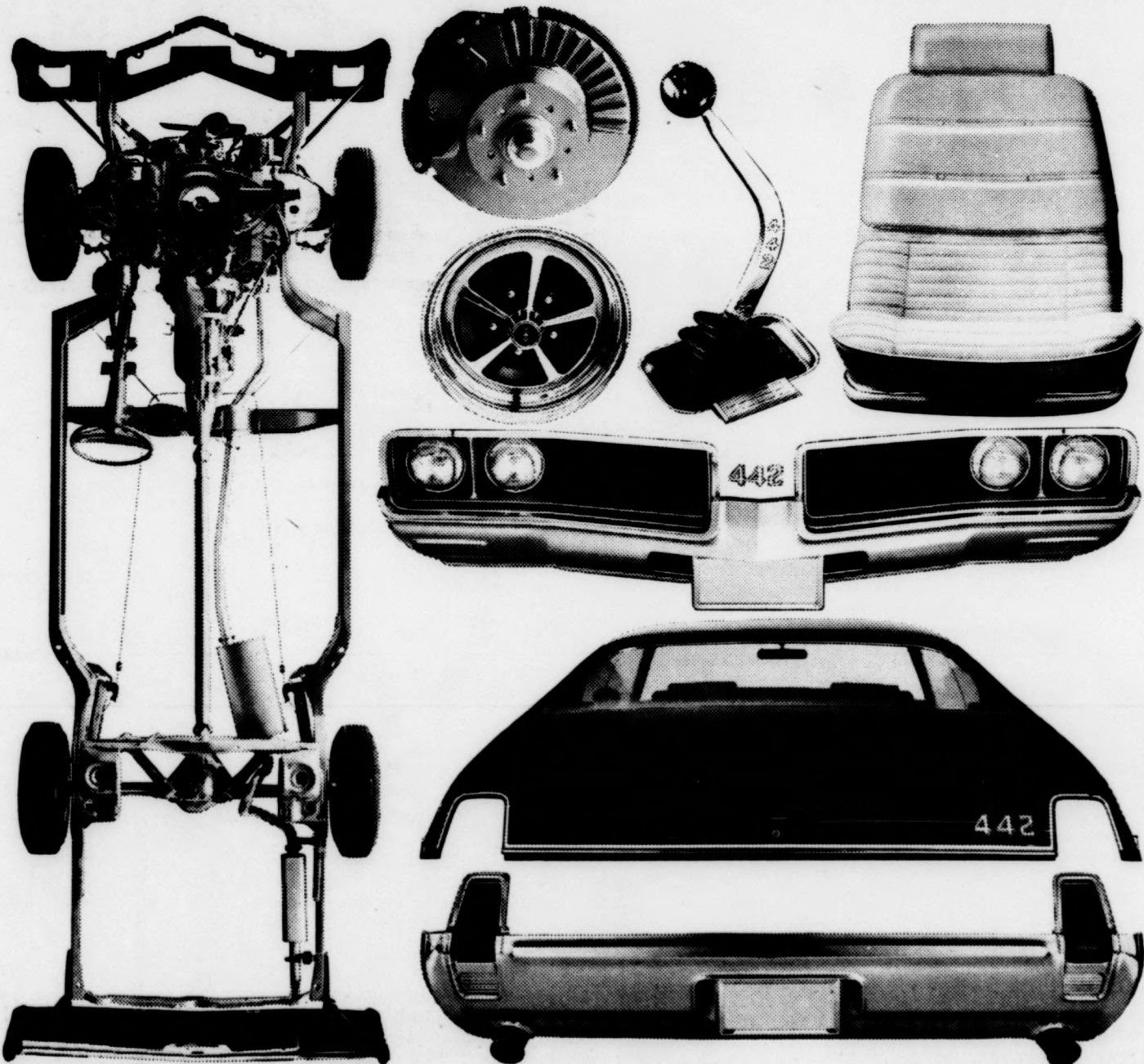
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maine campus editorials

return to the scene

They've hit the campus again! The super-reporters returned for another strike at the UM campus!

The *Maine Sunday Telegram* rides again! Another flying task force (or maybe, could it possibly be, gasp, the same force as before?) has been using their super sloothing techniques on the UM student body, this time to ascertain political standing among the masses.

The Sunday, March 9, edition of the *Maine Sunday Telegram* featured an investigative article written (and signed!) by super-reporter Bill Caldwell who is apparently an x-ray machine disguised as a mild-mannered New England type reporter complete with beard and pipe.

Mr. Caldwell turned out a fairly complete piece of writing, mashing the facts only slightly here and there and generally displayed a liberal knowledge of the outer workings of the UM political structure.

However, it may still be said, that no flying task force, even one headed by a super New England type reporter, can effectively understand the complexities of this campus within a short period of time. The most that can be said for Mr. Caldwell's article is that it is unbiased, which is half the battle. Unfortunately Mr. Caldwell neglected fighting the other half of the battle—gaining a high degree of familiarity with his subject.

Mr. Caldwell and his super-reporter task force *must* have been here on this campus sometime during this year. They just *must* have. How else could they have gotten the information. (Some people have said that the walls of most UM buildings are bugged and that's how they got the information; however, we discount this idea since the electricity bill would undoubtedly be unreasonable — unless, — the power companies were in on it. Do you suppose? No, couldn't be.)

We, personally, have yet to meet anyone (other than Steve Hughes) who says he met and talked about the University of Maine with any of the *Maine Sunday Telegram* reporters (including Mr. Caldwell).

Yet the authors of these discourses on the University of Maine believe themselves to be knowledgeable about what they're writing. Perhaps it's time someone called these super-slooths back to earth by saying, "You'd better know what you're talking about before you say anything."

It's an old Maine adage that Mr. Caldwell might remember.

houses that lack endurance

So you get up one morning, go look out your living room window and your front porch is gone. So call the cops. Oh, it's not completely gone you say; it only fell off the front of the house. Well, that's not quite so bad, might as well forget it. At least if you rent in the Orono-Old Town-Bangor area.

If this incident sounds funny to you, dear reader, maybe it is, as long as it's not happening to you. Not long ago, one of the biggest comedy/tragedies in UM's off-campus housing history took place when a UM coed's front porch actually *did* fall off. She lives in Orono, in an area of fairly old houses that college students are prone to rent. But then, you must have seen that type of housing someplace in your travels.

Though the young lady was astonished and not a little shaken to lose her front porch, it's doubtful that she has been very surprised at other things that have happened since she rented the house.

Because students are looking for cheap housing (how much could you afford to pay for rent?) they take what they can get, which usually isn't much. They pay their rent and they take the holes in the walls, the faulty wiring, the crummy plumbing, and the worn out furnishings.

O.K., you say, they get what they pay for.

violating women's rights

For almost one and a half semesters the Judicial Board of the AWS has been violating the Disciplinary Code.

Under section V.E. the Code states "No disciplinary sanction or other action taken under the authorization of section V.D. shall be operative unless reasonable steps have been taken to inform the student of . . . the student's right to appeal to the Disciplinary Committee." Up until two weeks ago the Judicial Board made no attempt, verbal or written, to inform women students of this right.

Chief Justice Judy Bowie (who curiously is also a member of the Disciplinary Committee) explains that J-Board simply hasn't made the move to work in accordance with the Code. And Judicial Board Advisor Dean Zink, who attended meetings of the committee that drew up the Code, claims she has done nothing to change the situation because of her policy to allow the board to work independently of her office, a strange attitude to be expressed by the person to whom the J-Board is directly responsible.

In the meantime, this combined complacency has violated the rights of every woman the J-Board has sanctioned since the acceptance of the Code by the University this fall. They

have violated women's legal rights by simply ignoring the Disciplinary Code. Women who have been sanctioned by the J-Board since the Disciplinary Code went into effect have a legitimate grievance and would be justified in appealing their cases to the Disciplinary Committee. It is Dean Zink's responsibility as Disciplinary Officer to accept these appeals.

The J-Board, while busy imposing disciplinary sanctions on women, would have done well to follow the fine example set by the office of Dean of Men in these matters. Since enforcement of the Code at Maine went into effect that office has sent a letter to every male student placed on disciplinary probation by the dean. The letter states: "At the time we discussed this violation, and the sanction to be imposed, you were informed of your right to appeal the case to the Disciplinary Committee if you feel that the sanction imposed is not justified."

Although Chief Justice Bowie intends to duplicate this example soon for women, it is a unique advisor and Disciplinary Officer, Dean Zink, who tolerated violation of the Disciplinary Code for so long. But then, it is a unique Judicial Board that did not uphold the very Code it supposedly represents.

no orgies last weekend

Last Friday night some coeds on campus entertained men in their dorm rooms behind (almost) closed doors. And their housemothers, while perhaps not rejoicing, were not up in arms over the events.

Parietal hours went into effect in many dorms this past weekend. The coming weekend will no doubt see further application of the recently approved parietal hours.

Contrary to many widely (or wildly) held beliefs, wide spread sexual intercourse was not taking place behind those closed doors. Also contrary to some opinions (see Letters to the editor) girls in their underwear were vacating the halls anyway (maybe they were all out seeing "In the Heat of the Night," or at least

standing in line). No reports of rapid rapes or compromising scenes in any dorms were seen on the Security Department police blotter Monday morning.

The whole parietal system worked reasonably effectively; with the customary amount of paperwork a coed could entertain a man (aged 9 months to 99 years) in her dorm room with the door ajar (carefully worded bulletins about this aspect were issued from house mother's typewriters) as long as they followed the rules set up by each dorm.

On the whole, the entire innovation of parietal hours was uneventful. Maybe the orgies will start this weekend.

think spring.
think snow.
equal time for all
(ed. note)



so nice to come home to (?)

letters to the editor pro-nolde editorial

To the editor:

It is hoped that John Nolde's editorial in the March 6, 1969 issue of *The Maine Campus* is regarded as a challenge by students and faculty alike. Definition of mission is a difficult task but perhaps all the more interesting for that very reason. Such an assignment becomes particularly challenging since it must encompass the expectations of a most diverse population in this particular University at this particular point in time.

Generalizations no matter how noble are not enough. Recently a student stated he knew what he wanted from college, namely and to wit: "the way to a more abundant life." My first reaction to such a statement is a shrug of the shoulders and a quick thought on the superficiality of this particular undergraduate mind. Second thoughts, however, raise the possibility that while this is a trite and glib response it may nonetheless be quite profound. All one need do then is to define his concept of the "more abundant life."

The University of Maine, Orono, is genuinely and deeply interested in establishing for the sake of its own identity and character a sharp definition of its goals and responsibilities, i.e., its mission as a University. This calls for broad participation by all involved in the educational process. I join with Dean Nolde in suggesting that *The Campus* is an excellent medium through which the thinking of staff and students may be aired and in encouraging thoughtful, personal thinking on this point.

Winthrop C. Libby
Acting President

anti-campus editioal

To the editor:

At the risk of seeming out of line by saying anything derogatory about the opinion of a "forthright member of the University family," several "selfish, unclean, near nude, virtuous(?) people, who lack a grain of intelligence," would like to publicly apologize for being stupid enough to attempt to "penalize our fellow dorm residents."

Since we were selfish enough to vote against such a fine parietal policy, thus jeopardizing "the future range of the system," perhaps "a forthright member of the University family" could find some way to eliminate these anti-social elements, thus creating a "clean, unselfish, unvirtuous(?)" social unit, where everyone has a "grain of intelligence."

Odd as it may seem, we were under the impression that it was an individual's right to vote for or against an issue without receiving harassment on his "social, ethical, moral, and hygienic views," from an "unbiased, objective press." Keep up the good work dear editor, and maybe the class of 2000 will be able to look back at that happy occasion in 1969 when the last of the "selfish, stupid, unclean, virtuous(?) people" were eliminated from the "University family."

Peter Chase
Laurie Suda
Howard Cooke

also anti-campus

To the editor:

In response to the *Campus* editorial about the MUAB student art exhibition and the Art Department's not "taking a greater interest" in the exhibit, let me say this is *exactly* the position given the department by students some time ago. For a number of years, the department not only sponsored it but arranged and hung the student show. Then, by student request we were asked to let the students handle the show themselves through MUAB, with no intervention or sponsorship from the department, making this the one exhibit each year open to all students with no jury or approval. The art majors on campus have their own show at another time, but many of them hang in MUAB's open exhibit, too.

As for assistance in acquiring proper space for the student show, MUAB must decide this matter for itself, since our department has no jurisdiction over the use of Memorial Union Building space.

The Art Department IS INTERESTED in the student show, but I fail to see how this would affect the "quality of the growth" of the department, one way or another.

vincent a. hartgen
chairman, department of art

more campus goofs

To the editor:

The March 6th issue of the *Campus* contained an article entitled "Department Heads". Many factual errors were made in this article and consequently wrong impressions were conveyed.

The Faculty Council adopted the "Chairmanship" policy last spring and the Trustees approved Sections I, II, III, and V during their last meeting of the spring semester. Section IV was most controversial and President Young did not present it to the Board. During our meetings this fall an acceptable Section IV was adopted.

The errors contained in the article are as follows:

1. The date of approval is incorrect in his first paragraph.
2. Reference to election of a chairman is contained in the first paragraph and this is incorrect. The chairman is appointed.

3. Paragraph two also refers to election and this is incorrect.

4. The history of the policy's development is confused, but further comment in this letter is not necessary.

5. Later on in the article, the author states: "Professor George Wadlin, the former head of the Department of Civil Engineering was voted out by the power of other department members". The committee consists of three tenured members of the department and the dean appoints two members from related disciplines. This committee is only advisory to the dean and the dean recommends the appointment or can veto the committee's choice.

6. Near the end of the article reference is made that the College of Technology is the only one to put the new policy into practice. This is not correct. I know of two departments in Life Sciences and Agriculture which followed the policy this fall without any apparent difficulty.

7. In the last four paragraphs of the article, several statements are attributed to Dean Hill concerning the dean's responsibility for replacing a chairman. The dean does have the final say. What more can be said!!

It is quite apparent to me that Mr. Haskell did not read the provisions of the "Chairmanship" policy and hence his article is incorrect and biased by his sources of information.

John D. Coupe

listen a little

To the editor:

We of the custodial department, residence and dining halls, and maids are human beings like everyone else. We are looking for a little human dignity and respect. When we talk about a problem we like to be heard like any other employee.

The administration will listen to us and admit their knowledge of this problem; but they do nothing about it. This causes problems with the labor force. As far as wages go, we would like our fair share too. It costs as much for us to live as it does for administrators. And when the administration has to do business with us we would like to be heard—like any other employee. We know these things will not come to pass overnight, but we are hoping and praying they will come soon.

Local 1824
AFSCME AFL/CIO
The Workers Union

what's his aim?

To the editor:

As a recent alumnus of the University of Maine, I am wondering if Dean Rand wants fraternity men to prove that they are mature enough to handle the drinking situation or if this is merely his way of putting the subject on the shelf for another year?

In every state in the U.S. 21-year-olds are considered mature enough to drink. In a few states 18-year-olds are legally mature enough. Why does Dean Rand think he must ask the 21-year-old fraternity men at the University of Maine to prove they can handle drinking when it is already their legal right?

I do not know much about the duties of a dean of fraternities. I would imagine him to be a representative who would work with the fraternities toward achieving all reasonable goals. He would want to improve fraternities and fraternity life in general. However, I've yet to see any of these qualities in any of Dean Rand's actions. On many occasions he seems to show a lack of understanding of and even a disinterest in fraternity men and college students in general. At times I have wondered if he is working with the fraternities or against them. I have also wondered if he would like to improve the fraternity system or abolish it.

Karen Tanguay

"Japanese Curtis LeMay"

To the editor:

This past Sunday afternoon a man of questionable distinction appeared before a specially selected group of faculty and students on our campus under the sponsorship of the history department and the U.S. Department of the Navy. The guest was Minoru Genda, the man who planned the Japanese attack on Pearl Harbor. I could go into many moral and emotional arguments about the sickness or insanity of allowing such a person to be wine and dined across this country (given a few honorary degrees to boot) when he represents the fascist element that we fought a war against.

What really bothers me is the element that made his trip possible is none other than Professor Reynolds of our own history department, and the U.S. Department of Navy, which he happens to be closely connected with.(!) This same man is the core of a group of history faculty who wish to make the department into a "Guns and Boats" (military and maritime history) department, while neglecting the necessity to teach courses such as Black History, Labor History, History of the American Indian, etc.

In response to questioning, Genda of course denied that his visit has anything to do with the coming expiration and perhaps renewal of the Mutual Defense Pact which the U.S. has used as an excuse to build military bases on Japan's soil for the last twenty-four years. Genda also stated that the majority of the Japanese people are against renewing the pact and opposed to his visit to the U.S. He further stated that the only reason he was able to come here is that his Liberal Democratic Party holds the majority in the Diet (congress) and that they were both in favor of his visit and of renewing the pact. I think this says something about the liberal and democratic tendencies of his party.

king's



garbage truck

by Steve King

King's Garbage Truck

There is a Plot afoot.

Just thought you might like to know that. This Plot is being masterminded by the critics (*hiss!*), the professors, by the plain old garden-variety instructors, by film-makers, record-producers, and almost everybody. It's a plot—excuse me, a Plot—to do away with mediocrity.

That's right, friends, you heard me correctly. A Plot to do away with mediocrity! Startling, isn't it? Groggles your mind, doesn't it? Mediocrity-lovers arise! Are you going to let Them take away your copy of *God's Little Acre* and give you *The Hamlet*? Are you going to let Them woo away your Doc Perkins album and force you to listen to Judy Collins? Of course you're not! But you'll have to be careful. They've already given mediocrity a bad name. They're sneaky. You have to watch them all the time.

They started out by telling us that mediocrity means bad, although the dictionary tells us it really means just sort of so-so. They make cracks about "second-class material", but have you ever seen third-class material? Or fourth? That stuff's not mediocre. It's downright *horrible*! And let's just remember that number two has a reputation for trying harder.

In view of this grave emergency, I am hereby taking it upon myself to declare National Mediocrity Week. I hope you will all do your part to help give mediocrity a good name.

First of all, go see a mediocre movie. There's a good one at the Bangor Cinema this week. It's called *Born Wild*, from American-International, those fun-loving guys that brought you *Attack of the Giant Leeches*, *Dementia 13*, and *The Young Animals*.

This particular movie is pretty good, and surprisingly topical. A-I, who can usually be counted upon to supply a nice helping of vulgarity, has produced a tasteful dramatization of Mexican-American racial tensions in southern California. The plot revolves around a walkout of Mexicans from a small high school, a walkout that will remain in effect until they are assured representation in the student council and an end to undue school punishment. There is one horribly realistic scene in which helmeted cops bundle about forty peaceful picketers into a police van and haul them away—it brings back uncomfortable memories of Chicago. It's a pretty good movie. Although it stumbles through a number of needlessly violent scenes in typical American-International fashion, it approaches the problem with a refreshingly honest eye.

Now that you've struck a blow for mediocrity and have seen how easy it is, why don't you drop into Viner's and pick up a mediocre record? You might try Tammy Wynette's new album, *Stand By Your Man* (Columbia). Miss Wynette won a Grammy last year for her soulful rendition of *I Don't Wanna Play House*, and has produced other gems such as *D-I-V-O-R-C-E* and *You Can't Buy Me*. She's got a gritty voice, and the arrangements on the album avoid all the country stereotypes—dobro guitars, fiddles, electric jew's-harp, etc. If you have even a nodding acquaintance with country music, go get it. You'll like it. You'll probably hate yourself, but you'll like it.

You're doing great. Now that your mind is hopelessly rotted, you're ready for the final step. Go into Mr. Paperback and pick up a mediocre novel. You might try *Boys and Girls Together*, by William Goldman (Bantam, \$1.25). It's one of those sprawling novels that you can't put down until you've reached the final couple of pages. It's got a lot of sprawl—some 690 pages worth. Goldman has an interesting kind of junkheap style, full of fragments, dangling participles, and sex. It's sort of an upper-class *Carpetbaggers*; read it while you're playing your Tammy Wynette album.

Help make National Mediocrity Week a success. If worse comes to worst, you can always go to an SDS meeting.

On the other hand the military, and therefore the government, of this country has used Japan as a valuable launching pad for aggression in Viet Nam, Laos and other Southeast Asian countries. Perhaps flaunting the "reformed sinner" Genda in our faces is just one of a bag of tricks the government has in store for us. (Another example is the battleship *Rommel* we just built for Germany).

Meanwhile Guns and Boats Reynolds of the history department will chuckle and joke about how he toured the country with "Japan's Curtis LeMay". I hope he chokes on it!

Geoffrey L. Sullivan

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Security head Tynan

begins orientation

by Jeff Strout

A 39 year old East Northport, New York, man has been chosen head of the campus Security Department. The new man, William S. Tynan Jr. was chosen by a committee made up of various members of other departments on campus such as Grounds and Services, Personnel, Physical Plant, and the Dean of Men's Office.

The younger man was chosen from answers to advertisements placed in police journals. When asked why Tynan was chosen, Roscoe Clifford, Superintendent of Grounds and Services, said the University needs a man who can understand the growing problems faced on campuses around the country today. Clifford thought Tynan could understand students, and be a good man of good potential for administering to the needs to the 23 members of the security staff. "He is someone who will talk with the Deans and the students."

Tynan served in the Navy as a Petty Officer.

He also served on the Ship and Shore Patrol.

Tynan's latest job was with the Suffox County District Attorney as an investigator and detective. He served in this capacity from Feb. 1968 to the present. Before this he worked for three years as a plain-clothesman and criminal investigator for the Suffox County Police Department. Prior to his work as a plain-clothesman he was a patrol man for the Lloyd Harbor Police Department for three and a half years.

Tynan has done some work for police bulletins and he was a public speaker for the Suffox County District Attorney's Office.

Tynan is married and has no children. His wife, Gerlinde, is a native of Germany. The Tynans will be arriving here on March 17 so that Tynan can start his orientation with Steve Gould, the retiring head of the security. Steve and Tynan will work together until July 1 when Steve will retire.



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IFC

by Jim Mann

Can fraternity housing?

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IFC asks

by Jim Mann

Can fraternity houses be considered off-campus housing?

This is the question being asked by the Interfraternity (IFC) Committee to Legalize Drinking in the Fraternity System. It is the committee's belief that brothers of legal age may be permitted to drink in the houses if the committee can prove "off-campus" status for the fraternity houses.

The committee, headed by Harry Miller (Sig Ep) is divided into two subcommittees. One headed by Bob Soulas (Phi Eta) is trying to establish the correct status of the houses. The other, directed by Bob Baldwin (TKE) is concerned with formulating a general IFC "drinking code".

Question over the exact "on" or "off" position of the houses arises from the university regulation which says "The possession or use of intoxicating beverages is prohibited on the University of Maine campus and at all University functions whether held on or off campus." If fraternity houses are considered off-campus housing units they would probably be subject only to the "function" clause and the general state of Maine liquor laws.

Miller, in a telephone interview, cited that fraternities pay taxes to the Town of Orono, own and run their own houses, and lease their land from the university. He believes that such autonomy establishes the houses as off-campus living units.

With regard to a future IFC "drinking code", Miller said it would be adopted by all houses and would be designed to protect the brothers by prohibiting such functions as lawn parties, where brothers would be drinking next to a main thoroughfare. He emphasized that the IFC would not be a policeman and that enforcement would be up to the individual houses.

fraternities-on or off?

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According to Miller the committee will submit a report by the end of March to the Student Life Committee, which will then make recommendations to the president.

This is the latest action taken by the committee which formed just before Christmas. Its first action was securing 100 per cent participation in the Winter Carnival snow sculpturing contest in which the fraternities followed the theme, "Would you believe..... legalized drinking in the fraternity system?"

If fraternities cannot secure drinking privileges, their only recourse will be to work for a change in the on-campus drinking regulations. This is an area currently being explored by the Senate A.C.T.I.O.N. committee (Action Committee to Implement Our Needs).

In an interview Friday with reporter Dan Everett, Acting President Libby said a change in the on-campus drinking regulations can come about only when there is both student and faculty sentiment for a change.

"And frankly," he said, "I doubt if there is adequate sentiment for a change at this time."

However, if the present rules are to be retained, Libby believes they should be enforced, and he stressed that student support is essential for effective enforcement.

"The regulations are there," he said. "And I don't like the idea of winking at regulations."

But Libby added, "If we find the rules cannot be enforced, then they should be thoughtfully re-evaluated."

Everybody's doin' it



by Jane Durrance

The "Federation" will provide the music Saturday night at Sigma Alpha Epsilon's "Come as you wish you were" party.

The foreign students on campus will be entertained at Delta Zeta's annual Foreign Students Affair on Wednesday, March 19.

The new officers of Delta Delta Delta are: President Sally Devereux, Efficiency Chairman Jane Survant, Recording Secretary Linda Pellicani, Chaplain Nancy Boyle, Marshal Peg Sawyer, and Corresponding Secretary Cheryl Richards.

Sigma Alpha Epsilon is pleased to announce its new brothers: Rusty Willette, Sam Sirois, Bob Taylor, Dave Tetreau, Ron Butler, and Mark Whittaker.

Alpha Phi Omega would like to announce that it has initiated Michael Violette. A Phi O's new officers are: President Elliot Farnsworth, Service Vice President Richard Harlow, Membership Vice-President Bruce Mailloux, Social Vice President Glen Turner, Treasurer David Lennox, Corresponding Secretary Gregory Dana, Recording Secretary Robert Magee, Historian, Joseph Wunderle, Advisory Chairman, Robert Smullin, Sergeant at Arms, Brian Gooley, and Publicity Director, Kenneth Landry.

Congratulations to couples recently pinned: Betsy Perry, Delta Delta Delta, pinned to Ron Adams, Alpha Gamma Rho; Luana Johnson, Delta Zeta, pinned to John Dugan, Phi Eta Kappa; Christine Locke, Alpha Delta Pi, pinned to Alfons Marczynski, Class of 1968 (U.S. Navy); Joyce Breton, Univ. of Conn., pinned to Ralph Barr Parker III, Beta Theta Pi.

SDS suspends grape picket

by Judy White

The SDS voted in their meeting last week to suspend picketing of the Shop and Save supermarkets and to try to gain more active community support in their efforts to support the Grape Strike.

Iskra, the inter-chapter newsletter stated, "we felt that the publicity so far has been successful, but that an informational picket line of just students has done as much as it can. The priority of the work now would be to get out more information to the community from non-SDS sources."

SDS members have been meeting with various church and labor groups in an effort to elicit active support from them, and they have been continuing to approach supermarket managers asking them to take California table grapes from their shelves.

There was a meeting March 2 of the Maine Grape Strike Coordinating Committee. There were representatives from the N.A.A.C.P., the Methodist Church, the Fire Fighters Union, The Postal Workers Union, the Central Labor Council, and an organizer from the New England AFL-CIO. SDS was represented by Tony Kaliss, Bill Donahue, and Larry Moskowitz.

Iskra said, "The committee agreed that more publicity, both in our own organizations and in the community was necessary. A number of suggestions on how to proceed were made and a steering committee was chosen."

The steering committee is composed of three union people, two persons from the N.A.A.C.P., two from SDS, and three church representatives.

The committee met last Thursday to choose a course of action. Plans were made to get members of the committee on local radio phone talk shows. Press releases will be made through A&P in Portland as the "Bangor Daily News won't publish Grape Strike stuff as it's connected with SDS," according to the newsletter.

Once again supermarkets will be approached by Grape Strike people, this time by union delegates rather than SDS, and the owners will be asked to observe the boycott.

Once definite replies have been received from the markets, the committee plans to place advertisements in newspapers to the effect that the community should shop at stores observing the boycott and allying themselves with labor.

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Intramural Fraternity Basketball Championship
Kappa Sigma 48, Phi Kappa Sigma 45

Calendar

March 15:

Varsity Rifle at Nasson (9:00)
Varsity Track hosts New Hampshire (1:00)
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Intramural Wrestling Mem Gym Finals (2:00)

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Riflemen lack competition

by Ken Wieder

UM sharpshooters won last Saturday's match against Nasson College by a score of 1303 to 1251. This was the thirty-second consecutive dual competition win for the UM shooters in five years.

Ten shooters from each team compete in a collegiate rifle match. However, only the five highest scores are added together for the team score.

Top man for Maine was Walt O'Connell with a score of 266. Mark Faulk followed with a score of 260. The other top men for Maine were Gordon Ricker, Don Flaig and Charles Smart each with a score of 259.

According to UM coach, Sgt. Gerald Mitchell,

"the team did not do as well as I had hoped." Mitchell said that a possible reason for Maine's low score is a lack of competition in the area. However, Sgt. Mitchell feels that both Nasson and Husson College should provide more competition in the future.

UM will compete at Nasson in the National Rifle Association Conventional-Sectional meet this Saturday. Last year, Norwich, Nasson, the U.S. Coast Guard Academy, Massachusetts Institute of Technology and Boston College competed in the match. Sgt. Mitchell thinks these teams should provide the competition needed to prepare his marksmen for the New England College Rifle League Finals held in April.

Maine harriers

garner six victories

by Tom Keating

The University of Maine indoor track team was well represented by grabbing six first places at the Maine Amateur Athletic Union meet last Saturday at Bowdoin College. The annual track meet pitted the area's finest college, athletic club and unattached athletes in hotly contested track and field events.

In the long distance running events, Maine miler Steve Turner finished first with a 4:31 mile, while teammate Verne Bouvie followed with a third place.

The 1000 yard run saw Al McGann of the Greater Portland Athletic Club edge out Maine's Jim Good with a 2:27 time, as a second Maine competitor, Tom Harris finished fourth.

In a close 600-yard race, Bowdoin's Peter Hardy crossed the finish line just four-tenths of a second earlier than Maine's Bernie Keenan.

In the shorter running events, freshman Glen Alsop sprinted to a 5.6 first place in the 45-yard low hurdles, then returned to secure a second place in the 40-yard dash. In the same contest, another Maine freshman, Bill Swadel, captured a third.

Maine speedster Bob Witham could land only a second place in the 45-yard high hurdles, as Bowdoin's John Roberts tied a meet record in 5.9 seconds. Witham also placed third in the 45-yard low hurdles.

In the weight events Maine's Charlie Hews, still recuperating from a shoulder injury, tossed the shot put 49' 6" for a first place, while Maine's Bill Moulton followed in third place with a 45' 9" fling. Maine concluded its winning in the weight events as Sid Gates finished second in the 35 lb. weight throw with a 49' 8" hurl.

Freshman Jeff Wyman, who has dominated freshman jumping events all season, had no trouble clearing six feet for first place in the high jump event. Teammate Glen Alsop took a third and another Maine jumper, George Vanidestine, landed in second place.

Long jumper Elwood Bahn capped the Maine scoring with a 21' 3" plunge while Bill Swadel (M) leaped into the fourth place spot.

The UM Varsity Trackmen will finish out their indoor season Saturday with a meet against UNH.

In freshman activity March 5 the Bear Cubs, paced by Jeff Wyman, trounced Portland High School 73-22.

Wyman won the high jump with an impressive 6' 1" bound, captured the pole vault with a 12' vault, took a third in the long jump, and ran on the winning relay team.

Another multiple Maine finisher, Chris Bouvie, hustled to a 4:29 first place in the mile and in the two-mile secured the number one spot with a 10:25 effort.

In a second freshman meet Monday night against a highly regarded Deering High School team, the Cub trackmen coasted to a 69-35 victory.

As expected, Wyman again captured easy wins in the high jump, pole vault and took a third place in the long jump. In the important mile event, Maine's Chris Bouvie outlegged Deering's John Flanders who is rated to be the state's top miler.

Maine's tracksters now have one meet left on Saturday until the spring season opener on April 26.

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Skiers win state crown

by Pam Murphy

The Maine ski team has waited all year to win a meet. The long wait finally paid off last Saturday when the Bears squeaked by defending champions, the Colby Mules, and captured the 1969 Intercollegiate Ski Championship title by two-tenths of a point.

In the jumping event, which has been Maine's biggest weakness all year, the Bears got the boost they needed to dethrone the Mules when Bob Remington, a sophomore, tallied 121.6 points in the jumping and came in third behind Smith of Colby and Fendler of Bowdoin.

Team members Gary Ackendorf and Jim Nesbitt placed sixth and seventh, respectively, to give Maine a second place in the entire jumping event, only four points behind Colby. Colby, a team which has beaten Maine three times consecutively, has picked up as many as 20 points in the jumping events earlier this season.

In cross country, sophomore Dave Carter of Maine was only fourteen seconds behind Colby's ace runner, Rusty McPherson. Carter covered the nine-mile course in less than 52 minutes.

Darrell Quimby, a junior, also figured decisively in the event by placing fourth in the field of twenty. Sophomore Dave Whiting placed seventh in the cross country which gave Maine the extra points needed to garner first place in the event.

Maine won the two-run slalom event with a team score of 98.3. Bowdoin was second with 96.1, Colby third with 94.0, and Bates fourth with 91.8.

Sophomore Rich Garrett, individual winner, led the Bears in the event with a combined score of 73.0. Second was Haywood of Bowdoin with 73.2.

Maine captain Bob Hatch and team member Gary Ackendorf finished fourth and fifth respectively to clinch the event for Maine.

In the giant slalom Maine placed second, trailing Colby by less than one point. Colby's Pete Smith won the event while Rich Garrett and Gary Ackendorf of Maine placed second and third. Senior Jim Nesbitt placed ninth to give Maine a close second in the event.



Dave Carter, UM sophomore and cross-country specialist for the Bears, gets in some practice time.

Intramural wrestling

A total of 25 men from five fraternities—Kappa Sigma, Phi Eta Kappa, Phi Mu Delta, Sigma Chi, and Sigma Phi Epsilon, and two dorms—Dunn and Corbett, will vie for top honors in their individual weight classes in Saturday's Intramural Wrestling match held in the Memorial Gym.

Eliminations will start at 9 a.m. with final competition at 2 p.m. Coach Ian MacKinnon says that this year's group is advanced over previous ones due to the efforts of Dave Woodsome, captain of the UM wrestling team, who assisted in coaching the new contenders.

Extra incentive is present for all fraternity men. Five points are awarded toward the all points trophy for each registered man that is present for the competition and five additional points for a victory in their weight class. There will also be a plaque awarded for the fraternity and dormitory with the greatest number of points.

Anyone interested in watching the eliminations or the finals are invited to the gym this Saturday.

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A REPORT TO THE PRESIDENT FROM THE PRESIDENT'S ADVISORY GROUP ON STUDENT SERVICES

INTRODUCTION

* Members of the Advisory Group interviewed most of the people involved in Student Services; requested and received much advice from a wide spectrum of campus opinion; and studied many organizational structures of other institutions.

One thing was clear at the outset: Student Services is now staffed at all levels by competent professionals. However, the organization, which has deep historical roots, needs reworking to make it more effective in dealing with contemporary and future problems.

This proposal has essentially three innovations:

1. A clear track for the guidance and counseling functions,
 2. A mechanism to tie academic programs to Student Services, and
 3. A mechanism whereby articulate student opinion can reach University Administration.
- I. A clear track for the guidance and counseling functions
- A. The Dean of Students should have appropriate experience and academic credentials. His main concern: all aspects of student advising (other than academic advising) and counseling. To implement the central function of his office the Advisory Group recommends:
1. The establishment of a Social Affairs Coordinator—this will: a) free the dean's office of much detail, b) work toward a social calendar with more balance and, c) aid students in the mechanisms of social affairs.
 2. The transfer of Counseling and Testing from the Vice President for Academic Affairs to the Dean of Students.
 3. The transfer of Housing from the Vice President for Finance to the Dean of Students. A tie will continue to the Vice President for Finance in order to assure the orderly amortization of the bonded debt of the housing system.
- B. In order that the advising and counseling function permeate the total structure, student services such as Health, Placement, etc. are shown reporting to the Dean of Students. On the other hand the administration of these areas should not be the day to day responsibility of the Dean of Students. A Coordinator of Student Services in the Dean's Office should handle this administrative detail.
- C. Within the general limits specified above, the Dean of Students should structure the operation as he sees appropriate.
- D. The Memorial Union presents a special case—policy determination is through an Activities Board, but the presence of the Director on the Staff of the Dean of Students is an important link in the total program.
- E. Under no circumstances⁽¹⁾ should he (the Dean of Students) and the Associate Deans accept an advising role for student groups.

II. The mechanism to tie academic programs to Student Services

A committee on Student Affairs will be constituted as follows:

A. Composition:

Three male students, three female students, three faculty members, three administrators, the Dean of Students as a non voting ex officio member, and a chairman. (See C)

B. Appointment:

Students—elected by General Student Senate Faculty—through Faculty Council Administrative Members—appointed by President

- (1) A minority of the Advisory Group felt that this statement was too strong.

C. Chairman:

The Chairman of this committee would be a mature scholar (perhaps a faculty member on leave, a post doc in Psychology, a retired professor, etc.) hired by and responsible to the General Student Senate. He would have appropriate academic credentials and would have faculty status. His chairmanship of this committee would be incidental to his general responsibility as an "honest broker" articulating the academic program of the University with certain student concerns. His direct access to both the Dean of Students and the faculty would be crucial.

D. Duties:

The committee would be concerned with student affairs; it would advise the Dean of Students on a wide variety of policy matters in areas not specifically delineated by the Board of Trustees in such publications as the Student Handbook, the University Catalog, and the Disciplinary Code. The Committee would also accept the role of suggesting revised procedures for presentation through the Dean of Students to the President and the Board of Trustees. As expanded student services are suggested, the committee should aid the Dean of Students in establishing priorities. The committee should play a central and vital role in the selection of the newly created post of the Dean of Students.

Among the areas⁽²⁾ with which this committee could be concerned are the following:

1. University-fraternity relations
2. Policy on licensing salesmen
3. Dorm counseling
4. Role of religion
5. Policy on content and disposition of information in student files
6. Etc.

In the event that the committee feels its advice and recommendations to the Dean of Students is not being given proper attention, the committee has the duty to report this feeling to the University President.⁽³⁾

III. A method whereby articulate student opinion can reach University Administration

A. The instrument to channel student opinion is the Committee on Student Affairs and its functions are outlined above. The Advisory Group also sees a future network of student committees for each student service (student aid, health, etc.) that would serve as a sensitive communication link between students and administration.

B. The importance of the Chairman of the Committee on Student Affairs cannot be over-emphasized. No student during his four years at the University of Maine can hope to master the bureaucratic structure of an institution as complex as ours. Interaction between student and faculty members on the Study Group gave evidence that on numerous occasions students do have constructive contributions or legitimate grievances. Such incidents, unless given immediate attention, tend to develop into crises. It is the strong opinion of the Advisory Group that such instances could be identified and acted upon immediately and effectively by a competent committee chairman. A skilled adult, as Committee Chairman, fully cognizant of how to get things done, will prove to be an indispensable asset toward the meeting of daily questions, thus averting the deplorable confrontations that have brought education to a standstill at many of our sister universities.

C. The implementation of this program needs the full cooperation of the Dean of Students. He will attend the weekly "Deans Meeting" and work closely with the academic system in other connections. The Dean will be able to present on such occasions first hand information on priorities from a student's point of view.

IV. Conclusion:

The Advisory Group has been guided by the increasing level of student awareness and maturity. Thus, it is clear that students must play an integral part in shaping the total environment of the University of Maine. The need to adopt the type of mechanisms proposed in this report is vital if a liberal, clear-sighted program of student services is to be assured both for the present and for an expanding university.

- (2) The Advisory Group does not intend here to single out trouble spots—only delineate typical concerns.
- (3) A minority of the Advisory Group disagreed with this statement.

March 4, 1969

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