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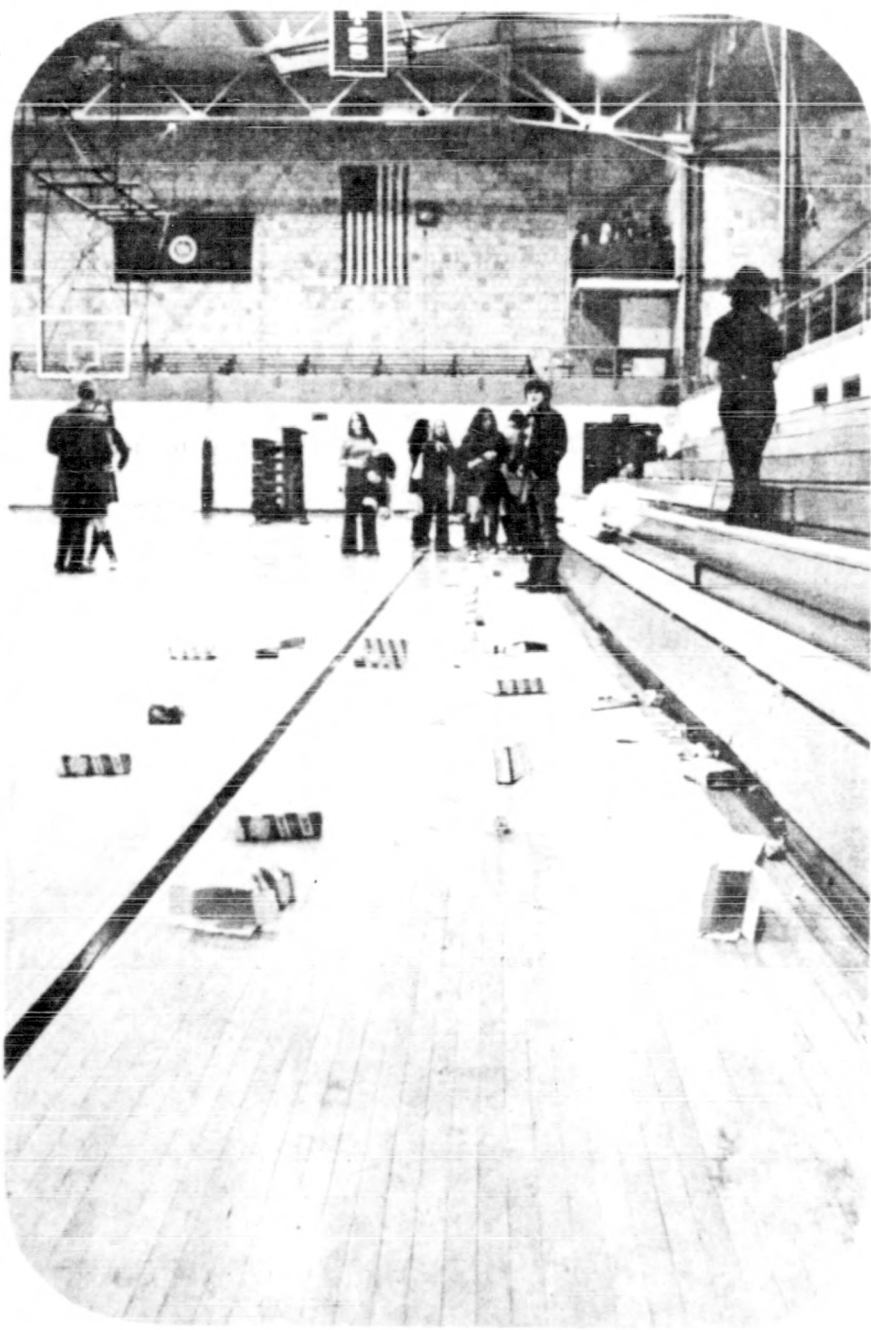
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All that's left of the 1973-74 basketball season is empty Coke cups, scattered bits of popcorn and a disastrous 2-10 Yankee Conference record. The once intimidating UMO cagers were the bombees rather than the bombers this season, at least in conference competition. The gallant young Bears did salvage the State Series, however, so all was not lost. What we are left with is The Pit and the Promise. [See p. 11]

Neville's drive for contributions creates debate

Hutchinson chairs Official Family phase of funds campaign

Frederick E. Hutchinson, dean of the College of Life Sciences and Agriculture, was appointed chairman of the "Official Family" phase of the \$3.5 million fund drive to build a performing arts center and sports arena on campus.

In making the announcement, President Howard R. Neville said, "The overall campaign is being conducted in three phases, Official Family, Eastern Maine and Alumni. The key to our success will be to achieve an excellent result from those on or closely tied to the campus. To give us the best chance for success in this crucial



Fred Hutchinson

area, we have asked Dr. Hutchinson to serve as Official Family chairman.

"Besides being a graduate of the university, he is well-known and respected throughout the campus community. We are very pleased he has accepted this position and feel certain the Official Family will establish an outstanding level of support for this program."

Accepting the chairmanship Hutchinson said, "This campaign is the largest and most comprehensive in the history of the University of Maine. To be successful we will need the generous support of everyone with an interest in the Orono campus. The official family must set the place to show we need and want these facilities. Because I know the needs and opportunities that exist to fill them, I am looking forward to enthusiastic support from the campus community."



Frank St. Louis

Howard Neville

Ken Allen

Graduate students retain Estabrooke Hall residence

Graduate Students at UMO will not have to search for new quarters next semester as a result of action taken Friday by the University Housing Committee.

Dr. David Trafford moved that the two sentences in the University Housing Sub-Committee proposal dealing with the change of status for Estabrooke Hall be deleted. His motion effectively stopped the action that would have converted Estabrooke Hall into an undergraduate dormitory at the expense of the graduate students now living there.

Trafford's action at Housing Committee meeting may have opened the door to the expansion of graduate activities on campus and to the eventual creation of a Graduate Center to be housed in Estabrooke Hall.

The Residential Life Staff in Estabrooke and the House Council have submitted a proposal to UMO President Howard Neville and department chairmen in hopes of gaining support for a graduate student organization.

The staff at Estabrooke has begun small programs aimed at the needs of graduate students, but due to lack of funds and time a full program is not possible. With support from the President's Office and department chairmen, Morrison hopes to expand Estabrooke programs to the point of a full Graduate Center.

The key to the eventual success of the proposed Graduate Center is financial stability. Within the Estabrooke Graduate Center Proposal are two means of generating the needed monies.

Each graduate department would be expected to provide \$42 to fund the creation of six work-study positions necessary for the administration of the program.

Proposed positions and sponsors are: Intramural Program, Graduate School and Departments; Cultural Program, Graduate School and Departments; Social Program, Residential Life; Exit Program, Placement Office; Two Clerk Typists, Graduate School and Departments.

The other method of funding the program would be the establishment of a graduate student activity fee of \$5. Graduate students are not assessed any activity fee at this time. The proposal designates that this money would be used to establish and finance the Graduate Student Office.

The exact method of how to go about collecting the activity fee, who it would be paid to, and who would administer the funds, has not been clearly defined. Even with this uncertainty, students in Estabrooke were very receptive to the activity fee.

The graduate departments were also in agreement with the funding proposal. Morrison has received 16 letters in full support of the graduate organization, 13 of these pledging overwhelming financial support for the programs.

Morrison is now waiting for reactions from other graduate departments and from UMO President Howard Neville. When their reactions are received, they will be evaluated and implementation of the proposed graduate organization will begin.

University employees conflict on existence of strongarm tactics

by Lisa Halvorsen

"I think we're being childish when we talk of pressure. Whether you give or not has no bearing on the future. All he's asking for is honest support," explained Arts & Sciences Dean Kenneth Allen after listening to a speech by President Howard R. Neville urging faculty members to contribute to the capital fund-raising drive. Neville called together eighty of the "top" senior faculty members and administrators to inform them of plans and progress for the drive to raise monies for a fine arts center and sports arena.

Professor Brooks Hamilton, who also attended the meeting, disagreed. "I've been here long enough now that if I feel pressures I just ignore them. But I felt there was a definite undercurrent of pressure at that meeting." He said Neville emphasized that "whether or not one contributes will have no bearing on



Brooks Hamilton

promotions. If that's the case, why then did he feel he had to say that?" added Hamilton.

With the exception of initial organizational meetings, there has been little action taken on the fund-raising drive so far. No one seems to know much about the drive.

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PIRG's officers to work for Maine's disadvantaged

Maine's Public Interest Research Group (PIRG) will begin 1974-75 with a new team of leaders.

Elected to head the consumer-oriented board were Willy Willette, chairperson; Peter Lemen, vice-chairperson; Nancy Hudak, secretary; and Ken Dunton, treasurer.

Chairperson Willette characterized his role as one of intermediary between the outside community and the inner PIRG team. The vice-chairperson will act under his direction, specializing in communication and resource capacities within the organization.

PIRG in 1974 will concentrate on environmental concerns, the rights of Maine's nursing home inhabitants, rural health care, access to the electric power industry, and the investigation of automobile insurance company rate cancellation policies.

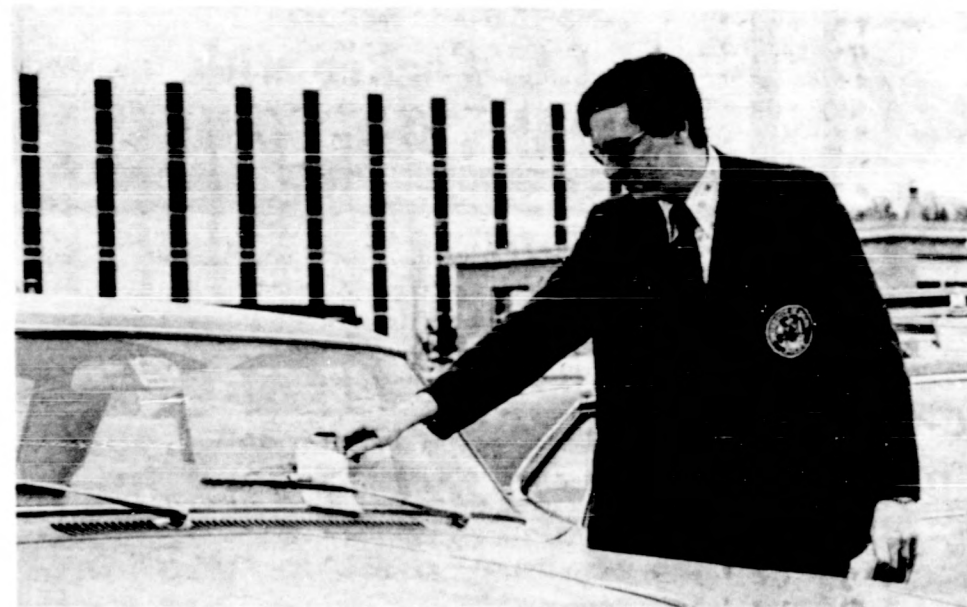
The local PIRG board recently supported and sent to the state PIRG board for approval a proposal recommending the adoption of the National Resource Council's at-large membership policy.

With the adoption of this policy, those people interested will be eligible for an at-large membership in the board, giving them all rights now enjoyed by PIRG board members.

To encourage student involvement with PIRG's local board, the group decided to maintain a file of resource personnel known to be available to PIRG for consultation. Persons with concerns in specific areas could go directly to the source for information and advice by using the PIRG representatives as intermediaries.

The file will be maintained for new members coming into the PIRG organization so that they will not have to "start from scratch" each year.

PIRG also is examining ways of participating in the Educational Exposition to be held at UMO in late March. The group wishes to maintain a booth and acquire a specific time during the exposition when a formal presentation could be given describing PIRG and its goals.



Blazer Clad "Student Safety Officer", James Finkle performing one of his duties in the staff parking lot behind the

Memorial Union, Monday. The student safety officers program was created in an attempt to get students to communicate with the police.

Rowson Photo

What's on

TUESDAY, MARCH 5

POETRY—reading by Constance Hunting. Bangor Room, Memorial Union, 3:30 p.m.

ROWING CLUB—Meeting at 5:45 p.m., 102 Lord Hall. Club now has on hand two, eight-man shells. Crews to be formed.

BRANDS—film festival: "Guys and Dolls", 100 Nutting, 7 and 9:30 p.m.

BRIDGE—Bumps Room, Memorial Union, 7 p.m.

GUJAR LESSONS—Bangor Lounge, Memorial Union, 7 p.m.

FRENCH—Quebec Folk Troupe does singing, dancing, and poetry-in French. Damn Yankee Room, Memorial Union, 8 p.m.

BOOK SALE—by UMO Women's Rifle Team, Memorial Union, 1-5 p.m.

MEETING—Phys. ed majors meeting at 7:00 in Lengyel Gym. Election of officers will be held.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 6

CARNATIONS—green ones on sale in the Union for St. Patrick's Day until the 12th.

CALENDAR—open hearing on UMO/B calendar, 110 Little Hall, 3:30 p.m.

READING—poetry by Henry Braun. Bangor Room, Memorial Union, 3:30 p.m.

FLY TYING—FFA Room, Memorial Union, 7 p.m.

MRS. MAINE—club-Prof. Lyle Littlefield, horticulturist speaks. New members

and friends invited. Walker Room, Memorial Union, 7:30 p.m.

MAINE DAY—meeting for those interested in working on Maine Day in 110 Little Hall, 6-7:30 p.m.

MOVIE—"Marnie", 100 Nutting, 7 and 9:30 p.m.

CHESS—Bumps Room, Memorial Union, 7 p.m.

TOPICS—Dennis Tracey on Jujitsu. Damn Yankee, Memorial Union, 7:30 p.m.

FILM—"These Days," film of three poets, followed by a discussion with the three poets, Enslin, Braun, and Mrs. Hunting, 7:30 p.m.

BLOOD BANK—give blood at Kennebec Hall, 11 a.m. to 5 p.m.

JOBS—"Graduation" = Jobs and Money, Paul Zingale will speak on the 1974 employment opportunities in business and industry, 120 Little Hall, 7 p.m.

AMORPHIA—legalize marijuana, 110 Little Hall, 7:45 p.m.

MEDITATION—transcendental, introductory lecture, 153 Barrows Hall, 8 p.m.

BOOK SALE—UMO Women's Rifle Team, Memorial Union, 1-5 p.m.

THURSDAY, MARCH 7

WORKSHOP—backpacking tips and places to visit in Maine, Damn Yankee Room, Memorial Union, 7 p.m.

MOVIE—"Marnie", 130 Little Hall, 7 and 9:30 p.m.

POETRY—reading by Ted Enslin. Bangor Room, Memorial Union, 7:30 p.m.

MISCELLANEOUS

STUDENT—Off-campus, return housing survey and entry blank for eligibility for a five dollar Sampson's gift certificate. Drawing 2:30 Friday in the Memorial Union.

YOGA—Kundalini Yoga, beginners and intermediate courses at the Bangor YWCA start March 21st.

Dorms may get parietal self-determination

If you live on campus next year, you may be over-crowded and face a one year housing contract.

The Housing Committee, at a meeting last Friday, approved the Residential Life proposal of over-crowding in the dorms by as many as 170 people and a one-year housing contract. Also approved were the elimination of the freshmen living requirement and the recommendations for the lifestyle option.

Included in the lifestyle option is the conversion of Cumberland, Dunn and Hancock halls to co-ed dormitories on a

floor-by-floor plan and the conversion of Penobscot Hall to an all-male facility.

These dorms are presently single sex units. The recommendation that Estabrooke Hall, a graduate dorm, be reverted to an undergraduate facility was not approved.

The Housing Committee also decided to approve the Residential Life Proposal regarding visiting privileges. All dorms would vote their own visiting hours with the exception of Hancock, Penobscot and Kennebec which would retain the present hours while two sections of these dorms would have no parietals at all.

Ross Moriarty, director of Residential Life emphasized that these proposals were not final and that they are now being studied by his department. "All recommendations dealing with lifestyle changes are subject to the president's approval," said Moriarty. "We want to quickly establish a program whereby we can plan for next year."

For those proposals that would need President Neville's approval, Moriarty hopes that by the end of this week they can be on Neville's desk. The freshmen living requirement is a trustees' policy and would need their approval, added Moriarty.

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As of March 29, the positions of Editor and Business Manager will be vacant. Those wishing to apply may pick up application forms at 101 Lord Hall. Deadline for applications is 1 PM, March 15, 1974

New award established to acknowledge research

On April 25th, two UMO faculty members will become \$1500 richer. One will receive the annual Outstanding Professor Award. The other will become the first recipient of the new Presidential Research Achievement Award.

The new award, to be presented at the annual honors banquet, establishes "a faculty award that provides the same kind of recognition as is provided by the Outstanding Professor Award," says Bruce Poulton, vice-president for Research and Public Services. The Presidential Research Achievement Award will be based solely on the research conducted by a UMO faculty member.

The new award provides recognition in an area not normally recognized by students, commented Wesley O'Neill, chairman of the Faculty Research Fund Committee charged with selecting the

finalists. He believes that most recommendations will be submitted by the faculty.

The nomination process is designed to eliminate what Poulton calls, "frivolous nominations." A statement explaining how the candidate's research conforms to the selection criteria established by the committee must be submitted with each name.

Although the exact criteria has not been finalized as yet, Poulton said that the statement must demonstrate the significance of the research to the researcher's department, his university, and his discipline. "What we're asking," explained Poulton, who is an ex-Officio member of O'Neill's committee, "is that you tell us why this guy's work is significant."

Beginning this week, the formal format for making nominations will be included in the weekly calendar circulated throughout the university. Deadlines for making nominations will be March 20. Sometime

Volunteer assistance available in filing income tax return

Those in need of help in filing federal and state income tax returns prior to the April 15 deadline can get it at UMO starting today.

A volunteer Income Tax Assistance program will be launched, using the services of 14 faculty, staff and administration members at UMO and continuing on Tuesdays and Thursdays until April 11. The program is under the direction of John M. Blake, vice president for finance and administration.

The service will be provided for students, faculty and the general public with the Tuesday sessions scheduled for the Davis Room of the Memorial Union Building from 2 to 4 p.m. and the Thursday sessions planned for the 1912 Room of the Memorial Union from 7 to 9 p.m.

Taking part and assisting those with problems in making out their returns are Wayne Astbury, Fred Benson, Murray Billington, Tom Cole, Paula Dubay, Frank Foster, Brian Gerry, Thomas Largay, George Lovett, Martin Predergast, Dwight Rideout, Alden Stuart, Phil Willems and Blake.



Bruce Poulton

after that date, the Faculty Research Fund Committee will present the names of the three finalists to President Neville, who will make the final selection.

Joyce Brothers featured in DLS program March 12

Dr. Joyce Brothers, well-known author, psychologist, T.V. and radio personality, and consultant, will deliver an address at the University of Maine at Orono March 12 at 8 p.m. in Memorial Gym. Brothers' appearance is being sponsored by the Distinguished Lecture Series, supported by the School of Human Development and Omicron Nu honor society.



Joyce Brothers

Brothers has been named in a United Press International poll as one of the World's Ten Most Influential Women. Her many books have been translated into 26 languages. She is the author of a magazine column, "On Being A Woman," a weekly newspaper column (syndicated) on the psychological impact behind news events, and a daily newspaper column on human relations.

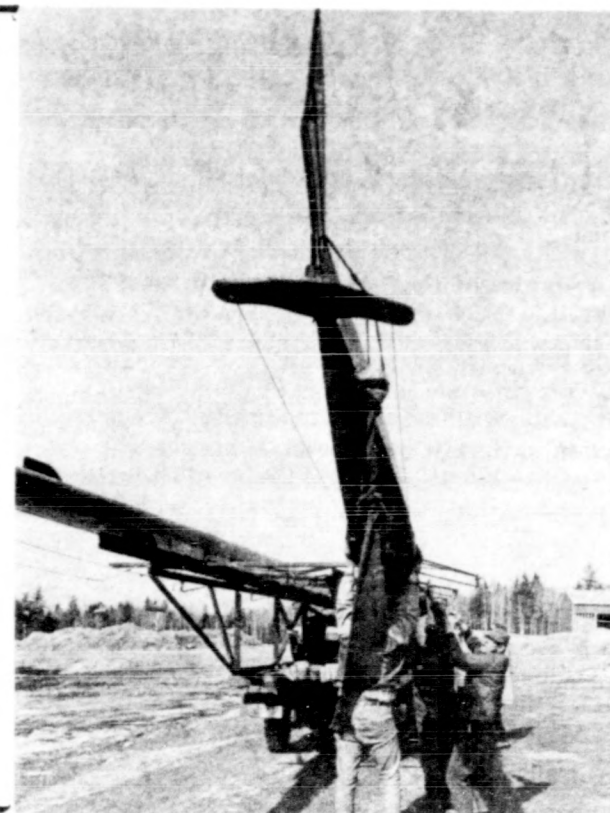
Daily, Brothers presents a live telephone talk program for WNBC Radio, New York, another daily WNBC show, "Emphasis," and is otherwise featured on the NBC network series "Monitor." She also has a regular television program, carried in Maine on Channels 5 in Bangor and 13 in Portland. Brothers has been a frequent guest on NBC's "Tonight" show, and she has appeared on a wide variety of game and quiz programs.

Brothers is a graduate of Cornell University and received her Ph.D. in psychology from Columbia University. She has taught at Hunter College, New York City, and at Columbia.

Brothers is married and the mother of one daughter.

The March 12 address is open to the public.

Two rowing shells were recently purchased by UMO's new Rowing Club from Harvard College at \$100 apiece. The shells are stored until warmer weather arrives.



Volunteer draft endangers US security, says Maccoby

A military coup in the United States? It's a possibility, says Dr. Herbert Maccoby, a professor of sociology at UMO, if the U.S. continues to staff the armed services on a volunteer basis.

Speaking to a group of 15 people in the Coe Lounge Thursday night as part of the Memorial Union's "Controversy" program, Maccoby explained that he is not an expert or scholar on the draft but bases his opinions on political concern. Once a volunteer for the army himself, he described his experience with the army as a "positive one, where I was treated like a human being."

"With the end of the Selective Service System in July, 1973, the nation returned to its customary way of staffing its military forces in peacetime by volunteers only," commented Maccoby. "The inherent dangers for the freedom and existence of a democratic political order relies on a large professional army, which the volunteer army is not," Maccoby said his political concern "leads me to believe that we should return to universal conscription for staffing our armed service."

Maccoby views the armed forces as an isolated community, where the changing values to society are reflected only to a small degree. He compared the armed forces to a college community, which he regards as somewhat isolated also.

"I view this total community impact as potentially dangerous. There should be a constant flow of civilians in and out of the services to avoid this, and it can only be done with conscription," he commented. While an individual is in the armed services, his "life is wholly within the army," Maccoby continued.

The danger Maccoby sees in a stagnant military operation concerns a military takeover, which he compared to the movie "Seven Days in May." "I am not suggesting this will happen, but I am willing to take any steps to prevent it."

"At one point, around 1950, I was as much opposed to the draft as all of you are," Maccoby told the group. "Around 1968-69 my perspective changed for two reasons. First, I felt it wrong for a volunteer army to fight our battles for us, and secondly, I felt it wrong to encourage people to fight for money." Today, a private earns about \$5,000 per year.

Maccoby said today's volunteers are disproportionately coming from southern, rural, and low educational backgrounds; 60 per cent of the men enlisting do not have a high school education. "This is not a good representational cross-section of our country," he said. "It has been proven that people with these general characteristics are less supportive of democratic values," he contended.

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Housing committee plays the numbers game

The latest in a series of short-sighted decisions was aired before the University Housing Committee Friday afternoon. Someone had the good sense to eliminate the controversy before it had a chance to be dealt with by the most arrogant and simple-minded committees at UMO. The issue was the banishing of all graduate students from the residence halls to gain space for 130 undergraduates. It seemed like a simple decision—without any consideration for graduate students, it must have been. However, the recommendation was so absurd, it leaked to the outside world, something the Housing Committee and its sub-committees effectively avoid as a rule.

This group, although it can't take all the blame for what seems to be a growing university attitude seems concerned only with numbers. Its calculator must get a great deal of use. In fact, a calculator might not be sufficient to handle the manipulating it does with little or no outside input. Had the committee been forced to deal with this recommendation of its sub-committee, graduate students would've been out looking for a place to live. Can a foreign student who barely speaks English effectively study, live socially or even survive in a Orono's roach-infested hovels? The recommendation before the Housing Committee inferred that he could, but we question whether the most knowledgeable student can.

Other precipitous decisions by the committee display its poor attitude—the most recent is the action to bring 200 more students on campus as dormitory residents than were here at the start of classes in Sept. 1973. This action triples all new freshmen, male and female. Was Residential Life asked to make a recommendation before this committee? If so its words went unheeded. Triples for a freshmen mean little room for socializing, little room for studying, a smaller space for living, and no space for being himself—no identity at all, just a bed to call home. Did the housing committee ask an R.A. for an evaluation of this horrendous practice? If asked, it would have heard about sleepless nights talking a freshman out of committing suicide because he couldn't find his place at UMO, or about a window kicked out because of frustration from constant interruptions, doors kicked in, people punched

out, low grade-point averages due to the worst studying atmosphere. With one stroke, the Housing Committee doomed the residential population on campus to a year of the same horror show with no hope of relieving the pain.

Steps must be taken to make the operation of this community more responsive. It is obvious that the Housing Committee can see no further than

placing warm bodies in the space that can be created for them.

"If it generates income, or provides more living space (which generates more income) let's do it" would seem to be the attitude prevalent in the administration. The master plan to get the alumni to shell out a little more cash for UMO is toward students as people and not heads of cattle to be manipulated is far more important.

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Editorials

Making legislators dollar-honest

Conflict of interest is a heavy charge to lay on a politician—especially a state legislator. But it's a charge which has cropped up frequently in reference to Maine state legislators, and most recently in the celebrated Ethics Committee hearings concerning Sen. Joseph Sewall of Old Town.

The charge, however, was made again last week by Maine PIRG Director Suzanne Spitz, who in response to an attack on PIRG by Senate President Kenneth MacLeod, suggested that the motivation behind MacLeod's attack concerned the protection of his special interests and those of his associates.

Spitz, who charged MacLeod's insurance firm represents Webber Oil Co. of Bangor and that he is friends with Sen. Richard Morrell of Brunswick, who is supposedly engaged in the oil business, suggested MacLeod's interest in PIRG's activities might be due to its investigation of special interests groups to which he is tied.

Unfortunately, there may be more truth to Spitz's charge than is readily apparent since the current legislative set-up forces lawmakers to earn a living at something other than legislative work. The \$3,500 salary which Maine legislators are paid for what is fast becoming a two-year session just doesn't make the job pay. It literally forces the legislators to seek income elsewhere. And when one is employed by a private business while trying to carry out the public's business, conflict of interest has to occur.

There has been talk—since God knows when—of raising legislator's salaries to "a living wage." Well, no one has yet determined what a living wage would be—some of the more wealthy (or well taken care of) legislators

suggesting the present salary is a living wage. Some, however—including Sen. Joseph Brennan, senate minority leader and candidate for the Democratic gubernatorial nomination—have suggested a salary between \$7,000 and \$8,000 per year would be a start. But they also point out that Maine taxpayers aren't the easiest folks to convince that such an increase is both proper and necessary. In fact, they see taxpayers thumbing their noses to the whole idea of legislators granting themselves a pay raise.

But the problem remains unsolved. There is no way to prevent the continual conflicts of interest unless legislators find an adequate income available as part of the job. Taxpayers should remember that legislators, who are responsible for spending their tax dollars, cannot do that well until they are financially able to divest themselves. Then the taxpayer have a right to demand that their legislators be as honest and dedicated as the system demands. Right now, there's no such animal as a legislator without a vested interest.

In the days of Watergate, citizens are becoming increasingly cynical with each new discovery of hanky-panky in their political system. Rest assured that the state of Maine has its minor Watergates, and its contribution to the political system lends itself to the fostering of that cynicism. It is only through increased citizen pressure—and cooperation—that politicians will effect an abrupt about face in the area of monetary corruption. It will only come about in Maine when the taxpayer grants his legislators a living wage and then demands—even to the point of law—that they divest themselves of all private financial holdings.

Letters to the editors must be received by The Campus before noon two days prior to publication. Please sign your name, although it will be withheld on request. 106 Lord Hall, University of Maine, Orono 04473.

Commentary

Jack Bell

Booboo's bluster blasts candy counter-culture

Once again, Rev. Benjamin Booboo has sounded the alarm, signaling the troops of the Maine Christian Civic League to rush to the aid of American decency and morality. Undaunted by the shattering defeat he suffered at the hands of the Wilde-Stein Club and the UMO Board of Trustees, the Christian Crusader is opening an all-out campaign against the existence of candy in the state of Maine, as a result of finding a chocolate Necco Wafer in his collection plate.

In an exclusive interview with the *Fire and Brimstone Gazette*, the righteous reverend blasted what he called a "wanton, depraved act of sacrilege," and said he planned to call on religious leaders of every denomination to present a united front against "the creeping perversion that is nibbling away at the foundations of decent life in America."

"We have good reason to believe, through exhaustive investigation, that the wafer originated from the candy counter at the Memorial Union at UMO," Booboo wheezed. Apparently allowing his fervor to get the better of him, he blurted, "Nabisco be damned."

Meanwhile, a group of students at UMO called the "Crazy Confectionary Club" issued a statement in response to Booboo's opening volley, asserting that no sacrilege or disrespect was intended.

Hershey Squirt, president of the club, commented, "The Reverend totally misread our intentions. We meant no disrespect. On the contrary, we believe the most sincere gift



our group can give to any person or any church is candy, considering our sweet teeth."

Booboo hasn't bought it, however, and said he plans to initiate a drive to rid the state of all types of candy. He added that he will press for the defeat of the bond issue if the UMO Board of Trustees fails to disband the Crazy Confectionary Club.

"We lost a squeaker to those fags at Orono, but by thunder, we don't intend to let this group spread their sick practices to decent Christians," the religious leader declared.

Meanwhile, a slew of editorials appearing in the *Maine Campus* supporting the civil right of the Confectionaries, has aroused the hostile sentiments of alumni, students and faculty.

"The issue isn't what they do, but what they have a right to do," editor Phil Space said in an editorial set in Old English lettering. Chris Ruse, the paper's managing editor, followed suit with a similar editorial, viewing the issue from inside Space's pocket.

The General Student Senate was engaged in heated debate at its weekly meeting, but were expected to make a policy decision regarding the Crazy Confectionary Club once the meeting was called to order.

Deluged with mail from all sides, including a poster of Mr. Tooth Decay sent by Rev. Booboo, President Never ordered "out of order" signs to be hung on all vending machines and on the knob of his office door.

Letters to the editor



Identity crisis in Campus staff revealed

To the editor:

Re: the Feb. 26 editorial. I find that if the shoe fits, wear it. **BIAS AND MIS- INFORMATION**

Who are Phil Mace and Chris Spruce and what can they possibly have to say to me?

Occasionally, faced with an item so outrageous as to impair reason, UMO students reel to their wastebaskets, hoping to regain their shattered sanity at one mighty heave, even at the risk of overloading them with "harmful, possibly fatal" newspapers.

One such item which had *Campus* hanging over the trash barrels this week is the choice of newspaper leaders. Stunned, we learned the editors, both In-Chief and Managing, had taken over the paper. Our glorious news sources rest in the hands of News Editor Debbie Winsor, Cartoonist, etc. Ruth Spruce and... *who are Phil Mace and Chris Spruce and what can they possibly say to me?*

Most of us have been here four years in search of a good newspaper, and at least one person—admittedly a slow learner—has endured six or seven years—his mind, he says, is too numbed by this latest issue to determine an accurate count. But even the dazed were dazzled by the light of the most obvious question: "Who picked these people?"

All but the oldest, most cynical readers were stunned and amazed to learn the people self-picked to pick the editors picked... you guess... themselves. Final and irrevocable is the word on a change.

Perhaps the editors will at least accept a suggestion for a topic—the drift to yellow journalism in college newspapers. Such an editorial from such stirring writers is sure to draw admiring throngs of threes and fours. Winsor could explain the intricacies of an editor dictating a cheap-shot series of editorials, and strong-arming subscribers and advertisers for necessary financial support.

Letters to the editors are welcome. To be published, letters must be received at *The Campus* office by Monday noon and Thursday noon for the Midweek and Weekend editions respectively.

Ruth Spruce could explain the wrongs of publishing bird-brained cartoons, but... *who are Phil Mace and Chris Spruce and what can they possibly have to say?*

We've been told that in return for sacrificing a voice in selecting the editors, we will be allotted a "new format." With identical feelings of disgust and boredom, we may parade across the campus to receive our newspapers—perhaps not so personal as real pieces of journalism, as the papers will be empty. Real news is available only from other sources.

Of course, there is still that nagging question... *who are Phil Mace and Chris Spruce and what will they write?* Well, a little research reveals that Phil Mace is the Editor of the *Campus* and Chris Spruce is the Managing Puppet although all good standards of journalism have been officially removed

Mace's "Miscircumstance" called mistaken, misleading

To the editor:

Who is Phil Mace and what possible sense could he make in *The Maine Campus*?

First, I would like to correct a few mistakes and misleading remarks made in the editorial "Pomp and Mis-circumstance" which appeared in the Feb. 26 issue of *The Campus*.

In the editorial the writer made it seem unusual that the chairman of the graduation class would be speaking at graduation ceremonies but with a little research he would have found out that it is tradition. It is also tradition for the president of

Christianity Contradicted

To the editor:

Isn't it curious how much of the noise made by the opponents of the Wilde-Stein Club is done by "Christians." As I recall, there's a verse somewhere which reads like, "Judge not and you will not be judged." Somewhere there's a contradiction.

William Crediott

from 106 Lord Hall. As Editor Mace's position involves little more than pecking out mindless editorials, and Spruce's position involves little more than sitting around the office at his flowered desk. That fact is known. Also known and often published are the personal biases of Winsor and Ruth Spruce, and there is little to indicate either will inspire readers to get the truth in the issues ahead.

What can they have to say?... research sheds no light on this. Whatever it is, we hope it measures up to what we deserve. They have three months to make the *Campus* worthwhile again. Write well, Phil and Chris.

P.S. Chris, I thought nepotism was illegal.

Jeffrey Hollingsworth

Imitation, they say. Jeff, is the sincerest form of flattery. Thanks for the compliment—Ed.

student government to speak at graduation ceremonies. It is not even unusual to have President Neville speaking at graduation; this has been done in past years also. I think President Neville has a perfect right to speak at this graduation. It is his first graduation as president of the university and I think it is common courtesy to invite him to speak.

The editor also brought out in his article that the graduating class will be wearing "identical" caps and gowns for graduation. The reason you are wearing "identical" caps and gowns is the result of a questionnaire sent to all seniors. The result being over 2-1 in favor of "identical" caps and gowns.

The editor also implied that it was unusual to get diploma boxes with the real diplomas to come later. Well, in answer, they have been doing that since my mother graduated from college.

Again I pose the question: who is Phil Mace and what possible sense could he make in *The Maine Campus*?

Barbara Ridge

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Alumnus rebuffs the rebuff

To the editor:

Great balls of fire. Word of your streaking episodes has reached me in Kittery. As an alumnus, I must register my dismay. Nay, call it despair.

It's not the buff that bothers me. It's the rebuff.

The heavy cloak of sobriety that has draped the Administration's response to bottoms bared to the breezes has unnecessarily stifled youthful exuberance. Would that the Powers instead could have cloaked their admonitions in wit and grace.

Would, too, that they could have counted their blessings; x-rated though streaking might be, it is consummately preferable to some of the activities that have transpired on other campuses in other years.

But then, that's the nature of streaking. Even when you're ahead, you're behind.

Nevertheless, whatever other distinctions streaking brings to

UMO, it can now be said to have established the point that Maine men and women will no longer have to Fill the Steins to say, "Bottoms up."

Ronald K. Devine
Class of '55

Double standard

To the editor:

I would like to bring up one point about streaking. Why does this university allow freedom to the Gays but throws a streaker in the brig. Both are under penalty of the law, so it seems a little ambiguous to shelter one group and not the other. I'm not saying either is right but let's look at the situation a little closer and make both offenses either right or wrong to do. There must be others that feel as I do.

Anonymous

COMBAT says 'thanks'

To the editor:

I would like to thank you, on behalf of the Board of Directors, staff, and membership of Bangor COMBAT for the time you have donated to our organization and the advertisements which are appearing regularly in the *Campus*. As you know, we are an all-volunteer program with no funding so both the free space and the help in attracting volunteers from the university community are very much appreciated.

Since the ads have started to appear we have received several calls from potential volunteers and three have started working at the COMBAT office here in Bangor, all from the university.

We have long wanted to advise the university community

of what we do as the kind of direct assistance, research, and public issue involvement we pursue are the kinds of things for which dynamic, social issue-conscious members of the university community are particularly suited. It's exciting to be on the front lines of the Consumer Movement. Thank you for helping us get more people there because the more people we get to volunteer for "COMBAT duty," the more people we can serve and the more issues we can confront.

Again, thank you sincerely from all of us here at COMBAT. We'll keep working for you.

John Supranovich
Executive Director

IDB returns Gordon's fire

To the editor:

I have been treasurer of IDB for the past three years and the time has come for me to respond to Bill Gordon's ingenious insights into the minds of the average racoon coat, goldfish swallowing, streaking college student.

Speaking as a typical college student with an average IQ and a robust interest for simple enjoyment, I really enjoyed IDB movies as *Bless the Beasts and the Children*, *Airport*, *Count Dracula*, *Phantom of the Opera* and several others. Why is it that such a perfectionist in viewing enjoyment would lower himself by showing a "junk jamboree" special in *On the Waterfront*, only Bill Gordon knows.

IDB has quite a variety of films. We hope through a variety of films that we will be able to extend something

enjoyable to everyone at some time or another. We had no idea that 4,200 students wanted to see 22 Marlon Brando flicks. I did enjoy a few of them.

A final note. Bill Gordon was one of the many upset students to express his discontent over the inadequacy of our four-year-old projectors. Why is it that he now seems to think that "the present two are in fine condition." They obviously need to be replaced.

We intend to keep our junk jamboree rolling with what many feel is an enjoyable escape. We have had several problems with room space in scheduling our films. We hope this will not continue. So we hope the average student doesn't mind the "sewer", while "big bad Billy" thinks of something else to write.

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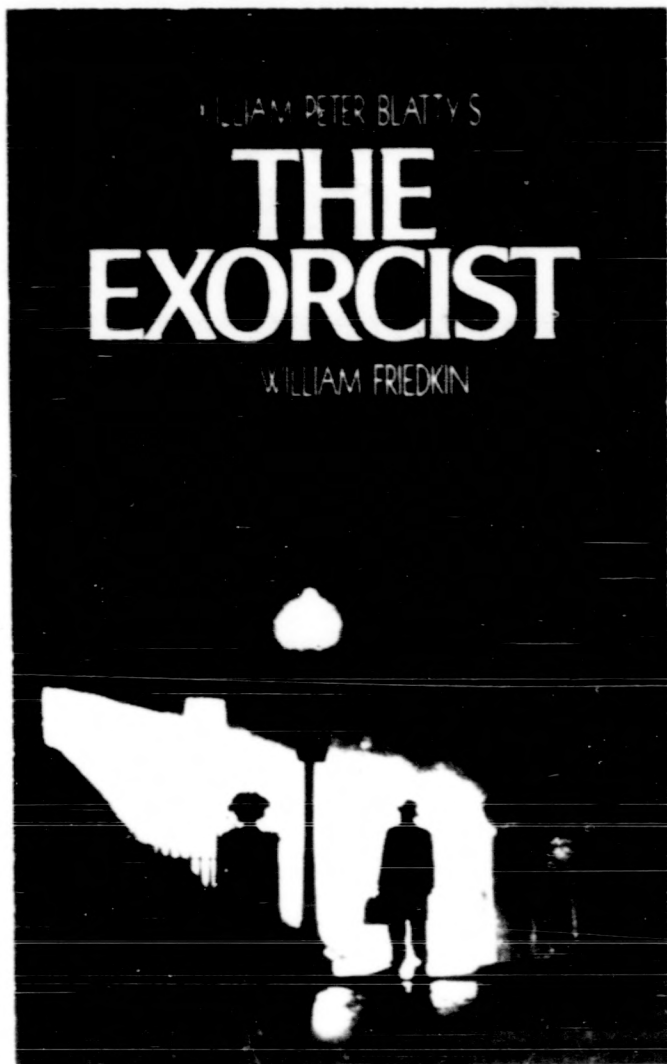
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Author Blatty's 'The Exorcist' could have made a good fi



Reviewed by Bill Gordon

After reading the incredibly trashy novel, I had hoped that the talents involved in the film version of *The Exorcist* would take its promising plot and turn it into good screen entertainment.

The director is William Friedkin, whose credits include *The French Connection*, *The Night They Raided Minskys*, *The Birthday Party*, and *The Boys in the Band*.

The above-average cast includes Max von Sydow, (as Father Merrin), a fine film actor so familiar to all those Ingmar Bergman masterworks; Ellen Burstyn (as Chris McNeil, famous actress), who appeared in *The Last Picture Show* as the adulterous mother of Cybil Shepard; Lee J. Cobb (Detective Kinderman), one of the best in American film and theatre; Kitty Winn (Sharon), praised for her work in *The Panic in Needle Park*; and the late Jack MacGowran (Burke Dennings), who is miscast.

So how did this production go wrong? The man obviously responsible is William Peter Blatty, who wrote the crummy book, made himself producer,

and (the biggest mistake of all) wrote the screenplay. Blatty must be one of the worst hacks in Hollywood today. His previous screenplays include *Darling Lili*, *Promise Her Anything*, *John Goldfarb, Please Come Home*, *The Great Bank Robbery*, *What Did You Do in the War, Daddy?*, etc., which makes one wonder why a cut-rate comedy writer should now go into horror (as opposed to being simply horrid). Blatty's participation was unavoidable since it was all arranged even before the book's publication, but I wish Friedkin had ignored him and taken the liberty to change the screenplay during shooting, which is a common practice when a director realizes that a certain scene as written is just unfilmable.

Blatty's poor influence is apparent in that the movie's continuity is disjointed and the dialogue is as laughable as his earlier efforts were supposed to be but rarely were. Scenes follow each other so poorly that the film lacks narrative, and the film's structure is so lopsided that suspense as well as conviction is absent. It becomes nothing more than a visualization of a poorly-written book, without the transitional phrases.

The movie was made at the unbelievable amount of \$10 million—hard to believe because the film looks very cheap and amateurish, especially with the grimy photography of Owen Roizman. (The gifted English photographer Billy Williams shot the opening Iraq sequence—still without purpose as in the book—and the difference in picture quality is jarring.)

The picture must therefore rely on special effects, and some of them are indeed slam-bang and guaranteed to gross you out. When Regan

(Linda Blair), the daughter who is possessed by a demon, is transformed into a scar-faced blaspheming Satanist, we have some spectacular things like her bed shaking, her vomiting green slime into priests' faces, her ventriloquist's head turning completely around or her masturbating with a crucifix and shoving her mommy's face into her bloody privates.

The climatic exorcism sequence is the best in the film, because nobody talks much and we get the kind of terrific thrills (on a Hammer Film level) that are really what this film is without the religious pretensions—a good time getting scared. With Mercedes McCambridge dubbing her masculine voice on the soundtrack, little Regan shouts such nice platitudes at her saviors as "Your mother sucks cocks in Hell, Karras" or "Fuck Me! Fuck Me! Fuck Me!" to every man who walks into *that* room.

If one didn't know how this was all done, I can see people being so sickened that they walk out.



Ellen Burstyn as the mother of a possessed little girl.



Father Merrin [Max von Sydow] and Father Karras

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good film, except for producer-screenwriter Blatty

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The Exorcist was supposed to be rated 'X' but its enormous budget forced Warner Bros. to high-pressure the MPAA to change it to an 'R' and let little children see this violence. We can thank the local theatre showing this bloodbath for changing it to its rightful 'X'.

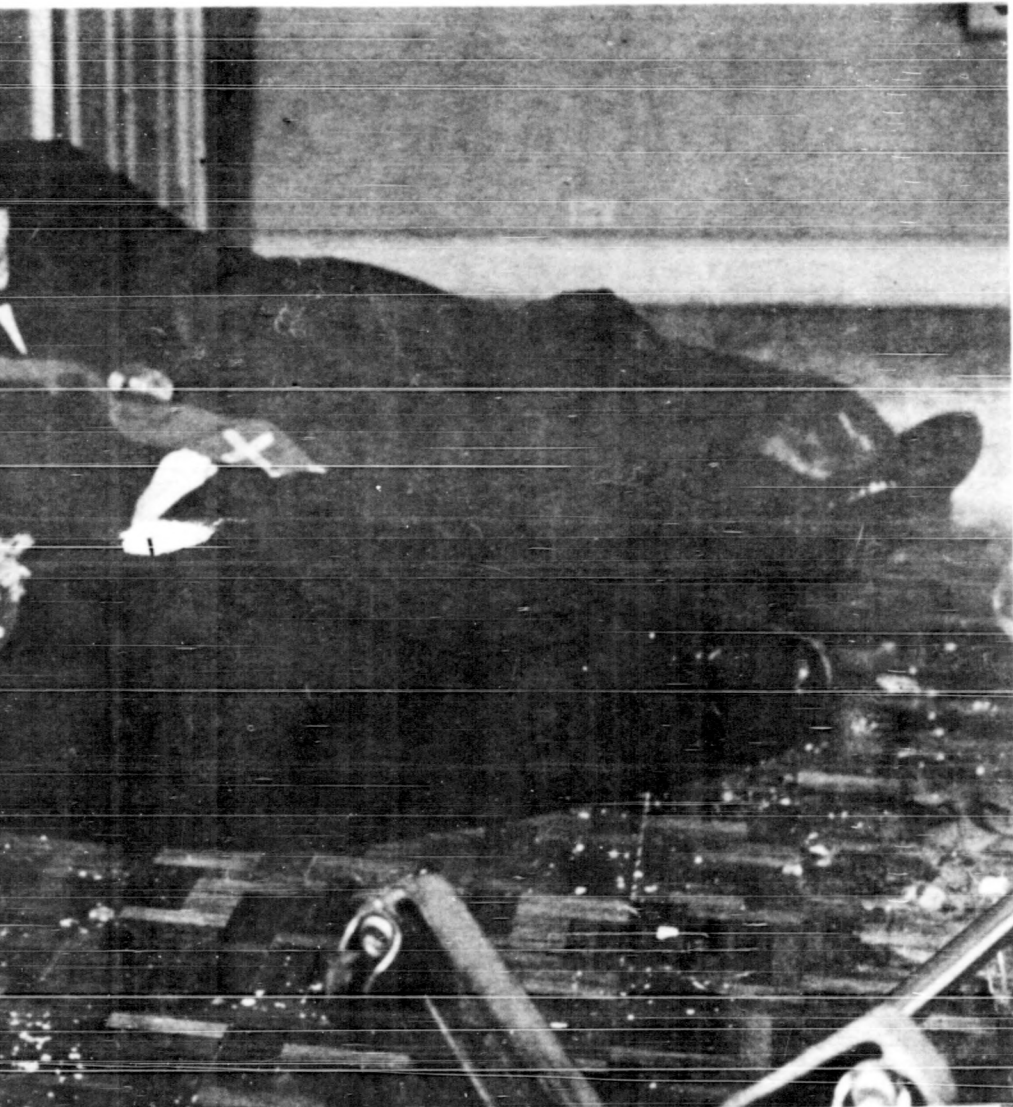
The Exorcist has been given a publicity campaign stressing its religious aspects (takes a bit of time to find them) and that people were walking out, then passing out and/or vomiting.

I can see this happening to the more gullible. Even though I saw through every special effect, I, too, was sickened but for another reason. I always feel ill after seeing such an ineptly-made, botched-up film as *The Exorcist*.

This cheap horror show is so badly made that it makes your average Vincent Price horror flick look like an unequalled film masterpiece. I only wish that *Don't Look Now*, with Donald Sutherland and Julie Christie, would play in this area and show people how good a supernatural-oriented film can be.



Things start moving when mother discovers daughter has a shaking bed.



and Father Karras [Jason Miller] during the grisly exorcism sequence.



Director William Friedkin and producer-author Blatty [Talent vs. Hack].



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Lobbyists seek student voice in national legislation

This story is the first of three articles examining the National Student Lobby (NSL). Students, who too often find participation in educational policy is limited to footing the bills, have formed a national organization to present their views to Congress in an attempt to shape legislation to meet the needs of students as well as other factions involved in education. The Campus also plans to publish a series on student unions as another device to make the student voice heard where it counts—by the people who shape the financial and educational policies we have to live with.

If the money crunch is an issue over which students seem to have little control, you may be somewhat relieved that the UMO Student Government is becoming active in a national organization to lobby for your behalf.

Student representatives attended a four-day Washington conference of the NSL during mid-winter vacation, and they returned optimistic about its ability to exert a voice in legislation of concern to students.

The NSL was formed in April 1971 by a group of students encouraged by the

by Sharon Wilson

success of two California student lobbies. The coordinating committee felt a permanent national lobby in Washington would complement the activities of state and campus student organizations by lobbying on national student issues.

During the summer of 1972, NSL expanded its scope to cover such areas as amnesty, sex discrimination, campus child-care, an end to the war, news persons' privilege and the environment.

Unfortunately, it became clear that the limited resources of the lobby could be better spent by concentrating on a very limited area—the priority became educational financing. It was also concerned with preserving youth air-fare discounts and blocking student-discriminatory provisions of new minimum-wage legislation. This year one of NSL's most crucial fights will focus on the passage of legislation to restore the youth air-fare.

The NSL also will work to obtain funds for the State Student Incentive Grant program. This program is important in helping to close the tuition gap between public and private institutions.

On October 1, 1973, NSL responded

vehemently to a report from the Committee for Economic Development which recommended that public college tuition be doubled within five years in order to finance increasing costs of public colleges, and to close the tuition gap.

The NSL took a stand against increased tuition then, and will continue to press for increased funding for such programs as State Student Incentive Grants, as a basic solution to closing the tuition gap between public and private colleges.

Although NSL is only three-years-old, it is a fast growing organization. In the Super-U. System, only UMPI is not a member; UMO has been a member for two years but remained inactive until this semester.

"It really took the conference, I think, to make all of us aware of what they (NSL) were doing and exactly the scope of what they were thinking about," said Student Government President Tim Keating.

Keating was one of the five people from UMO who attended the Washington Conference. The other four were Ted O'Meara, a senior; Jeanne Bailey, a junior; Mary Morse, a senior; and Peter Simon, a first semester senior who attended as the chairperson of University of Maine

Organization of Student Governments (UMOSG).

"The important thing from my perspective was we found that the NSL has been effective on a national level," Keating said. Keating explained that NLS lobbied on the impoundment of the work-study funds last year which were finally released, and it also worked, on retaining student air-fares.

"We found out that lots and lots of state groups are doing what we would like to do, which is lobbying in their state capitals for educational purposes. It's nice to know that it's working in other places because we really have to start doing it here," Keating said.

Bailey feels that a completely independent student lobby isn't that far away. "I think the momentum is really going towards that now, and I think there is a lot of student interest this year. In fact, it has improved just over these past couple of weeks." She feels that the conference in Washington has started a lot of things in motion.

The next article will deal with the most recent Washington conference—what the issues were and NSL's stands.

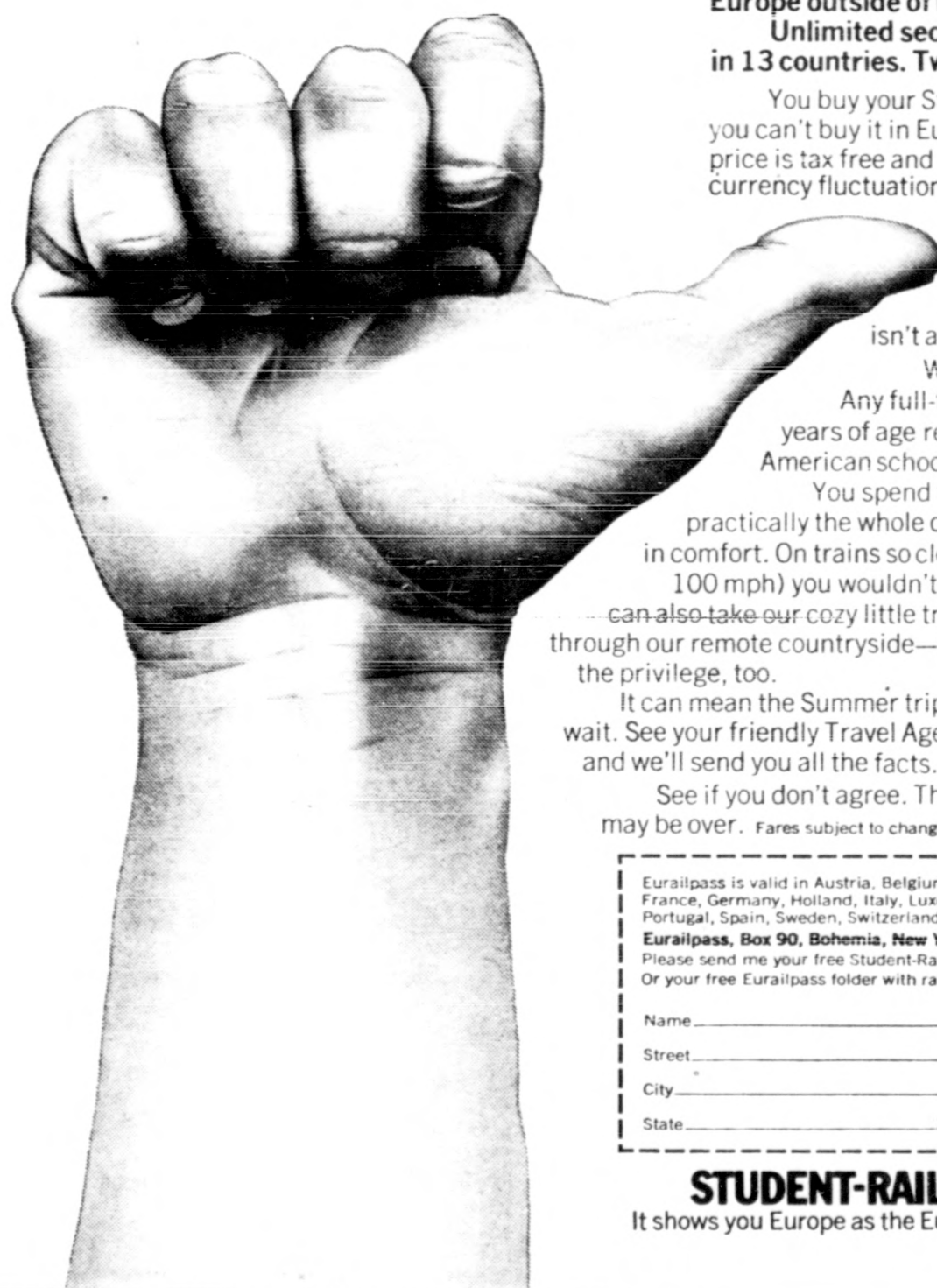
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University community asked for 3-year donations

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but reaction to Neville's fund-raising approach still has been strong. On the faculty and administrative side of the scale, opinions differ greatly.

"There is absolutely no pressure," said political science professor Eugene Mawhinney. "An individual must make his own decisions about what he can afford to give."

Alan Miller, chairman of the journalism department, agreed that he felt no pressure. "I don't feel my arm's been twisted. I don't let anyone twist my arm, and I don't give a goddamn who it is—including the president," Miller said that he is "behind the center all the way as far as moral support goes," but said he just doesn't have the money to give.

President Neville's assistant, Peter Fitzgerald, also commented on the campaign approach. "Nobody is being told

to give a certain amount," he said, "but there are set monetary goals for the different groups. He added that "there is no legal force binding you to pledge or making you honor that pledge." He feels that if there is pressure, there will be too much discontent. "For every \$100 pledged, there will be \$500 worth of bad morale."

Some university members feel that they have other more important financial priorities, and have no intention of contributing. Eric Duplisea, assistant professor of education, feels this way and opposes the methods of fund-raising being employed. "I can't imagine a person with any level of education doing any more than offering us an opportunity to contribute," he said. "Should anything else be the case, I'd be upset and regard it as unethical and illegal."

Some people are reluctant to contribute because of the way in which they, as

members of a particular working group, have been treated. "You cannot expect a faculty which has been neglected financially by the state to be willing to give much," said Allen. He added that he cannot predict how faculty members will react, but believes "the way they are treated as professionals" may have some influence on their gifts. Miller voiced a similar sentiment, stating "the fund drive involves poor timing" in view of present economic trends. "We (the faculty) haven't even been given a raise in salary equivalent to the rise in the cost of living."

The 1,345 classified employees on the

said she has received an encouraging reaction from the captains. She said it is too early to predict the response but is hoping for about 75 per cent.

The opposite is true with the physical plant people, however. St. Louis said he "personally planned on giving, but the general response of the plant is reluctance to contribute," St. Louis explained that it has a lot to do with the attitude towards the employees.

"Not once, in all his speeches has President Neville mentioned the classified employees or possible pay raises for us. That's one reason why I'm not meeting with much success," commented St. Louis.

The classified employees are expected to give as much as they feel they can financially afford, and a tentative contribution figure has been set at 1 per cent of their yearly earnings.

Thus, according to unofficial figures, the average university secretary should be able to give \$5 a month (or \$180 over the three-year period). One secretary in the College of Arts & Sciences, on hearing these figures, retorted, that "five dollars a month may not be much, but it sure makes a difference when you're trying to pay electric bills and make car payments and put two kids through college." Another secretary replied that "they (the fund-raisers) won't get a cent from me."

The kick-off date for the soliciting of Student donations is scheduled for after the spring recess, but organizational plans are underway. Fritz Bigney, resident chairman of Hilltop complex, explained that the campaign will be run in a manner similar to that of the classified employees. He said that student response could be favorable, but that there is a lot of apathy.

"I was rather reluctant to make a pledge myself, at first," he admitted, "but then someone explained the campaign to me. I think that if we find people who can get the ideas across well, response will be good." The student goal has been set at \$150,000.



Ann Delaware

Orono and Bangor campuses are being asked to contribute as much as they can to the drive. Co-chairpersons for the classified employees division of the funds drive, Frank St. Louis and Ann Delaware, have organized the employees into groups and have elected team captains to do the actual contribution soliciting.

Delaware, who is handling all classified employees except the physical plant people,

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Wildcats defeat Bears 68-64 in season's close



Maine's top rebounder Bob Warner goes up for the tap, but his efforts were in vain. The Bears' costly fouls gave UNH a 4-point win. Rowson Photo

The UMO Black Bears were handed a heartbreaking defeat in their last game of the 1973 season as they lost to New Hampshire 68-64.

With the loss Maine's Yankee Conference record slipped to a disappointing 2-10 mark, while UMO's final season's record dropped to 14-10. On the other hand, UNH's record in the Yankee Conference is now 8-3 and the Wildcats are 16-8 overall.

The Bears took command in the early going behind the hot outside shooting of captain Tony Hamlin and Tom Burns. Also, Bob Warner had his way under the boards in the early going. And Maine held a 36-34 lead at halftime.

But UNH came back strong in the second half. In an eight minute surge the Wildcats outscored Maine 16-4 to jump into the lead 50-40. This surge was sparked by the hot outside shooting of guards Wayne Morrison and Eric Feragne.

The Bears, led by a late spurt by Steve Condon, tried to get something started in the late going as they cut the UNH lead to one point before fouls began to hurt them.

Although Maine held the edge in field goals 30-28; UNH outscored Maine 12-4 on the charity stripe and this accounted for the winning margin.

Feragne's 17 points paced UNH, while Bob Warner was the top scorer for Maine with 16.

Tony Hamlin and Dave "Hawk" Anderson made the final appearances of their careers in Saturday's game. Anderson contributed eight points to the UMO cause, while Hamlin hit double figures with 12.

On the boards Maine held a 37-28 edge with Bob Warner the games top rebounder with 19.

In the Preliminary game the Maine freshman defeated the UNH Frosh to improve their season's record to 12-4.

Bob Zak paced the Bearcubs with 19 points, while Steve Fitzpatrick had 14 and Tom Mahoney 12.

Summary:
UNH (68): Feragne 8(1), Cohen 5(3), Morrison 6, Minkwitz 2(7), Sargent 3(1), DiLicgro 3, Singlelals 1.

UMO (64): Warner 6(4), Condon 6, Hamlin 6, Burns 5, Anderson 4, Conley 2, Gavett 1.

Hockey club's losing record blamed on ice

In their season finale last Saturday, the UMO hockey club succumbed to a powerful Colby J. V. team by a seven to zero score. Maine's record fell to a dismal two wins, six losses, and no ties.

In the game, UMO held Colby to three goals through two periods but Colby exploded for four more in the last period. UMO goalie Scott Adair played "great" according to Coach Tom Rosa as he allowed only seven of 76 shots on net to escape him, an excellent 11 to 1 ratio.

Reflecting on their season, coach and president Tom Rosa said he was most disappointed over the fact that, "We had so much skill but the ice conditions were so lousy that we couldn't keep everybody together."

Rosa, the only graduating senior on the hockey club, is optimistic about UMO's future in hockey. Tom hopes that the prospective indoor hockey rink is operational by September of 1975 because he thinks it will help 100 per cent.

"The hockey team will be able to practice everyday and a lot more people will be coming out because of the indoor rink."

Since Rosa is graduating, a new organizer had to be chosen and the hockey club agreed upon freshman Scott Adair and junior Jorg Freyer as co-presidents for next year.

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Sports

Lady cagers outclass foes ; win invitational tournament

The Lady Black Bears basketball team won its own invitational round robin tournament Friday and Saturday defeating each of the other four teams.

In their first game of the tournament Friday night, the UMO Lady Cagers blasted Colby, 47-17. Sophomore Karen Reilly was top scorer with 10 points, followed by Junior Deb Westman with eight points.

Saturday at 9 a.m. the UMO women opened against UMPI, a team that had defeated them by 14 points earlier in the season. But UMO revenged this loss, beating UMPI 51-38. Reilly again led the scoring with 17 points. Another sophomore, Cheryl Higgins, scored 15 points, while two freshmen, Linda Merservy and Pat Hamilton, added eight points apiece.

At 11 a.m. the Lady Bears squared off against UMFK, defeating them 56-21. This was a key game for UMO since the reserves played most of it, giving the starters a rest for the final game. Sophomore Deb Smith was the leading point-getter with 13. Hamilton and Freshman Mona Sylvester chipped in 10 apiece, and Sophomore Dara Dalfonso scored nine.

The UMO Lady cagers then went against UMF in their last game at 1:30 Saturday afternoon. The UMF team, a week earlier, had ended the 12-game winning streak of the Husson College women's basketball team. But the UMO women were equal to the task as they won 32-24. Reilly and Merservy were the top scorers with 10 points each.

Reilly, although sitting out the UMFK game, led the UMO Lady Bears in scoring with 37 points for the tournament. The

single game high point total was scored by Vicky Blaum of Colby College. Blaum scored 24 of her team's points as they defeated UMFK 27-26.

UMPI finished second, winning three games and losing only to UMO.

The UMO Lady Cagers' record now stands at eight wins and three losses. Tonight at 7:00 they put their six game winning streak on the line against UMF. The game will be played in Lengyel Hall and will be the UMO team's final tune-up for the State basketball tournament which will be held March 15-16 at UMPG.

Swim team bids for Conference title at weekend meet

The UMO men's swim team travels to Providence, Rhode Island this Thursday for the three-day New England Championship meet at Brown University. Among the 25 to 30 colleges participating, UMO coach Alan Switzer says that Bowdoin, Brown, Southern Connecticut, Springfield, and Connecticut will present the toughest competition.

UMO's particular strengths will lie in the one and three meter diving, Freestyle events, and the Butterfly.

Switzer said that he hopes the UMO squad will finish in the top six. If the Bears finish higher than the University of Connecticut they will win the Yankee Conference championship.



Milton Hadley of Oak Hall [dark shirt] won the intramural one-on-one championship held at halftime of the freshmen basketball game last Saturday as he defeated Colin Young of Sigma Nu 20-16.

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