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Survey report proposes Super-U campus cuts

The long-awaited cost-cutting report by the Maine Management and Cost Survey Commission (MMCSC) released last week recommended over 60 major changes in the Super-U.

Many of the proposal changes point toward a gradual dismantling of the Super U. system itself.

The Maine Management and Cost Survey Commission, group of 46 businessmen, was appointed by Governor Kenneth Curtis to make an in-depth survey of state government to determine where substantial money could be saved.

The MMCSC came up with over 800 recommendations which, if implemented, could save the state \$29 million annually, over \$1.2 million concerns the way the Super-U is run.

For the project, leading business and professional men in the state donated their time and \$106,000 for the project and 22,000 man-hours were devoted by the 42 members of the study team.

The section of the report dealing with the University of Maine system indicated a great deal of "fat" could be trimmed from university operation.

Among the major changes proposed was the terse recommendation that the University of Maine Bangor campus be closed. The report stated, "The Bangor Campus was acquired to supplement

Orono's accommodations when enrollments were projected to increase dramatically. There is substantial duplication of facilities and administrative staff at both campuses...closing of the Bangor campus would generate an annual savings of approximately \$628,000 by eliminating duplicate expenditures."

Director of the Bangor Campus Dr. Constance Carlson refused to comment on the impact the report will have on UMB. The campus has been viewed as a temporary institution and a new community college is planned for Bangor.

The report also criticized administrative control of the Super-U and the role played by Chancellor Donald R. McNeil. Administrative control of the university is weak because the office in Portland is too distant for the Chancellor to provide centralized leadership.

The report also hit the Chancellor's office for "...not aggressively pursuing assistance to the various campuses in the development of administrative computer applications."

The report also criticized the effect the present Super-U system has on academic standards. "Operation of six baccalaureate degree-granting campuses would appear to be weakening the university's overall [continued on page 2]



Extraction...

SCUBA DIVERS guide to shore the car belonging to Dr. Vernon Tozer by hooking lines to it through 20 feet of water. See story on page 4.

Phone service comes tough for off-campus students

By Jack Bell

Some off-campus students will pay over \$100 in deposits and service charges for the privilege and convenience of staying in their apartments to use a telephone.

The New England Telephone Co. (NET) requires, "in some cases," a deposit of \$35 per person in an apartment for the use of one telephone, depending on a variety of factors, according to NET supervisor Robert Lakey of Bangor.

Ostensibly, the deposit is required of new accounts, or so most students hear from the NET representative when they contact them for a phone. But Lakey said that the deposit may be required of an individual for a combination of reasons, not

the least of which is being a student and unemployed.

"We have no real set policy, but credit standings and employment have a lot to do with it, as well as being a new account," Lakey explained.

Students sharing an apartment are usually charged \$35 each. Lakey defends this practice by pointing out that a small percentage of students will leave the area and hand the bill over to their former roommates, who in turn will refuse to pay it.

"What we do is take a deposit of \$35 from each occupant and figure on at least two months for an average bill. For example, if three people are in an apartment, we require a \$105 deposit, and if we find that their average monthly bill is \$25, we refund \$55 of the deposit after that time, and keep a two month deposit as security for a longer time Lakey explained.

According to a spokeswoman for the Pine Tree Legal Service in Bangor, requiring a deposit from a student because he is a student is legal.

"There isn't a question of discrimination until a specific law has been passed against a practice," she pointed out. "If a deposit was required because of your religion, race or sex, you'd have something, but there is nothing that says they (NET) cannot require a deposit because you are unemployed or a student," she concluded.

There are ways, however, for students to avoid paying such a high deposit, or any deposit at all.

Lakey conceded the representatives of NET that take orders for phones are only authorized to waive deposits in the most obvious cases, and a student would probably have to talk to a superior before he could have any chance of avoiding a parting of \$35.

In some cases, a student's phone will serve as a replacement for the deposit, if his parents agree to sign for their child's phone responsibilities.

This practice, however, appears to be hazy since one student living in Old Town was asked his home address and phone number, but was still required to pay the deposit.

Election results:
back cover

DLS schedules war captives

Former Pueblo Commander Lloyd Bucher and two former POWs of the Viet Nam war will relate their military experiences on Sept. 25, as the first speakers of the Distinguished Lecture Series this year.

Bucher, commander of the USS Pueblo, was taken prisoner by North Korea following his ship's capture in January, 1968. The POWs are Navy Lt. Steven Ridloff of Woonsocket, Rhode Island, a prisoner of the North Vietnamese from May, 1972, to February, 1973, and Sgt.

First Class Donald Rander of Baltimore, Maryland, who was captured February 1, 1968, during the Communist Tet Offensive, and who also was released in 1973.

The three men, according to DLS Chairman Jeff Hollingsworth, are expected to relate their experiences while in captivity, their reactions to the cease-fire and their release, and will field questions from the audience.

The program is open to the public at no charge, and will begin at 7:30 p.m. in the Hauck Auditorium on the Orono campus.

Dorm triples increase fifty per cent

by Jan Hill

The squeeze is on in the dorms as the number of triple-resident dormitory rooms has more than doubled over last year.

According to H. Ross Moriarity, director of Residential Life and Dining Halls, the number of tripled-up residents has increased from 125 a year ago to 300 this year. Last year an additional 150 students were forced to accept housing at UMB.

Moriarity claims the tripling problem has been compounded this. "Last year, the housing committee decided the housing of undergraduates at Bangor was undesirable, that tripling was better than forcing students to commute."

Student reaction to commuting from UMB has been an almost universal "no." Terming the tripled-up students "extras," Moriarity says his office "tried to spread it (the overcrowding) out," but

certain dormitories like Cumberland "don't lend themselves to tripling, so most of the tripling in that complex is in Gannett."

"Squatters rights," the unwritten dorm rule which permits upperclassmen to have year to year claim on a particular room, also have complicated the housing officials' attempt at even distribution.

But the increase in tripling this year has taken its heaviest toll on freshmen males. The Housing Office estimates the number of freshmen men in the dorms this fall at 925. Residential Life says 900 students are involved in the overcrowding, adding that tripling is "almost all male."

The housing committee, which consists of six students and three administrators, "will have to consider the fact that again this year we have a great deal of overcrowding in men's dormitories and very little in women's dormitories," Moriarity said. He indicated the committee may consider converting a women's dorm into a men's dorm.

Friday was the first day of "breakdown," during which the Residential Life Office attempted to find vacancies for some of the tripled-up students.

Alex Tredinnick, head resident of Somerset Hall, said all students except 12 assigned rooms in his dorm arrived, so he had very few vacancies to fill. Tredinnick said he did not think tripling has an adverse effect on students. "I think you'll find more people getting along really well in triples than those having problems," he remarked, attributing the situation to Hilltop's lifestyle.

But student reactions vary from a resigned, "You have to get along, what [continued on page 4]



Squeeze... An unusually high increase in enrollment has forced many freshmen to live in three's in over-crowded rooms such as this. Personal conflicts between triples' roommates has caused some serious affects on their academic performance.

Campus roundup

Groups forming

The Counseling Center will sponsor a new psychological service to UMO students entitled "Personal Growth Groups," according to Russell A. Whitman, counselor.

Whitman says the groups will offer students a chance to learn more about themselves and are similar to a "T" group or a sensitivity group. Stress is placed on the student recognizing and articulating his feelings, says Whitman, adding that learning to listen is also emphasized.

The Counseling Center will sponsor a

number of groups this semester. Each group will be composed of ten members with an equal number of men and women members, and one or two leaders from the Center. Group meetings will be once a week for approximately two hours, every week of the semester.

The groups will be opened to students on a first-come-first-serve basis. Sign up sheets are available at the Counseling Center, 101 Fernald Hall. Applications will be taken beginning Tuesday, Sept. 19 until Friday Sept. 28.

Holiday services

The observance of Rosh Hashona, the Jewish New Year, begins at sunset Wednesday, September 26. An evening

service will be held at 6:30, at Temple Israel, Center Street, Old Town.

The start of the year 5734 marks the Day of Judgment for Jews everywhere. The High Holy Days will continue until Yom Kippur, the Day of Atonement, on Saturday, October 6.

Special services at Temple Israel are as follows:

Wednesday, September 26, Evening Service 6:30; Thursday, September 27, Morning Service 9:00, Evening Service 6:30; Friday, September 28, Morning Service 9:00, Evening Service 6:30.

University of Maine Students, faculty and visitors in the area are invited to attend all services.

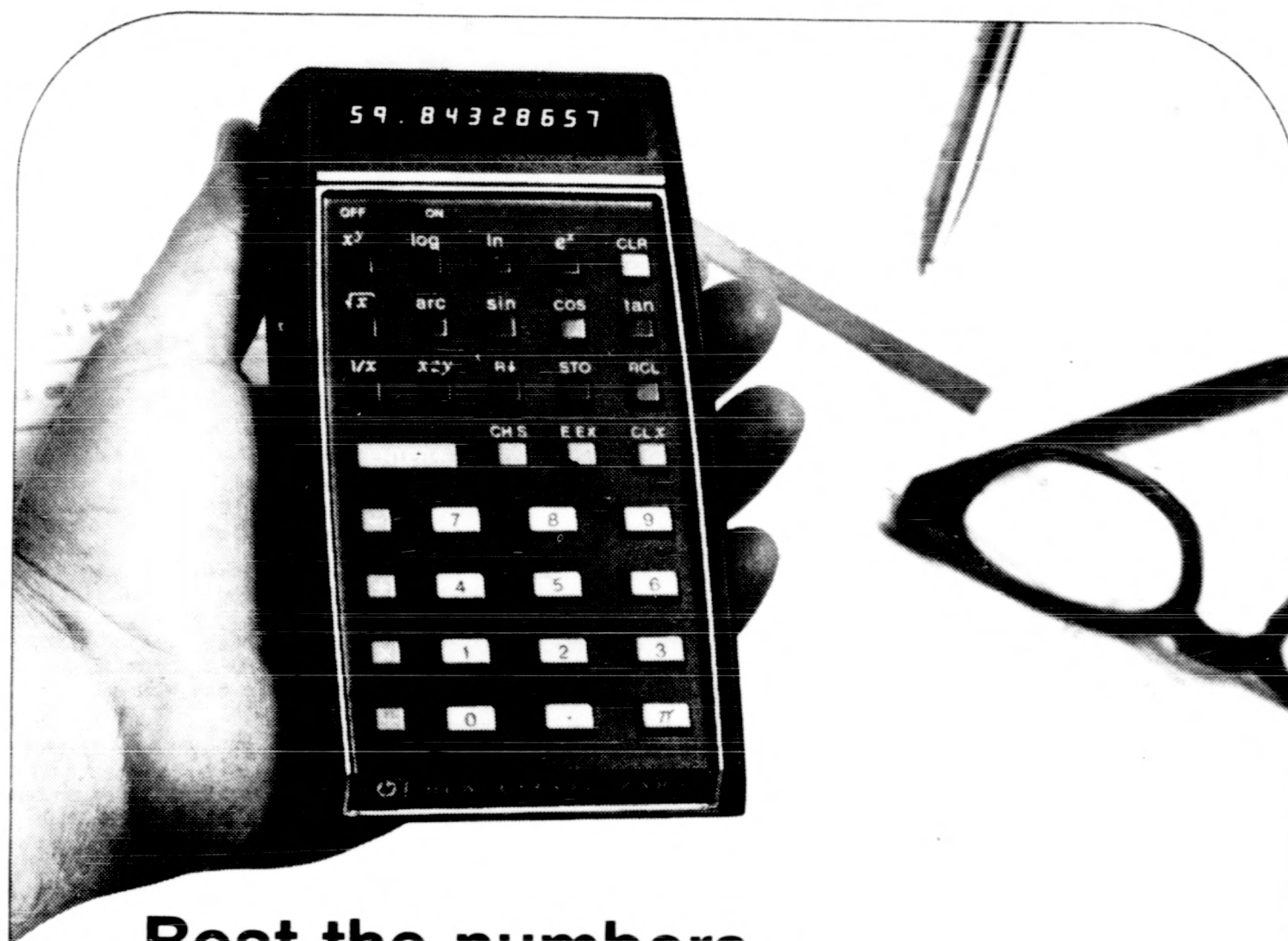
Anyone needing transportation to the services should contact Rachel Karpen in 303 Knox Hall; phone 581-7507.

Prof is Gy. bound

A University of Maine at Orono forest resources professor, Dr. Harold E. Young, will be in Germany Sept. 22 to Oct. 6 as the guest of the German National Committee for the International Biological Program (IBP).

Dr. Young will act as liaison between IBP's woodlands working group, which is conducting a workshop on data analysis and synthesis, and the working party on forest biomass of the International Union of Forest Research Organizations (IUFRO).

The UMO professor is chairman of the working party on forest biomass of IUFRO's section on mensuration, growth and yield. This group met in Nancy, France, this June and in Vancouver, B.C., in August.



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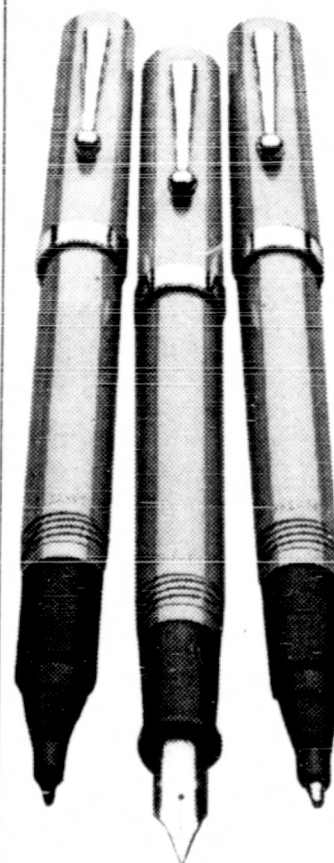
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by Margaret

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Hitchhiker pick-up zones offer end to commuter woes

by Margaret Feeney

Hitchhiking is illegal in Maine but proposed pick-up zones may provide one solution to the transportation problems of commuting students.

The present law prohibits soliciting a ride in a vehicle not engaged in public transportation, unless the person knows the driver of the vehicle.

Although a bill to repeal the hitchhiking statute passed the state House of Representatives on four occasions, once by a favorable two-to-one margin, it failed repeatedly in the Senate, although only by two votes during one session. Plans to reintroduce the bill sponsored by Rep.

Frank Murray, D-Bangor, have been delayed this year because the special legislative session in January will consider only emergency measures.

Meanwhile, students and administrators are investigating the possibility of setting up designated pick-up zones for students hitchhiking to school from downtown.

Dr. Arthur Kaplan, dean of Student Affairs called it a "town and gown" effort between the university and Orono townspeople to make some arrangement for hiking. "The hike from downtown Orono to campus is the commuters' biggest problem," Kaplan said.

An earlier attempt this spring to select sites bogged down when the most convenient locations for pick-up spots were found unsafe or interrupted the Main Street flow of traffic, Kaplan explained.

An Orono policeman told Kaplan they already had pile-ups caused by drivers who stopped for hitchhikers at the foot of the bridge. Another suggested stopping zone in front of the former Nichols' Drug Store was also declared unsafe. Locating the pick-up zone further away from downtown Orono is impractical, Kaplan said.

At its end-of-the-month meeting, the Advisory Committee on Student Affairs will discuss pick-up zones and recommend a student committee to investigate possibilities.

Rep. Murray, who also introduced a bill to allow a pub on campus, pointed out that pick-up spots will only work in congested areas of population. He said stations in rural areas are impractical since "you'd have to walk three miles one-way to a station to get a ride five miles back."

One college community experimenting with hitchhikers' stations is Amherst, Mass., home of the University of Massachusetts. The community set up a "courtesy pick-up zone" to serve Hampshire and Mount Holyoke college. The station came as a result of the town's Citizens Advisory Committee on Hitchhiking and its recommendations to selectmen last spring. The Committee's matter-of-fact decision was "Hitchhiking is a way of life in Amherst, and it is here to stay." The courtesy pick-up plan is intended to decrease potential driving hazards caused by hitchhiking.



"Colored Rain" performs in last Sunday's free concert in the open air.

Empty automobile takes plunge in Stillwater River

An automobile parked behind SAE fraternity was reported missing to campus police at approximately 10:30 p.m. Friday and turned up, or down, in the Stillwater River.

According to police, the vehicle, owned by Vernon Tozer of Orono, rolled down the embankment behind the fraternity house into the river, and was swept approximately 75 yards, coming to rest 30 yards off shore submerged in 20 feet of water.

Scuba divers were called to the scene to determine if the car was occupied, and they returned the next day to help bring the vehicle to shore.

Police said the vehicle had a shattered windshield and a damaged roof.

Police reported an attempted break at the Student Health Center's pharmacy on Sept. 8. Apparently an unknown number of persons entered the Health Center through an unlocked door and took a key from the attendant's desk.

Police said entrance was gained to the pharmacy section but no narcotics were reported missing. The intruders are believed to have escaped through a side door.

Tripling beats traveling

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else can you do." to an angry, "As soon as one of my roommates leaves on vacation, I'm going to throw out all his shit and lock the door."

The amount of space in rooms varies almost as much as student reaction. A triple in Somerset had three beds, extra furniture, and some floor space left over, while a triple in Corbett held two desks, a small trunk, one single bed and a bunkbed, and was crowded.

Tripling leads to other problems, too. Mike Gross, resident assistant (RA) for second floor York, thinks tripling can lead to numerous troubles.

"There's more noise in the rooms. The university has sort of deleted social space with three in a room," Gross observed. "We have more people in the hallway, the lounge, or just wandering around. I get asked, 'Where can I go study?'"

Gross also claimed that tripled-up students face personal conflicts. "You don't have an identity. You don't have a room of your own. Two people can work things out, but it's a lot harder for three."

"Kids are going to begin dropping out

after one-and-a-half months," Gross predicted. "The university doesn't usually flunk people out, but the grapevine says it's going to have to start. And the kids who are going to flunk out are going to be the tripled freshmen," he said, warning that the RA's are cracking down on poor academic performances this year.

But the problem will remain unresolved this year, although Moriarity thinks the housing committee may solve the problem of overcrowding in the future. At this point, however, Moriarity laments, "I couldn't tell a kid he can't come to school because he didn't have a bed."

Prexy halts move

President Howard R. Neville has decided to temporarily postpone moving the Admissions Office from Alumni Hall to East Annex.

In a statement released to the UMO press last Friday, Neville said he decided to postpone the move after consulting his vice presidents. He attributed the decision directly to a Campus editorial (Sept. 7) which argued against the move.

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Dean screening committees await green light

by Jeff Beebe

Two Standing Appointments Committees are awaiting a signal from UMO President Howard R. Neville to resume the screening and interviewing process that will result in the naming of permanent deans for the Colleges of Arts and Sciences and Education.

Dr. James G. Clark, vice president of academic affairs, the non-voting chairman of both committees, said the committees were put in suspended animation during July by former President Winthrop C. Libby when it was apparent they would not come up with candidates prior to the expiration of his term.

Libby appointed Dr. Kenneth W. Allen, former chairman of the zoology department, to replace Dr. John J. Nolde in A&S, and named Dr. James J. Muro to head Education following Dr. Robert Grindler's resignation. Muro was an associate dean of the College of Education.

Clark said when the search committees are reactivated they will start from scratch by establishing new deadlines, soliciting candidacies, and renotifying the affirma-

tive action groups such as Equal Opportunity Employment. Candidates already screened will not be reconsidered and those already interviewed will not be questioned again.

The Arts and Sciences committee was more advanced in its work than the Education group when the searches were suspended. The major screening phase of their operation was complete. An original list of over 100 candidates, including ten from the UMO campus, was pared down to less than a dozen. The ten from UMO, who were listed in the final issue of last year's CAMPUS, have been cut to two, and several of the outside candidates remain. Four of the outside candidates have been interviewed, and Clark said "a few" remained to be interviewed when the committee suspended its work.

Sources indicate one of the remaining prospects from UMO is Harold W. Borns, professor and chairman of Geological Sciences, while a remaining outside candidate is Zina Tillona, Asst. Provost to Administering Programs Involving Women and Minorities at the University of Massachusetts. Henry N. Muller III,

director of the new Living-Learning Center at the University of Vermont, withdrew to concentrate more fully on his duties there.

Dr. Clark would not elaborate on the status of other candidates, saying the entire search and selection "depends upon a confidential attitude."

Last spring, strong criticism was leveled at the list of UMO candidates, and also at the *Campus* for publishing the list with comments of several unnamed faculty members—one who termed the list "shocking and frightening." In that issue, a *Campus* editorial urged an acting dean be appointed to head Arts and Sciences, noting that the list was "without prestige."

"Of course, there may have been some weak candidates on that list, but that was what we had prior to any screening. We went out and solicited candidacies and that was what we had," emphasized Dr. Clark. The list contained everyone who was interested in the job and they were not all seriously considered. Clark said the quality of the material, or the lack of it, had no influence on the decision to appoint acting Deans in July.

"President Libby's term was extended two months to August 31st, in part to work with these committees," said Clark, "but we felt it would be more proper to allow President Neville to work actively with the committees and make the appointments."

PIRG fills board vacancies

Vacancies on Public Interest Research Group (PIRG) board of directors were filled Monday when five students were elected to serve in posts vacated by graduating seniors.

Seuss Nielsen, Fred Snow, Pete Neilson,

Willy Willette and Jerry LeClair were elected to the board after each delivered a short resume of past experience and future aspirations.

Two committees were formed from the consumer group's board of directors to

prepare possible projects for the year. The committees on social and environmental problems will serve as "think tanks" to propose and investigate areas of public interest.

State Board member John Melrose proposed formulating funding procedures for campus boards. Funds for PIRG are raised by a check-off provision on student bills at UMO and other campuses. The check-off permits students the option of donating \$2 to the organization. Funds raised in this manner are turned over to PIRG's state board of directors which consists of members from each of the four campuses who belong to the state-wide organization. Funds then are allocated to individual campuses to initiate and investigate projects.

Each campus will be allotted a treasury of \$75 to be spent on incidentals such as supplies and materials.

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Tenants' union proposal seeks student support

by Debbie Winsor

An Orono-Old Town tenants' union may develop from a cooperative program between Student Government and the Bangor Tenants' Union which sent last week a housing proposal to Tim Keating, Student Government president.

The Bangor Tenants Union is a non-profit community organization which aids Bangor tenants with their housing complaints and problems. It is an affiliate of United Low Income and the Maine State Housing Coalition.

The proposal lists a series of housing problems in the Orono-Old Town-Bangor area, and a list of objectives as means to alleviate these problems.

"The BTU is concerned with the university getting into housing much more; they are trying to convince the university to supply funds so that it would be possible to investigate the housing situation," said Keating.

The proposal calls for a coordinating of efforts between the BTU and the university. Manpower is needed for a staff, for research and to investigate tenants' complaints, says Mark Schneider, a Vista volunteer working with United Low Income and the BTU. Schneider, who has been involved in the housing dilemma in Bangor for over a year, helped write the proposal. Manpower for these projects would be sponsored by the university via work-study students, if the program was approved and student support received.

"One hundred percent of our energy is devoted to implementing rent controls in Bangor," says Schneider. The BTU also educates tenants concerning their legal rights.

"Controlling rents is not a goal, it is an immediate need, especially in Orono where rents are even higher than in Bangor," says Schneider.

"We put an ad in the paper telling people needing help in finding housing to call us. Ten to 20 percent of the people who called us were UMO students," he added.

The influx of students into Bangor heightens the housing crisis by making it difficult for community residents to find housing. By joining forces, both community residents and university students could work to alleviate this situation, according to Schneider.

"The university is not giving off-campus students any help with their housing problems, and I think it should be," says Keating, who is optimistic about an alliance between the BTU and the university.

"Housing in this area is bad and getting worse; units are being torn down and not replaced. Ideally, the university might have an agency working to help students learn their rights. There are a lot of tactics and procedures available to students. The

BTU can teach students these procedures," he said.

"If the Off-Campus Board goes along with this program, we may be able to get a work-study student to help coordinate the program." The OCB is a Student Government committee whose concern is commuter students and interests. The OCB cannot "go with it," however, unless the student body shows an interest in devoting time and energy to the project. If students respond favorably, if the university gives its support to the program, the OCB may find itself doing more than running a publicity campaign, its main function since its inception.

Work-study students would receive one week of training provided by the BTU in the areas of landlord-tenant laws, housing codes and code enforcement procedures, interviewing techniques, resources for housing research and community organization techniques under the BTU proposal. Housing advocacy offices subsequently will be established in Orono, Old Town, and Bangor. Within 6 weeks of operation, the housing advocates would set up organizational meetings to form tenant councils in Old Town and Orono.

At this point, OCB is at a standstill. Elections are scheduled for September 19, and a chairperson will succeed Richard Nelson, who graduates in December. Nelson is awaiting the outcome of the off-campus senators elections before he commits OCB to new programs.

Other programs Nelson would like to see initiated include a student co-op service and a commuter transportation service. Money has been budgeted for the co-op, Nelson said, but manpower is needed to organize and oversee the project. A co-op operates in Orono, but it is not a student organization, and membership has already closed.

The commuter transportation service would consist of a ride-board similar to the out-of-state ride board posted in the Memorial Union. A map of Orono with a listing of both commuters who need rides and commuters who could provide rides would alleviate the transportation problem for many off-campus students. Joyce Demkowicz, assistant dean for Student Affairs, is working with the OCB to get this project underway.

After only little more than two weeks of school, the OCB is presented with projects which could keep it plenty busy this year.

As the housing advocacy proposal states, "The university has money and people which, together with the experience and resources of the BTU, can be directed toward practical, constructive solutions to one of the most serious problems facing the area." It is a blunt statement, admitting that the BTU needs certain commodities which UMO has to offer.



A captive audience at Sunday's outdoor concert by the Memorial Union.

OCB to reach potential

The Off-Campus Board, established this spring by Student Government, is one group which claims an interest in commuters and their housing problems. The OCB twice has circulated questionnaires to students renting from local landlords. These questionnaires call for a complete description of housing units, including heating and hot water systems, cost and date the unit is available.

Richard Nelson, a political-science major from Connecticut, is chairperson of the OCB. He said about 200 surveys were returned to the Student Government office in Lord Hall last spring. Considering the number of students living in each apartment, many students are represented in the surveys, Nelson said, which have been compiled into a housing file referral service.

The OCB published a Tenant's Handbook last spring. This small booklet informs students of their rights as tenants, and of landlords' legal responsibilities. Included is a housing code checklist and what to do if violations of this code exist.

The Student Affairs office and the off-campus housing office, located in Estabrooke Hall, refer students seeking help in apartment hunting to the OCB's housing files.

"They think we have a complete filing of

the housing available in this area....Not yet," explains Nelson. He plans to distribute the survey again this fall after students are settled into their apartments.

Besides the tenants' handbook (more handbooks are being printed this fall) and the survey, OCB has done little to help the student with his housing problems.

"We have no legal means to deal with housing problems," says Nelson. "We're not ready to exert pressure on landlords. We hear complaints about landlords, but most of our information is just word of mouth."

"Gaining publicity was our major goal last year," Nelson continues. The group sponsored a free spaghetti dinner, a concert, and took an active part in Paul Bunyan Day and Library Fund Day in an effort to gain student awareness. Membership in the board is open; it is not run by a specific group of students except for its governing body. Manpower to organize programs and events is solicited when needed. Off-campus senators often become active in the group, but are not obliged to do so.

The OCB, a potentially powerful group, could help commuter students with housing problems. This fall, with the possibility of a tenants' union, there is hope that some of its potential may be realized.

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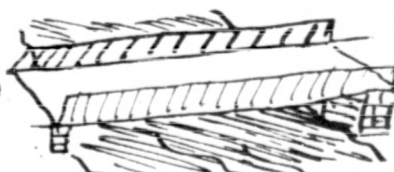
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Editorials

Cost survey sets realistic goals

The Maine Management and Cost Survey is an interesting document with many implications for higher education in the state. The study, undertaken by a blue-ribbon panel of businessmen appointed by the governor, claims it can save taxpayers over \$29 million annually—and over \$1.2 million by reorganizing the Super U.

Although the primary goal of the group was to determine ways state government can be run more efficiently, recommendations on the university system reflect a realistic concern with more than its cost. Besides cutting the obvious fat—such as the state archivist hired at a salary of \$15,400 because the Super-U retained him after they eliminated his job—many of the proposals, if implemented will not only economize, but improve the quality of education.

Indeed, free from political exigencies, the panel's view of education's role is sharper than the miasmic one clouding the chancellor's office.

Basically the report recommends the Super-U be reorganized into a State University of Maine with three campuses and seven community colleges. Six of the seven existing campuses now offer four-year degree program, but the committee would cut the number to three and consign the others to community and vocational role. UMO, UMPG and Farmington would be established as the primary educational centers with UMO as the central campus in the system.

Political and regional fears of slight have beset the system which is saddled with three marginal institutions at Fort Kent, Presque Isle and Machias. The quality of education has been poor at these three

campuses, the thin scattering of resources and expensive duplication of facilities dilute the excellence of established educational centers in the system. Cutting the four-year degree programs at marginal schools is more than good business sense—turning them into community colleges as the report suggests makes eminently good sense, financially and educationally, since their inordinately high drop-out rates show that they haven't been meeting the real needs of the communities.

Closing UMB is one suggestion sure to stir up a storm of controversy if only because Bangor is more populous and politically stronger than regions effected by other cuts. Yet the number of students enrolled does not justify the added expense of another campus within ten miles of Orono. With decreasing numbers of applications to the university, the need for supplementary facilities has disappeared. The discrepancy in the quality of education offered at UMB compared with UMO is a strong argument for consolidating the two facilities.

The most vital import of the report concerns halting the flow of resources to marginal and mediocre institutions in an effort to establish several primary centers of academic excellence. Considering the administering of the Super-U, it comes as little surprise that the quality of education can be improved at the same time costs are cut.

For the first time, realistic goals have appeared which should appeal to persons concerned with the quality of education as well as taxpayers concerned about its cost. The Maine Cost and Survey study may be a hard-headed business view of the Super-U but it could bring importantly needed direction into the strive for an educationally sound university system.

Proposal needs student support

The Bangor Tenant Union's proposal to coordinate a student tenants' union with the UMO Student Senate (stories on page 6), despite the impossible budget attached to it, is a positive step forward.

UMO students have to face unaided the myriad problems connected with renting. They have to battle rising prices for poorer accommodations, as well as a growing shortage of available off-campus housing. For some, it has meant forsaking the comfort and freedom of an apartment for the muscular and psychic paralysis which is the inevitable result of living in one of UMO's three-in-a-room specials.

The shortage of living space will become more critical if and when the university decides to grant freshmen students full adult rights by giving them the privilege of living off-campus.

So students, as Student Senate President Tim Keating correctly points out, have not been getting any help from the university, which of

course, has to protect its investments in the dorm system.

BTU's concept of housing advocacy offices in Orono, Old Town and Bangor is welcome. Not only would the advocacy offices render immediate service to students with housing problems, but would also act as centers for initiating constructive tenant programs as the need occurred.

Although the ideas involved in the proposal are commendable, the budget request of \$10,000 plus is unrealistic. If BTU or the student government seriously thinks they are going to persuade the university to let them hire students under the work-study program, they'd better give the whole proposal the circular file right now. The university has already tied up \$30,000 in a study to determine why students aren't living in dorms; an organization that wastes that kind of money on the obvious, certainly won't lend students a helping hand in protecting their rights as tenants.

Ultimately, however, it will be left to students. They must organize for their own good; they must consider the proposal seriously. And, if they find it viable, they must act now, not five years hence.

Show and tell

The Watergate tapes are headed for the Supreme Court, but nobody seems sure whether the tapes ever will see the light of day. A decision by the court—one way or the other—is inevitable, however, recent statements by the president indicate it may not influence him whatsoever. He says he may hang on to the tapes even if the ruling is against him.

Nixon claims he will abide by nothing less than a "definitive" ruling by the court. Just what comprises a less-than-definitive decision is uncertain. Most Americans presume all Supreme Court rulings are definitive and binding. Indeed, many of us think the court exists to hand down the final word on the interpretation of a law. Yet, reportedly, Nixon will regard anything less than a 8-1 vote as something less.

The President's new criteria for determining which Supreme Court decisions are binding is highly ironic. Many controversial statements handed down by the court favoring the administration's position have hinged on 5-4 votes. The recent pornography decision turned on such a 5-4 split, but the administration never hinted that booksellers should ignore it. There was little agreement between the majority and minority decision in that case—the four dissenting justices advocated abolition of all laws against pornography. No decision has been closer, and none more widely divergent. If degree of agreement determines whether the court's word is law, then by the President's criteria, the door is wide open to pornography.

Considering the current composition of the court with four Nixon appointees serving as justices, the chances appear stacked for the President. A ruling that the tapes must be turned over to either Judge Sirica or prosecutor Archibald Cox is improbable. And, in light of the many decisions which have turned on 5-4 votes because of basic philosophical differences on the bench, the Burger Court is unlikely to produce any closer or more "definitive" agreement on this constitutional question than it has on others.



However, there are other forces at work. The legal position the court assumes will matter little in the final determination of the tapes. Once the court rules, either for or against him, Nixon will be forced to produce the tapes. If the court defeats his plea and he refuses to relinquish the tapes, the nation (which has been forced to live with some very unpopular decisions) will see Nixon as putting himself above the law. Indications are the President runs the risk of impeachment proceeding once the polls reflect a majority of Americans holding this opinion.

If the court, as expected, upholds the President's doctrine of separation of powers and executive privilege, Nixon will have no legal reason to hang on to the tapes. Once his legal right to the tapes is established, any further attempt to deny them will be viewed as criminally motivated. Denying the tapes again runs the risk of impeachment.

Letters to the editors are welcome. To be published, letters must be received by *The Campus* the Monday prior to publication.

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Letters to the Editor



Drunk waters down excitement

To the editor:

Saturday I took my ten-year-old son to the football game. We had the misfortune to be sitting within a few grandstand rows of a particularly obnoxious drunk. Encouraged by Annie Green Springs rotgut (what else?) he led his drunken companions in "cheers" such as "Phi Eta sucks!", "Fuck B.U.!", and worst of all, "B.U. niggers!" Late in the game he stood and relieved himself, scattering surrounding spectators, then slipped and fell into his own urine. No police were in sight.

By university regulation alcoholic beverages are not

permitted at athletic events. This regulation cannot — and perhaps should not — be enforced to the letter: hardly anyone really objects to the consumption of a little anti-freeze at football games. However, I think it not unreasonable to insist that the university police at least enforce the *spirit* of this regulation by arresting boorish drunks for public intoxication.

Incidentally, the "B.U. nigger" cheer should have an answer. I suggest "Maine white trash!"

Phil Locke
Professor of Mathematics

US: a nosey mother

To the editor:

As for your editorial on the Chilean crisis—nothing is without efficient cause. Why would the UM intervene in another nation's affairs? For the same reason a nosey mother reads her daughter's personal letters. There is no "adequate" reasoning behind it, except that we became afraid, afraid Allende's government would develop a will of its own; and the U.S. would lose influence. One fact we do know—that is the coup was swift, sudden, and

the White House has made no statement. But it is hard to argue whether it was successful, for neither was the Marxist government a success or a failure. My opinion is that the CIA (which Jose Yglesias likes to tell me is like a third estate down there, it has its fingers in every stew) contrived the overthrow because of a fear of the economic insecurity at home.

Richard Eaton

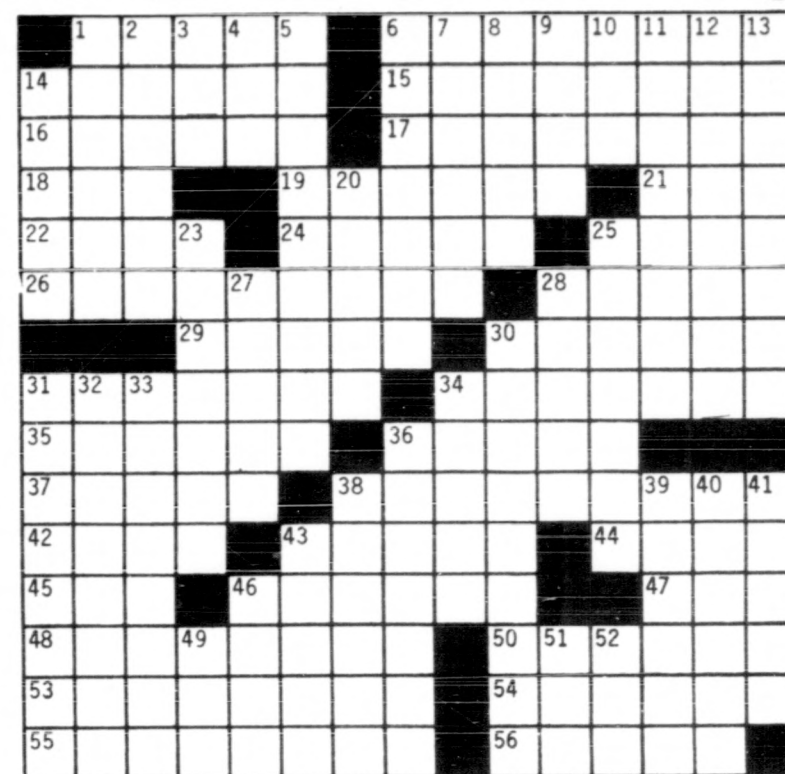
Band gripes

To the editor:

There exists on this campus a large organization which functions under some rather unusual conditions. This organization comes to campus four days before classes begin and puts in 8 to 10 hours on each of those days, amidst heat, rain, and black flies. The organization works in three-hour segments three times a day. Once classes begin, these people work three days a week for an hour and twenty minutes each day, plus six to seven hours on both Saturday and Sunday. The organization, of course, is the University of Maine Marching Band.

The band works on a sloping drill field with trees inside the East sideline and trees in the end zone. While it is not ideal, we work without complaint. We work regardless of the cars of students going by blowing their horns. We improve daily in spite of one fraternity harassing us and blowing whistles—trying to confuse the band in regards to the drum major's and the conductor's whistles. We keep digging while "taps" is blared from another fraternity. And then, of course, there are the obscenities from across College Avenue, which are inexcusable, and which parents, with four and five year old children watching the band on the sidelines, just love to hear.

Julie Ann Carpenter



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the Super-U system and possible campus cuts

through the elimination of 11 full-time and three part-time personnel at the various campus libraries.

Another consolidation proposal would establish the Orono bookstore as coordinator for all textbook purchases. Through discounts and volume orders as well as personnel costs projected annual savings were \$57,300.

Orono-Bangor

The MMCSC report made twelve recommendations for improvements of the University of Maine at Orono/Bangor. In addition to the recommendation that the Bangor Campus be shut down, other surprising proposals were made.

The report recommended the university sell its interest in the Capehart Housing project in Bangor. The original intent was to use it for university personnel, but staff occupancy has never exceeded 45 percent and units were leased to other occupants. If the units are sold for the initial purchase price of \$880,000, income of \$58,000 would result.

Another recommendation was to consolidate the office clerical staffs of the admissions office and that of student aid. The reasoning is that in the late fall when the admission office is at the peak of its work load, the student aid office has virtually completed theirs. According to the report, a proposed staff reduction of five personnel would save \$28,000 annually.

Seemingly contradicting political feelings in the state, the MMCSC proposed an increase in enrollment of out-of-state

students. Currently the ratio of in-state students to out-of-state students is 4:1. The report suggested a 3:1 ratio. The university gains more revenue from the tuition paid by an out-of-state student than it does for in-state students. The difference is about \$1,100 per student each semester.

Of interest to many job-seeking students is a proposal that a central clearinghouse for jobs be established. This would provide a broader range of opportunities for students and minimize the time involved in seeking a position, the report claims. "The cost for such a facility would be about \$15,000 annually.

Portland-Gorham

The MMCSC criticized the UMPG for "...operating without definite objectives and guidelines." To alleviate this, the report recommends a complete study of the joint Action Commission on University Goals and directions be undertaken to adopt overall objectives for Portland-Gorham.

In a strictly money-saving vein, the report urged the elimination of the position of university archivist. The position was created when the Portland and Gorham libraries were combined. Elimination of the position would "not affect operations" the report asserted and would mean a savings of the salary of \$15,400.

Farmington

The MMCSC evidently found the physical state of buildings on the Farmington campus to be lacking as one recommendation was the "Raise the standards of building maintenance." The report hit the Maintenance staff at UMF stating, "The recent physical plant is showing signs of deterioration caused by inadequate preventive maintenance."

There was also a recommendation that the registrar's staff be reduced by two clerks. The report found the registrar's overstaffed in other areas and recommended that a reorganization of that office take place.

Augusta

Augusta campus has been the only campus in the Super-U which has been strictly a two-year community college; it does not grant four-year baccalaureate degrees.

The report stated the Augusta campus should be run much the same way as it has been, making the same adjustments that have been recommended for other campuses. A recommendation has been made by the MMCSC that building



Dorms acquired from the federal government when Dow A.F.B. was phased out may change hands again if recommendations of the MMCSC are implemented.

maintenance be upgraded along with one that champions a change in the accounting system to make it consistent with other institutions.

Machias

Several four-year degree granting programs would have been dropped several years ago except for pressure from local citizen group. The MMCSC report again urges abolition of four-year degrees stating that their presence dilutes the quality education throughout the university system.

A major recommendation was to consolidate the remaining programs and staff at Machias with the Washington County College of Community and Vocational Education into a single campus.

"Since the two campuses are relatively close, only a single campus should be retained," the report said, claiming also that an annual savings of \$198,000 from consolidating the facilities.

The report urges deferment of a planned \$960,000 science building until the Washington County College location and its facility requirements have been determined.

Presque Isle

UMPI is another Super-U institution with recommendations that all 4-year degree-granting programs be dropped. Using the same reasons that it did for the same proposal for UMM and UMFK, the commission maintained that \$275,000 could be saved annually.

Fort Kent

Four year degree-granting programs were also urged to be dropped at Fort Kent. Stating the programs should be dropped to conform to the projected reorganization recommended, the report claims that an annual savings of about \$106,000 could be realized.

A consolidation of programs with Northern Maine College of Community and Vocational Education was recommended to replace degree programs. The projected savings for the implementation was estimated \$440,000 annually.

by Dave Thompson

Neville: I don't see it that way. A university is a very complex organism. There are always going to be issues. In fact, when I came here in June, they asked me if I wanted to see the budget. I told them that wouldn't have any effect on whether I came here. I was on the campus for two and a half days, interviewed a lot of people, got interviewed by a lot of people. I told the people then I could spend all my time here or five minutes looking at the budget, or no time, because in the end there's not going to be enough money. The question is not how much money we have in each individual account. But the question is how well we're doing with what we've got, how many students do we have, how many professors do we have, and so on.

CAMPUS: President Libby had a running battle with the Chancellor over UMO's slice of the economic pie. Do you anticipate this type of conflict?

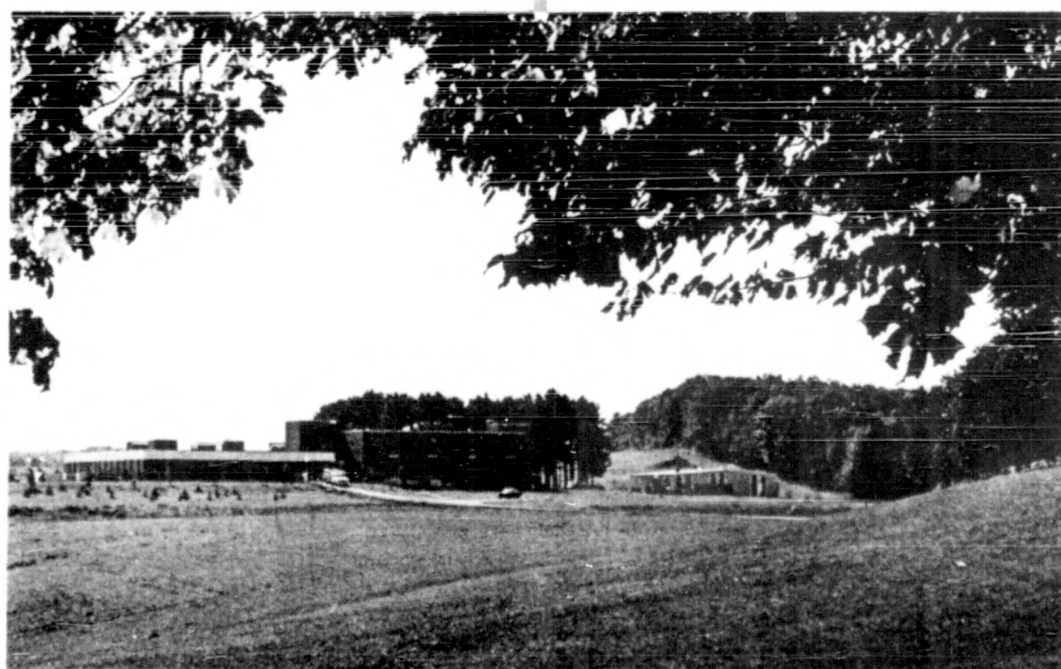
Neville: You saw what the Chancellor said about me, didn't you? He said I was going to fight fiercely for Orono. He knows I will.

CAMPUS: There have been rumors that the central campus of the university system in the future will be UMPG. Currently, Orono is the central campus.

Neville: And it will be when I leave here, too...I am told the Chancellor calls Orono "the jewel in the crown." I fundamentally believe that in every state system there ought to be one university which is high quality and multi-purpose—a graduate program, research and public service and so forth. I understand the University of Maine in Orono is that campus. And I intend that it should remain that way...

CAMPUS: Do you think at 47 that you're young to be a university president?

Neville: I was a university president at 43...Over a number of years, I've seen people 19 who are terribly mature and I've seen people at 59 who are adolescent. I think it depends on how you get the brains scrambled—right or wrong, and what kind of experience of maturity you have.



The Augusta campus received an acceptable rating in the MMCSC study which recommended procedures re they are.

Tech faculty wants return of 1972-73 academic calendar

by Tom Sinclair

Faculty members of the College of Technology voted Monday to recommend the return to UMO's previous academic calendar for the 1974-75 school year.

Proposed by the college's Administrative Committee, the recommendation called for the reinstitution of the academic calendar in which classes began in late September and ended in early June. The motion was approved by a vote of 26 to 15 with two abstentions at the technology faculty's first meeting since fall session began.

Its approval will send it to the Council of Colleges for consideration. The council is responsible for preparing the calendar for each year.

The recommendation calls for the preparation of a school calendar for the 1974-75 school year "as soon as practical" and requests that it "commence the last week of September, or whatever date permits a significant period of classes following the Christmas recess."

Prof. Robert B. Rhoads, a proponent of the change, called the new academic calendar, "educationally unsound." UMO is using the calendar for the first time this year. The new calendar is similar to schedules followed by an increasing

number of colleges and universities across the country.

Rhoads complained that professors have been forced to cut back on class time, particularly lab work, in order to complete the first semester by Christmas vacation. Previously, the semester began in mid-September and ended in late January.

This semester, he added, was shortened to a few days less than the minimum of 15 weeks a semester, which has been considered the lower limit in the past.

Vacations, Rhoads pointed out, are unevenly distributed in the current calendar. The only break in the fall semester is two and a half days at Thanksgiving, while there are two one-week vacations during the spring session.

He said he would like to re-establish a minimum of three to four weeks vacation during the Christmas recess, which has been down to as little as one and a half to two weeks in recent years.

One faculty member suggested that it was too early to object to the new calendar because it hasn't been fully tried yet. Their objections, he claimed, were based upon little experience with the current calendar.

Some faculty also doubted the Council of Colleges would scrap the new calendar so soon.



Another faculty member, however, said he believed it might be possible. "It may appear to be locked in," he said, "but it is not absolute."

In other action, the faculty passed a resolution that will allow agricultural engineering faculty members who teach courses leading to a bachelor of science degree in that field to become voting members of the technology faculty.

Prof. Norman Smith, of agricultural engineering, who proposed the resolution, said the B.S. degree actually is the joint responsibility of both the College of Life Sciences and Agriculture and the College of Technology. He noted that AE staff members had previously been invited to

attend technology faculty meetings but that no mention had been made of voting rights.

Under the new agreement, six members of the agricultural engineering faculty will gain membership in the technology faculty.

A motion to change the name of the College of Technology to the College of Engineering and the Technical Institute Division to the Division of Engineering Technology was tabled until the next meeting.

The change was suggested by the Admissions Office, which explained that it would help clarify the college's subject area for high school and transfer students interested in applying to UMO.

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Panel decides pornography is whatever turns you on

by Rosemary Sherwood

Two lawyers, a minister, and a professor locked horns Tuesday night during a discussion on pornography and obscenity and as usual the result was a Mexican standoff.

Attorneys David Cox and Howard Foley, Rev. Bernard Stonehouse and Speech Prof. Edgar Cyrus offered opinions as diversified as their professions, but all agreed a workable definition of pornography is most difficult.

Penobscot County Attorney David Cox told the audience in Memorial Union's Bangor Room, "I think it was a mistake for the Supreme Court to get into the question in the first place, because they're trying to define an abstract."

As county attorney, Cox himself defines an abstract on occasion. One of his duties involves the censorship of movies, books and magazines that he determines "offensive." Laments Cox, "It's the worst possible position in the world because I don't trust my own mind."

Cox also admitted that after reading the Supreme Court's definition of obscenity, he didn't understand the word any more than before he started.

The Court's ruling had included the phrase "appealing to prurient interest" as one criteria of obscenity.

Howard Foley, former county attorney and current coordinator of the Law Enforcement Program at UMB, scoffed at the ambiguity of the term "prurient." Foley claimed a picture of a wholesome, college girl would "crank him up" more than a naked, erotic female wearing a black garter belt.

Edgar Cyrus, associate professor of speech at UMO, agreed with Foley. He spoke of the possibility of a Coppertone ad, depicting a dog pulling down a little girl's bathing suit, as appealing to someone's "prurient interest."

Although the laymen in the group offered rather liberal viewpoints on the pornography issue, Rev. Stonehouse, from the Bangor Orthodox Church, advised that difficulty in defining pornography and obscenity does give reason to abandon all controls on them.

Arguing from a moralistic position, Stonehouse expounded on the debauched state of society. "Today we have free sex, more premarital sex, looser restriction, and more titillation...but we're enjoying it less," he opined.

"People are crying out for love, but hopping from marriage to marriage...pornography represents the dehumanizing of man—sex becomes divorced from love and warmth, and is made into

merely a sequence of functions at an animal level," Stonehouse claimed.

"The Bible is full of prohibitions against sexual aberrations," he added, "but these are for our own good."

However, even the term "sexual aberration" has a different connotation for different people. This point was illustrated by Foley's comment that "to me, some of the worst pornography are those Playtex bra ads...I'm going to counter somebody and have a Jockey jock-strap ad."

He also observed the dirty magazine in his day was National Geographic, with its pictures of naked Tahitian women.

The consensus at the end of the discussion was that a workable definition of the words "obscenity" and "pornograph" were virtually impossible to formulate. However, there were mixed emotions as to what should be done about them.

Rev Stonehouse opted for stricter control, with an emphasis on correct moral

upbringing for children.

Prof. Cyrus concluded that since society's attitude towards sex changes with the times, it is better to leave the whole matter up to the individual.

County Attorney Cox predicted that eventually, there will be a statute putting pornography under the protection of the First Amendment.

"I'm not so sure that that would be a bad law," he mused.

Former attorney Foley never actually stated his conclusions, but had this to say: "Arousal of sexual interests happens every day as part of ordinary, day-to-day living."

He cited a survey in which college students noted those things that aroused them sexually. The answers included music, books, art, and dancing "and 95 percent, God love 'em, said 'man'."

Moderator for the discussion was Dave Rand, director of the Memorial Union.

Discussions on various other topics will be offered on alternate Tuesdays in the Bangor Room of the Memorial Union.

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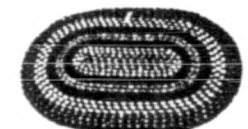
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Tenants, landlords battle at rent control hearing

by J. Sachs

Two Bangor tenants' unions told the city council's Committee on Rental Housing at its first public hearing on rent controls that an area apartment shortage exists.

In its afternoon session Monday at Peakes Auditorium the committee heard Bangor attorney Paul Zenolizian state that much of the rental housing was in "deplorable" condition and efforts to remedy the situation often ended in retaliatory eviction by landlords.

"Desperate," was the term applied to the housing situation by Micheal Parks of the Bangor Tenants' Union. "Families are being split up in order to find shelter," said Parks. "I don't need to remind this committee of the overwhelming sociological damages involved."

At this point, Councilman Brountas asked for further documentation of claims by the B.T.U.. Parks assured the committee that substantiating evidence would be provided.

Kim Clerc, executive director of United Low Income, insisted fear is used to manipulate tenants.

"In this state, a tenant can be evicted for anything," remarked Clerc. "The chance for retaliatory eviction increases when tenants sign a petition or appear before a hearing such as the one slated for Oct. 1. This is why I ask Don Lewis (president of the landlords' Bangor Rental Organization) to make a public statement that no tenant will be harassed if he should wish to

participate in these proceedings."

Lewis remained silent.

In the evening session of the hearings, devoted to the landlord's side of the rental situation, Don Lewis of the Bangor Rental Organization (BRO) informed the committee that there was no shortage of housing. In fact, he claimed, there was an overall increase of buildings in the area available as rental units. Lewis also stated that rent controls pose a threat to the community's general welfare and promote the existence of slums, as he claimed, it has in New York City.

Bill Meucci, defending B.R.O.'s position, maintained establishing a rent control board would cost city taxpayers a minimum of \$50,000.

"They'll need inspectors, secretaries, and a C.P.A.," declared Meucci. "There's enough work for city hall to do right now—we don't need any bureaucrats to make paperwork for somebody else."

Bangor landlord George Tsoulas evaluated the problem as a by-product of an expanding economy. Supply and demand would find its own level in what he termed the "implied" housing shortage. The plight of low and fixed income persons looking for housing is a problem for the state or federal governments to deal with, he said, and not the concern of landlords.

Asked by the committee if private investors would be interested in constructing new housing units if a rent control board were established, Lewis replied, "If we build apartments for these people the tax bill alone will be \$50 a month from the city of Bangor—that's not landlords, that's you guys."

The evening session adjourned with Lewis' statement.

Six assistantships cut from LS&A budget

The college of Life Sciences and Agriculture will experience growing pains this year unless an increased budget comes through, Dean Frederick Hutchinson said last Friday during the college's first meeting. Six assistantships and travelling expense accounts were pared from the budget to ease the strain, according to the dean.

"The budget recommended by Nixon is considerably less than last year's," said Hutchinson. "but as soon as Congress acts on the agricultural bill, we'll know where we're going." Hutchinson added if the money comes through, the six assistantships will be reinstated.

An increasing number of students enrolled in the college (113 more admitted in 1973 than 1972), caused the administrators to ask for an \$800 increase over last year's budget, which includes expenses for everything except salary adjustments. Hutchinson requested faculty members to prepare "comprehensive

reports on what's been happening across the college" later to be turned into university financiers.

"The university definitely has a problem with responding," said Hutchinson. "but let's rally around the flag and do the job anyway. Let's keep a positive attitude."

Hutchinson spoke on the Maine Management and Cost Survey commission, who in a 228-page report aimed at reducing the cost of state government by \$23.8 million a year, recommended closing the University of Maine at Bangor and ending four year degree programs at university campuses in Fort Kent, Presque Isle and Machias. Hutchinson said that the intent here was not casual, like that of the many surveys conducted before it, but that "some rather serious commitments had been made" between government officials and the cost commissioners.

According to Hutchinson, the college had been scrutinized by a man named

Kelly, who apparently found no great waste in their budgeting. "The boys at the (experimental) station must have done a good job," he said, "as there were no proposed cutbacks for us in the report."

Students will be getting out three to four weeks earlier than preceding years. Because of the revised school calendar this year, this will leave a month between the spring semester and summer school when the university will remain stagnant. Suggestions were made that a "May term" consisting of innovative courses fill this gap.

"The sky's the limit," said Hutchinson. "students and faculty could get together and use this time for really innovative courses, and at the same time keep the money rolling in, instead of wasting this block of time."

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Something for everyone

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"Man of La Mancha"

Cabaret catapulted the film musical ahead 20 years; *Man of La Mancha* could send it back 50 if it weren't such a pitiless disaster.

Screenwriter Dale Wasserman and director Authur Hill, whose best attempts are mundane Neil Simon plays and tepid love stories, took Cervante's classic *Don Quixote* and debased him to the level of a blubbering idiot.

The film opens with writer Cervantes landing in prison for heretical theatrical preachings. With his friend Sancho Panza, he acts his new novel *Don Quixote* for the inmates. He hopes it will save him from burning by inspiring the judges of the Spanish Inquisition.

Thus we have a tiresome transference back and forth between two drab sets of reality and fantasy which even the talented photographer Giusspe Rotunno fails to make convincing. Even the wretched prisoners enact parts from Cervantes' little performance, forming a second-rate attempt at *Marat/Sade* that becomes more embarrassing than uplifting.

Director Hill, who now has earned the revered honor of having "An Arthur Hill Film" spelled out between the overture and main credits, discredits a great actor, Peter O'Toole, a good actress, Sophia Loren, and an acceptable one, James Coco. None of them can sing, although the monotonous score by Leigh-Darion doesn't deserve that distinction. "The Impossible Dream" stands out like a rose amongst thorns, but by now it's over-performed into an early grave.

"Lost Horizon"

Too bad that the print of this dreadfully embarrassing film hadn't been lost on its way back from the processing lab. For *Lost*

Horizon is the latest endeavor in what is the most depressing aspect of contemporary cinema—the sorry state of the film musical.

Based on James Hilton's philosophic novel of 1933 and made into a now-classic film in 1937, people in the audience were actually laughing at this musical adaptation.

The film *per se* is a bit foolishly sentimental but nevertheless expresses the current popular hack optimism of J.L. Seagullism. What made the film so ridiculous were the juvenile lyrics that Hal David wrote for Burt Bacharach's kindergarten music. Such simple-minded production numbers as "Living Together, Growing Together" and "The World is a Circle" sound like rejects from the trash basket of *Sesame Street*.

Director Charles Jarrot, who has done better with costume epics like *Mary, Queen of Scots*, has denigrated to foolishness a cast that any producer would kill to list in the credits. In turn, this vengeful cast meanders through the proceedings with a slap of the back-hand.

Peter Finch somehow manages to get through convincingly but anyone who has ever seen the lovely Liv Ullmann in a Bergman film can only weep over her wasted talents.

"Avanti"

Billy Wilder was once a great director, both of comedy (*Some Like it Hot*) and drama (*Lost Weekend*). Some directors improve with age, like George Cukor and last year's *Travels with My Aunt*, but Wilder seems to have grown senile. All the essentials of a comedy are present in *Avanti*, but his lackluster direction fails to faintly inspire a lifeless cast.

The plot is something about a son come to Italy to claim his father's corpse. The son learns that his father came to the resort not for his health, but for a monthly spree with a mistress. Father and Mistress died together in an automobile accident. Respective son and daughter meet. Fall in love. Promise to carry on their amorous parents' tradition.

There are a lot of corpse jokes. Jack Lemmon is the son, as usual in a Wilder comedy, and Juliet Mills promises to be a gifted comic actress. That is, when she is ever cast in what can be called a comedy.

"Avanti" means "enter." Something you should not do at a theatre showing it.



THE MACKINTOSH MAN—Paul Newman and Dominique Sanda star in John Huston's espionage thriller. Opening this Friday at Cinema 1.

"Theatre of Blood"

This gruesome title is the caption of a creepy tale of a defunct Shakespearean actor (Vincent Price) who seeks revenge on the theatre critics who supposedly ruined his career. The film has an amusing premise and should pass as tongue-in-cheek high camp, but Screenwriter Anthony Greville-Bell and Director Douglas Hickox have laced it with such a wretching amount of blood and gore that its contraries eventually become its downfall.

"After all, we critics are only human," means a soon-to-be victim, to which Price recants "That's something I find hard to believe." One critic unknowingly eats his

two white poodles in a baked pie, another is beheaded, another sliced up and dragged by the tail of a horse, and another literally loses a pound of flesh in a literal interpretation of *Merchant of Venice* just as the others were also cut down by being a bit over-involved in Shakespearean audience participation.

Besides Price, who delivers a deliciously sinister and tortured performance, there is a considerable cast of expert English actors as the critics.

As a horror film *Theatre of Blood* is lavish and first-rate, but one only wishes (especially if he's a critic) that there had been less lacerations and a bit more laughs.

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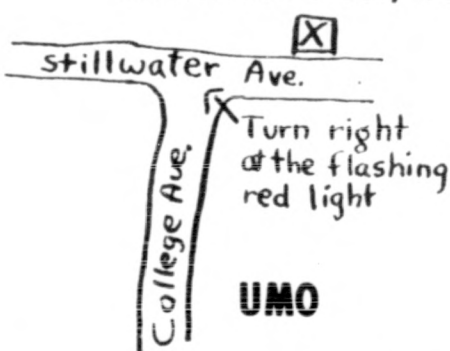
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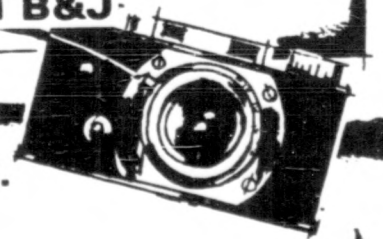
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Gavett gets coaching post

Peter Gavett, third highest scorer in University of Maine at Orono basketball history, has been named assistant basketball coach and lecturer in physical education of UMO, effective Sept. 1.

In his capacity as assistant coach Gavett will work with varsity coach Tom "Skip" Chappelle. Gavett's duties will also include the coaching of the freshman basketball team.

During his three years of varsity play at

Maine Gavett scored 1,294 points, third highest career total in UMO history behind Chappelle and Jim Stephenson. He set a new school record for field goal accuracy, hitting on 50 per cent of his shots during his career. During 72 games with the varsity he averaged 18 points a game, nine rebounds and a free throw percentage of 77 per cent.

He was selected in the supplemental draft by the Boston Celtics and attended their rookie camp in August. He also was selected to play for the New England All-Stars in the Hall of Fame game at Fairfield University.

As captain of the 1972-73 UMO team Gavett wound up the third highest scorer in New England with a 22.2 points per game average, was seventh in rebounding with a 10.2 average and seventh in field goal percentage at .513.



UMO lineman Scot Gregory battles with an unidentified player in action last Saturday.

Soccer team wins second

The University of Maine soccer team raised its season's record to 2-0 yesterday afternoon by defeating Bates College 3-0.

Maine drew first blood as wing Paul Sortevik scored his second goal of the season. Sortevik was assisted by Ali Cham at 23:40 of the first half.

Two minutes later center forward Sam Osei scored an unassisted goal to put Maine in front two to nothing. And Ali Cham ended the Maine scoring with a goal at 18:08.

The Bears played an outstanding defensive game with good performances by fullback Mike Bardon and halfback Kim Shepard.

Goalie John Hackett played an outstanding game as he recorded his first

The Maine Campus Sports

Sailors face Harvard, B.U.

This year's sailing team is something of an unknown factor: chances of a good season depend on the performance of many freshmen of the team.

Coach "Gib" Philbrick indicates the '73 schedule is probably one of the toughest in recent years. Since all the races are away,

travel is difficult and very demanding on the sailing squad.

In their first meet of the season the UMO sailors placed fourth at the Mercury Invitational held at Maine Maritime Academy. Maine Maritime won the meet with 22 points, U.S. Coast Guard had 37, UMPG 40, and UMO 43.

Coach Philbrick said he was pleased with the performances of the freshmen on the team, especially Mike Bernard and Mark Colby.

"I've never had a group of freshmen like this. If they all stick with it we're going to have a very tough team in a couple of years," said Philbrick.

The Black Bear sailors hold semi-weekly intra-squad races and the most consistent performers represent the team in intercollegiate competition.

This weekend the Bears will travel to Boston for two invitational meets. On Saturday they will participate in the Harvard Invitational; the Boston University Invitational, Sunday.

"These invitational meets are good for us. We get to face teams like Harvard, Tufts, and MIT who all have Olympic class sailors," Philbrick commented.

This season, sailing is strictly a fall sport, instead of a split fall-spring sport as in previous years. The switch was caused by the calendar change ending classes in mid-May.

shutout of the young season. Hackett made 12 saves during the game.

Last Saturday the Bears opened their 1973 season with a convincing victory over Jersey City State 3-1.

In Saturday's contest senior Bill Sproul became the top scorer in UMO history. Sproul scored the 11th goal and the 28th point of his career.

The other UMO goals in Saturday's contest were scored by wing Paul Sortevik and freshman Ted Woodbrey. Woodbrey was playing in his first varsity contest.

Maine had 20 shots on goal while Jersey City State had 14. UMO goalie John Hackett had eight saves while two Jersey City State goalies recorded 13 saves.

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Oregon's great runner, Steve Prefontaine, describes cross-country as a "sanctuary."

"It's a great relief from the monotony of running around a track. Six miles around a track drives me crazy. Six miles across the Coos Bay sand dunes are fun," says Prefontaine.

The longer one runs, in terms of miles or year, the more one appreciates cross-country.

Why? Because cross-country is an "ecological experience." There is no better way to get to know the land, to feel a part of it, than to run across it daily. A morning run through an agricultural area evokes a special involvement. One develops an awareness of the land's rhythms. And the nearness of his own rhythms—breath, heart, and footfall—assures the runner of his place in nature's scheme.

Such a run also offers a chance for self-examination. It gives a runner the chance to discover his reaction to a face full of spider web, or startling a deer at dawn.

Another effect, stemming from this self-examination, is to destroy the Judeo-Christian concept that man occupies an elevated position in relation to his

environment.

Cross-country also sensitizes the runner to his own physiology. He becomes a connoisseur of tiredness. He is able to distinguish the light-headed sensation of a five-mile jog from the stiff, irritable fatigue of a 20-mile run.

And finally, I believe it fitting that in cross-country the team with the fewest points wins—fitting, because cross-country runners personify the Thoreauvian virtues of purity, simplicity, rusticity.



TOUGH YARDAGE--UMO's Jack Lamborghini, with help from teammate Al Marquis, attempts to break through the B.U. line in last Saturday's game. Maine lost 16-13.

Bears face tough UMass Saturday

Saturday afternoon the UMO Black Bears will travel to Amherst, Mass., to face the always tough UMass Minutemen.

Although the Minutemen are picked as heavy favorites, the chances for a Black good job and our offense came alive in the second half and put together two sustained drives which resulted in touchdowns," Abbott commented.

Both UMO touchdowns in last Saturday's game came via the air. In the third period quarterback Rich Prior connected with Bill Bruso on a 27-yard scoring play. And in the fourth period Prior passed to Al Marquis for the other Black Bear score. On the afternoon Prior completed 17 of 37 passes for 189 yards.

UMass and Maine bring identical 1-1 records into this Saturday's contest. The Minutemen lost their season's opener to Holy Cross before tipping Villanova last week. While the Black Bears won their opener with Vermont before being stopped by B.U. last Saturday.

of New York Mets' manager Yogi Berra. Maine will have to stop the Kelliher to Berra passing combo if they hope to upset the Minutemen.

On the other hand, the UMO Black Bears have got to tidy up their own play before Saturday's contest. Last week Boston University capitalized on three Black Bear miscues to win 16-13.

Despite the loss, UMO head coach Walt Abbott was not completely disappointed. "We played a good ballgame Saturday and didn't make many mistakes. Unfortunately the mistakes we did make resulted in B.U. points," said Abbott.

Abbott was very pleased with the performance of his defensive unit.

"Although we were down 9-0 at the half our boys never quit. Our defense did a real

good job and our offense came alive in the second half and put together two sustained drives which resulted in touchdowns," Abbott commented.

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Results from Wednesday's Student Senate election showed a turnout of about 1100 students casting ballots for 49 new senators.

Only 15% of on- and off-campus students chose to vote in cafeterias in the Memorial Union, with the lowest turnout coming from off-campus people.

In the Wells Commons complex, Mark Hopkins and Jon Curra will represent Hannibal Hamlin and Oak Halls. Senators from Hancock are Cathy Tibbets and Debbie Brooks, who ran unopposed. Hart Senators are Jeanne Bailey and Ann Ross, and Dunn Hall is represented by Dave Eaton and Jeff Hollingsworth. Corbett Senators are Eric Ellis and Larry Warden.

In the Stodder Complex, the winners were Susan Rollins, Michael Rogers, Susan Lathrop and Mike McKee. They represent, respectively Chadbourne, Stodder, Penobscot, and Estabrooke-Balentine-Colvin Halls.

On Hilltop, Peter Simon and Pam Nichols were elected Oxford's senators. Somerset is represented by Kate Nelligan and Betty Aylesworth, and Knox Hall senators are Mary Noyes and Steven Levine.

In the York complex, Seuss Nielson is Kennebec Hall's new senator. York Hall senators are John Jackson and Ken Brown. Steve Wood and Michael Elwell will represent Aroostook Hall this year.

Stewart Commons senators from Androscoggin are Lonna Plummer and Julie Carpenter, and in Gannett the senators are Rick Romanow and Ray Totaro. Cumberland Hall winners are Steve Alward and Bruce Leavitt.

The four fraternity senators for this school year are Steve Reilly, Kevin Fellows, Mike Chiaparis, and Bill Leonard.

The 20 off-campus senators are Norm Buck, Katherine Roberts, Phyllis Thibodeau, Richard Nelson, Diane Henry, Peter St. John, Mary Morris, Ted Malette, Al Smith, James Gagne, Trent Shute, Deborah Winsor, Bill Carlisle, James Jordan, Joe McLaughlin, Rand E. Newell, Paul Bernard, James Eves, Bruce Carlisle and Camillo Dibiase.

In addition to senators, Tom Kimball was elected head of the Off-Campus Board, which hopes to organize a local Tenants' Union.



OLD GLORY rides high above the crowd at last Saturday's Maine vs. Boston U. game. the gapping mouths of onlookers are indicative of the closeness of the contest. B.U. won 16-13