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Midweek

# Maine Campus

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## Candidate denies allegations

### Smith charged with illegal campaigning

A formal complaint is being issued to the Fair Election Practices Committee (FEPC) of the Student Senate by Doug Wood of the Committee to Elect Joseph A. DeSalle, charging Student Government presidential candidate Louis Smith of violation of Article III, Section II of the FEPC guidelines, which says that a candidate may campaign for only one week preceding the election. DeSalle is also a Student Government presidential hopeful, but has not officially declared his candidacy.

The complaint stems from a visit Smith made to Cumberland Hall, DeSalle's residence. Smith asked a number of dorm residents if they would mind putting Smith posters in their window for campaign purposes. He also offered to discuss issues with the students. Wood and DeSalle charge this is a violation of the FEPC code since official campaigning may not begin until Wednesday, April 9. Elections are April 16.

"If a senator cannot conduct his affairs to conform with those outlined in the Student Government constitution, I would be skeptical of his worth as a senator, much less his worth as a president," said DeSalle.

Smith described the charge as "petty", saying that the campaign should be

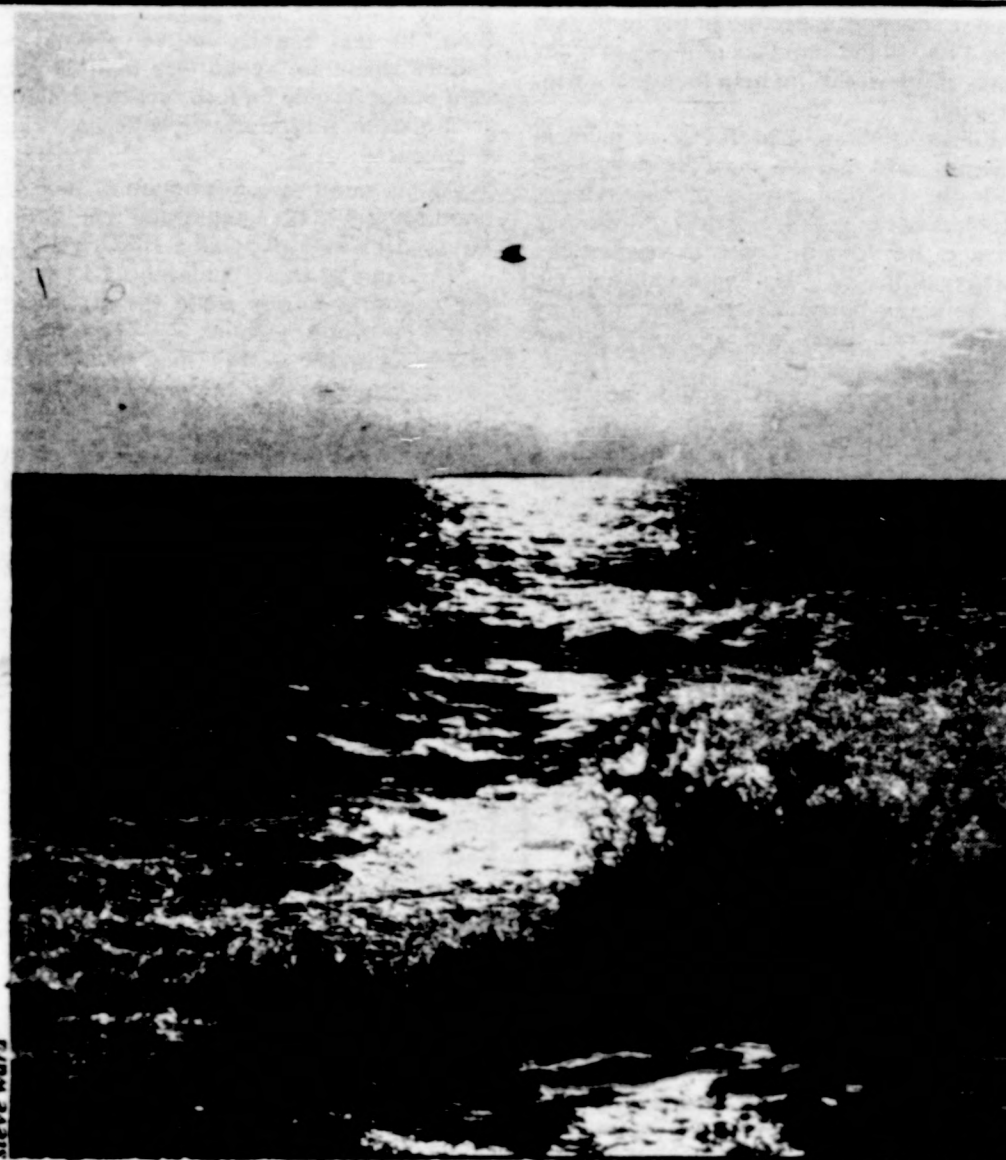
directed towards issues and not whether someone is campaigning illegally.

"This is just the type of thing we've been trying to get away from," said Smith. "It's time to get the campaign to move from personality charges to issues. Why wasn't the story on me in the *Campus* (March 18) questioned?"

Smith admitted he asked Cumberland residents for window space but said that he specified that he didn't have any posters in his possession and he wouldn't put up posters until the campaign had officially begun. He did not think the discussion of issues was a violation of the FEPC code because "issues are a year-round thing anyway. Students are always discussing issues and if they have questions about the issues, they should be answered."

Smith said he is willing to debate DeSalle any time in regards to what is unfair campaigning.

"I will answer to any formal complaint concerning my campaign," Smith continued. "However, more important, this campaign should deal with such issues as the governor's budget, academic reform, off-campus housing and collective bargaining. These are problems which we should face, and not campaign allegations." □



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## Ad hoc group forms to save library program

A group of students, faculty, and alumni of the library service program, which is slated to be phased out during the next few years, met Friday afternoon to form the Ad Hoc Committee for the Future of Library Education at UMO—a committee which plans to fight for the graduate program's survival.

In addition to passing five resolutions in support of the program, the committee heard John Short, president-elect of the library trustees division of the American Library Association, claim that the people of Maine have a great need for the program.

"The libraries need trained professionals," said Short. "Failure to have trained librarians is a misuse of taxpayers' money. The taxpayers' money is spent for books and you need trained professionals to take care of them properly," he added.

"We were struck when we heard that Maine backed away from its library program," he said. "The state has the responsibility to get trained professionals out into this field."

The fifty people present at the meeting held in 100 Jenness Hall voted for and passed a motion to send a list of resolutions to President Howard Neville and to Jean Sampson, chairperson of the Board of Trustees.

After an hour of discussion, the five resolutions agreed upon by the committee were:

—It is the sense of the Committee for the Future of the Library Education Program at UMO, representing all aspects of library educational development and service, that the library education program at UMO be continued.

—That the University thoroughly

investigate the accreditation of the program.

—That the library education program be strengthened by appropriate advisory consultations from the library community outside the university as well as from within the university community.

—That the program has been of great benefit to the people of the state of Maine for ten years by providing the majority of the trained librarians for the school system, for the public library system, and for the academic and special library system, all throughout the state of Maine, thus upgrading continuously the educa-

tional programs of the state substantially at excellent, primarily self supporting, cost benefits.

—That the closing of the Library School will amount to a genuine hardship and grievance for the people of the state of Maine and their educational needs and welfare.

A committee composed of two faculty members, two students, two alumni and a chairperson was formed to act as a central committee in gathering support and statistical evidence to back up the resolutions. The committee will also write a letter to be included with the resolutions going to Neville. □

## Trustees to convene at Bangor

The University of Maine Board of Trustees will meet tomorrow at 9 a.m. in the Student Union at Bangor Community College to hear Acting Chancellor Stanley Freeman's reports on the university's presentations to two legislative hearings held last week—one on the proposed medical school and the other dealing with the university's Part I budget request.

University officials testified at a hearing Tuesday before the legislature's Education Committee on a bill that would authorize the establishment of a University of Maine School of Medicine, and on Thursday they testified before the legislature's Appropriations Committee on the bill that will set

the level of state funding the university will receive for the next two years.

Other items on the trustees' agenda will include several faculty tenure nominations, a number of whom are reportedly UMO professors, and some personnel appointments, most of which are reportedly police officers on various campuses.

The board will also hear a budget status report and consider a request of the Maine Public Broadcasting Network to apply for a license from the Federal Communications Commission to complete its microwave interconnection with other public stations in New England. The trustees are the official licensee of MPBN. □

## Double break-in reported

A double break-in at Aroostook Hall has cost two residents of that dorm over \$200 in cash and property.

Edward Banks, Jr., of 314 Aroostook Hall reported to police Friday that thieves entered his room between noon and 1:30 p.m. that day and took his money bag which contained \$40 to \$60 in cash. A \$150 calculator and a stereo stylus worth \$20, both belonging to Banks' roommate, David Balinforth, were also taken. The room was locked at the time.

Asst. Director of Police and Safety Bryan F. Hilchey said Friday was the second time in two days that someone broke into 314 Aroostook. When Banks and Balinforth notified police Friday of the thefts, Hilchey stated, they also reported that someone had entered the room while it was unlocked during the day Wednesday and had taken

Banks' room and car keys.

"Because of this," Hilchey added, "we assume the person with the keys is the perpetrator of the theft, as there was no forced entry. The room was opened with a key."

Thieves also grabbed two posters from the recreation room of Kennebec Hall.

The posters, both World War I vintage Navy recruitment placards, were valued by police at \$24 each. Major Hilchey said they were taken off the rec room walls between 2 p.m. Thursday and 11:45 p.m. Friday.

He also said both were university property, probably belonging to the art department. However, Vincent A. Hartgen, chairman of the art department, stated, to his knowledge, the posters were not part of the university art collection. □



## Hunger solutions debated

"Things are done to make a profit, not for humanitarian reasons," Rev. Walter Thompson said in explaining one of the problems in feeding the world's hungry. Thompson was one of the featured guests at Thursday's "Fortnightly Forum" held in the Bangor Room of the Memorial Union which dealt with the topic of world hunger.

Agronomy Professor Cecil Brown showed optimism in discussing the problem of feeding the hungry.

"We must gather the forces of increased food production, a decline in the birth rate and a rise in the standard of living in other parts of the world" to help feed the world, he said.

Edward Collins, a professor of political science, said that we must be concerned with the political aspect of the hunger problem because "the political process will have to be used in order to resolve the hunger difficulty." He explained that one of the major barriers is the fact that any humanitarian goal will adversely affect certain interests.

"Financial interests would be hurt because of the deficit in the balance of payments. If you give food to sub-Saharan Africa, you can't sell it to Japan or Britain and get cash. Also, food storage would hurt farm prices, thus farmers would be hurt", he said. Collins explained that storing food would be necessary if a world food bank were to be set up.

Rev. Thompson, of the Canterbury Chapel in Orono, expressed his belief that

the most beneficial thing any man could do would be to give the poor and hungry the means of feeding themselves.

"Dumping a lot of food on them may alleviate the problem immediately, but next week they could be hungry again", he said.

Addressing himself to the matter of rising food prices in this country, Brown said we ought to be grateful that we pay so little. "People in many countries are paying 50-60 per cent of their income on food. In this country we've evolved a culture where we spend less than 20 per cent of our income on food, yet the minute food goes up a little, we're hollering," he commented.

Collins said our consumption of food is another facet of the hunger problem that is stressed by over-populated countries.

"At some of these conferences some of the poorer countries made the argument that their over-population was not as much of a drain on the world's food supply as is over-consumption by the rich countries," he said.

This over-consumption, coupled with African and Asian exposure to the Western standard of living, creates further problems, Collins pointed out.

"They are aspiring towards this standard of living and they feel ripped-off. Not only are they unhappy, but they can cause an awful lot of trouble," the international relations buff said.

## What's on

### TUESDAY- MARCH 25

BRIDGE--Memorial Union, 7 p.m.  
LSA SCHOLARSHIP DINNER--All LSA students with 3.0 or higher average are invited guests. Wells Commons. 7 p.m.

SPRING ART SEMINARS--Kenneth Versand, "Tibetan Folk Tales." Carnegie Hall, 7:30 p.m.

MEMORIAL UNION TOPICS--"The Food and Drug Administration," John Sopranovich. Bangor Room, Memorial Union, 7:30 p.m.

### WEDNESDAY- MARCH 26

SANDWICH CINEMA--"American Revolution: The Impossible War." No. Lown Room, Memorial Union, 12 noon.  
BLOODMOBILE--Kennebec Hall, 2-8 p.m.

FEDERAL JOB INFO--Mae Plourde, of the FHA, will speak on opportunities and application procedures for federal jobs. North Lounge, Estabrooke Hall, 1-4 p.m.

SPRING ART SEMINARS--Kenneth Versand, "Principles of Chinese Painting." Carnegie Hall, 1 p.m.

FARMWORKERS SUPPORT COMMITTEE--Meeting and film, Walker Room, Memorial Union, 7 p.m.

IDB FILM--"Wait Until Dark." 130 Little Hall, 7 and 9:30 p.m.

PHOTO CLUB--"Color Developing in a Home Darkroom." Classroom B, Memorial Union, 7:30 p.m.

### THURSDAY- MARCH 27

MAINE CIVIL LIBERTIES UNION--So. Lown Room, Memorial Union. Noon-1 p.m.

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For further information and assistance, contact the Office of the Dean of Student Affairs:

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Bangor Campus



# Rescue team aids injured climber

by Rod Franzius

The University of Maine Mountain Rescue Team made its first rescue March 14 when it assisted in bringing injured Peggy Vinal off Little Chick Mountain in Eddington.

The team, part of UMO's Ranger Club was called because of the extremely icy conditions. The UMO sophomore had to be hoisted to the summit for evacuation by helicopter because two feet of snow and ice on the hill below precluded carrying her down safely.

Vinal, one of six UMO climbers, fell off a 30-foot ledge and collided with a tree, hurting her back, about 3 p.m., according to Garry Everett, president of the Ranger Club. Due to uncertainty about Vinal's condition and the remoteness of her position on the mountain, there was some delay in calling for help.

Everett, also an Eddington volunteer fireman, said he heard the call about 5 p.m. Members of the fire department left the Eddington fire house at 5:20 p.m. equipped with two snowmobiles to take the Nobleboro native to an awaiting ambulance. They thought she was off the mountain, but found a 500-foot climb facing them when they arrived.

Everett said he and Brewer-Eddington Fire Chief Ronald Clark reached Vinal about 6:10 p.m. and realized she would have to be taken out by helicopter because she couldn't be carried down safely.

"The sun had melted the snow then it turned to ice. It was just like walking on a skating rink," Everett stressed.

The 112th Medical Co. of the Maine National Guard was called for a helicopter, and the University of Maine Mountain Rescue Team, the only such unit in southeastern Maine, was called to bring Vinal to the top.

Vinal had been lying on the ground for more than two hours, so was cold and in a mild state of shock. The rescue team put her into a sleeping bag, which "acted like a toboggan on the ice," so they tied it to a tree. A fireman brought up a spine board and hoisted Vinal's feet with a rope to keep her level and relieve her spine. Then they all waited.

The rescue team met the helicopter about 8 p.m. at the base camp the fireman was established and were flown to the top of the 1,200 foot mountain. By 8:30 p.m. Dave Person, rescue team leader, had rappelled down 300 feet through the dark to the injured girl. After checking the ropes Larry Taylor followed him down with more rope and a Stokes litter basket, reaching the bottom about 8:45 p.m.

By 9:20 p.m. Vinal had been secured in the litter basket and worked over to the base of the cliff.

"The footing was slippery so you had to make sure you were anchored where you stood," Everett said, continuing that not

knowing the extent of Vinal's injuries, "you played it for the worst situation you could."

The remainder of the rescue team and members of the Eddington Volunteer Fire Department hoisted the litter basket up the cliff with ropes, making sure it remained level. Person and Taylor strapped themselves to the litter basket to keep it away from the cliff. According to Everett the trip to the top took 20 to 30 minutes.

They made it just in time. The helicopter would have had to leave soon because a

snow storm was building up. Vinal was in the helicopter by 10 p.m.

Vinal is not out of the hospital. Her roommate said she sustained "a bruised bone in her lower back, but is O.K. now."

Everett explained, "This was the first actual rescue the team has made; one reason for the slow timing. In an actual situation you are dealing with somebody's life so you're extra careful. It was also their first rappelling exercise at night. Under those conditions that team did damn good."

According to Capt. Robert Kerr, Ranger Club advisor, who had been up in the helicopter just before it was called, it was snowing at 6 p.m. at Bangor airport, the temperature was about 14 degrees and the wind was blowing between 12 and 16 mph.

The members of the Mountain Rescue Team who participated were: Dave Person, Gary Varney, Tom Taylor, Mike Opuda, Larry Taylor, Chris Wejchert and Hal Boynton.

## Freshman captures Miss UMO crown

Carolyn Edgecomb, a freshman from Limestone, became Miss UMO 1975 at the final competition in Hauck Auditorium Saturday night. Along with the crown, she carried away a \$300 scholarship from the pageant, sponsored by Delta Upsilon fraternity.

First runner-up was Mary Kilgen, a sophomore from Leeds. Debbie Smith, a junior music and elementary education major from Acton, was second runner-up and also winner of the Miss Congeniality award and the talent award. For her entry in the talent competition Smith performed a vocal solo from the Lorenza Waltz.

There were seven contestants in this year's pageant. The rest were: Elizabeth Winsor, a freshman from Paoli, Penn., Daphne Stoner, a senior microbiology major from Croton-On-Hudson, New York Donna Albury, a sophomore from Camden and Donna Upham, a junior theatre major from Winslow.

Master of Ceremonies for the evening was Bert Pratt, assistant director of admissions. The pageant opened with all the contestants and Shawna Barnard, Miss

UMO 1974, in a song and dance number, "Consider Yourself." The seven women were then introduced individually followed by the introduction of the six judges and two auditors who were to check the final tally of the judges.

While the contestants prepared themselves for the talent competition, Mark Hayes, a business major from Brewer, entertained the audience, playing guitar and singing.

The talent presentation began with Carolyn Edgecomb singing "If You Love Me, Let Me Know" and playing guitar. The second presentation was a viola solo by Elizabeth Winsor.

Appearing third was Daphne Stoner, sponsored by the Ram's Horn Coffee-house, who was to perform and interpret a Greek folk dance. While on stage Stoner said, "Folk dancing is supposed to be done with people, so if any of you want to join me in this, come up."

Seven people from the audience joined her, dancing off the stage, up the side of Hauck Auditorium and out of the door, not to be heard from again for the rest of the competition.

The show went on with Donna Albury dramatic monologue, a satirical piece form *Alice in Wonderland*.

Mary Kilgen, the first runner-up played the "Love Story" theme on piano, followed by Debbie Smith's award-winning vocal solo. The last act was "Making Whoopee", a song with an acrobatic and jazz routine by Donna Upham.

Following the intermission Mark Hayes came back with Shawna Barnard to sing "Put Your Hand in the Hand" and "Battle Hymn of the Republic".

The six remaining contestants then modeled evening gowns and retired to await the judges' decisions. The women had already had two afternoon sessions with the judges, where they were interviewed and participated in the swimsuit competition.

While the judges deliberated, Shawna Barnard performed a selection from "The

Valley of the Dolls". Barnard was also first runner-up in the Miss Maine pageant and, as a result of both competitions, has received \$1800 in scholarships.

David Desjardin, a music major, then played piano and Mark Hayes returned to entertain with an old Edwardian Ballad of seduction, "Have Some Madiera, My Dear".

The evening ended with the presentation of awards and the crowning of Miss UMO 1975. Carolyn Edgecomb is now eligible to go to the Miss Maine competition in June.

How does it feel to be Miss UMO? "Very exciting," Edgecomb replied.



Carolyn Edgecomb

## Election registration to begin tomorrow

Sign-up and petition registration for prospective candidates for Student Government President and Vice President begins tomorrow at 9 a.m. at the Student Government center in 12 Lord Hall.

All candidates who wish to be on the ballot must register and obtain at least 425 signatures in support of their candidacy by the Apr. 8 deadline.

The election will be held Apr. 16, and campaigning will begin Apr. 9 and run until election day. Student Government President Jeanne Bailey said Monday that two referendums are expected to also be on the ballot, one concerning the check-off system of funding of the Maine Public Interest Research Group, and the other dealing with a hike in the student activity fee.

Bailey reminded potential candidates for either office that they are not required to seek a running mate, so that they may run for president or vice president alone.

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***Economic crisis pondered*****Teach-in presents state's alternative solutions**

by Mark Stadler

"There's plenty of work to be done in Maine. There is no reason why anyone who is willing and able to work shouldn't have a job," claimed Geoff Faux of the Citizens Committee on the Maine Economy.

Faux was one of many panelists addressing teach-in on the "Economic Crisis and Maine", sponsored Saturday by the Concerned Faculty on the Economic Crisis and the Maine Peace Action Committee. Organizers said the purpose of the teach-in was to counter explanations for the economic crisis being offered by the Ford administration and the press.

In Maine, between 44,000 and 50,000 people are presently unemployed, representing 11.6 per cent of the state's labor force, explained Faux. To provide the unemployed with jobs, Faux believes the people of the state should pressure the Maine legislature to provide the funds necessary to produce work programs for the unemployed.

"Maine doesn't have the monies which would be required to initiate a job program, so we will have to get the money via the income tax from the state's industries and upper income individuals," he maintained.

Faux commented that the creation of jobs for the unemployed was a short-term answer to Maine's unemployment problems.

"In the long run, we will have to reorganize Maine's economy to put the people first," Faux stated. "We must put the state's economy under the democratic control of Maine's people, so they can determine the needs of their communities."

"The legislature isn't going to do anything (about Maine's unemployment problems) unless forced," commented Rep. Richard Davies (D-Orono). "In Augusta people understand force and power."

Davies estimated state and university employees would get a \$13 a week salary increase as a result of the demonstration in Augusta by the Maine State Employees Association and the American Federation of State, County, and Municipal Employees.

He claimed Maine's unemployed must also organize to make their power felt in Augusta.

"The march (by MSEA & AFSCME) scared the shit out of the legislature," the Orono representative reported to the teach-in's audience.

To help establish a work program for Maine's unemployed, Davies has introduced to the legislature, what he termed, "a bill to soak the rich cats." Davies's bill would tax Maine citizens with an income of \$15,000 a year or more, who he believes can afford to bear a greater cost in remedying the state's economic burdens.

Davies maintained a state job program should provide Maine's unemployed with a skill, rather than being a form of "slave labor, yielding little socially productive work; such as cutting brush along the highways."

He explained each town should establish a community council to determine what tasks should be undertaken using job program funds. Davies does not think either the legislature or the federal government should dictate to the towns what jobs the funds should finance.

Ken Lux of Psychological Associates revealed that in Maine over 200,000 people earn an income of less than \$5,000 a year. He also said a family of four on Aid to Families with Dependent Children (AFDC) received \$50.93 per week from the state to cover all expenses. When one estimates the living costs incurred by a family of four on AFDC in Portland, they will pay, on the average, \$38 per week for housing and \$24 per week on food (with the use of food stamps) which amounts to \$62 a week in living expenses alone Lux said. This is an expense of \$11 more than the family is getting under AFDC.

"Nine-chances-out-of-ten the economic situation will lead to fascism in the United States," projected Burt Hatlen of the Democratic Socialist Organizing Committee. "The politicians are dishonest and owned by monopolistic capitalists," he claimed.

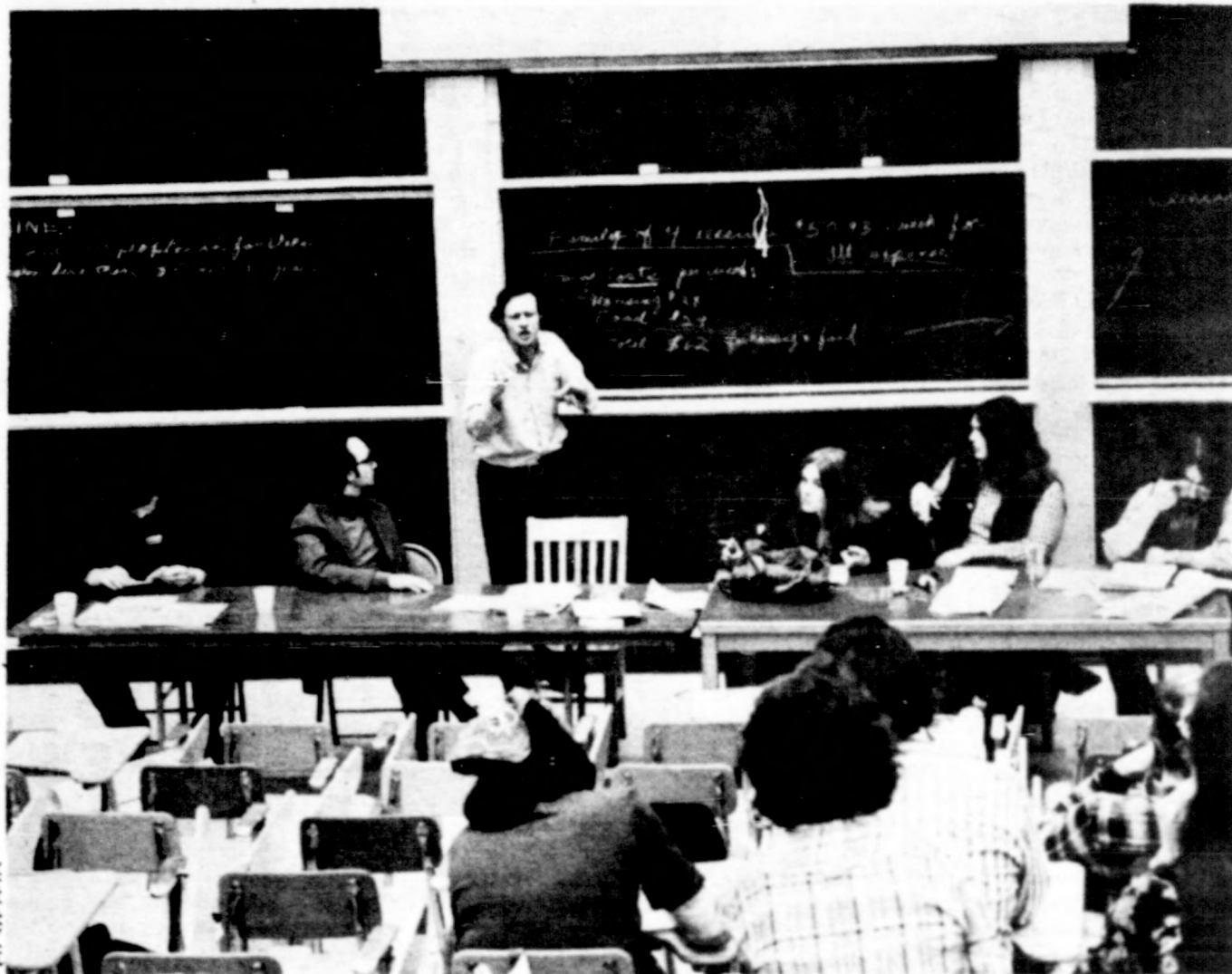
Hatlen said the poor and unemployed are enraged because they are deprived of the economic comforts and pleasures enjoyed by the upper class.

"We are a fascist state now. Watergate just pulled back the lid to show us how far the people in power will go to manipulate us," asserted Russ Christensen, UMO Student Government attorney.

Socialists must write radical textbooks to reach high school students, to teach them about life, welfare and the economy in a capitalistic state, said Christensen. Our whole school system revolves around preparing kids for an occupation, he added, and this "careerism" is damaging. "We must realize that a good economic system must be based on human values rather than materialistic values," he claimed.

"We must expose to the nation's people what the agents of the capitalists are doing," Christensen maintained.

David Vail, of the Union of Radical Political Economists from Bowdoin College, said political action is needed to remedy the unemployment problem, because industry and business are incapable of doing this, due to the deep-seated structure of the present economic system.



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"The crisis of American capitalism today is that if American we have an economic system based on organized greed, where big industry controls everything," said Faux. He said people aren't any better off than they were seven or eight years ago, and they are beginning to realize this. "People are used to affluence and they won't stand for an unemployment rate and an economic condition like that which existed in the 1930's; people are bitter about the present economic situation," Faux contended.

Cushman Anthony, of Portland SANE (Committee for a Sane Nuclear Policy), told the audience at the teach-in that 48 per cent of the federal budget goes toward national defense.

"What kind of product is coming out of this?" Anthony asked. "What is making my life better out of this expenditure?" He concluded that the production of military hardware didn't make his or anyone else's life any better.

Anthony argued that the defense budget should be kept to a more reasonable minimum, and the remaining monies be funneled into programs which would ease the economic pains of the country and also provide the people of the U.S. with greatly needed goods and services such as health care and educational programs. If the monies of the defense budget were rechanneled into the public sector, they also would produce a greater number of jobs than these funds are presently producing under the management of the military, Anthony suggested.

"The defense department's propaganda is false about military training preparing a veteran for a post-military career," contended Richard Jacobs, director of Veteran Affairs at UMO, speaking on the economic situation confronting veterans.

Across the U.S. the unemployment rate for veterans in the age range of 20-24 years of age is 16 per cent. Minority group veterans in the same age class have an unemployment rate of 22 per cent, Jacobs explained. Unemployment in Maine for 20-24 year-old veterans is 18 per cent.

Jacobs maintained many veterans are handicapped in their efforts to find employment, because they received a bad conduct or dishonorable discharge from the military.

"Veterans from the poorer class got a disproportionate number of these types of discharges," he said, because their experience in the military was often traumatic.

Jacobs finished his address at the teach-in by stating, "Consequently, the ones who fought in Vietnam are the same ones who are feeling the effects of the economic crisis, while those who escalated the Vietnam affair have reaped the profits."

"Women have been economically disadvantaged for centuries," asserted Linda Monko, coordinator of Women's Programs at UMO. "The history of women has closely paralleled that of blacks."

She explained a woman's income has always been considered as supplemental, provided in addition to her husband's weekly salary. Monko stated that when a

woman applies for a job, she is told by her prospective employer that if the job is given to her, it will deprive a man of a job. Many women are heads of households today, and must have an income to support their families," she stressed.

"With today's economic situation a woman's income can hardly be considered as supplemental," Monko said, explaining that many families require both the husband's and the wife's income to exist. Monko said that during World War II, when women were needed in the economy of the U.S., their needs (day-care centers for children of working mothers, etc.) were provided for by the government. "Why can't our needs be provided for now?" she asked.

Jack Polidori of the Bureau of Labor Education at UMO believes, "Organized labor is ignoring the problem of unemployment." Polidori said that due to decreased production, industry is firing or laying off personnel from minority groups, because these people have the lowest degree of seniority. He suggested that rather than firing or laying off workers and creating an even greater unemployment problem, industry should initiate a program of work sharing.

Work sharing would keep 10 per cent of the business's employees at work, but with a reduced number of working hours. Polidori suggested that perhaps all employees in a work-sharing industry should be cut back to 32 hours, and hopefully the federal government would pay the workers for the other eight hours of lost work.





# Forestry Professor Schomaker dies at 53

"He was one of the few professors I know who always had a smile on his face and was willing to talk with students about anything." Commenting on the personality of Dr. Charles E. Schomaker, a student further added, "I think the department will really miss him."

Schomaker, an associate professor of Forest Resources at UMO since 1963, died at his home, on Kelly Road, Saturday. He was 52 years old.

In praising Prof. Schomaker, Dr. Fred B. Knight, director of the School of Forest Resources, remarked, "Personally he was well liked by everyone he worked with, and

enjoyed his contacts with other people. He was truly a professional in all his approaches to work. And I think we'll have a difficult time obtaining somebody with equal ability and expertise in his area of specialization."

"He was just a very nice fellow to work with and a very able scientist," summarized one co-worker. "He was a good teacher who was highly regarded by students. We'll miss him very much."

While working at the university, Schomaker was involved with projects in watershed management, tree physiology

and, most recently, with research in forest fertilization. Prior to his association with the University of Maine, he was employed by the Southern Forest Experiment Station of the U.S. Forest Service and by the Firestone-Rubber Plantation in Liberia, West Africa. Schomaker received both his B.S. and M.S. degrees in forestry from Pennsylvania State University and a Ph.D. in forestry from Michigan State University. He was author of numerous publications in his field, and was honored by the many societies and organizations in the area of forestry and related fields.

In addition to his academic research, Dr.

Schomaker enjoyed many hobbies. Fascinated by the craftsmanship of southwestern American Indian jewelry, Schomaker collected many silver and turquoise slide ties. He crafted his own copper jewelry and enjoyed photography as a pastime.

Schomaker is survived by his wife, Dr. Peggy Schomaker, his parents, Mr. and Mrs. John McElroy, and two brothers, John and William McElroy.

Services will be held at the Newman Center Wednesday at 2 p.m., after which Mrs. Schomaker will receive friends at her home on Kelley Rd.

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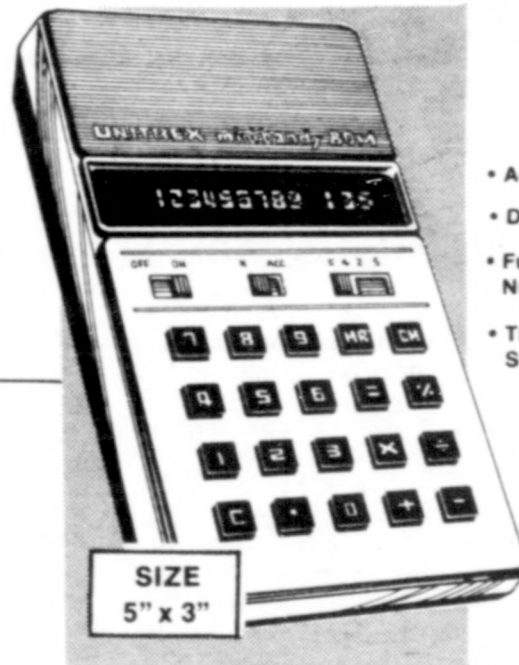
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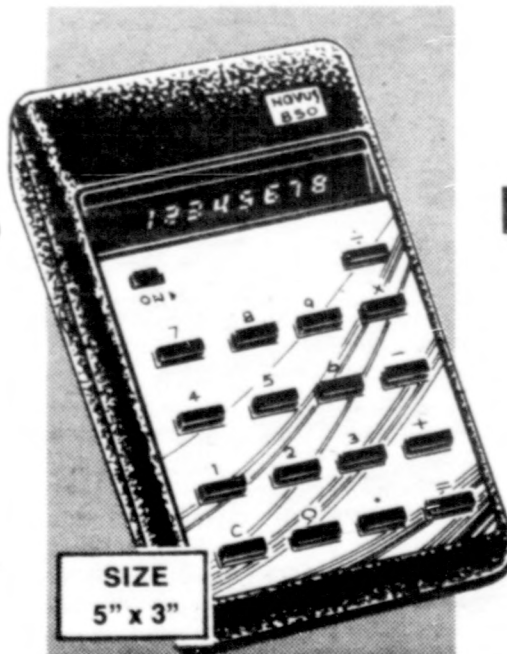
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## The real issue behind the budget - tax reform

With all this talk about budgets filling the air, it is time to examine the root of the problem. No, not waste. Waste in state spending is always a contributing factor, but that's not the major reason why the state is currently grappling with the prospect of two year's worth of bare bones budget.

As obvious as it may seem, the state is lacking in revenue. That is the problem. And the estimates (there are at least three floating around) of just how much revenue Maine will have to work with over the next two years vary by several million dollars. In fact, they vary so much that many observers have charged that Gov. James B. Longley's budget has been a deficit budget right from the start - and thus, his billing it as a "balanced budget" is at best a misnomer and at worst a well-planned economic and political hoax aimed at laying all the blame for the state's funding woes on the legislature.

Regardless of which of the latter you care to believe, there's no way around the fact that, sometime during the coming year, there's going to have to be a tax increase. Even Longley, when he addressed the senate here, as much as admitted the fact. He said the second year of his budget recommendation is a "trial balloon", and that it will be re-worked when he calls the special session of the legislature next fall.

Well, you can interpret that to mean a tax increase. It's obvious, since the governor balanced his budget by simply decreasing the budgets of the various departments during the second year of the biennium, that we're not talking about adjusting his budget down. We're talking about a budget increase, which immediately means a tax increase.

Now that we've faced the impending tax increase squarely through the nose, there are further, even more important considerations.

The most important reform that the state's

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lawmakers should address themselves to is not environmental, social, or political - it is economic, namely, tax reform.

It's certainly no secret that Maine, often referred to as one of the "poorer" states, is also one of the few states that has a sales tax. And it is a five per cent sales tax, on almost everything, at that. If the governor is so worried about the unemployed, the elderly, the low-income families of the state, why haven't we heard anything about abolition of the sales tax? Obviously the sales tax is most regressive, as it hits the low-income people harder than the fat cats, taking a large percentage of their income.

We strongly urge that an abolition of Maine's sales tax be the first priority in the area of tax reform.

So where should that money, and the additional needed revenues come from? Simple. What Maine needs is a fair, graduated income tax. A tax that is determined by a person's ability to pay. We believe the abolition of the sales tax, coupled with an increased but graduated income tax would be the best thing any governor or legislature could do for the state's low-income people.

Although the present income tax is graduated, it is also much too low to produce the kind of revenues the state needs. In contrast with the state income tax of, for example, the state of Massachusetts, Maine's income tax is only about one tenth the size, percentage-wise. We're not advocating a massive income tax increase, but a fairly hefty one that would allow abolition of

the sales tax and create a much fairer method of taxation of Maine's citizenry.

And while we're at it, a sizeable hike in the corporate income tax is also in order. For too long Maine's low-income citizens have been subsidizing the paper companies, vis a vis sales tax revenues.

Rep. Richard Davies (D-Orono) advocated an income tax increase at the teach-in on the economic crisis Saturday. We just hope that he and the other legislators will realize the inherent unfairness of the sales tax and work for its abolition in conjunction with any increase in the income tax.

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## letters

### Senator applauds AFSCME rally involvement

To the editor:

On Tuesday, March 18, three student senators journeyed to Augusta to join members of the American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees in their picket and rally at the State House. This action came as a result of a General Student Senate resolution of March 11 which had promoted "a working relationship between students and classified employees."

As one of those three senators, I was impressed by the organized activism exhibited by the working people of this particular union. Approximately 1,500 people took a vacation day from their jobs to communicate their demands to the governor, the legislature and the people of

Maine. I admire the dedication and sincerity of these people.

There was a great sense of camaraderie among the participants. It was exciting to view the collective strength of these employees. Governor Longley may have met his match.

I was especially pleased to see students marching alongside university classified employees. At the same time, I was disappointed at the conspicuous absence of university professional employees.

I hope that the "working relationship between students and classified employees" is successful in bringing about the enactment of legislation which will meet the needs of both groups. As long as we work together and are not pitted

against each other, we shall succeed.

Finally, the members of Local 1824 of the AFSCME asked me to thank the General Student Senate for its political and moral support. They especially appreciate the participation of those students who joined them in Augusta.

Senator Steve Bull

### Student feels candidate's credentials overlooked

To the editor:

In regard to this year's Student Government election, I feel that some credentials concerning presidential hopeful Louis Smith will not be recognized.

In the 1970-71 school year Louis was directly involved with student-related issues concerning educational reform at the University of Maine. He worked on the Governor's youth task force for education and academic reform and on a reliable way of teacher evaluation. As a result of this, we now have teacher evaluation, and academic reform has also come a long way.

To the editor:

For the second year running, Bill Gordon has written reviews for the *Maine Campus*, in which he attempts to judge the worth and merit of films appearing on campus, or in local cinemas. Over this period of time, I have read almost nothing which positively criticizes or praises a film. However, his evaluation of "Freebie and the Bean" is too much for me to accept. Evidently Bill is so biased that he cannot bring himself to make

one positive statement; either that, or he has not seen the film, but rather, he is making his judgement from another person's biased opinion of the film.

Granted, there are several violent scenes throughout the film, but remember—"it's only a movie."

One aspect Bill Gordon totally ignores is the humor which makes the movie (in my opinion) so successful. Another item is Valerie Harper's role as Bean's wife; she performs much better in "Freebie and the Bean" than I've ever seen her do in her T.V. show "Rhoda".

As for the "blatantly homosexual banter..." between Alan Arkin and James Cann—give me a break! After working together under the tension and having to depend on each other so much, it is not surprising that they'd develop a close relationship; but a homosexual relationship is not what the movie is trying to portray. Perhaps Bill Gordon should see the film again, but this time with a more open mind.

A critic can be either one skilled to judge literature or art, or a person who is inclined to find fault. Personally, Bill Gordon strikes me as the second type of critic. And incidentally, if "Freebie and the Bean" is such a flop, why is it playing its eighth straight week at the same cinema?—Somebody must like it!

Richard Price

Norm Kaake  
305 Arrostock

### Director ripped off at thefts

To the editor:

I want to express my feelings about a recent "rip-off" in the library. I suppose I should be used to this sort of thing by now but our latest episode annoys me more than usual.

We have had two wall clocks stolen in the last ten days. One of these was in the third-floor study room and the other was in the microfilm room. Although these clocks were placed in these rooms at the request of

students and for their convenience, I am reluctant to replace them only to have them stolen again.

I just wanted our students to know that so long as they have "Friends" like these thieves, they need not worry about their enemies.

Yes, this makes me hot under the collar! Thanks for printing my annoyance.

James C. MacCampbell  
Director of Libraries



# Witches and Finzi-Continis highlight films

by Bill Gordon

A rather extraordinary double feature is playing this Wednesday in Hauck, and since the only other feature film on campus this week is *Wait Until Dark*—a rather common thriller—time and space is best spent discussing the award-winning *The Garden of the Finzi-Continis* and the New England premier showing of *The Witches*.

Winner of the Academy Award as Best Foreign Film of 1971, this beautiful color film—*The Garden of the Finzi-Continis*—chronicles the graceful, leisurely life of a rich Jewish family in Ferrara, Italy in the mid-1930's. When in 1938, Mussolini's anti-Semitic activities began to force the Jews from their homes and into concentration camps, the aristocratic Finzi-Continis realized the ugliness of the world outside their garden and eventually faced their own fate.

When I first went to see the film during its initial release, I was so genuinely moved by its brilliance that I saw it twice in one evening. The lovely Dominique as Micol Sanda, with Lino Capolicchio as her boyfriend and Helmut Berger as her dying brother are the professional actors in the late Vittorio DeSica's most lovely film. DeSica also directed the recognized masterpieces *The Bicycle Thieves*, *Shoeshine*, and *Umberto D.*, and as in those

early films, he makes use of non-professional actors to lend his story a documentary realism.

The adult Finzi-Continis in the film are really a family of aristocrats, and the scene near the end of the film when Micol and her grandmother have been herded into a schoolroom along with the other Jews from the town, is completely and utterly remarkable.

*Garden of the Finzi-Continis* is the first half of the double feature which will run Wednesday in Hauck at 6:30 and 10:00 for a \$1 admission. The second half is a lost film that was quickly shoved into obscurity for various and uncertain reasons, *The Witches*. Except for brief mention in the books covering the films of Luchino Visconti and Pier Paolo Pasolini, the only coverage give *The Witches* was a lengthy article that appeared in the March, 1970 issue of the now-defunct *Show* magazine, which said "The Witches is the best-kept movie secret of the past two years. There are enough directorial talents on hand—Luchino Visconti, Pier Paolo Pasolini and Vittorio de Sica, plus Mauro Bolognini and Franco Rossi—to make a film freak do handstands, if only he had heard about it. Then there are Silvana Mangano's charms and underrated acting ability." (She was the mother in Visconti's *Death in Venice* and Wagner's wife in his

*Ludwig*) "Amplified displayed during the quintet of stories...not to mention the surprising appearance of Clint Eastwood, looking younger and behaving more sprightly than in his later Sergio Leone westerns.

"So what happens? the film showed up unannounced and unnoticed at a New York second-run house...When *The Witches* played this solitary engagement, none of the newspaper critics, in fact, bothered to attend. Not only were the perils of 42nd Street probably too much—despite the opportunity to see a Visconti or a Pasolini or a de Sica—but United Artists, the distributor, wasn't telling anyone about the film either. *The Witches*' shabby treatment is a pity, for this omnibus film is one of the best of its genre and deserves to be rescued from oblivion. Such a superior collection, with such important directors, should at least be given exposure."

Mangano appears as a different kind of woman in each episode. The first, Visconti's *The Witch Burned Alive*, has her portraying a fabulously successful movie star whose artificiality is stripped bare during a weekend spent at a friend's chalet. Bolognini's *Civic Sense*, concerns the cruelty of that Roman terror of traffic. Pasolini's *The Earth as Seen from the Moon*, is about an old widower (Toto) and his son, and a new wife whose efforts to

make their shack into a palace only make them want more and better.

Franco Rossi's *The Girl from Sicily* concerns a Sicilian maid, who in vengeance for her honor lost, uses a bit of witchcraft to set off a chain of vendetta killings that wipes out her entire family. The final chapter, deSica's *A Night Like Any Other* is a Fellini-esque fantasy illustrating the dreams of a bored housewife whose marriage to stockbroker Clint Eastwood is losing its sexual excitement.

*The Witches* was acquired after much ado for its screening at UMO, and I do hope that its gloried praise in *Show* magazine is accurate and that a good response here to the film will help rescue it from certain oblivion.

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# Black Bear nine face tough 38-game schedule

By Tom Bassols

Well, if the last couple of days can be looked at as indicators, it would appear that Spring is here. Ah--Spring! The season when a young man's fancy turns to baseball. And for UMO sports fans the traditional bright spot of the sports year.

The 1975 Bears, under new head coach John Minkin, will open their season next week as they take their annual Southern trip over Spring break. This season they will be playing an arduous 16-game schedule in 10 days against Miami-Dade Downtown, Miami-Dade North and South, and Florida International. The first game of the southern swing will be this Friday against Florida International and the trip

will end on April sixth with a double-header against the same club.

It never ceases to amaze me how Maine can go south year after year and come home with a winning record without any outdoor work. And in most cases their opposition consists of teams who have had between two weeks and one month of intercollegiate competition. A classic example can be cited from last year's trip as Maine demolished Virginia 13-4. Going into the game the Cavaliers were ranked 13th in the nation and had already played 15 games. Last year Maine posted an 8-1 record on their southern swing.

To date the Bears have had no outdoor work and it is doubtful that the field will be in shape before they leave. So far their

practice sessions have been in the fieldhouse with emphasis on situation play and basic fundamental baseball.

Maine opens their northern schedule on April 11 against one of the new teams on their schedule, Holy Cross, at Worcester. The other new teams on the schedule besides Cross will include Providence and Boston College. Along with the regular Yankee Conference schedule these teams make the UMO schedule one of the toughest in recent years.

Last year Maine finished third in the Yankees behind New Hampshire and Rhode Island and this season they again have to be considered one of the pre-season picks for the Conference title. Furthermore, it is not beyond one's imagination to consider the Bears one of the top teams in New England with a potential play-off bid if they can be successful against their tougher competition.

The difference between first and third in the Conference last season was a sweep at the hands of UNH on a cold, windy day at Durham. During the course of the double-header Maine hit into nine double plays. If Maine could have won both or split with the Wildcats it could have meant the Yankee Conference title. The Bears continually had men on base with none and one out but untimely double-play balls cost them the title.

With the return of 24 members of last year's squad Maine's chances appear good. Heading the returnees are first baseman Kevin Goodhue, outfielder Gene Tolozco, pitchers Burt Roberge and Rich Prior. Pitcher Steve Conley could be a big plus if he can overcome arm troubles and return to the form which he displayed two seasons ago. This spring's squad boasts 11

lettermen and most of the roster were members of last fall's team which compiled a 17-2 record.

Maine's first home game will be on April 19 as they host conference rival Connecticut in a twin-bill. □

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April 3 - Miami-Dade North (afternoon)  
April 3 - Miami-Dade Downtown (night)  
April 4 - Miami-Dade South  
April 5 - Miami-Dade South (2)  
April 6 - Florida International (2)  
Regular Season

April 11 - at Holy Cross  
April 12 - at Rhode Island (2)  
April 16 - at Husson  
April 17 - at Bowdoin  
April 19 - Connecticut (2)  
April 23 - Bowdoin  
April 25 - at Providence  
April 26 - at Massachusetts (2)  
April 29 - at Colby  
April 30 - at Fairfield  
May 3 - New Hampshire (2)  
May 7 - at Bates (2)  
May 8 - at Boston College  
May 10 - Northeastern (2)  
May 16 - Husson at Bangor (night)  
May 17 - Colby □

## Grapplers post 9-3 record

The UMO varsity wrestling team, under first-year coach Paul Stoyell, enjoyed its most successful season ever during 1974-75 when the Black Bears won nine and lost three dual meets.

The Bears also had their first undefeated wrestler during a regular season in the person of Junior Steve Sabine of Skowhegan who wrestled in the 150-lb. class and won all of his 10 regular season matches. Included in his wins were four pins and in tournament action he was 1-2. Sabine also served as assistant coach during the campaign.

The only disappointment during the season was the Bears' sixth place finish in the Yankee Conference and this could have been higher except that undefeated unlimited class wrestler Steve Jones, winner of his first four matches by pins, was ruled ineligible after taking a part-time coaching position.

Other wrestlers posting excellent records were senior captain Larry Kolegue

of Skowhegan in the 158-lb. class with a season's record of 8-2-0 with one pin and a fourth place finish in the Yankee Conference Championships; Lucien Daigle, a junior from Fort Kent in the 134-lb. class, with a 8-1-1 regular season mark with three pins; Mike Hudson of Woodbury, N.J., a junior in the 126-lb. class with a 7-3-0 regular season record and one pin; Eric Hoyer, a junior from East Aurora, N.Y., in the 142-lb. class with a 3-0-0 regular season record with one pin and fourth place in the New England Championships; and Stan Watson, a junior from Skowhegan in the 190-lb. class, who won eight and lost three during the regular season with four pins.

Tom Ward, a junior from Old Town, had the most pins during the regular season with six while wrestling in the 167-lb. class; and Bob Forest, a senior from Saco, had the fastest pin which was recorded in 1:02 as he wrestled in the 142-lb. class. □

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