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Midweek

# Maine Campus

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## University bites the financial bullet

### Salary study committee files draft report

by Debbie Sline

University of Maine students may be greeted with another tuition hike when they open next semester's bills if the final recommendations of the Chancellor's External Salary Committee are implemented by the Board of Trustees at their Dec. 3 meeting.

The External Salary Committee's final report, presented to Chancellor Patrick E. McCarthy during a press conference at Bangor Community College Friday, stated it will cost an estimated \$3.5 million to bring the salaries and wages of university employees up to recommended levels.

The committee stipulated such funds should be available for salary and wage relief "in the first months of 1976." The report further indicated the funds should be drawn from three sources: students, state funding and "increased economies" by the university.

Larry Mahaney, of Bangor, chairperson of the 13-member committee, said, "The members were unanimous in their opinions of recommendations and findings. We only ask that proper consideration be given to the report by those in positions of authority."

In response to the need for immediate action, stressed by the committee, McCarthy said he intends to make a recommendation to the Board of Trustees Dec. 3. He said his proposal will be "directly in line with the committee's recommendations concerning increase of salaries, timing of that increase and source of funding."

Although he would not confirm whether his recommendation will contain a proposed tuition hike, McCarthy said, "My recommendation to the board will not await the long-range tuition study findings, although it will take them into consideration."

Mahaney added, "The committee feels students should share in this. Even \$100 increase in tuition will still put the University of Maine sixth in tuition (levels) in New England."

McCarthy mentioned that \$100 tuition hike was described by the committee as a "not unreasonable" increase to raise the students' share of the proposed salary increase costs. However, he expressed no definite opinion about a feasible increase figure, should he choose to recommend one to the trustees next month.

While discussing the salary study findings Monday, McCarthy still would not elaborate on the contents of his planned recommendation to the trustees. However, when quoted a possible tuition increase of \$150, the Chancellor said he thought that figure was "too high."

"If there's going to be a tuition increase over the next immediate period, we've got to give people time to make personal plans," McCarthy said. "I do not want to make the salary problem a problem of the

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Patrick E. McCarthy

### Long range tuition policy drafted

by Mike Kane

"It would be fine if you could deliver service without any friction of cost. The next best thing is to come up with a fair share," Chancellor Patrick E. McCarthy said Monday.

His remarks came in reaction to the long-range tuition policy committee's draft report.

The draft report, which was submitted to the University of Maine Organization of Student Governments (UMOSG) representatives at their Machias meeting last weekend, recommends a 20 to 40 per cent sliding scale tuition level for all in-state students in the University of Maine system, and 75 to 90 per cent for all out of states. According to the draft, Maine residents at UMO currently pay 25 per cent of educational costs, while non-residents are contributing 75 per cent.

Under such a scale, which McCarthy called a "fair share," tuition would be based on the cost of education and services at each individual campus. These tuition rates, the report says, "will reflect the educational services available to the student according to university-wide criteria to be established, such as faculty-student ratio, student services such as counseling and health services, and University supported recreational, athletic and cultural programs."

The draft also says tuition charges will change from year to year. "Tuition charges will be adjusted annually based on fluctuations in the educational costs from one base year to the next." Thus, as educational costs and services change from year to year, so will tuition.

A base year is defined as "the most recent fiscal year for which complete data are available." This means tuition for the 1976-77 year will be based on costs in the 1974-75 fiscal year, creating a two year gap.

Acknowledging this gap, the committee suggested that the Consumer Price Index be used to adjust for the inflationary effects of the intervening years.

In what appeared to be a proposal for beyond the long-range, the policy committee recommended "serious consideration be given to university-wide adoption of a per credit hour method of charging tuition." The university presently uses the per credit hour method during the summer session, where students pay a flat fee for each credit hour they are enrolled.

Included on the policy committee are UMO President Howard R. Neville, Vice Chancellor for Public Affairs Stanley L. Freeman Jr., Acting Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs Mary Ann Haas, who chaired the group, and Lloyd Jewett, president of the university's Augusta branch.

McCarthy said the committee will report its final recommendations to him "relatively soon," in either December or January.

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## Financial exigency plan outlined to meet crises

Guidelines for future financial crises will soon be presented to the University of Maine Board of Trustees.

If implemented, the guidelines, to be presented as a financial exigency policy, could force the elimination of services, instructional programs, and departments and tenured faculty positions.

Financial exigency is a monetary situation calling for immediate attention.

According to a policy draft report from the trustee's faculty liaison committee in declaring an exigent situation exists, "the Board of Trustees officially identifies a situation wherein because of insufficient finances, a number of faculty and staff positions must be terminated. Program cutbacks, declining enrollment levels, and/or closing of buildings or campuses are likewise inherent during a financial exigency period."

"In essence," the draft continues, "this means that financial difficulties cannot be met by budget reductions in areas other than those directly affecting the instructional function."

The policy calls for the president of any

campus that "cannot effectively achieve its mission" to appoint a task force of faculty, students, and administrators to evaluate the situation and make recommendations. The president will take their recommendations to the Chancellor who will evaluate the data. If he accepts the recommendation, he will present it to the Board of Trustees for their approval and the exigency declaration.

Chancellor Patrick E. McCarthy called the guidelines a move toward "a due process system of decision making away from an arbitrary system of decision making."

Part of this due process equation, he stated, "is an allowance for a triggering mechanism to declare the situation is present."

McCarthy also said that while these are austere times for the university system, "this is not a time of crisis. You do not set up these ground rules in a time of crisis," he added.

He called it "good management" to define such policies in advance. "It removes the unknowns or as many unknowns as possible," he stated.



## Midweek Weather

**Tuesday**  
Partly sunny, highs near 50's, only 10 per cent chance of rain.

**Wednesday-Thursday**  
Fair weather, highs in the 50's.

**Friday**  
Cooler, highs in the 30-40's, chance of showers, possible flurries.

## What's on

**HARVEST SERENADE**—A semi-formal dance, music by Zeus, pub available, buffet served. Nov. 22 in the Damn Yankee at 8 p.m. Advanced ticket sales Nov. 19, 20, 21 in the Memorial Union. No tickets will be sold at the door. Sponsored by MUAB.

**Tuesday, Nov. 18**  
**SWIM MEET**—Maine vs UNH, 3:30 p.m.  
**PET CARE**—Topic is "Basic Pet Training" with Carol Chamberlain, Animal Medical Technologist and experienced dog trainer and breeder, Peabody Lounge, Memorial Union, 7 p.m.  
**MAINE PEACE ACTION COMMITTEE**—The Maples, 7 p.m.  
**ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS**—Open meeting, MCA Center, 8 p.m.  
**20th CENTURY MUSIC ENSEMBLE**—Donald Stratton, director, Hauck, 8:15 p.m.  
**MOVIE**—Russ Meyer's "Beyond the Valley of the Dolls" (Rated X), 6, 8, and 10 p.m., 100 Nutting.  
**ENVIRONMENTAL AWARENESS SLIDE PROGRAM**—140 Bennett, 6:30 p.m.

**Wednesday, Nov. 19**  
**GENERAL STUDENT SENATE MEETING**—153 Barrows, 6:30 p.m.  
**SOMETHING ABOUT FISHING**—"Fish Habitat and Habits" with Fred Kersheris, Maine fish biologist, 7:15 p.m., Bangor Lounge, Memorial Union.  
**IDB MOVIE**—"Green Berets" 7 and 9:30 p.m., 100 Nutting  
**TOPICS**—"North to the Future" 7 p.m., Coe Lounge, Memorial Union.  
**CHESS FOR BEGINNERS**—Bumps Room, Memorial Union, 3 p.m.  
**AGAPE MEAL**—Conversation and food, prepared from "Diet for a Small Planet", MCA Center, 6 p.m.  
**CHESS**—Bumps Room, Memorial Union, 7 p.m.

**Thursday, Nov. 20**  
**CAMPUS FRIENDS OF CIVIL LIBERTIES**—So. Lown Room, noon.  
**ENVIRONMENTAL AWARENESS COMMITTEE**—Meeting, 6:30 p.m., 140 Little. Members urged to attend, important information will be discussed.  
**FORTNIGHTLY FORUM**—Open forum discussing long-range tuition policy, faculty salaries and academic appeals, MCA Center, 7 p.m.  
**MINI-WORKSHOP**—"Basket Weaving with Ash Strips", presented by Lloyd Klickstein, Wildlife major and Allagash guide, Damn Yankee, Memorial Union, 7 p.m.  
**CONCERT SERIES**—Goldovsky Grand Opera Theater, Mozart's "Don Giovanni" 8:15 p.m., Memorial Gym.  
**CONTEMPORARY PERSPECTIVES ON RAPE**—Wells Commons, 7:30 p.m.  
**IDB MOVIE**—"Green Berets" 7 and 9:30 p.m., 100 Nutting.  
Deadlines for What's On are Sunday 1 p.m. for Tuesday issues, and Wednesday 11 a.m. for Friday issues, 106 Lord Hall, 581-7531.

## Deemed "Masterpiece"

# Film satirizes Hollywood

by Bill Gordon

Russ Meyer's *Beyond the Valley of the Dolls* is a minor film masterpiece. It is flamboyant, excessive, and full of cliches and stereotypes. It is also the most accurate depiction of a certain segment of the American entertainment world Hollywood has produced in years.

Released in 1971, *Valley* was the first film Meyer made under his three-picture contract for Twentieth-Century Fox. For years he had been kept out of the Hollywood studios, because his soft-core potboilers were not fashionable. He churned out his pictures with very low budgets. They were marked by their professionalism in photography as well as

their plethora of large female breasts, which have become Meyer's trademark.

*Valley* is Russ Meyer getting even. He hired Roger Ebert, a young Chicago-based film critic, to concoct a script that would delve into all the various perversions of the Los Angeles area. And there's everything imaginable: homosexuality, sado-masochism, transvestitism, pill-popping and dope-smoking, threesomes, and hefty amounts of plain old-fashioned sex.

The innocents of the film are a female rock group that makes its way up the success ladder from senior proms to gold records. On their way up they meet numerous establishment types who thrive on corruption: a gigolo-actor, a nymphomaniacal porno flick superstar, a preying lesbian fashion designer, and the ultimate character of them all—SuperWoman.

For its finale, *Beyond the Valley of the Dolls* has a mass-murder sequence that delivers more shocks and scares than Hitchcock could ever produce. The film was run at a really nifty party last Friday night, and the place was completely freaked out.

The film, especially if you're either stoned or bombed, is complete camp. Ebert's screenplay dates the film exactly in the late '60's, when it was cool to utter such lines as "Oh man, this party is a really freaky scene. Who needs grass when you can get a contact high!"

Edy Williams, who at the time was Meyer's wife and the leading lady of his "X" spectacles, is Ashley St. Ives, the porno-star. In one of the film's funniest sequences, she tries to seduce the rock group's manager. However, her overzealousness so turns him off that he flops and she is angered into calling him a "fag," which drives him to attempt suicide.

If you doubt for a moment that Meyer is taking this all seriously, listen to the marvelous score which Stu Phillips has

composed for the film. During appropriate moments, the music is right out of an afternoon soap opera or the corniest romance movie. Even the ritual murder at the end is underscored at points by the theme which is used for the Twentieth-

Century Fox insignia. Some good pop-rock songs have been included as well, and are sung by the Strawberry Alarm Clock, the Sandpipers, and The Carrie Nations.

*Beyond the Valley of the Dolls* has been labeled "The First of the Shock Rock," and one critic has noted that "Russ Meyer promised to make the wildest, craziest, funniest, the farthest out Musical-Horror-Sex-Comedy ever released." In that he has succeeded.

*Valley* does indeed have an "X" rating. But it's a great film—finely photographed by Fred J. Koenekamp, with some effective editing to pull it all together. (It will take you days to recover from that final sequence.) Even the cornball epilogue, which is reportedly narrated by Meyer, is so apparently a satire of Hollywood's happy endings that one can only marvel that Meyer could so cleverly bite the hand that was then feeding him.

*Beyond the Valley of the Dolls*, one of those infamous "X" films which has caused the wrath of a great deal of pretentious people here at UMO, does have enough violence and sex (albeit soft-core) to triple its original rating, but, in the end, it emerges as a viable and stunning document of our times. It runs tonight at 6:00, 8:00, and 10:00 in Nutting Hall, and will be shown in its original Panavision dimensions—the picture covers almost the entire front of the place and results in a visual mindblower.

As an extra bonus, contrary to that nasty letter of a week or so ago, admission is only 50 cents. For that small amount of money, you'll never get such a great time at the movies. Personally, I think *Beyond the Valley* is much more fun even than *Jaws*—it's an underground-Hollywood masterpiece, and an absorbing two hours of celluloid thrills.

## news briefs

Tickets on sale for Harvest Serenade, semi-formal dance, Wed.-Fri. Nov. 19-21, Union lobby. Tickets will not be available at the door.

The Graduate Fellowships Program is awarding graduate fellowships to Mexican Americans, Native Americans (Aleuts, Eskimos, Indians, Native Hawaiians), and Puerto Ricans who wish to pursue a doctorate and a career in higher education. The graduate fellowships, funded by the Ford Foundation, are aimed at increasing the number of doctorate-holding Mexican Americans, Native Americans, and Puerto Ricans in higher education. Applicants must be U.S. citizens and either enrolled in or planning to enter an accredited U.S. graduate school offering the doctoral degree in their field of study. Interested persons should write to Graduate Fellowships for Puerto Ricans, Educational Testing Service, Box 2822, Princeton, N.J., 08540 or to Graduate Fellowships for Mexican Americans and Native Americans and Native Americans, Educational Testing Service, Box 200, Berkeley, Calif., 94704.

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## Reciprocating admissions program halted

The land grant program that allows dependents of faculty members to attend the New England university of their choice at in-state tuition, and with preferential admissions treatment, will be temporarily suspended at UMO beginning with the fall semester of the 1976 school year.

This was revealed at a Council of Colleges meeting held Monday afternoon in the Bangor Room of the Memorial

Union on campus, in a letter from President Robert Wood of the University of Massachusetts at Amherst.

The letter stated that the University of New Hampshire was withdrawing from the program, just as Vermont had already done, and that a tentative agreement had been reached by the presidents of the other New England universities to cancel the reciprocating agreements.

In the letter, President Wood said, "The dependent exchange, like other cooperative agreements among our six institutions, rests on a fragile coalition, and if New Hampshire were to decide unilaterally it could no longer participate, the other institutions would have no practical recourse."

James M. Clark, vice president for academic affairs at UMO, said one of the reasons this happened was because UMass wanted to extend the program's benefits to their Boston and Worcester campuses.

The tuition from students at Vermont, New Hampshire and Maine goes back to the institution, whereas in Rhode Island, Connecticut and Massachusetts the tuition

money goes into the state treasury. UNH was paying five times as much as the other New England state universities for the program and was only receiving half as much back in tuition receipts. In all, UNH was paying \$60-70,000 for the students from the states.

Clark's report prompted one faculty member to ask, "I had been teaching here for 12 years before I got married. Then I got married and now that my kids are getting near that age, this program is going to be shelved?"

A motion was made and seconded to form an ad hoc committee to look into what could be done to prevent the land grant program from being shelved.

## Student government board opposes spring tuition hike

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students—it's important to look at it as a university problem," he added.

However, in response to a possible tuition hike, UMO's Student Government President Jim McGowan said his executive board voted late Monday to oppose any tuition increases for the spring semester "on such short notice." McGowan said, "A tuition raise from either the December or February (Board of Trustees) meeting for Fall '76 would be more in line—but even a minimal increase now, such as \$25 would be wrong."

McGowan also questioned, "How many employees do we lose between the fall and spring semesters, that we need this immediately?"

"If the Chancellor wants a tuition increase," he added, "as incentive to the legislature (for appropriations), it could be discussed for the fall, but right now, it's unfair to increase at such a quick pace."

As for his own position regarding the draft recommendations, the Chancellor said, "I feel positive about it. I believe in fair share."

McCarthy has mentioned the fair share concept on two occasions earlier this year. In September, he reportedly told James McGowan, student government president, and Kathy Dohney, UMOSG chairperson, that he personally thought the student's fair share would be 33 per cent of educational costs.

The second mention came during an interview with *Maine Campus* editors Nov. 17 when he said, "It is the nature of

public universities across the country to keep a balance in the way you finance it (education). This balance is important for two reasons; one, it gives you the basis for freedom and autonomy, and two, it gives you a political basis for asking for public money. There is a fair share of participation."

McCarthy said he liked the draft proposal because it tells when students are below their share of the scale, and "more important, it tells you when there isn't any more students can pay."

The Chancellor equated the sliding scale approach with "the north arrow on a compass. It doesn't tell you where you should go but where you are, relative to everything else."

Talking about education and services costs, the Chancellor said these would not include the cost of ancillary services. By ancillary services he meant services not directly related to the education of students. At UMO this would include organizations like the Social Science Research Institute and the Darling Research Center at Walpole.

UMO President Neville was unavailable for comment Monday.

Student Government President McGowan would only say, "I still have a lot of questions about that (the long-range tuition proposal). I will be against it," he added, "if it causes too large a gap (in tuition rates) from one end of the (university) system to another."

McGowan said he plans to withhold judgment of the proposal until after he meets with McCarthy today.

## Long-range policy report offers flexible tuition scale

*\*from page one\**

McGowan will meet with the Chancellor today to discuss details of the External Salary Study Committee's report and of the long range tuition draft which was released to the University of Maine Organization of Student Governments (UMOSG) for perusal over the weekend.

McCarthy described the salary committee's final report, drawn up after two months of intensive study by the businessmen and professionals comprising the committee, as "balanced and objective."

The report cited three discrepancies in employee wage levels which would be alleviated by the \$3.5 million funding recommendation. First, the committee found a salary gap for faculty at the 40th percentile level ("that point at which 40 percent of the other institutions are below the figure and 60 percent are above it").

Second, the salary study stated, "salary and compensation goals for the professional and administrative staff should be set at the equivalent 40th percentile level for such salaries nationally."

And finally, the committee suggested that the goal for classified employees' wage levels should be a "parity within the state's."

The committee stressed that the \$3.5 million necessary to bring salaries and wages up to these levels should be accumulated as soon as possible in 1976. One of the prime reasons given for the necessary immediacy was the committee's finding that there is "a serious psychological and morale problem which needs to be remedied for all three classes of employees."

The Chancellor agreed with this finding by the committee, adding, "I would hope that the step that's been recommended will improve morale, create an equitable position with respect to remuneration of fees, and may be seen by the citizens of Maine as a responsible answer to the problems of the university."

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## Fowl thieves mastermind coop coup

Apparently, somebody has been shopping for Thanksgiving dinner a little early this year.

A white leghorn chicken, valued at \$5, was stolen from one of the university's chicken houses, according to Assistant Director of Police and Safety Bryan F. Hilchey. The chicken burglars entered the building through a back door, breaking the glass in the door and opening it from the inside, Hilchey said. Once inside, they ripped the wire door from the chicken cage and made off with the bird.

Police said the break-in and larceny occurred late last Thursday night or early Friday morning. The empty cage was discovered by Poultry Technician Larry Crocker at 7:15 a.m. Friday, who notified campus police, Hilchey said.

At present, the police have no idea who the bandits are, Hilchey said, but they are checking the pieces of glass for fingerprints.

When asked why anyone would steal a chicken, a white leghorn no less, Hilchey replied, "Either they were very hungry or they were getting Thanksgiving dinner."

## Scientist ponders Salmonella puzzle

*by Carolyn Cleaves*

Prof. Melvin Gershman of the Departments of Animal and Veterinary Sciences and Microbiology is working on a research project to identify *Salmonella* bacilli, pathogens or bacteria which cause food infections.

Gershman is using a new process called "Phage-typing", to identify the bacilli. Phage is the name given to a virus which attacks bacteria.

The process begins by infecting a battery of viruses with more than *Salmonella*. The same viruses are used no matter which type of *Salmonella* is being tested. The researcher then records, in order, the susceptibility of the bacteria to the viruses, the degree of infection, and the resistance.

"This technique permits an investigator to trace outbreaks involving commonly occurring isolates to their origin, thus permitting health personnel to irradiate the source of the problem," Gershman said. An isolate is the separated strain of bacteria located by a researcher, or physician. Gershman said this characterization was developed primarily in England where he traveled in 1968 to study at the Central Public Health Laboratory. Very few labs practice this method, he explained.

The *Salmonella* Serotyping Reference Laboratory at UMO was created by Gershman 10 years ago. "At that time the laboratory was chiefly concerned with *Salmonella* existing in poultry and poultry products. This concern remains, but, today the laboratory is interested in any *Salmonella* isolates existing in Maine, since many *Salmonella* can be transmitted

from animals to man and vice versa," Gershman said.

"All *Salmonella* bacilli in Maine of both human and animal origin are sent to this laboratory for identification. Over the years they have also been received from many states and foreign countries," he added.

The phage-sets that have been developed at UMO have been requested by and sent to the Center of Disease Control, Atlanta, Ga., Canadian Health and Welfare, and other agencies in Israel and Poland.

Gershman explained the identification procedure for common *Salmonella*. When an isolate is first brought to the lab it is placed in a sugar solution to verify that it is a *Salmonella* strain. If so, the solution will turn color.

The second test, serology, tells which type of *Salmonella* it is, typhoid or some other common species. If it is common, these two methods of identification are not enough.

"The researcher must know what species is involved in a case," Gershman said. Therefore, the lab utilizes phage-typing to characterize the more common *Salmonella* so that it will be recognized quickly. "After they have been identified, health authorities are notified to go to work," he added. Gershman said *Salmonella*, which is named for the man who discovered this group of bacilli, resembles miniature sausages under the microscope.

"The different types are identified by name," he stated. "The name may be derived from the symptoms associated with

a given disease, as in the case of *Salmonella typhi*, the cause of typhoid fever. Typhi is derived from the work typhos, signifying a cloud and alludes to the mental confusion experienced by the afflicted," Gershman explained.

"*Salmonella* are also named after patients from whom they were initially isolated, after investigators, who were instrumental in their discovery, or after the county, state, city or town where they were first encountered," Gershman added.

He continued, "The disease is transmitted by way of human and animal wastes. It is contracted through the mouth by way of contaminated food and water supplies."

The incubation period is 6-72 hours and a full recovery requires 3 days. "If the patient is old, very young or infirmed the disease could have a much more severe effect," he said.

Poultry and pork are the major cause of the infections from animal sources.

"*Salmonella* develop best in non-acid, moist, high protein foods. They grow between 45°-115° F. Higher temperatures destroy them and refrigeration retards their growth," Gershman commented.

The professor mentioned several control measures which will prevent such infections. "Raw milk products should be subject to pasteurizing temperatures. Cook all meat, fish, poultry, eggs and egg-products thoroughly. After cooking, any potentially hazardous food not intended for immediate consumption should be chilled and refrigerated at temperatures of 40° F or lower."



## Patching the fissured dike

A year has passed since a variety of university administrators began to warn us of the impending financial crunch. In that year, Gov. James Longley and the legislature have made their budget cut and university officials have made programs and service cuts.

Also in that time, faculty and staff began to clamor for increases in pay, while a freeze was slapped on their wages.

Students were forced to accept lower building temperatures and increased room and board.

Now, after almost a year of this, some form seems to be emerging from the financial morass. In three day's time, university officials have unveiled three plans to cope with present and future financial situations. And the emphasis is on the future.

Friday, Chancellor McCarthy received the External Salary Committee's final report and

recommendations for faculty and staff salaries. The report calls for immediate relief and increase in frozen faculty wages and recommends the necessary \$3.5 million be raised from three sources: students, that is, tuition; increase operation economies; and state funding. For students, this means a tuition increase of unknown proportions in the very near future. For faculty, staff, and administrators, it means relief, with a capital R.

Next came the draft reports on financial exigency policy and long-range tuition policy. While these have not been finalized, they are by far more important than the salary report—they deal with the long-range future.

In attempting to foresee the long-range needs of the university system, these two plans revolve around one key word—planning.

Planning for the future has been the missing link in the system for the past four years. Three tuition and three room-and-board hikes have been implemented as stop-gap measures to plug holes in a fissuring dike. And the university is about to run out of fingers.

We now will have guidelines, standards design to shore up a sagging financial structure.

Whether these planning attempts will be beneficial or harmful remains to be seen. Having been sprung on the community with little notice and at the busiest time of the semester, time is needed for analysis. Only after analysis can opinions be formed.

With this in mind, it becomes necessary to ask the Chancellor and the trustees to wait. Wait until next semester before acting.

The university still has a few fingers left to stick in that dike.

## Low-cost culture

We've heard it said before: in times of financial crisis, people don't cut out all pleasures, they just tighten their belts a little—so on Saturday nights they can afford to let them out a notch.

The human tendency to have fun, despite tight times, was illustrated during the latest recession, when the crowds flocked to local cinemas in unusually high numbers. The moviegoers' rationale is simple—spending \$3 to \$4 at the movies is a lot less expensive than spending \$2,000 on a long vacation.

### editorials

In other words, people are still having a good time now, but at more frequent, less costly, intervals. And, although UMO is not exactly a typical community, it is one which thrives on

high quality entertainment at relatively low cost.

We have a feeling that most members of the UMO community tend to take for granted the abundance of low cost culture available here. Which is too bad...particularly when it looks as if we may lose those "fringe benefits" all too soon, if future fiscal years prove as bleak as this.

The point in case is this: as yet, things have not gotten so bad at UMO that culture has been canned. But, whether funded by the university of students, the varieties of entertainment presently enjoyed by many here come out of somebody's pocket, besides the viewer's.

We just hope, if the financial situation gets any tougher, that when cuts are considered, everyone remembers how important those inexpensive little bits of fun can be.

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## Downeast Notebook—by Islander

### Schoodic revisited

Sunday, Nov. 16, 1975

With winter fast upon us, the days have become increasingly shorter. The sun sets around 4 p.m., and it is nearly dark by 4:30. Shorter days have one advantage,

however. The sun rises much later than in the summer—around 6:20 a.m., which makes it much easier to get up and watch earth's daily awakening.

I got up at 5:00 Sunday morning, and after a quick cup of coffee, headed down Rte. 1 to Winter Harbor once again, and

Schoodic as well. In the 26-mile trip, I passed only three cars, something unusual for that highway, even at that time of morning. Frost on the ground and small patches of ground fog were strangely lit from the faint eastern light growing increasingly brighter.

Each village I passed through was totally tranquil. It was cold, and there was smoke coming out of many chimneys. Automatic thermostats were taking care of each home's occupants, as they slumbered in their dreams—a far cry from the way it was a hundred years ago, when one awoke to a frigid bedroom.

I reached my vantage point at the top of Schoodic Head about 15 minutes before the sun crept above the horizon. Waiting, I thought of the last time I'd come to Schoodic that early in the morning. It was near the end of the spring semester last year when four friends and I chose a crystal-clear morning after a storm. With waves cresting near 20 feet, it was awesome to see.

After the sun rose above the innermost island, we carefully lumbered down to the water's edge. Busily taking photographs, I failed to see the tremendous wave approaching me until it was too late. All I could do was turn around and protect my camera. The wave broke over my back, leaving it totally soaked.

As we left, there were two seagulls sitting on the rocks. It was easy to read what was going through their minds.

"Hey Herman, what are those five turkeys doing up there?"

"Ehhh, Louie...I don't really know."

Suddenly my mind returned to Sunday morning. I looked up, and saw the sun cresting above the horizon. After taking a few photographs, I just sat and watched it slowly creep up, until it finally broke free of the water. Another day had come to the United States, and I had possibly been the first to see it.

I remembered an article I once read in *Down East* magazine debating which point in Maine actually receives the sun's rays first each morning, Cadillac Mountain and Mars Hill both bid for the honor, and Washington County bills itself as The Sunrise County of the United States. Easterly position and elevation are both factors to be considered.

A recent study said all three could probably make the claim, as well as Mount Katahdin—depending on the time of the year. As the seasons change, the angle from which the sun comes is different, which changes the time it reaches each of those points. It still seemed a silly point to quibble about, though.

Sunrise can be the best part of the day. It leaves a fresh feeling in your mind, knowing you were up with the sun. And as horrible as it sounds, there is a real sense of accomplishment in regularly getting up early each morning. It's mystifying to watch the light as it slowly increases in intensity, culminating as the sun peers over the horizon. But if you're all alone, it is better, as if you've been let in on a secret no one else will ever see.



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# Lettersletterslettersletters

## Honors article lacks focus

To the Editor:

I was pleased that in its Oct. 28 edition, the *Maine Campus* printed an article dealing with some of the problems in the Honors Program. Too often, it seems, academic conflicts which vitally affect the university remain entrapped in the labyrinthine corridors of the university administration.

Unfortunately, the article lacked both focus and analysis. There are deeper dimensions to the conflict within the Honors Program than "in Eddy's opinion," or "Clark feels" or "Thomas thinks." Problems within the program go far beneath the mere clash of personalities so vividly portrayed in your article entitled "Student annoyed by Honor Program format." Your reportage on the program only serves to confirm a desperately held administrative attitude: i.e. that there are no substantive issues involved in the recent battle, there are only disagreements between personalities. This attitude, (or defense, if you will) has been constantly utilized by the Honors administration in an attempt to disarm issue-oriented criticism.

Let me give an example of how digging a little deeper would have served to clarify the depth of the problems within the program: At one point, Robert Thomson is quoted as saying, "The Honors council and staff do not agree that the problem is as serious as Eddy thinks."

This statement is false. There is nothing like a monolithic agreement within the Honors council and staff on the severity of the problems in the program. A number of faculty on both the Council and staff have expressed severe reservations concerning the present state of the program.

Now let us examine the support cited for this overarching generalization of agreement.

Thomson further says: "Of the nine freshman teachers, only two disagree with the pattern of the program. Therefore, the strong majority agree with the method of teaching."

Here I would point out two things: first, Robert Thomson and James Clark handpicked the majority of these nine teachers for freshman Honors. One would hardly expect that they would knowingly select faculty whose views of the Honors Program varied from their own pre-conceived "pattern".

Second, the disagreement within the freshman Honors faculty was more severe than Thomson suggested. Up until the faculty's last meeting, where an uneasy compromise was finally reached, the split was not seven to two, but instead five to three with one abstention.

However, even if the Honors Council and teaching staff were wholly satisfied with the program, there is another paramount variable involved, a variable all but ignored by the administrators of Honors. It is, of course, student satisfaction or dissatisfaction with the program.

As was correctly pointed out in your article, the attrition rate within Honors is enormous. At best, 25 percent of the students beginning as freshmen in the program continue and finish as seniors. Even this figure is deceptively high because many students don't enter the program until their sophomore or even junior years. This favorably alters the freshman to senior attrition rate. This phenomenal drop-out rate alone says much about student feelings concerning the "pattern".

In addition, last spring a questionnaire was sent out to all past and present Honors students on the Orono campus. Of those students remaining in the program, only 50 percent expressed satisfaction with their Honor's course.

I know that if I taught a course and only half of my students were satisfied, I would begin some serious soul-searching. That "soul-searching", and that lack of a self-critical stance is more than anything else responsible for the malaise and lack of positive change within the program.

So we see that the Honors students, those whom the program ostensibly serves, do perceive serious problems, even if the administrators don't. Changes are desperately needed if the program is to realize its potential.

At this juncture, I see three possible ways in which the program might still be revitalized. First, if the Honors administration opens its eyes and acts positively upon what it sees. Second, if the students organize effectively and force changes that the administration is unwilling to make alone. And third, if the total leadership of the program is completely changed and some "new blood" transfused into Honors.

Without one or a combination of these occurrences the Honors program will continue to limp along in mediocrity.

Honors program, I wish you luck—

Jonathan Eddy

## Unicef thanks helpers

To the Editor:

A brief and warm thanks to Knox, Oxford, Somerset, Androscoggin, Gannett, Corbett, Hart, and Cumberland Halls, for their help in Trick or Treat for Unicef this Halloween. We collected nearly \$170.00 which, added to the Orono community collection totaled around

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To the Editor (for the Maine Bear Fund):

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## Children make friends with senior citizens

by Ellen Duncan

Senior citizens have given the UMO Children's Center a new look these days—three are working at the day care unit, exposing the 20 three-to-five year old children to a different generation.

The three, Bea Hamilton, 69, Roger Holton, 62, and Harold Smith, 67, were hired because Judy Long, director of the Children's Center, wanted a different adult role to present to the children. She wanted a day care program in which children could relate to senior citizens as grandparents and, at the same time, which senior citizens could benefit from themselves by gaining involvement with the community.

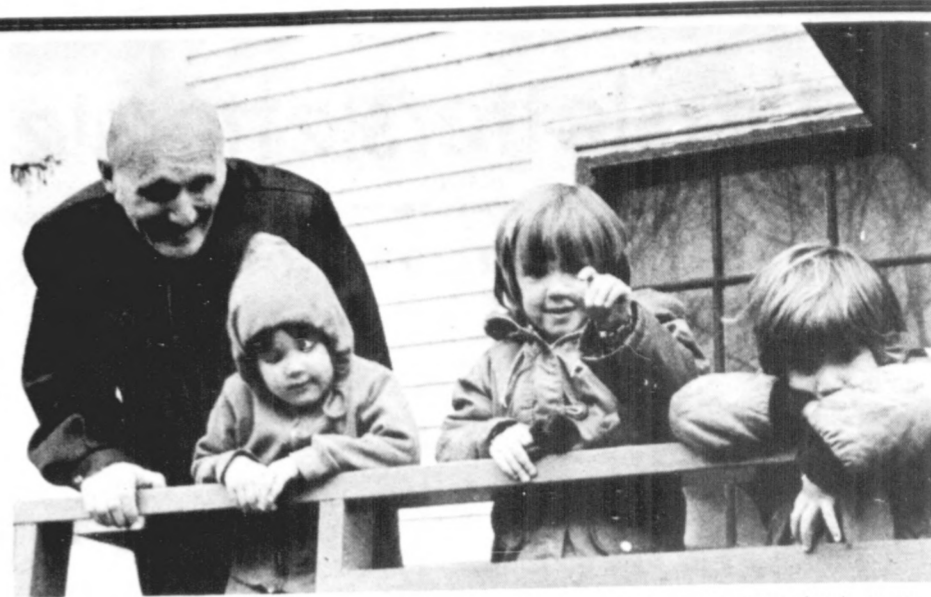
The answer came from the Senior Community Service Project, (SCSP), a UMO Cooperative Extension Service program. And, according to Long, the UMO program is probably the most successful in the country—no other day care unit utilizes senior citizens.

To be a participant, an individual has to be age 55 or older, have an income not exceeding U.S. Department of Labor guidelines for the disadvantaged. He or she must also be unemployed, underemployed or have difficulty securing employment.

The participants at the Children's Center work 10 to 20 hours per week, earning \$2.30 per hour. As the SCSP fact sheet states, they also "regain a sense of involvement with the community and mainstream of life."

Hamilton has been working since August, but Holton and Smith started Nov. 3. They are employed as teachers' aides but the children apparently prefer them in the role of grandparents.

Paige, Kristie and Wendy, all five-year-olds at the center, excitedly related a variety of activities they have done with their older friends. The older folks swing the children, tell them stories, take them



for walks and collect things. Hamilton also helps with the cooking and cleaning-up after meals and the men do light carpentry work.

Kathy, one of the young teachers' aides, explained that the children related to the new workers right away as grandparents. She said there are fewer inhibitions when Hamilton, Holton, and Smith are around. Many of the children's grandparents don't live in this area so the three are about the only older people the children can be around. "So many times," Long said, "the children just need a lap to sit on."

The new workers are as excited about their own presence at the center as their young charges are. Hamilton said, "I love them." She becomes enthusiastic when she discusses the games they have played and the different personalities on the playground. She was delighted her first day at the job when three of the youngsters asked her to be their grandmother and to kiss and hug them when they wake from their naps.

Smith told of a busy day when he and the children elaborately played "doctor", including stretchers and an operation.

Smith said the job at the Center came to him after collecting unemployment for a while. He said he has found the job to be a

good combination of a pay check, a good job and the opportunity to be with the children he likes so much. Both he and Hamilton definitely recommend the program to other people their age who are eligible to participate.

All concerned are most happy with the program's outcome. Long gained more aides to help with the children, the children have new friends in an older generation they can relate to and Hamilton, Smith and Holton hold good, meaningful jobs and have a lot of fun.

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# Sports



## Finished!

Tim Babcock, winner of the 1000 yard freestyle, was instrumental in the men's 85-28 thrashing of the University of New Brunswick. This Saturday, the men travel to Dartmouth for an afternoon of relay races.

## Swimmers take opener, freshman snaps records

by Bill Wallace

Led by record-breaker Jim Smoragiewicz, the UMO men's swim team won its opener, by demolishing the University of New Brunswick 85-28.

Freshman Smoragiewicz, already closing in on his best high school times, set school and pool records in the 200-yard backstroke, and set a pool mark in the 200-yard freestyle.

In his first event of the evening, Smoragiewicz erased the existing pool mark in the 200-yard freestyle with a time 1:48.0. Smoragiewicz revealed after the meet, that leg cramps caused him to slow down in the last 25 yards.

Bob Stedman had one of his finest meets as a UMO swimmer. The Seekonk, Mass. sophomore won the 50 and 100-yard freestyle events, and swam an excellent freestyle leg of the 400-yard medley relay. Stedman's 23 second time in the 50-yd. freestyle is a personal milestone. The sophomore pivotal man for the Bears in the sprints and the relays.

The one and three-meter diving events were swept by UMO divers Roy Warren and Rolf Olsen. Olsen won on the low board, with Warren taking second. The two reversed places in the three-meter event.

Tom Clark captured first place for the Bears in the 200-yard butterfly. Clark, the university recordholder in that event,

paced himself throughout the race, and finished strongly in the last 25 yards.

Perennial distance ace Tim Babcock, won his favorite race, the 1000-yard freestyle.

Coach Alan Switzer was satisfied with his team's showing in the initial meet saying, "I think the men showed good strength and good depth for early in the season."

This Saturday, the team travels to the Dartmouth Relays at Hanover, N.H. for an afternoon of relay races against Dartmouth, Brown, and UConn. The next home meet is Saturday, Dec. 6 when UMO will face Canada's top age group team, the Pointe Claire Swim Club, in what could be their toughest test of the season.

## Correction

The Maine Campus regretfully misquoted Bill Cunningham, a Student Senate member in last Friday's issue. Cunningham was misquoted when he attributed an anti-rugby statement to someone in the physical education department during a recent Senate meeting.

One of our reporters falsely attributed the statement to Harold Westerman, Director of Athletics and Physical Education.

## Women outswim U.N.B. 80-30

The UMO women's swim team opened its season Friday with an overpowering 80-30 win over the University of New Brunswick, in which nine records were shattered.

Spectators were treated to the debut of Julie Woodcock as a UMO swimmer. Woodcock rewarded the fans with three record-breaking swims. Her time of 2:14.788 in the 200-yard individual medley, erased Donna Neary's existing New England record by three seconds. Her victories in the 200-yard butterfly and 200-yard breaststroke established new university and pool records.

The Bears swept first and second place in four events, including two in the diving events, perennial UMO strongpoints.

Marty Wren took first in both the one and three-meter diving, while Debbie Lander took second in the one-meter, and Allyn Banerdt finished second in the three-meter diving.

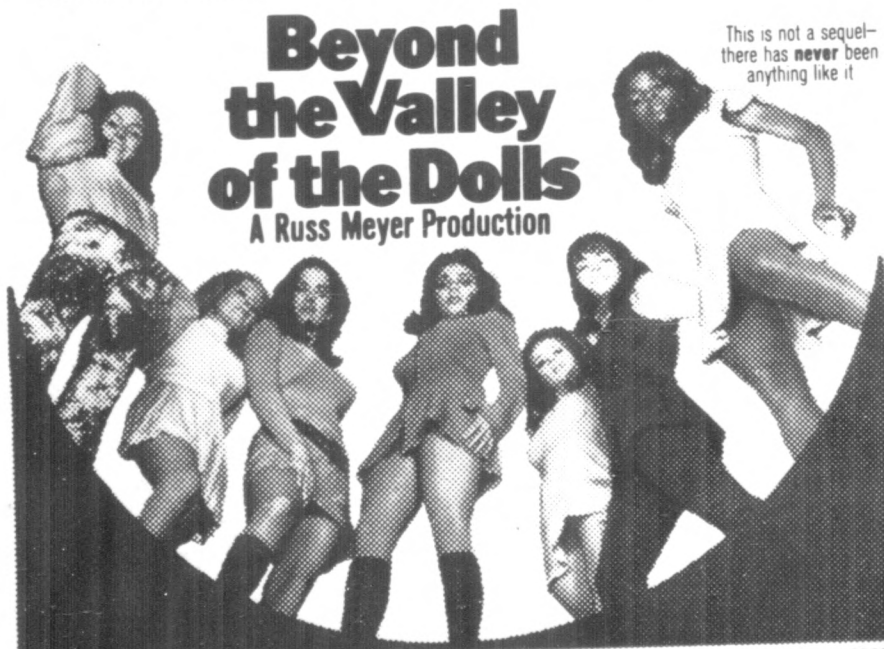
Freshmen Denise Small and Prudie Taylor combined to sweep the 200-yard backstroke. Small established a new school record with a time of 2:30.489. Sprinters Dulcie Cole and Debbie Radney finished one-two in the 50-yard freestyle.

"I was especially pleased with the fast early-season times achieved by the girls," said coach Jeff Wren. "The victory in the first relay set the tone for the entire meet, it really gave the girls a big lift."

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## Bears slip by Huskies 2-0 on blocked punt

by Geo Almasi

Dave Smith, the ubiquitous Black Bear defensive tackle squeezed by one defender, blocked a Jim Walsh punt, and followed the bouncing pigskin out of the endzone to give Maine a 2-0 lead and victory over the Northeastern Huskies, Saturday.

The win gave Walt Abbott's charges a 4-6 record matching last year's team effort, while NU finished 3-6.

A crowd of 3,712, witnessed a contest dominated by the visiting Maine team in the first quarter, and Smith played his part in the scenario by recovering NU quarterback Clark Crowley's fumble. The Bears failed to put points on the board as Jack Leggett missed on a 21 yard field goal.

Maine had possession again and advanced the ball to the Huskie five before Bear signal caller Butch Emerson fumbled and Bruce Hathaway recovered. Like dead ducks deep in their own territory, NU failed to move the ball and elected to punt. Smith and Co. ran on the field and with a business-like manner blocked the punt and put Maine out in front to stay.

Later in the second stanza Leggett missed two long field goals but Richard Reed deflected a field goal attempt by NU's Bob Hinson to preserve Maine's victory. The Maine defense held the Huskies to only six net yards rushing in another stellar performance, ran for 82 yards on 17 attempts. Dumont, a junior from Sanford ended with a club leading

626 yards, followed by Mark DeGregorio's 424.

Emerson, filling in admirably for the injured Jack Cosgrove, ended an 'up and down' season with 49 completions in 124 attempts for 681 yards and two touchdowns. Steve Wood, a surprise find from Fairfield, punted 62 times this season for 2310 yards and 37.26 average.

Putting points on the board was accomplished by ten players, but three, Degregorio, Jim Dumont, and Leggett outshined the pace. Leggett, scoring solely with his foot, connected on five field goals and 12 extra points for 27 points. DeGregorio and Dumont each hit paydirt 4 times for 24 points. Overall, Maine scored 134 points for a 13.4 average while allowing 179 for 17.9 average. The first half in handing the host team their first home loss this year.

In the third period the Huskies mounted

the longest drive of the day. Beginning on their own 23, NU drove 63 yards behind the running talents of fullback Russ McDonald, and halfbacks Preston Carroll and Rich Branard. Again, Reed, playing one of his finer games, slammed McDonald and pounced on the fumble he caused ending the potential threat.

The Maine defense, sparked by the scintillating play of Jack Leggett, who sacked Crowley on the crucial third down play in the second quarter forcing NU to punt, and Reed and Smith, contained the Huskies to just 112 yards rushing and seven pass completions (72 yards), putting in a good day's work.

Unnoticed for the large part, Jim Dumont rambled for 109 yards in 21 carries and Rudy DiPietro, contributing

Score By Periods	1	2	3	4	Totals	Avg.
G Maine	23	39	46	26	134	13.4
10 Opp.	44	44	31	60	179	17.9

## Spikers nab state championship

The UMO women's volleyball team captured the state championship Saturday, for the fourth consecutive year.

The women were ranked first entering the two day tournament held at Farmington Friday and Saturday, sporting an 18-2 regular season record, including a perfect 13-0 instate mark.

Friday, the UMO women defeated four teams, Ricker College, Bates, University of Maine at Farmington, and University of Maine at Presque Isle, to earn the top seat for Saturday's competition. In the Saturday playoffs, the Bears again defeated UMF 15-12 and 15-8, and topped UMPI 15-12, 14-16, and 15-12. The women then easily handled Bates 15-6, 15-9 to take the state title.

Anderson said the two captains Louann Krebs, a senior who has played on all four state championship teams, and Pat

Hamilton, a junior, played especially well.

"However," said Anderson, "the rest of the girls played very well defensively making it possible for these two girls to spike the ball." Four of the Black Bear spikers Krebs, Hamilton, Diane Westman and Liz Desroches were chosen for the all-tournament team. This team was comprised of the 12 best players in the tournament.

Despite their fine record, the team's bid to enter the New England regional tournament at New Haven, Conn. was not accepted.

"40 teams had bid," Anderson said, "and of the 16 teams that were accepted, many had over a 70 match season. UMO only had a 20 match season. The region we play in is so huge that there is no way we can travel regularly to Maryland or Pennsylvania for matches," she added.

## Cross country team finishes 8th in IC4A

The UMO cross-country team claimed eighth place Saturday in the ECAC college division championship meet (IC4A) held at New York City's Courtland Park.

The IC4A is a qualifying meet for the NCAA championships.

For a runner to qualify, for the NCAA meet he must finish in the top 10 in the university division.

UMO's Colin Campbell, continuing his string of fine, steady performances for the Black Bears, was the top finisher for Maine placing 32nd. Darrell Seekins placed 47th for Maine, Bill Pike 50th, Leo LaChance 59th and Gerry LaFlamme finished the 5.0 mile course in the 63rd position with a sprained ankle.

Captain LaFlamme was cruising along at the 1.5 mile mark of the course in

fourth place when he stepped into a hidden hole and sprained his ankle. However he recovered and managed to finish the course.

Bucknell captured the team title in the 30 team college division race, while Maine finished eighth. Bob Braille of Bucknell was the individual winner in a fine time of 25:21.8.

UMO coach Jim Ballinger was very pleased with his team's performance noting that UMO finished 24th in the IC4A's last year. "We have three seniors on this year's team," he said, "so we should have a good team next year based on our JV team's performance in the New England, where we finished third."

This was the final meet of the cross-country season, with indoor track beginning Dec. 3 at Bates.

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