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Midweek

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Explain

President Howard R. Neville [standing] explained the "uncontrollable" costs that UMO will face to Council of Colleges Chairman Murray Bain [seated, left] at the council's meeting Monday afternoon in the Bangor room of the Union.

MUAB considers student use fee

by Fred Rogers

Proposed budget cutbacks and rising inflation have possibly sounded the death knell for the Memorial Union Activities Board (MUAB).

According to David Rand, director of the Memorial Union, the rise of fixed costs has made it necessary to adjust the priorities of the overall Union budget.

Rand stated the Memorial Union's current operating budget is approximately \$220,988, which is divided proportionately among five departments—administration, newscounter, game room, Hauck Auditorium and MUAB. In 1970, the MUAB budget was \$26,000; this year it stands at \$10,200.

The reduction of the MUAB budget resulted from transferring funds to meet rising inflation in the areas of maintenance, supplies and equipment. The MUAB budget, said Rand, was the only area where cutbacks were considered possible. Although the entire Union budget has remained approximately the same over the year, the MUAB budget has been reduced due to internal priority changes.

According to Rand, future existence of MUAB depends on generating new sources of income to support its program activities. Possibilities include increased fees for movies, lectures and other events, rental fees charged for the use of facilities such as Hauck Auditorium by non-university groups, and finally a mandatory activity fee to be charged each student per semester. Because the other methods are arbitrary and uncertain, the mandatory activity fee is considered the more likely choice.

Rand said students will have the final say on the existence of MUAB. "We must make the students aware of the services and activities offered by MUAB and the role it plays in the students' education," said Rand.

At a meeting Friday, the MUAB Governing Board discussed ways to make the importance of MUAB activities known

to students. In an earlier meeting, the board proposed to increase the student activity fee \$3 per student per semester. This would create a MUAB budget of approximately \$54,000 per year. This amount, said Rand, would be used solely for programming.

To the student, this increase would mean an \$18 activity fee per year as opposed to the present \$12 fee. This would be a return to the fee system which was in effect at UMO prior to 1961. However, UMO presently has the lowest activity fee of any New England state university.

Before the increase goes into effect, it will have to meet students' approval by a referendum vote, as well as President Howard R. Neville's approval and that of the Board of Trustees. The increase, if approved, could be incorporated within the existing student activity fee, or listed separately. If the former is chosen, student senate approval is necessary. □

Somerset proposes co-ed wings

by Mike Kane

A proposal to form two co-ed wings in Somerset Hall next year may be presented to Residential Life sometime this week.

The proposal, prepared by a committee of ten of the hall's second floor residents, consists of an experimental plan to change two wings on that floor, one presently all male and one all female, to co-ed wings. Both sections would contain an equal number of males and females.

Besides the 50-50 split, the proposal may include the stipulations that no freshmen will participate in the experimental phase of the plan, and that a resident assistant will live on each of the sections to monitor the situation. Men and women would use separate bathroom facilities.

Somerset Hall is presently a co-ed dormitory operating on the split dorm concept, in which both men and women

Neville calls for tuition increase

by Dennis Bailey

UMO President Howard R. Neville told the Council of Colleges Monday that if the legislature reallocates some of Gov. James B. Longley's budget proposals and a "moderate" increase in tuition is instituted, the university will not be forced to make serious program cutbacks.

Speaking about alternatives to the proposed university budget, Neville was optimistic that the governor's budget would not pass the legislature intact.

"As it stands now," he said, "there is a good chance we'll get back the \$500,000 in increased fuel costs the governor excluded from his budget, and we have a good chance of getting back \$187,000 in social security and pension benefits."

The president was referring to a \$500,000 special appropriation of the last legislature which was made to help the university meet increased fuel costs, and to \$187,000 that will be necessary for UMO to comply with a recent act of Congress requiring it to pay a greater percentage of social security and pension benefits to former university employees.

But Neville was not so optimistic about some programs and a possible tuition increase.

"I'd say there is no chance of getting back funds for inflation increases or miscellaneous funds for certain federal programs. But the legislature will probably give back some funds and ask us to raise the rest of the money on our own, which would mean a tuition increase," the president said.

Neville said a tuition increase of 10 or 12 per cent in "in the cards." This would mean approximately \$60 would be added on to next semester bills, along with an expected \$100 hike in room and board. He ruled out rumors of a \$100-200 increase in tuition by saying it would be unfair to the students.

Neville outlined a letter that he sent to Acting Chancellor Stanley Freeman on the impact of Longley's proposals to UMO. In it, he listed four areas of economic impact: the lack of salary adjustment to UMO

employees; the problem of absorbing \$1,233,000 in uncontrollable funds, such as \$90,000 for maintenance of two new buildings and a \$459,000 inflation increase; the budgets for each and every department would be called on to deal with the rise in inflation; and the possibility of cutbacks in some programs.

Neville said when the governor worked out his budget recommendations for the university, he used last year's figure of \$32,843,102 but did not take into account \$500,000 that the legislature allocated for emergency funding for increased fuel costs.

"Because of this," Neville explained, "if we receive the same amount of money in this year's budget as last year's, it will still be \$500,000 less than we currently are spending."

The total university budget for all campuses including state money and funds from tuition and other sources is \$52,487,000. Of this figure, UMO gets about half, or \$26,043,000. Assuming that the budget recommendation does not change and UMO gets the same share of the total budget, Neville said that there is still the problem of \$1,233,000 in uncontrollable costs on this campus alone.

"I think it's fair to say that they (the governor's office) did not understand the role of the \$500,000 in fuel costs and the \$460,869 in the salary and wage advance when they made their proposals," Neville stated. "They are currently unwilling to back up and make a new recommendation."

Neville said that this will be the initial argument made when the university goes before the legislature March 20 to present its budget request.

Neville said he is concerned mainly with the impact the budget will have on UMO as a whole and that the budget would result in a "loss of momentum in making Orono a top-notch institution serving the people of Maine."

"If we have to live with the governor's recommendation, and the legislature gives us no additional funds, I think that the total of university programs will regress," he said. □

Asked whether he considered a proposal such as this a major change, even on an experimental basis, Neal David, assistant director of Residential Life, said, "Yes, it is a major change because it is presenting a different lifestyle than we already have."

Tredennick, who described his role in the proposal writing process as that of a "facilitator and a source person," assessed the chances for approval as "very, very small; at best 100 to one against it." He was quick to add, however, "that 'can't' and 'never' are words that are not in my vocabulary."

Davis said he did not think the proposal would be approved for next fall "because room sign-up is less than a month away."

He added that no precedent exists for the co-ed set-up here at UMO, although such situations exist at other universities in

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Passage of co-ed proposal doubtful

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the country. There had been speculation by some of the Somerset committee that co-ed wings were allowed here during the summer session.

As yet, the student committee has not decided which two wings of second floor Somerset would take part in the experiment. However, an informal poll conducted by the committee members early last week indicated that the east wing, presently all male, and the female south section would be the most favorable to the plan.

A questionnaire will be distributed soon to determine residents' opinions on the matter. Nancy Libby, co-chairperson of the

group, said the choice of which wings will participate "will depend upon the feedback we get from the questionnaire."

During one discussion of the possible reasons for making the co-ed proposal, committeeman Otis Sanborn stated he saw the plan as an effort "to promote a healthier, more realistic lifestyle, and to prepare the student for the real world." Sanborn cited Babcock Hall, a graduate dorm at the University of New Hampshire, as an example of an entire building where the co-ed concept is working. There, he said, the residents even use the same bathroom.

It was decided that freshmen would be eliminated from the experimental phase of

the plan because of the problems they might have adjusting to such a situation.

The stipulation that the resident assistants live on the tentative co-ed wings may be included in the proposal because, as Tredennick put it, "both (of the present RA's) are returning next year and both are favorable and willing to work for it (the proposal)." The presence of RA's, as

monitors, was also regarded by the committee as a selling point for the proposal.

Separate bathrooms were discussed as a condition to the plan because of the privacy they would afford to the participants. Two lavatories are located in each wing of Somerset Hall, making separate facilities feasible. □

Feminist author to lecture

Mary Daly, nationally-known feminist author and theorist, will speak Thursday in Lengyel Gym at 7:30 p.m. The lecture is sponsored by the student senate's Distinguished Lecture Series.

Daly, associate professor of the theology department at Boston College, holds doctorates in theology and philosophy from the University of Fribourg in Switzerland.

Acclaimed by many authorities to be the first modern feminist philosopher, she was, during the spring semester, 1973, Harry Emerson Visiting Professor at the Union Theological Seminary in New York.

Daly has written three books, 14 book contributions (among those—*Sisterhood is Powerful* and *Voices of the New Feminism*) 27 articles, along with numerous lectures, speeches, and television interviews.

The two most notable and controversial books she has published are *Beyond God the Father*, an evaluation of women's standing in the world and their future, and

The Church and the Second Sex, which unmasks the anti-feminist views she claims are prevalent in the Catholic way of thinking and practicing religion.

She has taught courses in the field of religion and society at many colleges throughout the country. Among those are Cardinal Cushing College in Brookline, Massachusetts, Georgetown University, LaSalle, and currently at Boston College where she ran into some administrative problems last February.

The trouble began when she was denied a promotion to full professor. She had been teaching accredited feminist studies courses since 1966, and by way of the tenure and promotion process at Boston College, was due for advancement.

Allegedly because of her liberal background and anti-Catholic works, the denial stood. Student unrest and protests have failed to change the faculty's decision to date. □

what's on

TUESDAY, MARCH 11

BRIDGE--Memorial Union, 7 p.m.
SPECTATOR CLUB--Host and speaker: Dr. David Trafford, 289 College Road, 7 p.m.
MAINE MASQUE THEATER--presents Shaw's "Major Barbara," Hauck Auditorium, 8:15 p.m.
BAND CONCERT--Fred Heath, conductor, Memorial Gymnasium, 8:15 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 12

SANDWICH CINEMA--Potter's Wheel as a Tool and Pottery Making, North Lown Room, Memorial Union, 12 noon.
MATHEMATICS MOVIE--"What is Mathematics, and How do we Teach It?" 316 Shibles Hall, 12 noon.
WOMEN'S GYMNASTICS--Maine vs. UMF and Colby, Lengyel Gymnasium, 6 p.m.
HORSEMAN'S CLUB--100 Jenness Hall, 6:30 p.m.

UMO CHESS CLUB--Bumps Room, Memorial Union, 7 p.m.

IDB FILM--"Tom Jones," 130 Little Hall, 7 & 9:30 p.m.

REFUSNICKS--and the Problem of Soviet-Jewish Immigration, by Dr. William Korey, Damn Yankee, Memorial Union, 8 p.m.

MAINE MASQUE THEATER--presents Shaw's "Major Barbara," Hauck Auditorium, 8:15 p.m.

THURSDAY, MARCH 13

MINI-WORKSHOP--Backpacking: Clothing and Equipment, Damn Yankee, Memorial Union, 7 p.m.

MOVIE--"Rider on the Rain," starring Charles Bronson, will be shown instead of the Italian movie "Osessione," in 100 Nutting Hall, 7 & 9:30 p.m. Admission 50 cents.

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Mandell develops response meter

by Jill Small

Ascertaining peoples' true responses to group session questions is often limited by the nature of the method. If 90 per cent of a group feels one way, a person in disagreement may be too embarrassed to raise his hand. And a written questionnaire may not be totally truthful, as the author may fear someone is watching him or his handwriting will be recognized.

Dr. Lewis Mandell, director of UMO's Social Science Research Institute, has developed the Mandell Ascertainment Meter (MAM), a revolutionary concept in social research and interaction. This device, the only one of its kind in the country, enables people gathered together to exchange opinions and information instantly and anonymously.

The MAM consists basically of a centrally-displayed meter which indicates percentages from zero to 100 and a set of hand-held ascertainment devices connected by wire to the meter. The devices are small enough so it is impossible for anyone to know and individual's response.

Calibration is to the size of the responding group, but the MAM also has a feature which enables sub-group responses to be taken. For example, in questioning a group as to who they voted for in the recent gubernatorial election, you would get the percentages for each candidate. Then by asking all Democrats to respond by pressing their buttons, the percentage dial on the meter could be adjusted to 100 and you could then discover how they voted as a party. Although there are only two positions on the hand-held device, up or

down, the series of questions asked can allow more depth in the results than simple yes and no answers provide.

Previously, most group sessions were run by the Delphi Technique. A room full of people would discuss an issue and try to get a group decision. This called for a consensus and independent opinions were overpowered. If other groups were involved, all the results were evaluated, mailed to the group members, and maybe three weeks later they would regroup and discuss the findings. By using the MAM, an hour's time is sufficient to find the convergence and do the follow up.

Any questionnaire or evaluation requires counting and tabulation and can take weeks, even by computer. Many times groups questioned never even see the results.

One UMO professor used the device in a class marked by very low attendance. The list of questions used discovered that the majority of the students felt the readings and the class work were totally unrelated, something the professor was never aware of. He changed the assignments and attendance improved considerably.

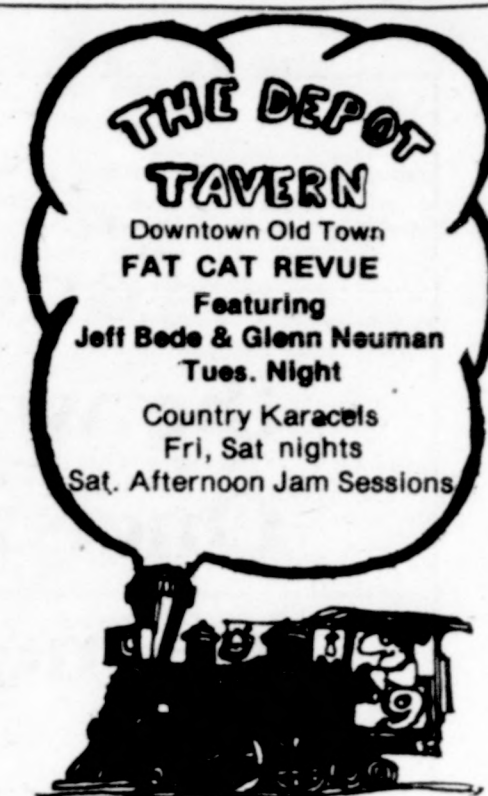
Another classroom use of the MAM is finding student levels of knowledge and understanding. This method does not risk the student's ego and gives immediate feedback rather than punishment or reward at a later time.

The MAM has been used in the university departmental meetings where leadership quality and factionalism could be discussed openly and therefore helped resolve previous curriculum-related issues.

Currently, the MAM is being used in a series of town meetings along the Maine coast in conjunction with a project of the Maine State Planning Department to ascertain the needs of coastal residents and to ultimately decide upon a zoning plan that meets their needs.

Mandell says MAM is mainly a hobby. He has applied to the National Science Foundation for funding, as he has personally funded the entire project, but won't receive word until late April. He and the man who helped build the meter have also applied for a patent, but it takes years to get one.

"It is probably the most important thing I've ever done in my field," said Mandell. "I'm not interested so much in the money right now as I am in getting it out and getting it used."



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UN director to talk on Soviet Jews

Dr. William Korey, a leading world authority on human rights and Soviet Jewry will be at UMO, March 12 to speak on the problems of Soviet Jews and their plight in applying for immigration rights to Israel.



Dr. William Korey

Korey, the director of the B'nai B'rith United Nations Office, will be the guest of the Hillel Jewish community on campus.

His 8:00 p.m. address in the Damn Yankee Room will center on the "Refuseniks," skilled professionals such as doctors and professors who request exit visas from the Soviet Union and are then allegedly the victims of constant harassment and abuse.

"Refuseniks" are often sent to prison camps and insane asylums and are put on trial for treason and the keeping of state secrets. For their desire to live and work in Israel, says Korey, they are severely punished.

Besides the plight of the "Refuseniks," Korey will speak on the persecution of the

Soviet Jews (anti-semitism) as a common policy in government, business, and institutions of higher learning. He will also invite discussion from the audience.

A graduate of the University of Chicago, Korey received his Ph.D. from Columbia University's Russian Institute. Prior to his present assignment, he was the director of the Illinois-Missouri office of the B'nai B'rith Anti-Defamation League in ADL's Washington, D.C., office.

Korey has been the guest speaker at many universities including Brandeis University and Yshiva University where he

served as visiting professor of Russian history until this year. Currently he is visiting professor of Soviet Jewish history at Brooklyn College.

UMO's Hillel group provides Jewish students with a variety of activities designed to strengthen their identification with the Jewish life and the Jewish community. The group sponsors several social Sunday brunches and Daniel Fleishman, Hillel's president, teaches a Hebrew class at Abenaki College. This semester emphasis is being placed on the plight of the Soviet Jew.

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On opening up the same old can of worms

We suppose we'll have to take President Neville's statement to the Council of Colleges meeting that a 10 to 12 per cent increase in tuition is a "modest" one with a grain of salt.

There are several mitigating factors here, not the least of which is inflation. Neville argues that it is not unfair to ask students to pay their share of inflationary costs — and he interprets that to mean that a tuition increase roughly proportional to the rate of inflation is in order.

When questioned by Student Government President Jeanne Bailey as to whether or not he was advocating on-going tuition hikes matched with the inflation rate, Neville said he was not, and that he proposes this as only a solution for this year's problem.

Well, as much as we respect the president's sincerity, we believe it's all too easy for the university to continually go to the students when they feel shortchanged by the legislature. And from the looks of things, it may be a good four years or so before Super-U administrators can expect adequate state funding. So in practical terms, Neville's suggestion that he is not establishing a policy is really moot.

The faculty at that meeting were quick to point out that perhaps faculty pay raises ought to be included in Neville's list of "uncontrollable" expenses. While we support the efforts of faculty to obtain needed cost-of-living pay increases, we do maintain that if students are expected to pay their "fair share" of inflation, shouldn't everyone, including the faculty, be expected to do the same?

We realize UMO's faculty have already been doing this, that their real income has decreased dramatically over the past few years as a result of inflation. We do sympathize, but faculty are not alone. The cost-of-living has been rising just as rapidly for students, most of whom

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are low-income, half of whom live off-campus paying extravagant rents for sub-standard housing, and many of whom work for minimum wage. We haven't heard anyone rallying to the cause of a cost-of-living increase for students who work for \$2.10 an hour in dining halls or off-campus. Inflation is hurting students a lot more than it is hurting the faculty.

We suggest a formula that we believe to be fair to all sides, students and faculty alike. Simply put, why not, if there must be a tuition increase, set it at the rate at which faculty pay raises are set. In other words, if inflation this year runs at the predicted 10 per cent or so, and university employees receive a 5 per cent pay raise, then why not ask students to contribute the same amount towards inflationary costs in the form of only a 5 per cent tuition increase? That way, both students and faculty alike would be biting the bullet to the tune of 5 per cent, rather than some unequal amount.

At any rate, we have yet to be convinced of the necessity of a tuition increase. We are still hopeful that the legislature will exercise a little more responsibility than the governor did in dealing with the university budget.

It is interesting to note that Neville might find himself in the awkward position of proposing to the Board of Trustees a tuition increase that could open up the whole can of worms about

where the money generated here will go — a can of worms that Neville, thankfully, finds quite unnerving. But, in view of the board's resolution passed at the last meeting that calls for no tuition increases in the near future, it would take a good convincing job on Neville's part to sway the board.

But regardless of whatever happens with Longley's recommendation in the legislature, any tuition increase should be justified to the student body, because if the university now begins a pattern of tuition hikes at the rate of inflation, many of the state's low-income students may find themselves with no place to turn when their state university becomes prohibitive because of cost.

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letters

Give governor a chance

To the editor:

I have heard that UMO is having budget problems, although sometimes this is hard to believe when one sees the ways they waste money around here. I'm admittedly naive about these matters; no doubt difficulties exist, but I would think the administration would begin to solve them by dealing with the obvious. So I'll make a suggestion.

The university should eliminate "mid-semester progress reports." This junior high school procedure is no doubt wasteful of time, energy, and money. Any student who is unaware of, or cannot assess his

progress in his courses without the aid of this anachronistic mechanism probably doesn't belong in college anyway. So the benefits of the procedure are of dubious value. And, these mailed "reports" seem to deny the fact that students and faculty are supposed to be in touch with one another through their courses.

Couldn't "Mid-Semester Reports" be eliminated without any loss in the "quality" of education? By eliminating the "reports", the university would have the gain of attendant financial savings.

Stephen L. Duren

Student sees solution

To the editor:

Let's give Governor Longley a chance. I had the feeling that when the Gov. spoke Tuesday night that 90 per cent of the students were against him without even listening to him. Perhaps he is right, perhaps we have "been had" and our figures are incorrect.

I submit the following propositions: 1) that we ask the Board of Trustees to give us a line budget so we may see precisely where our funds are being spent, and 2) that the figures the Trustees submit be clarified as much as possible by the Student Senate.

We all know the meaning of the word homework; perhaps, as the Governor said, we haven't checked ours as thoroughly as possible. Let me say that I have never been an advocate of Governor Longley, but I believe he deserves the chance I'd give any man.

If, after a more careful examination of the facts, we find that we have "been had" not by the Board of Trustees as Governor Longley proposes, but by the Governor himself, I shall be the first on the bandwagon of protest to Augusta.

Alan Nye
Milford

Governor's budget points praised

To the editor:

In reference to the speech given Tuesday night by Governor Longley, I would submit that he raised some very practical questions concerning how money is allocated, throughout the campuses of Maine included in the Super-University System.

He has asked that the students of this campus investigate their Board of Trustees and their administrators in the effort to see for themselves the truth behind what he has said, and behind what has been said by those trustees and administrators of this campus, regarding the allocations and priorities set by those officials of our campus.

In my opinion, this is a very justifiable request. It is with a comparison of all points that an agreement can be made toward a uniformly acceptable budget.

To obtain an on front comparison the public must have:

First: The publication of present and future proposed areas of spending in all departments, by this university.

Second: The justifiability of their priorities and allocations.

Third: An open address by the representative of both the Administration and the Board of Trustees in Hauck Auditorium, to be attended by the students, after which will proceed a question and answer session in general.

It is extremely important that the publication of priorities and allocations be done, prior to the address, so constructive questions may be received from the students. It is only in this manner of public scrutiny that truth shall reign.

In conclusion I say that it is not our position to sit back and criticize biasedly without reflection as the Vice-Pres. of the Student Senate did in his pre-arranged statement (arranged before Gov. Longley's speech, and read after it). It is through open-mindedness and co-operation that the truth will be realized. It is our responsibility to try to do better if we think something is wrong, and not sit back in an aura of criticism. For if we do, we are no better than the wrong in a society toward which we have protested.

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The statement read by Student Government Vice President Mark Hopkins was not entirely prepared before the governor's speech. In addition, it was obviously drawn up in anticipation that the governor would avoid specificity in his answers to students' questions, and that he would claim that students were not armed with the facts. We give Hopkins credit enough to believe that had not the governor done what he had anticipated, he would not have read his statement.

Thus, the fact that portions of Hopkins' statement were prepared ahead of time has no bearing on the statement's legitimacy. His statement can only be judged by one's assessment of its accuracy.

--Ed.

Sorority sisters grateful for coupon drive success

To the editor:

The sisters of Delta Nu chapter of Gamma Sigma Sigma, the national service sorority, would like to express their gratitude to the overwhelming response received to their plea for Better Crocker Coupons.

The coupons came in such numbers and from so many

different sources that it became impossible for us to express our thanks to each contributor on an individual basis.

We would like to add that we are still collecting the coupons, hopefully to get more wheel chairs.

Thank you again.

Sister of Gamma Sigma Sigma

Swimmers take fifth in New England meet; finish second in Yankee Conference to UConn

by Bill Wallace

For the second straight year the Maine swim team will have to play the bridesmaid's role in the Yankee Conference as they were edged by UConn in the New England championships held over the weekend at Brown University.

Brown was the winner in the competition with Springfield, Williams, UConn and Maine rounding out the top five. Maine was leading the Huskies by a scant six point margin over the first two days of the competition but the UConn depth was too much and they overhauled the Bears on the last day of competition to finish ahead of the Bears by 15 points.

The Bears put on a superlative display of teamwork as they placed swimmers in the top 12 in all but two of the 18 events. When the meet was over UMO had left only two school records standing: the 200-yd. individual medley and the 800-yd. freestyle relay.

Diver Roy Warren won two events as he took first in both the one and three-meter diving events. His victory on the three-meter board was a repeat, while he defeated defending one-meter champ Bruce Sweet to take the one-meter event. Warren, along with his teammate Rolf Olsen, will attend the Nationals in Cleveland during the first week in April.

Maybe the most improved performer for Maine was Tom Clark who placed in the top 12 in three events and set two UMO records. In his eighth place finish in the 200-yd. butterfly Clark recorded a dramatic eight second drop from his previous best time as he broke Ralph Turner's record with a time of 2:00.65. Clark also broke the existing record in the 400-yd. individual medley by 37.05 seconds with a time of 4:25.75 which was good for a sixth place.

Clark also placed ninth in the 200-yd. individual medley.

Distance ace Tim Babcock set UMO records in the 1000 and 1650 yard freestyle

events. His time of 17:19.18 in the 1650 was good enough for fifth place. In the 500-yd. freestyle Babcock outswam UConn's Rick Lewis in the last 25 yards to place eighth. In the trials Babcock set a new UMO record with a 4:55.58 clocking.

John Wescott turned in two fine performances by setting records in both the 100 and 200-yd. breaststroke. Wescott clocked a 1:03.94 to place ninth in the 100, and placed eleventh with a time of 2:21.97 in the 200.

Kevin Reader finished seventh in the 200-yd. freestyle with a time of 1:47.34. His excellent performance in the 100-yd. butterfly earned him fourth in that event, with a school record of 54.18.

Backstrokers Jay Donovan and Bill Bearce both turned in their best performances of the year. Donovan was touched out for first in the final of the 200-yd. backstroke by Dave Thurber on Bowdoin. Donovan's time of 2:00.26 set a new UMO record. In finishing fourth in the

100-yd. backstroke he turned in a record time of 56.11. Bill Bearce lowered his best 200-yd. backstroke time by 4.2 seconds in placing seventh with a time of 2:20.99. In the 100-yd. backstroke Bearce came back and finished eighth with a time of 56.69. This lowered his previous best in the 100 yard race by better than one second.

Each of Maine's three relay teams finished in the top five. The 800-yd. freestyle relay team of Babcock, Stedman, Wescott, and Turner placed fifth in the event and recorded a time of 7:21.95. In producing a new UMO record, the 400-yd. medley relay team of Donovan, Wescott, Turner, and Reader finished fourth. That performance took 2.6 seconds off the previous UMO mark; their time was 3:41.38.

In the final event of the meet, the UMO 400-yd. freestyle relay team of Turner, Stedman, Clark and Reader swam an amazing 3:15.8 -- a 2.8 second drop from the previous UMO record. In finishing fourth, the relay team finished ahead of such fine relay teams as Bowdoin and Vermont.

Mark Armstrong of Stearns first to receive athletic scholarship from UMO

Mark Armstrong of Millinocket, a heavily recruited high school baseball and football star, has become the first athlete to accept an athletic scholarship from the University of Maine at Orono.

The university's Board of Trustees last fall authorized the issuance of not more than 10 \$2500 athletic scholarships per year without the financial need stipulation. Public funds are not used for these grants.

Armstrong, a catcher, accepted a baseball grant-in-aid but hopes to play both baseball and football at the university. Last fall he was a starting halfback on the Little Ten Conference championship Stearns High School team.

A good hitter with power and possessor of what coaches term a "major league throwing arm", Armstrong batted .444 in 12 games for Stearns High last spring and

followed it with a .385 batting average while catching for the Old Town-Orono American Legion team last summer. The legion club won the district championship and participated in the state playoffs at Togus.

In 22 games with the Old Town-Orono Legion Armstrong had 10 extra base hits, including three homeruns, and 16 runs-batted-in. A great deal of his power is to the right center alley.

UMO head baseball coach John Winkin, in commenting on Armstrong's acceptance of the grant-in-aid, said, "Mark is an inspirational-type player similar to our assistant coach Carl Merrill who led Maine to the College World Series in 1964. Mark's biggest asset as far as I'm concerned is his leadership qualities. We will be very happy to have him as part of our program next fall." Merrill was Armstrong's coach in legion ball this past summer.

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Shaw play offers contemporary relevance

by Bill Gordon

George Bernard Shaw wrote **Major Barbara** in 1905 and set the play in England. Yet 70 years later, this same play was included in the beginning of a recent *Time* magazine cover story entitled "Guns for Everyone." In describing the men who get rich in the arms trade, the article relates that "the contracts they sign in one day could easily exceed a lifetime of sales made by the 'merchants of death' of an earlier era, immortalized in **Major Barbara** by...Undershaft, whose credo was 'to give arms to all men who offer an honest price for them, without respect of persons or principles...to Capitalist and Socialist, to Protestant and Catholic, to burglar and policeman, to black man, white man

and yellow man, to all sorts and conditions, all nationalities, faith, all follies, all causes and all crimes.' "

With this very topical dramatic work, the Maine Masque Theatre presents its third major offering of the season. Shaw's **Major Barbara** opens tonight in Hauck auditorium at 8:15 for a five-night run.

One may think that **Major Barbara** is an officer in one of Andrew Undershaft's bought-off armies, but actually it is one of his two daughters whom he returns home to see for the first time since she was a baby. Barbara is a major in the Salvation Army and she must therefore spend a good deal of time and wasted effort convincing her father to give up his corrupt mercenary ways.

Shaw has written some clever and brilliantly hilarious dialogue for **Major Barbara** such as this



Peg Denithorne as Rummy and Margo Ham as Jenny.



Lady Undershaft (Beverly Jensen).



Cusins (Wayne Merritt).



Beverly Jensen, Harriet Merrill, Jeri Colpitts, and Wayne Merritt.

exchange between Shirley, a down and out beggar holing up in the SA, and Undershaft; Shirley: "Who made your millions for you? Me and my like. Whats kept us poor? Keepin' you rich. I wouldn't have your conscience for all your income." Undershaft: "I wouldn't have your income, not for all your conscience, Mr. Shirley."

When asked why he chose to direct the play, the Masque's Dr. James Bost replied that he did it because of "the brilliance of Shaw's language and comedy, and the genius of the man. **Major Barbara** is one of his masterworks, and its like directing a piece of classical music like Beethoven, Mozart, or Bach."

The cast includes Jeri Colpitts as Andrew Undershaft; Harriet Merrill

as Barbara Undershaft; Wayne Merritt as Adolphus Cusins; Beverly Jensen as Lady Britomart Undershaft; Rod Kramer as Stephan Undershaft (their son); Jenny Harker as Sarah Undershaft (their other daughter); and Murray Leino as Charles Lomax.

Other characters include Bill Walker (Al Schmitz), Rummy Mitchens (Peg Denithorne), Snobby Price (Tom Baltzer), Peter Shirley (Tom Sinclair), Jenny Hill (Margo Ham), Mrs. Baines (Penny Davis) with Peter Manuel, Judson Cook, Jack Merk, Gregory Johnson, and Sandy Zuk as servants. The stage manager is Roger Willey, the set and lighting design is by Al Cyrus, and the costumes are by Dawn Shippee. Photos by Dave Theoharides

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