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Weekend

Maine Campus

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Students petition to halt tuition hike

by Lisa Perro

UMO students may be paying as much as \$100 more in tuition to help fund an increase in the salaries and wages of university employees, according to the salary study report recently released by Chancellor Patrick E. McCarthy's External Salary Committee.

The committee estimates \$3.5 million is

needed to bring salaries and wages to an acceptable level. They are suggesting as an acceptable level the 40th percentile level of all institutions in the United States. That is the point at which 40 per cent of the institutions pay lesser salaries and 60 per cent pay greater.

The report further states that "costs should be shared appropriately by the

student, additional fund requests to the State, and increased economies by the University of Maine."

A \$100 tuition increase was suggested as a possibility in the report. "The committee is of the opinion that a \$100 increase in student tuition is not unreasonable and would raise approximately \$1,650,000," the report said.

The General Student Senate (GSS) is vigorously opposing any mid-year tuition hike. The executive committee of the GSS formed a special ad hoc committee Monday night to organize and coordinate a student effort to halt plans for the hike next semester.

According to Tim Dorr, head of the committee, it is possible the Chancellor will propose a tuition increase, effective spring semester, at the Dec. 3 meeting of the Board of Trustees. Dorr's committee will attempt to convince the board to postpone any consideration of an increase until their February meeting.

"We want them to postpone consideration of an increase until we have a look at the salary study report to see if a tuition hike is reasonable," Dorr said.

Meanwhile, the committee is posting petitions in all the dormitories and dining halls, and in the Memorial Union. Dorr is urging all students who don't want to see a mid-year increase to sign these petitions before they leave for Thanksgiving break.

An open meeting to discuss the issue and to answer student questions was held by the committee at the MCA Center Thursday and another one is being held

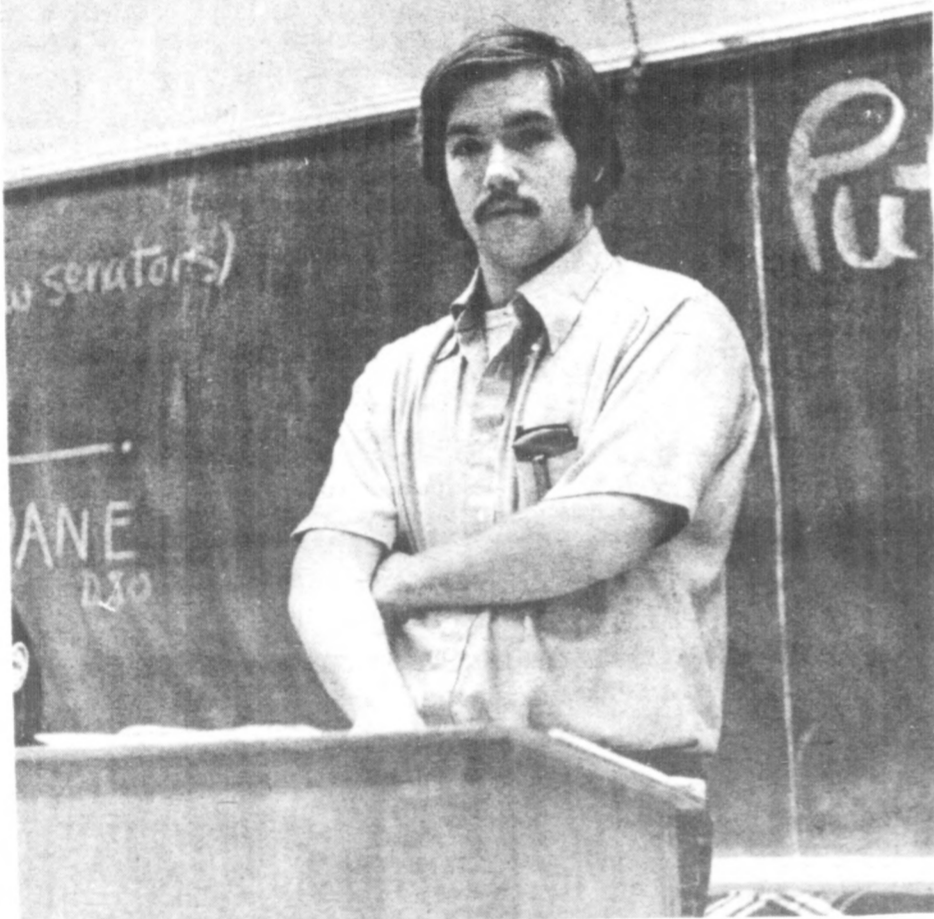
today from noon to one p.m. in the FFA Room. Dorr anticipates a good turnout at both meetings.

GSS President James McGowan has written an open letter to faculty, administrators, and classified employees explaining their position. "We're not against giving them a much-needed salary increase," Dorr remarked. "but we are against a tuition increase in the middle of the year. It's a headache for everyone."

Dorr stresses that the senate is not unequivocally against a tuition hike. If, after evaluating the salary study report, a fall increase appears necessary, the senate will not fight it. "The petitions say only we're against an increase at this time," Dorr explained. "We're asking for more time."

Dorr expressed dissatisfaction with the Chancellor's office for making the report available to them so late. Since the trustees will be meeting so soon after students return from Thanksgiving break, the committee will have a hard time getting all the students to sign the petitions before that date. "By holding this study back, they haven't given us much time to organize against it," Dorr said. "I think it was deliberate."

A special GSS meeting will be held after Thanksgiving to discuss the salary study report and the possible tuition hike. Some resolution will come out of that meeting to be presented to the Board of Trustees Dec. 3, Dorr said.



Senate

Student Government President Jim McGowan addresses the General Student Senate Wednesday night concerning the possibility of a tuition hike next semester.

Senate discusses tuition increase

by Carlene B. Hill

If the chancellor's office approves a tuition increase this spring, UMO students will need more than \$300,000 in additional financial aid said student government President James McGowan at Wednesday night's senate meeting.

McGowan based his figure on speculation that Chancellor Patrick E. McCarthy will recommend a \$100 per year tuition increase at the Dec. 3 trustees meeting. He said he thought about 3,000 students were presently receiving financial aid at UMO.

McGowan termed "unfair" any plan to increase tuition during the academic year, claiming students plan their budgets from summer to summer. He said the administration seems to think students can "scrounge up" the "50 extra bucks" to pay the tuition hike. But McGowan expressed concern that the short-notice increase would force many students, especially those on financial aid, not to return to school this spring.

About one-fourth of the meeting was devoted to discussion of the report by the Chancellor's External Salary Study Committee, which recommended that faculty administrators and classified employees

salaries be increased to approach the national average. The \$100 per year tuition increase would provide \$1.6 million dollars toward the \$3.5 million it would cost to raise salaries to the recommended level. The other \$1.9 million would derive from further cost-cutting measures at the university's seven campuses and from additional legislative funding.

McGowan questioned whether the plan was realistic. He said with a possible unconstitutional state budget deficit of \$30 million, the legislature was unlikely to appropriate further funds for the university. He also questioned the salary committee's methods, wondering if the panel had considered Maine's cost of living when it set the level at which faculty salaries should be funded or if it considered average family income deciding to suggest a tuition increase.

He said he believes the Chancellor favors a tuition increase, but shares his reservations about raising tuition at mid-year. McGowan added McCarthy will disclose where he plans to find the \$3.5 million at the Dec. 3 board of Trustees' meeting.

Meanwhile, the General Student Senate (GSS) has started a petition drive to

convince the chancellor that UMO students are concerned about any increase. "It's really impressive when you can come up with thousands of signatures in a couple weeks," commented Vice President David Bridges, when he asked senators to make a serious effort to collect constituent signatures.

On Dec. 3, the Board of Trustees will also consider the academic appeals policy which the Council of Colleges has worked on most of the semester, said Chris Mills. Mills is the student representative on the council's academic affairs committee. He said another hearing will be held Dec. 2, which he urged students to attend. Student attendance, he said, would maximize student input on the final policy. The Board's deadline for completing the policy is Jan. 7.

The GSS voted \$300 to the Maine Outing Club to help the organization pay every-increasing gas prices for its frequent trips and granted preliminary approval to the Socialist Discussion Group. Two resolutions to modify the interpretations of parliamentary procedure under which the body operates, were defeated.

Possible food poisoning was the diagnosis in the cases of about 40 Hilltop

Complex residents treated since Tuesday at the student health center.

According to Dr. Robert A. Graves, director of Cutler Health Center, the students treated are vomiting and have diarrhea, symptoms of possible food poisoning. Graves reported that two or three students were kept at the infirmary for treatment.

Food samples from meals served Tuesday in the Hilltop Dining Hall are being cultured to determine if it was definitely food poisoning. Graves said the results will be known in two to three days. Until the test results are known, Graves said it can not be pinned down to food poisoning. More students were probably sick, but did not seek treatment, Graves added.

Resident Assistants in Knox, Somerset, and Oxford reported that as many as 150 students were sick. They reportedly became sick Tuesday night and Wednesday morning.

Bill Eaton, chef at Hilltop Dining Complex verified that tests were being made on food samples, but had no further comments.

Winter Sports

See Center...



Weekend weather

Friday
Chance of light rain, highs in the 40s.

Saturday
More rain, highs in the 40s, lows in the 20s-30s.

Sunday
Chance of showers or flurries, highs in the 30s, lows in the teens to 20s.

news briefs

An Evening of Bluegrass, sponsored by MUAB, is coming to UMO this weekend. The Bluegrass music will be provided by The Kennebec Valley Boys and the Pine Hill String Band, and promises to be the good foot stomping variety. It will be in Hauck Auditorium Sunday night from 8 to 11 p.m. Admission is 25 cents for students and 50 cents for all others.

The sixth annual Creative Crafts Fair will be held Saturday and Sunday, Dec. 6 and 7, in the Memorial Union. It will run from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. both days and is open to the public. A traditional favorite of Christmas shoppers, the fair will feature close to 100 Maine craftsmen, including UMO students. Some of the crafts to be exhibited are spinning and weaving, glassblowing, leather, furniture, quilts, whole grain breads, pottery, jewelry, puppets, candles, clothes, metal sculpture, stained glass, and carved birds.

The J. Edward Todd Memorial Fund wants to provide financial assistance to students who would serve and strengthen the ecumenical ministry in the UMO community. The award of aid, in the form of work study programs of outright grants, will be based on the student's familiarity with the various religious life programs and service projects at UMO, awareness of the relationship between education and faith, and ability to strengthen established programs or articulate innovative religious life programs.

Inquiries can be made to the Todd Fund Committee, MCA Center, 866-4227, or at the Newman Center, 866-2155. Applications for spring semester awards should be in by Dec. 1. For more information contact Margaret Hatch, 101 Fernald Hall, 581-7937.

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Friday, Nov. 21
WILDLIFE UNDERGRADUATE SEMINAR—Robert Rothie will speak on "Interpretation in the National Parks", 12-1 p.m., 102 Nutting.

TICKET SALES—Last day to buy tickets for Harvest Serenade, a semi-formal, Saturday, Nov. 22, 8 p.m. in the Damn Yankee.

TICKET SALES—for an evening of Blue Grass with Kennebec Valley Boys and Pine Hill String Band, Sunday, Nov. 23, 8 p.m., Hauck. Tickets on sale 10-2.

MUAB MOVIE—"Limelight" at 7 and 9:45 p.m., Hauck.

VARSITY BASKETBALL—With St. Mary's, 7:35 p.m., Memorial Gym.

WOMEN'S THEATRE TROUPE—"Jumping off the Roof" at 8 p.m., Portland Hall, BCC.

WILDE-STEIN—International Lounge, 7 p.m.

INTERVARSITY CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP—6:30 p.m., Bangor Room, Memorial Union.

Saturday, Nov. 22
MUAB MOVIE—"Scenes from a Marriage", 6 and 9:30 p.m., Hauck.

HARVEST SERENADE—Semi-formal with music by Zeus, 8 p.m., Damn Yankee, Memorial Union.

Sunday, Nov. 23
THE FILM MUSICAL—Double feature, "Love me Tonight" and "Swingtime", 3 and 7 p.m., 100 Nutting, \$5.00.

AN EVENING OF BLUEGRASS—The Kennebec Valley Boys and the Pine Hill String Band, 8 p.m., Hauck Auditorium.

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Publications committee elects new Campus editor

by John Paddock
Jeff W. Beebe, a 21 year old senior journalism major from Wakefield, Mass., was elected Maine Campus editor for the



Jeff Beebe

spring semester Thursday. Beebe was selected over four other candidates by the Committee on Student Publications. The interview session on Wednesday resulted in three deadlocked ballots. A fourth vote taken after a second interview period Thursday morning gave Beebe the editorship.

His initial reaction was one of "relief". "I realize the responsibility of the job," he said, "And I am really up for it."

Beebe has worked for the Campus since his freshman year as reporter, production manager, advertising/graphics manager, news editor, and managing editor. Last semester he was a Congressional intern

and acted as Washington "correspondent" for the paper.

Currently Beebe is a reporter and advertising assistant. He is also a member of Senior Skulls and co-chairman of the Maine Bear fund raising drive.

As editor next semester, Beebe said he would try to "increase the comprehensiveness" of the paper. To do this the editorial staff would be rearranged to become three "mini staffs": a campus news staff, a community news staff, and an investigative staff. Each staff would have its own managers, to be chosen at a later date. He said he would include journalism students in the decision on who and how many work on each staff. The Campus news staff would probably be longest, though he said.

The Arts and Entertainment section would continue, "hopefully every two to three weeks," and the production department would be realigned "to include photography and circulation".

He said he would also draft an "outline of style to insure editorial and typographical consistency," and "provide smooth consistency in the paper's operation".

Beebe said he didn't think a third issue a week could be financially feasible next semester but wouldn't completely rule out the possibility. He said he "preferred the two twelve page issues to three eight page issues". The conversion to three issues, however, is "an important step" toward the paper's eventual daily circulation.

Campus editor Debbie Sline described Beebe as "very competent" and added, "I'm sure he's going to do a fine job." Beebe will remain in his current capacity on the Campus this semester and take over his new post in January.

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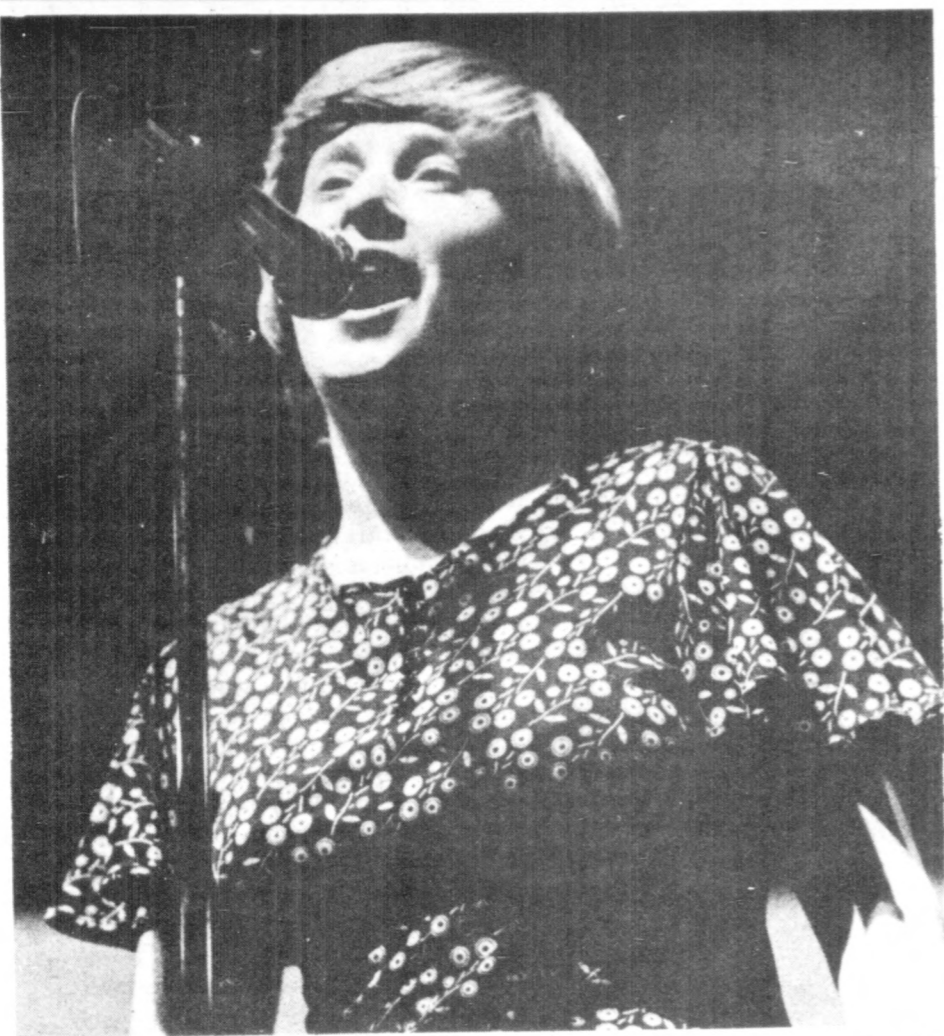
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Woman

Women's Lib took the stage in Hauck Auditorium Tuesday night, during the years first concert by the 20th Century Music Ensemble. Barbara Baker, above, turned a brilliant performance in "I'm a Woman." This was followed by the Helen Reddy song "I am Woman," which caused a number of the women present to run to the stage and sing along.

Doctor dies of heart attack

Dr. Hans Weisz, assistant director of medical services at UMO's Cutler Health Center, died late Monday night after suffering a heart attack.

Weisz was working at the health center Sunday when the coronary occurred.

Weisz, 69, resisted pleas to return to his native Austria by Austria's Chancellor to remain in Maine and work with young people attending UMO.

A graduate of the Medical School of Vienna with a doctorate in mathematics from the University of Vienna, Weisz was an assistant professor lecturing at the University of Vienna and engaged in private medical practice when Hitler's army marched into Austria in 1938.

After a year of narrowly escaping arrest, Weisz, with help from doctors at Minnesota's Mayo Clinic familiar with his work on electro-therapy, made his way to London. He entered the United States in 1940.

His wife-to-be, Bertha Berner, escaped later from Austria, making her way to New York via Africa and Canada. They were united at Ellis Island, married, and

came to Maine where they have lived since.

Weisz worked for a summer at St. Mary's Hospital in Lewiston and was resident physician at the Rumford Community Hospital. He practiced in Howland for five years, then moved to the hospital at Lincoln.

After 20 years in Lincoln, his desire to teach and work with young people brought him to UMO in 1966. For several years he taught a seminar in the philosophy department on "The Brain and The Computer", a course exploring the basics of computers and the anatomy and physiology of the brain.

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Tuition or OTPS?

What has three figures, appears during every normal academic year, and still comes as a surprise to all concerned?

No, it's not the three R's, reading, 'riting, and 'rithmetic. Give up? The answer is easier and far more painful than that—a tuition hike.

All signs indicate the new Chancellor is about to call for an increase to be effective immediately. That could mean an extra \$50 will appear on every bill sent in January. How can budgets already bent to the breaking point handle the extra burden?

We agree with Jim McGowan and his senate cronies. Most students have no means of obtaining funds during the winter months. Summer jobs usually pay for winter schooling. The planning for January is done the previous June. So, that \$50 could be a budget buster.

It is hard to argue with the faculty, staff and administrators who have had their wages frozen for nearly a year. Prices are climbing to the sky. But so is the tuition.

Granted, students should try to pay their share of their education, but not on short notice.

Perhaps students should send empty wallets and moth-eaten jeans instead of the extra \$50 when bill time comes. Maybe someone will have the fortitude to walk to class naked in protest.

Instead of signed petitions, the senate should send McCarthy and the trustees worn shoes,

torn shirts and undarned socks. If that doesn't work, students should send a turkey-steak from Hilltop commons. That will delay the increase until after the semester begins.

Despite the gravity of the situation as seen from inside student bankbooks, an even greater danger is foreseeable. The increase could set an uncomfortable precedent—tying tuition to salary increases. While students should pay for their education, they should not pay for employees' raises.

What is to prevent the trustees from funding the next raise directly from student pockets? The state is \$30 million in the hole making doubtful any legislative appropriation, without an offsetting tax levy.

Next time the situation could be worse. All the economies (read program cuts) will have been made. Future salary increases could mean a tax jump which would not please the Maine wage earner. So, by deduction, that leaves tuition as the major revenue source.

Suddenly, the letters OPEC flash by. What is to prevent students from cutting the flow as the Arabs did in 1973? A tuition embargo patterned after the oil embargo or JFK's trade embargo of Cuba. The students of the Super-U could form OTPS, the Organization or Tuition Paying Students.

It may sound ludicrous, but it may be necessary—soon.

—Commentary—

Bewail the mail failure

Things sure seem mixed up nowadays...

This is an era when a person can zip from New York to London--and back--in a day. But it took the final report of the Chancellor's External Salary Committee, travelling via the marvelously mediocre routes of the U.S. Postal Service, one week to arrive in Augusta and Fort Kent from Bangor. (And, although making no implications about the Chancellor's priorities, it must be noted that the UMO student government received its copy late Monday.

We at the Campus discovered this slow delivery Thursday, when we called the seven presidents of the Super-U system--and heard from the three we were able to contact that they had not had time to read the study, as it just arrived in the afternoon mail. And it seems likely that the other four campus presidents were equally in the dark.

But here's the real clincher: the completion date inscribed on an inside page of the report

editorials

was Oct. 3, 1975. Which means *no one* saw the report at all until its official release last Friday.

It seems like pretty poor planning on someone's part to allow a report of such consequence, which may have immediate impact on the pocketbooks of UMO students, faculty and staff, to lie unprinted--or at least undistributed--for two solid weeks. The least the individual in charge could have done, if he did not want to release the report officially for two weeks after its completion, was to mail copies out a little early, for key people who certainly ought to have seen the study before a reporter came knocking on their door.

We do not believe the report was intentionally withheld. But, since everyone is familiar with the traditionally turtle-like pace of the U.S. mail these days, someone definitely lacked a little foresight.

And, for that reason, several presidents were most certainly embarrassed. They have every reason to be irritated. And so does the Maine public, which must now wait another week until the press is able to get a reaction on the controversial study from the belatedly informed campus heads.

—by Dennis Hoey—

Brave new campus

The subject of priorities on the Orono campus has always been, needless to say, controversial. Some of the debates revolve around such issues as, should faculty salaries be increased, should the allotment of financial scholarships be made to exceptional athletes or exceptional students, should the Second Century Fund money be used elsewhere such as constructing a new residence hall or apartment complex? Should we donate our money to the Maine Bear fund or should we give it to the Honeybears who are in dire need of fur coats to keep them warm during the chilly football games?

Let's not forget our friends, the campus cops, who work hard to keep our university safe from crime. Many feel they are overworked. Scores of outraged parents feel the coed living situation is immoral, shouldn't they be allowed, to have a say in the matter? And what about

those ROTC boys and girls, shouldn't they be paid more (just \$100 a month!) for marching up and down the floor of the fieldhouse in their authentic army uniforms singing war songs? Shouldn't the Memorial Union try to do something about the alcohol-oriented social life on this campus by installing a hard drink bar in the Bear's Den?

And last, but not the least, what about the frat brothers at UMO loaning their insignia jackets to the male dorm rats for one weekend so that they can get a date with a sorority sister, too.

Just envision UMO 20 years from now, if these problems are not corrected and if someone doesn't speak out and try to reverse these trends.

Dick Stacey will be teaching English at UMO, no doubt the primary text for his course will be "Atlas Tires Shrugged".

The UMO basketball team will be renamed the UMO Jolly Green Giants. A diploma mill will be constructed on campus to furnish any four year graduating student with a piece of paper.

The UMO hockey team will play Cornell University in the multi-purpose sports arena to the background music filtering in from a concert featuring Beethoven's 40th symphony. Igloos will be constructed in the university forest to house students during the cold winter weather. The Maine Bear will have cubs and the Honey Bears will be satisfied, with their new bear fur coats, that is.

The campus cops will be hospitalized due to a disease called "rumpomania" caused by sitting in cars too much. Warner Brothers will be on campus busy filming the "Oronorad Experiment" portraying a grim picture of college students at Somerset Hall engaged in a nude group

discussion on sex before marriage in the study lounge.

The male ROTC students will attack and wipeout the local barbershops in a strategic maneuver to allow themselves to grow their hair longer. The Bear's Dean will be expanded to accommodate the new organization moving in: UMO Alcoholics Anonymous. And last, but certainly not least, the sororities will move into the frat houses on campus as a symbol of their belief in equality of the sexes and fair housing practices.

If something isn't done about these dilemmas immediately, in 1975, then I'm afraid the UMO cafeterias will continue to serve food regularly and will only stop if some action is taken to straighten out these problems. So please people do something, if not for my sake, then for your stomach's sake.

Winter Sports—1973



On the Inside ...

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NCAA travel regulation hinders track squad

The newly established NCAA rules surrounding collegiate track clubs may play a significant role in UMO's chances for bettering last year's dual meet record of 4-1.

The rules laid down by the NCAA stipulate that only 22 trackmen will be able to compete in meets on the road and 28 may compete during home events.

These figures could place a severe limitation on the strategy employed by UMO head track coach, Ed Styrna. With 14 events in every meet these new regulations will require Styrna to move his talent around to cover all the respective events.

Assistant Coach, Jim Ballinger, noted that "those guidelines limiting the number of people are liable to force younger

men to lose interest because they won't be able to compete."

In order to have a successful track campaign Maine's front line trackmen will have to do outstanding work in their designated events. This will be especially important for the Bear thinclads on away encounters because Styrna feels that the advantage in overall numbers for a home team can mean a difference of 10 to 20 points.

Maine's hope of overcoming these confining rules will rest in the performances of such people as Eric Lammi. Lammi the Yankee Conference record holder in the high jump is expected to be the cornerstone of the Bear's hopes.

School triple jump record holder, Dan

Cochrane, will be called upon to support Maine's efforts as he attempts to surpass 50 feet in his specialty.

Gerry LaFlamme looks to be the top candidate in the one-mile event while Colin Campbell and Darrell Seekings will provide the strength in what shapes up to be a solid group of two-milers.

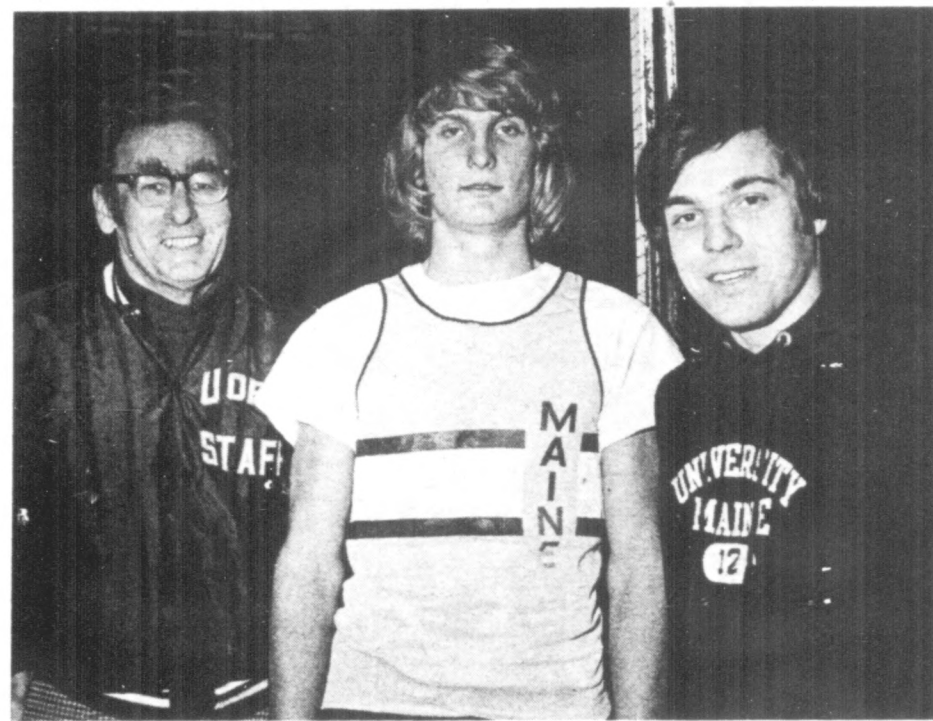
Versatile Allyn Brown and former hurdler Ed Gott can double in both the 600 and anchor down the mile relay contingent.

Two highly touted freshmen, Reuben

Maynard of Washburn and Tom Stephenson of Hampden, look to provide the power in the sprints.

Maine, in order to nail down a Yankee Conference crown will need to find some strength in the shot put and the pole vault.

All in all, it will be the aggressive competitiveness of the tracksters combined with the canny strategy of Styrna to overcome the NCAA rules, that will spell the difference.



Leaders

The UMO indoor track team will open their season Dec. 3 when they travel to Bates. The squad is looking to improve on last year's 6-1 record and a fifth place finish in the Yankee Conference. Left to right, coach Ed Styrna, co-captain Eric Lammi of Topsfield Mass., and co-captain Gerry LaFlamme of Haverhill, Mass.

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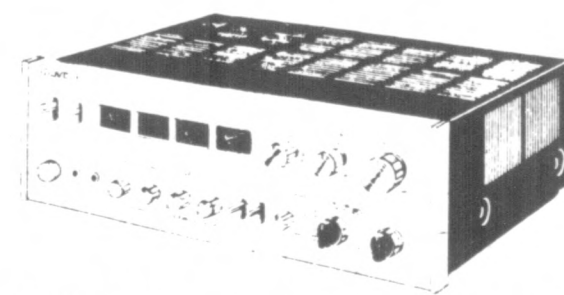
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Chappelle plans to juggle starting five this season

by Dan Warren

"I've said it before many times. Bob Warner is the best player I've ever seen with his back to the basket. I'm sure that the concentration without question will go against Warner. I'm sure everybody else will be gearing themselves to Warner. And we intend to throw Warner right back at them. He's got all the experience he needs now so I think he's ready to meet that challenge," said coach Tom "Skip" Chappelle.

Any Yankee Conference title hopes being entertained in the Black Bear minds rest heavily on the lanky 6' 7" frame of the All-New England forward of the Maine quintet. A 4-year veteran of battles in "The Pit", Warner, a native of Saco, Me., will team with returning letterman center Steve Gavett (Orono), guard Dan Reilly (Providence, R.I.) and forward Steve Fitzpatrick (Houlton) to form the experienced nucleus so vital to the success of the 1975-76 version of Coach Chappelle's Black Bears.

Along with these "M" MEN BACK FOR another season are 5 talented freshman who are expected to see alot of action if this is to be the year of the Black Bear. Leading the crew of fledglings still green behind their collegiate ears is Center Kevin Nelson, a 6' 8" all-state performer from Dover-Foxcroft Academy. In addition to Nelson is 6' 5" Roger Lapham, an All-Massachusetts front-court operative from Wakefield, Mass. Rounding out the frosh front court contingent is Scott Higgins, a 6' 4" leaper from Kennebunk. Providing backcourt depth for the UMO squad this year will be 6' 2" Kevin Kulhawy, a ballhandler from Saddlebrook, New Jersey and former Orono High STANDOUT Brian Butterfield, fresh from successful stint with Coach John Winkin's

fall baseball team. Sophomore forward Lew Waugh from Portland has been promoted from last season's 11-3 frosh hoopsters. Surefoot guard Paul Wholey of Hull, Mass. has transferred from American University in Washington, D.C. and is expected to handle a brunt of the ballhandling chores for Maine. Hot-shooting Wally Russel of Milo, who saw backcourt action for Skip Chappelle two years ago as a freshman, will be eligible for second semester play after sitting out last year.

Chappelle said it will take a sizable contribution from all twelve members if Maine is to make the big jump from last year's 11-14 mark to Yankee Conference glory. "Basically, I think we're better this year than last year and we certainly hope to improve our record over last year's. We have much more depth than we've ever had before. Because we are young, the depth of our positions is untested. But, I think it's safe to say it's better than in the past. How this youth develops, we're anxious as anyone to find out.

"As the season progresses, we'll continue to see which is best for us—size or quickness. I think we have adequate height with the Warner, Gavett, and the freshman Nelson. I also think we have adequate speed. Ideally, I'd like to do alot of running. But, I don't think we will. When we go with our size our quickness will suffer. But I think we will always have a credible running game. We're going to try to avoid having a set starting five this year. I liked very much what happened at Springfield with the four veterans plus Wholey but I really don't want to settle on a starting five until the year progresses.

Keeping in mind the stiff competition expected from UConn, UMass and poss-



Returnees

Captain Bob Warner(right) and Dan Reilly, will lead the Black Bear basketball team as UMO takes on the ever tough St. Mary's club from Canada. Fans are urged to arrive at the game at least 15 minutes early.

ibly URI, Maine fans nevertheless can sense the pre-season promise in the November air. It's ironic that in the same year the University is expected to lose its long-loved Bear from its familiar pedestal at the end of the mall, hoop fans are asking "Is this the Year of the Bear?"

"I really don't know," Chappelle explained. Peter (Assistant Coach Gavett) and myself are very excited to say the least. So much will depend on our depth and how the frosh develop. I'm hoping Bobby Warner is ready to give us a super senior year. For him to do this he's going to be called on to sacrifice. He has some thoughts about his basketball future and I hope he'll be ready to do some different things for us and we're not sure what those are yet."

In view of the difficulty which has arisen

in regards to the "Student Season Passes", Coach Chappelle wished to express his gratitude to the student body for their support in the past and called for more of the same in the future indicating it made a "big difference" in the Maine performance.

"I'd like to take this opportunity to thank the fans for their great support over the years. They've been very good to us and have received national recognition in the process (Sports Illustrated). By having a good year we hope to repay them. And I hope when we do play some games in the Bangor Auditorium that they will follow us down there...all 10,000 of them." Hopefully Coach Skip Chappelle and his Fighting Black Bears will find out just how far their fans will travel, to follow a winner.

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Wrestling team strengthened by newcomers

The UMO varsity wrestling team will take to the mats Dec. 6, as they open their 1975-76 slate in Amherst against the Minutemen of Massachusetts.

The wrestlers have added some new talent to the 30-man roster with the inclusion of 12 freshmen. They will be balanced by nine senior and four junior veterans. Coach Stoyell, after finishing with a very respectable 9-3 record last year in his first season, and which is also the best season the wrestling team has had at UMO, says that he is "shooting for a 10-2, 11-1 record this year."

"We have the same schedule as last year, except that we have picked up Norwich," Stoyell said. "Our toughest competition comes from Boston University, followed by Mass. Maritime and UNH. BU is always number one in New England—they take the Yankee Conference and the New England finals every year," he continued.

There are 10 weight classes in college wrestling. Stoyell said that they have usually given up the 118-pound class in years past, except for this year. Peter Baldi, a freshman from Skowhegan, has kept his weight at 118-pounds and is aggressive enough that he should be a winner in his first year.

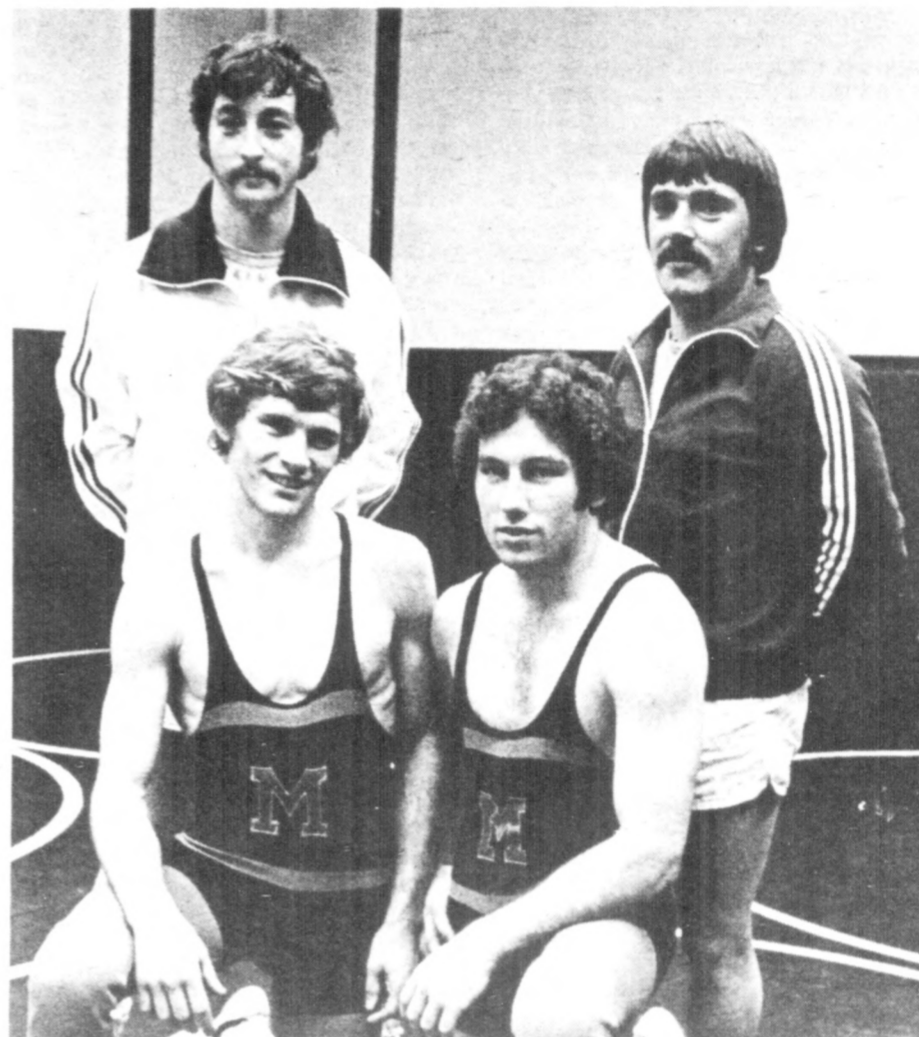
The rundown on the prospective stalwarts in the other nine weight classes, according to Stoyell, goes like this: in the 126-pound class, freshman Patrick J. Daigle, from Fort Kent; in the 134-pound class, his brother, co-captain and senior Lucien J.B. Daigle, also from Fort Kent; in the 142-pound class, senior Eric H. Hoyer, from East Aurora, N.Y.; in the 150-pound class, sophomore Glenn R.

Smith, from Phillipsburg, N.J., who was second in Maine and third in N.E. as a freshman; in the 158-pound class, the other co-captain, senior Thomas J. Ward, from Old Town; in the 167-pound class, freshman Barry G. Goulette, from Dexter, who in high school, was first in Maine and third in N.E.; in the 177-pound class, freshman Brian Mulligans, from Bath, Me., and the 190-pound class and heavyweight classes are still "up in the air", says Stoyell, because there are four wrestlers still playing on the football team.

The major change from last year, which will be for the better according to Stoyell, will be that the Yankee Conference meet will start off the season instead of ending it—which is the usual occurrence. "I'm not really sure what this will mean for us," said Stoyell. "When it was held at the end of the year, it hurt the smaller colleges. There's a big difference for a 10-2 team that meets a 24-4 team which has wrestled all over the country. But now, we're not facing records—everybody is starting together. The kids will be in shape and we'll have a better chance of winning."

Stoyell went on to say that if the Yankee Conference meet came before the New England finals, and the team lost the first time, they would be at a psychological disadvantage the second time around. But this time, with the Yankee Conference the first meet of the season, the team would have more confidence, since every team starts off with a clean slate.

The wrestling season ends with the New England finals on Feb. 28-29. If the team wins in the finals, it's an automatic trip to the nationals.



Grapplers

The wrestling team opens its season Dec. 6 at the University of Massachusetts at Amherst. Pictured are this year's team leaders: Front row, left to right, co-captains Lucien Daigle of Fort Kent and Tom Ward of Farmington. Back row, left to right, asst. coach Steve Sabine and head coach Paul Stoyell.

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Pre-season indications suggest that the already formidable UMO swim team will surge to higher plateaus of achievement with the addition of several freshmen, notably one Julie Woodcock, from the Suburban Swim Club and Swarthmore, Pennsylvania.

A versatile swimmer, Woodcock has the ability to excel in almost any event. Her diversity is disclosed by the fact she qualified second in the 200 meter Individual Medley [IM] at the 1973 Nationals held at Louisville, Kentucky. She went on to the World Championships at Belgrade, Yugoslavia and finished fifth in the IM. The Maine team's depth and experience supplement individual excellence, so speculation of a N.E. championship for the Maine team is not far fetched.

by Marc Zimmerman

Such might be the report on the Maine women's team if it were to be formulated. As of this date, the women have already demolished University of New Brunswick and University of New Hampshire. Although Maine's team performances in both meets were far superior to their opponents', Julie Woodcock's individual achievements immediately bring her into the limelight. The New Brunswick team had to suffer through her N.E. record in the 200 yard IM, along with her team records in the 200 yard breaststroke and 200 yard butterfly events.

"When I think of swimming, I think of the fun. Actually I have no time goals, but I want to swim the best I can for the school," Woodcock commented.

Having no specific goals may appear a bit unique for a World Class competitor, but Woodcock said she derives the most

benefit from swimming on and for a team, rather than emphasizing her individual talents and abilities. The Suburban Swim Club, with which she started her swimming career, stressed the individual's goals rather than team goals. Woodcock feels this may have been a small oversight, because it had adverse affects on her motivation.

Team competition, to her, is the binding force which drives the individual to reach for higher goals.

"I've gotten to the point where I am swimming for a team, not for myself. The motivation comes from swimming for the team. When I swam for Suburban, the emphasis was all on the individual performance. In many meets, they didn't even score team points. Here, it is all for the team," she compared.

In swimming, as in any sport, the drudgery of daily workouts must eventually take its toll. Coach Jeff Wren's program pushes the swimmers in the pool for up to 14 hours a week. Woodcock, who is carrying 18 academic hours, admits she is sometimes hard pressed to keep up with her rigorous schedule.

"I've conditioned myself to swim when I don't want to. After a full day of classes or studying, sometimes it's hard to keep up with practices. When I start to think that way, I remember that Coach Keefe (of Suburban Swim Club) used to say he didn't always want to go to practices either, but he went."

Woodcock's knowledge of the Maine swim program originated from her former coach, Frank Keefe, most recently known for his position as head coach of the American team at the Pan-American games. Keefe suggested she contact Jeff Wren and after several conversations she decided on Maine, over the likes of University of North Carolina, Villanova,

Penn State, Cornell, Colgate and Lehigh. The credit has to go to Jeff Wren.

"He seemed the most interested, I liked his program and the campus."

"Jeff has a little bit of everything in his program, which I like. He individualizes workouts a lot more than Coach Keefe did. He almost has to, because everyone has a different background. Back home we all grew up together and the coach knew all of our capabilities, and he stressed mostly distances. We'd swim 6,000 to 8,000 meters per practice, sometimes as high as 1,500 meter repeats," Woodcock explained.

Apparently Keefe's workout schedule produced results. Woodcock's long list of accomplishments reflect Keefe's ability to bring out the best in his swimmers. Woodcock, at age 14, finished eighth in the 200 IM at the nationals in Dallas. The 1972 Olympic tryouts were next and Keefe placed her in the 400 IM where she came in fourth in the morning trials, but failed to make the team at the finals later that day.

When she turned 15, she was selected along with three other Suburban girls to compete in a five day meet facing a Russian team at Riga, Latvia. While on the Russian tour, Woodcock set three American records in the 200 meter freestyle, the 800 meter freestyle and the 200 meter IM. Her name won't be implanted in the record books though, because the marks were smashed almost immediately following that tour.

When the 1973 Louisville Nationals rolled around, Woodcock was equal to the occasion. She placed third in the 400 meter IM, and took a second in the 200 meter IM, which automatically qualified her for the first World Championships in Belgrade, Yugoslavia. With two days rest, she swam her fastest 200 IM to date,



Julie Woodcock

finishing fifth in the world with a time of 2:25. By that time, record-shattering had become commonplace ("I never paid much attention to them") but the World Championships moved her.

"When they raised the flags in honor of the medal winners for my event I was really proud I swam for America...I started crying."

The 1976 Olympics offer Woodcock another chance to represent the U.S. in international competition. The possibility exists, but the likelihood of it's occurrence is doubtful.

"If I was going to train for the Olympics, I wouldn't have come to school. I would have stayed home and trained. It isn't one of my goals right now. But if I did well enough to make the Nationals in March, I'd try for them (Olympics) - but I'm not planning on it."

Whether or not Julie Woodcock qualifies for the Nationals or the Olympics is not a concern at this point. Her interests lie in and around the Wallace Pool and the women's team, which can mean only good things for Maine swim fans.



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If jogging at UMO is one of your pastimes, then you may like the new, lower temperature in the Fieldhouse. But if you're on the track team, record lows in the fieldhouse as winter approaches are not highly desirable.

"I don't like it as well, said track team member Pete Wilkinson. "I've been hoping they'd turn it back up. It's more refreshing, fine for distance runners or jogging. But it makes practice harder."

Wilkinson said doing speed work in practice requires working up a sweat, stripping down, and running. But, after stripping down, the cold causes muscles to tighten up.

"I've felt it especially in my arms and neck," he said.

Similar sentiments were voiced by another runner, Brian Daly. "It's hard to

get warm and stay warm," he said. "And it's easy to pull a muscle."

Daly said speed work in practice includes running fast for a number of laps, then jogging a lap, then running more fast laps. He added the cold takes effect in the jog lap.

Track coach Jim Ballinger said that shotput practice is also effected by the new, lower temperatures.

"The polyethylene shells on the shotputs will crack when they hit the floor if the temperature is too low," he said. "It's a real disadvantage because our weight men can't work out."

However, Ballinger said requests have been made to Harold Westerman, director of physical education and athletics, to raise the temperature. Westerman was unavailable for comment.

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Marks fall as women swimmers crush UNH

The spirited UMO women's swim team won its second meet in five days by devastating the University of New Hampshire last Tuesday, 94-36 at Stanley Wallace Pool.

In the meet, eight new records were set by the UMO swimmers. Freshmen Denise Small and Julie Woodcock led the record-breakers with two apiece.

Small, a resident of Belgrade Lakes, Me., set a record in the 50-yd. backstroke, with her 31.0 second performance leading off the 200-yd. medley relay. That relay team of Small, Julie Woodcock, Luanne Dodge, and Nancy Kurt established a new

UMO record with a time of 2:00.59. In the 100-yd. backstroke, Denise produced another school record by touching the pads with a time of 1:08.184. She now owns school records in the 50, 100, and 200-yd. backstroke.

Julie Woodcock, a freshman from Swartmore, Pa., broke Kathie Kenny's school record in the 50-yd. breaststroke, with a time of 33.142 seconds. Four events later, the freshman star set in a new record in the 100-yd. butterfly, her time clocked at 1:03.578. Teammate Luanne Dodge also had a fine swim in garnering

second place. Luanne had earlier set a new UMO record in the 50-yd. butterfly with a time of 30.585 seconds.

Nancy Kurt, UMO's speedy freshman freestyler, again met up with extremely tough opposition in this meet. Against UNB last Friday, Nancy was twice edged out of first in the 100 and 200-yd. freestyle. Against UNH, she finished second again, this time in the 400-yd. freestyle. However, Nancy established a new UMO record in the event, with a time of 4:31.129. She was also a member of the record-setting 400-yd. freestyle relay team

of Kurt, Debbie Angell, Debbie Radney, and Julie Woodcock, who lowered the school record time to 3:56.40.

Senior Marty Wren won both the one and three-meter diving events. She established a new school and pool record in the three-meter diving, registering a point total of 207.85.

Coach Jeff Wren was especially pleased with the swims of Heidi Baril and Debbie Radney in the 100-yd. breaststroke. The two UMO swimmers took first and second in that event. The UMO Women are now 2-0 and mark time until Dec. 13, when they visit the University of Rhode Island.

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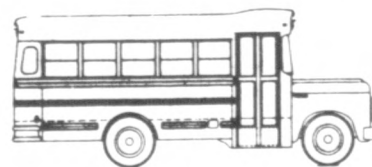
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Men swimmers boast team balance

by Bill Wallace

Last year, the UMO men's swim team finished second in the Yankee Conference and fifth in the New England Intercollegiate and fifth in the New England Intercollegiate Swimming Association Championships (NEISA). The only teams to finish above the Black Bears were: Brown, Springfield, UConn, and Williams. Going into the final day of those NEISA Championships, UMO still led arch rival UConn. Had UMO finished that day with more points than UConn, the Yankee Conference would have been UMO's.

This season Head Coach Alan Switzer says the UMO team has excellent balance, and improved depth. For the past two seasons, the team has been able to compete head-to-head with every one of its opponents in dual meets. It has been at the NEISA Championships where UMO has faltered mainly due to inadequate depth. Depth is important in these championships because the first twelve finishers in each event score points. This season UMO appears to have good depth, especially in the backstroke. 1975-76 marks the first time a group of seniors will be swimming. Tim Babcock was the top distance freestyler in the Yankee Conference last year. He finished fifth in the 1650-yd. freestyle and eight in the 50-yd. freestyle at the NEISA Championships a year ago.

Tom Clark is back for his final season at UMO. Last year, he was a top individual medley swimmer in the Yankee Conference. At the NEISA Championships, Clark responded with the best performances of his career. He will see action this season in both the butterfly and individual medley.

Captain Tom MacDonald winds up his collegiate career this season, also. He will help out in the butterfly, individual medley, and distance freestyles.

Senior Chris Glab, junior John Wescott, and sophomore Brian Seaward head a breaststroke corps that made significant time drops at the NEISA Championships last season.

Sophomore Jay Donovan was defeated only once in dual meet competition last year. At the NEISA Championships, he finished second in the 200, and fourth in the 100-yd. backstroke.

Bob Stedman, a key man on the 400 and 800-yd. freestyle relay teams that finished fourth and fifth at the NEISA Championships, is back again. The 6' 7" sophomore swam AAU last summer and appears to be a much more confident swimmer this season.

Roy Warren and Rolf Olsen are two often over-looked members of the UMO swim team. Their consistency in the

diving events, provided one-two sweeps in the one and three-meter competition, in nine out of eleven dual meets last season. Warren is a junior, and Olsen is a sophomore.

Jim Farragher, Al Hook, Terry Rowbotham, and Bill Whatley comprise the rest of the veterans.

If the first two meets of the season are an indication, freshmen will play key roles in this season. Jim Smoragiewicz, already the school record-holder in the 100 and 200-yd. backstroke, along with Prep All-American Kevin Bucy, and Brian Peters, give UMO the best crew of backstrokers in New England.

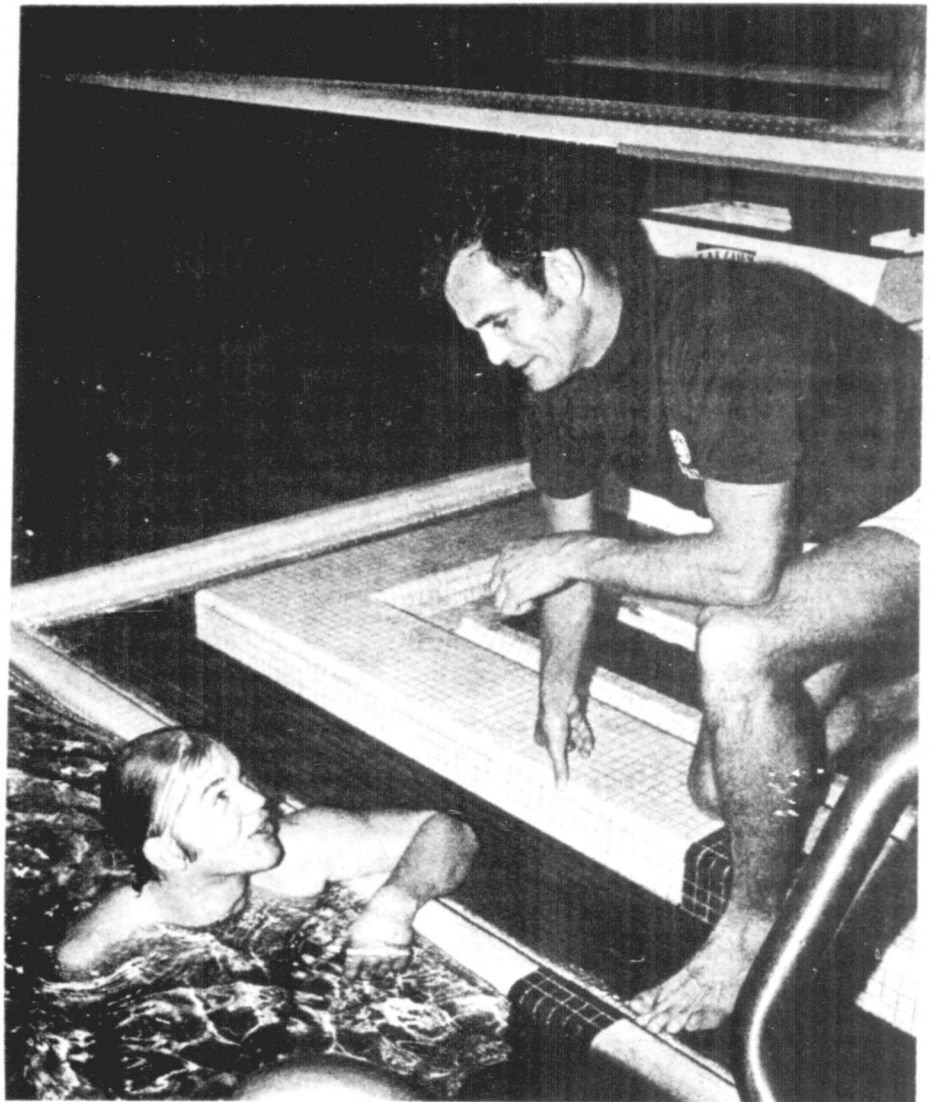
Bill Houston, Ron Popsil, and Mike Schlier help to shore the team in the relays and freestyle sprints.

Ritchie Palmer has outstanding potential as a butterflyer and an individual medley swimmer. He and Clark will provide a one-two combination in those events.

Paul Miles will strengthen the squad in all the freestyle events above 100 yards.

Jerry Fiske is a top-notch breaststroker who is adjusting to the 200-yd. collegiate distance. He will also help to strengthen the medley relay.

UMO will swim a number of new teams this year. The toughest meet comes the weekend after Thanksgiving recess, when the Pointe Claire Swim Club of Canada visits the Stanley M. Wallace Pool. Pointe Claire had the finest age group club in Canada. According to Women's Coach Jeff Wren, "Pointe Claire compares favorably to the best AAU clubs on the east coast of the US." Featured on this club is the Canadian National Champion diver.



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The UMO men's swim team opened their season by crushing the University of New Brunswick 85-28 on Nov. 14. The Bear's swim again when they entertain Canada's Pts. Claire Swim Club Dec. 6. Above, team captain Tom MacDonald of Bangor talks over strategy with coach Al Switzer.

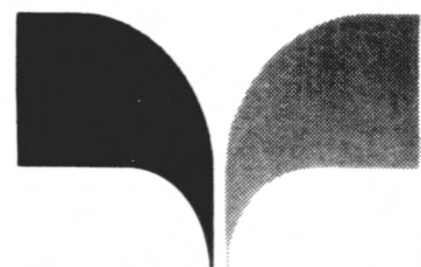
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Student coach envisions future women's track team

by Geo Almasi

Around this time last year, Rob Thurston, with the obvious encouragement from interested female track enthusiasts, commenced to organize a UMO funded women's track team.

And with unfailing determination (perseverance could be substituted just as easily), it appears he is nearing that burdensome goal.

In just a matter of months, possibly next year, women tracksters could belong and compete on a team under the supervision and financial arm of the Athletic Department.

"I have to formally apply to the Student Senate but our chances seem to be good", Thurston disclosed.

Monetary figures, such as transportation costs and housing expenses are to be hashed out later. But for now, Thurston and his 15 female devotees (down from a starting 30) optimistically see the present

situation of "no Funds Available" soon diminishing.

Though small in number, the women (not termed girls) have been preparing for several months—some for the past year—for the possibility a meet may occur.

"I have them run two to three miles every day and then they work on intervals (220's, 440's, 600's). And once we schedule a few meets, I'm sure more girls will try out," said the acting coach.

One possible avenue to participation and scheduling of future meets has the women travelling with their male counterparts on away trips, saving costs and sundries. Visiting schools could do likewise.

"For example, I received a letter from the UConn coach, complete with their schedules, inviting us to compete in any of their meets—either home or away."

"The girls could travel with the men

but, again, things like housing facilities would have to be ironed out. I don't care, I'll stuff 'em all in a friends apartment in Rhode Island—so long as they have the chance to compete," laughed the soft spoken junior English major.

As the 'coach', Thurston knows what he is talking about. As a member of his high school track team, which he captained, he involved himself with every event bar none, just to get acquainted with the whole track scene. Currently, he's listed as a member of the men's indoor track team but a foot injury has kept him from practicing.

"During the track meets I'm hoping to act as an assistant and let the present coaches take over. I'm doing most of the work now, but in the future I'd like to see the women become a part of the men's team."

Thurston will pit his trackster against Bates on Dec. 3. And on Dec. 16 New Hampshire is scheduled to compete at UMO.

Any interested females are urged to contact Rob Thurston (581-7353) at anytime.

Black bear eleven finish 4-6 season by breaking or tying eight records

The 1975 University of Maine at Orono football team either broke or tied eight records over the course of its 4-6 season.

Mark DeGregorio of Winthrop, Mass., set a new mark for most yards rushing in one game with 161 in the season's opener against Boston University, breaking the mark of 157 held by Ed Bogdanovich and Dave Bloutier. Punter Steve Wood set a new record for the best punting average in a game, 45.4 against the University of Rhode Island. He broke the old mark of 44.4 by Gordon Pendleton set in 1951.

Jack Leggett set a modern day record for the longest field goal, a 52 yarder against Delaware. Rich McCormick tied

Norm Tardiff's record of most interceptions in a career with 11, and Jed Palmacci now holds the marks for the most kickoff returns in a season (27), most kickoff return yards in a season (591), most kickoff returns in a career (47) and most kickoff return yards in a career (1009).

Other statistical leaders included rushing, Jim Dumont, 621 yards; passing, Butch Emerson 49 completions in 124 attempts for 681 yards and two touchdowns; pass receiving, Mike O'Day, 16 catches; interceptions, McCormick and John Wardwell, five; fumble recoveries, Leggett, five; and scoring, Leggett, 27 points.

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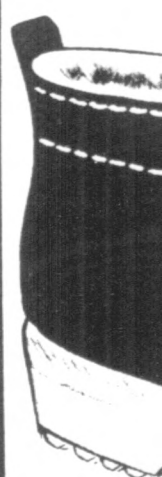
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Field hockey awaits nationals

It seems that transportation to the Nationals is the next step the women's field hockey team has to overcome as they placed runner-up in the Regionals held this past weekend at the University of Massachusetts at Amherst.

Most of the games were transferred to Westfield State College a half-mile from UMass because of poor field conditions caused by rain. The field at Westfield is made of polyturf. In the early morning sun Friday, UMO defeated Oneonta, a team from New York, 4-1. Jane Woodbrey led the team with 2 goals and Paula Noyes and Lyn Shostack each scored one.

Later Friday, UMO faced Cortland, another New York team, and defeated them 3-1 with center-forward Lyn Shostack scoring the hat-trick.

The semi-final game held Saturday between UMO and UMass ended with the tie score of 1-1. Maine was declared the victor with offensive penetration time of 36 more than UMass. Paula Noyes scored the only goal for UMO.

Poor muddy field conditions at Amherst where the game was played were the key elements during the final game between UMO and Springfield. Says team co-cap-

tain Debbie Chase, "All we could do was use scoops and flicks because there was no way we could drive through the mud." UMO lost the game 1-0 but received fine performances from fullback Mona Sylvester, halfback Deb Chase and an outstanding performance from goalie Lyn Foster. Says Varsity Coach Jeanne Walsh, "They all played the best they've played all year."

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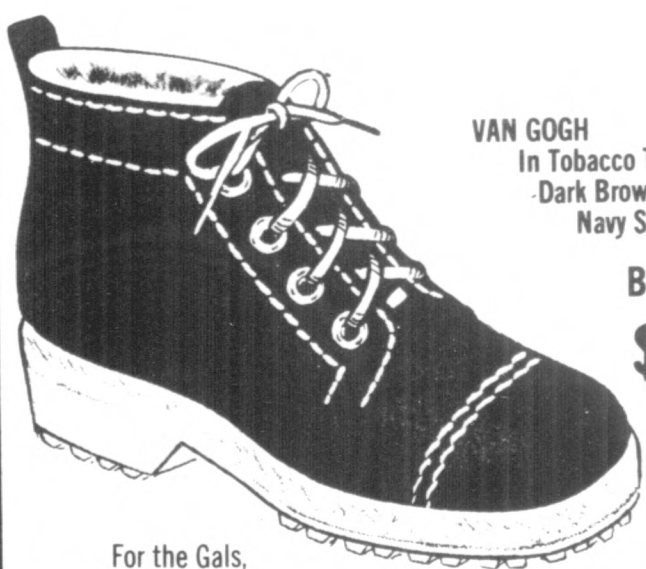
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Preparing

The University of Maine at Orono men's ski team open's their season January 2 when they compete against Bates at Auburn's Lost Valley Ski Area. The ski team has a host of veterans returning this season, and boast one of the best alpine squads Maine has had in years.

Strong alpine duo aids skiers

With fall almost gone and winter rapidly approaching, the UMO men's ski team has been hard at practice in anticipation of the coming season.

Headed by Coach Philip Folger, this years 25 man ski team has both its strong and weak points. Returning from last years team is Jay Marshall, a down hill and slalom skier who Folger said has excellent potential for skiing in this year's NCAA eastern Div. 1 championships. Also returning is ski team capt. Charles Neidner who jumps and ski's cross country. Last year, Neidner placed ninth in the Div. 1 championships for cross country skiing. Another outstanding prospect is Danny Carpenter, a downhill and slalom skier from Lewiston, Maine. Last year, Carpenter tried out for the Olympic team and placed first alternate to the Jr. Olympic squad.

Folger calls Marshall and Carpenter "the best one two punch we've almost ever had", and is looking to them for the big wins this season.

On the darker side, Folger predicts his jumping events to be the weaker part of his team. "We do have some good prospects though" Folger hastened to

add. "Jeff Bunker, last years' jumper has graduated but is being replaced this year by his younger brother Peter."

The UMO ski team skis in two different leagues, one being the Maine Alpine Conference, (MAC), and the other the Div. One Eastern Intercollegiate Ski Association, (EISA). The MAC is individual events where skiers from different schools in Maine compete against each other for points. This includes schools like Bates, Bowdoin, Colby, Farmington, etc. The Div. one EISA consists of various schools around the eastern area. In this league, Maine competes against such teams as Dartmouth, UVM, UNH and many others. Bates is the only other college in Maine which participates in both leagues. Last year Maine finished sixth overall in the EISA championships, but Folger predicted that it would be extremely difficult for his team to break into the top three this year. "But" Folger added, "I am always hopeful".

The ski teams first meet this year will be held Dec. 23 at Sugarloaf Mountain. It will be an MCA meet and will include UMO, Bowdoin, Colby, Bates, Farmington and Portland-Gorham.

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Union busting tactics

To the Editor:

The recent effusions in your columns by Vice President Clark and Presidential Assistant Fitzgerald, along with your somewhat misinformed editorial of November 11, 1975, need some comment to align the record.

Both Clark and Fitzgerald are engaging in what is usually called "union-busting." Clark's rather innocuous effort to tell us, "we never had it so good," and "life is just a bowl of cherries," reminds one of Herbert Hoover in December, 1929. That theory of government used to be called percolation, or in some quarters, the art of feeding the sparrows by feeding the horses first. The end result is the same and the recipients know what they are getting. The fact of the matter is that fringe benefits, what began as the annual Christmas turkey, are smaller here than in most places, and to discuss them at all in that manner was to attempt to draw attention from the real issue, inequality and bad morale.

Fitzgerald's remarks are more ingenious. However, there are persons on the campus with negotiating skills, and even a few qualified mediators and arbitrators. In fact, if labor history is any guide, those who will pursue the adamant posture will be the management side, that is, the administrators. For those who don't like to read, Pete Seeger's great song, "Talking Union" lays out the usual pattern of events clearly enough. Fitzgerald's father would have understood that, but apparently the bourgeoisieification of the son has had the effect of dulling his perceptions.

In fact his deprecatory remarks seem fairly typical in their gratuitously insulting way. The only thing lacking from other recent statements about the faculty and staff was the

usual obligatory reference to native Mainers and their second rate minds and ways. There are a fair number of faculty who are capable and probably as many who remember their working class origins, or at least the lessons of that period well enough to recognize this divide and conquer tactic for what it is.

For those that don't, another adage comes to mind. It goes: those who can, research and write, those who can't, teach, and those who can't teach, become administrators.

With regard to the editorial, a brief discussion with anyone versed in labor law would have provided the knowledge that the collective bargaining system in the United States is neither "intricate" nor "labyrinthine." There are many past court cases, the precedents are well known, and the steps on both sides are clear. What is required to make it work is not "legal jargon" but good faith. That is the crucial element.

From the utterances of Fitzgerald and Clark one can wonder whether it will occur on that side. The workers know what they have to lose by not operating in good faith -- the absurd differentials in pay and working conditions now used by the administrators to reward their favorites, and they know what they have to gain -- equal work for equal pay, a living wage for some, and a congenial place to work once more for all. The alienation feared by the campus occurred a long time ago and it is not alleviated by sententious union-busting articles passed off under the heading of news. What would be of more use would be a reading list in labor history so the future can be faced in light of the past, and with equanimity, justice, and a desire for excellence.

Sincerely,
David C. Smith
Professor of History

To the editor:

The purpose of this letter is to make aware and educate university employees and citizens of the state of the action that students are taking on the University of Maine at Orono Campus against a potential tuition hike for the spring semester.

There are two major premises to the student stand against a spring tuition increase. The first is that we feel that any tuition increase in the middle of an academic year would pose an undue financial hardship on students. Many students work summers and plan a budget for the academic year, and even a \$50 a semester increase for the spring semester could place a lot of students in financially hard times especially married students, both of whom are in school, those students already on financial aid and those who would need financial aid if an increase occurred.

Most people seem to think that students can run back to the folks to help out on any fee increase. Those people who are students now or at one time were students should realize that any increase would be hard felt by many students as well as their families. Also when you look at the financial aid picture here at UMO you see that now there are about 3,000 students on some kind of financial assistance from UMO. If tuition was to go up \$100 a year across the board financial aid would need an additional \$300,000 for the additional need at Orono.

Where will this money come from? What about students who have bank loans or loans from other outside sources. How will these students' additional financial needs be met? No one seems to have the answer to this immediate problem.

The second premise is based on the question of what a tuition increase would do for the University. The proposal of \$100 across the board increase was seen by the external salary study commission appointed by the Chancellor, was not "unreasonable" and that students

should participate in paying their fair share of their education. We agree that the cost of post-secondary education is high and that it takes a firm commitment from the citizens of Maine and good management to fund the university.

We feel, however, that these commitments should be looked at and studied by all those who take part in the funding.

Students are not against university salary increases. We recognize the danger of low salaries and feel we too have an obligation to help pay for our education. When the external salary study commission made its report that we need \$3.5 million to up grade the university salaries many people questioned the amount of funding needed. We feel that the Board of Trustees must address itself to the situation the university is in but to rush is a mistake. We

ask that the board discuss the issues at the December meeting, then research the possibilities to the satisfaction of those paying for the service of post-secondary education (i.e. students, taxpayers) and then act on the matter at the next regular board meeting in February.

Most students are willing to help in the university in any way possible funding included, but the university must consider the affect of a tuition increase at such short notice to students. Also we must look closely at what the university wants to do with additional funding for such funding must be justified to the citizens of Maine.

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To the passive soul, the local graveyard invites little interest. Usually a hodge-podge of toppled stones and rustic hedgerow, the cemeteries of Maine seem hardly the place to pursue a leisurely hobby. A cemetery just isn't the most spirited place to spend a lively Saturday morning.

Yet, to a growing number of enthusiasts, the graveyards of Maine are as alluring and enlightening as any museum or art gallery. They provide the artful disciple of gravestone rubbing with a profitable but unheralded source of art, history and humor.

The process of lifting a waxed impression from a

stone surface, the art of gravestone rubbing predates most American cemeteries. The technique reached Western culture from China in the early 12th Century and remains a popular art form today. In Europe, there are so many gravestone "rubbers" that most churches charge fees and only allow professionals to rub their monuments. Early brass rubbings are valuable works of art in England and hang in the British as well as the Victoria and Albert Museums.

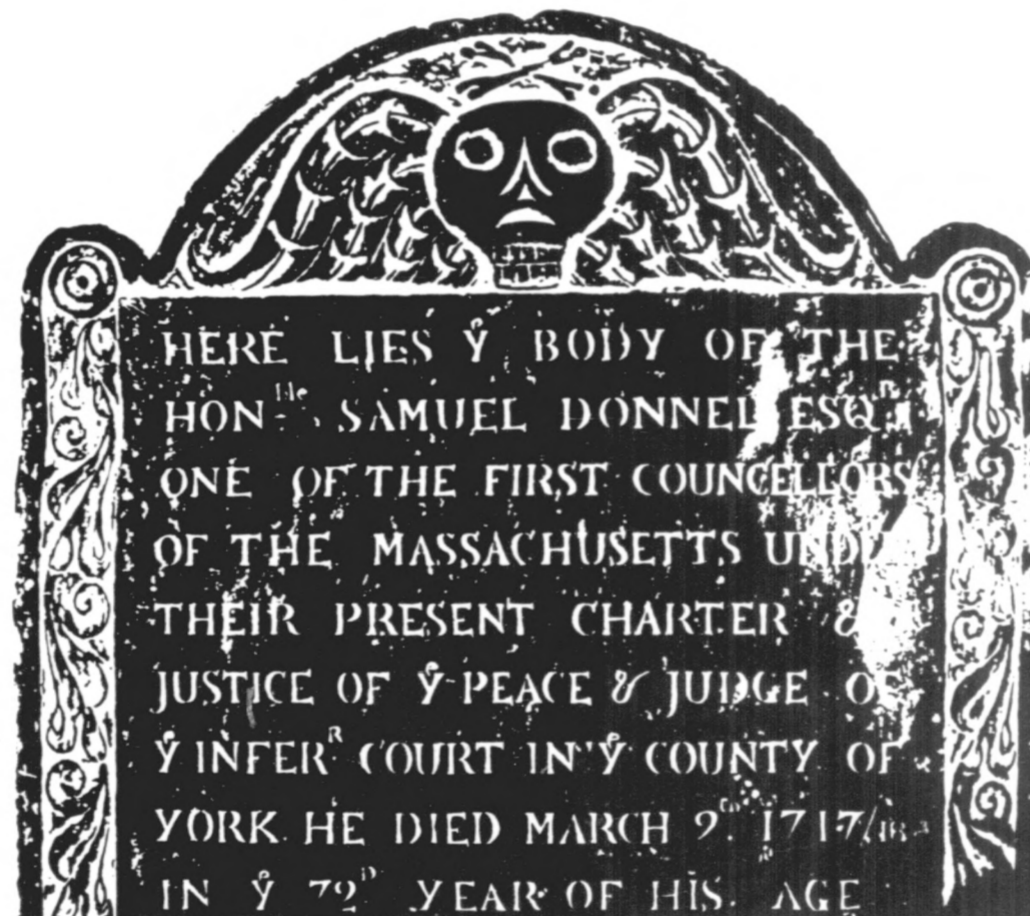
If done carefully, the rubbing process is simple, inexpensive and will not blemish even the oldest tombstones. Few materials are required—a roll of masking tape, any type of drawing paper and a box of colored rubbing or lumberman's wax. Any local art or paint supply store will sell these items for under five dollars.

The first step in rubbing is finding a tombstone and cleaning off any mud, lichen or dirt. Next, wrap a large sheet of paper around the stone and tape it securely to the inscribed portion of the monument. Finally, rub the wrapping paper gently

with lumberman's wax (any wax crayon will do) to familiarize yourself with the stone's indentations. Now, repeat the waxing procedure again while applying firmer pressure to the slab. The result is usually a beautifully waxed impression of the wording, design and characters of the headstone.

Although the earliest known rubbing dates back to China's T'ang Dynasty in the Seventh Century, Americans are relatively unfamiliar with this technique. Frequently the oldest most decrepit sections of a cemetery, the avid gravestone rubber still draws an evil eye from the common but

Although, comparatively speaking, rubbing today threatens to blossom into a popular art form, the number of enthusiasts remains quite small, especially in Maine.



righteous citizen who somehow finds him art outrageous and irreverent.

The United States never nurtured a sizeable "rubbing" population until recently. Before 1965, a gravestone rubbing exhibit might have attracted a frenzied crowd of three or four undertakers, even if advertised extensively. Although, comparatively speaking, rubbing today threatens to blossom into a popular art form, the number of enthusiasts remains quite small, especially in Maine.

At UMO, an Abenaki Experimental College mini-course entitled "Over Their Dead Bodies: The Fine Art of Gravestone Rubbing" has lured a group of seven people to invade the area's burial grounds on weekends to rub. But don't let their numbers fool you. The art is addictive. Once enthralled, the Russian professor is just as willing to "dirty his knees" while rubbing away at a sandstone script as the student who needs a conversation piece for his apartment.

"I enjoy it, it's fun, Rex Pyles, assistant professor of Russian, admitted. "I like rubbing and I enjoy art. I like old cemeteries and don't find



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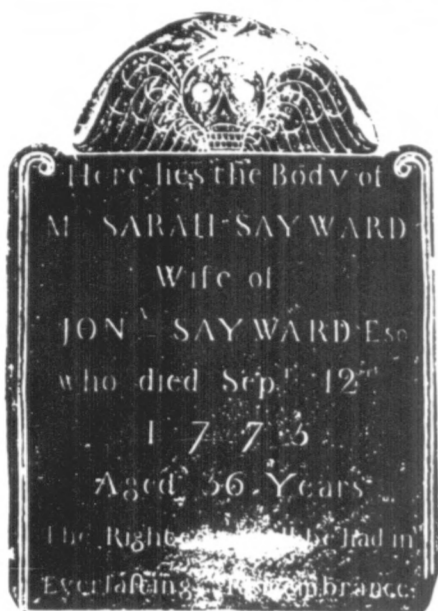
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Jennifer Hansen, a freshman in the College of Life Sciences and Agriculture, thinks gravestone rubbing offered "a great opportunity to get out to see the countryside."

Donna Bailey enrolled in the mini-course because she "always liked old cemeteries anyway." She finds them "peaceful and quiet." "If you're in a cemetery, a lot of people are really interested in watching you rub," explained Bill Silsby, the gravestone rubbing instructor at

The art of rubbing is not limited to gravestones. Some enthusiasts will rub anything from doorknobs to manhole covers... In rubbing, an artist's imagination is his sole constraint.

Abenaki. "I was in York, Me., doing a lot of rubbings for the class this fall and I met a lot of people, especially tourists, who'd ask me all kinds of questions."

"But some people don't like it too much," the theatre design major added. "I think it's mostly because they consider it rather ghoulish. I fact, in some places like Marblehead and Danvers, Mass. it's illegal to do rubbings," he added. "Constant rubbing, I suppose, could damage or wear away the surface of a stone eventually."

The art of rubbing is not limited to gravestones. Some enthusiasts will rub anything from doorknobs to manhole covers. Other popular items are knotholes, flowers, bottles and discarded license plates. In rubbing, an artist's imagination is his sole constraint.

According to Silsby, "A lot of people get into it because they want to do rubbings of their

ancestors. Others like to do manhole covers, coal chute plates or anything. In Europe, these are a lot fancier than they are here—they put dates on them and inscribe things which makes them more interesting."

"I'm just interested in it for the art's sake," Silsby confessed. "I like the old stones because they can tell you about the old New England art. They tell a lot about our history and what our ancestor's superstitions were in those days."

Mortuary art is the subtlest form of sculpture. Cramped by a working depth of a quarter-inch, the colonial stone cutters responded prolifically with a rich display of symbolism. New England's early headstones are pregnant with winged cherubs lifting souls to heaven, and with coffins, urns and death-heads symbolizing the mortality of man and the death of the flesh. The earlier, more gruesome stones reveal grinning skeletons resting triumphantly on empty coffins or "Father Time" pawing at a shroud to smother the symbolic candle of life.

But the cutters had a lighter side as well. Their graven epitaphs left an indelible example of American ingenuity and wit. A wry memorial to Beza Wood of Winslow, Me., reads:

In Memory of
Beza Wood
Departed this Life
Nov. 2, 1837
aged 45 yrs.
Here lies one Wood
enclosed in wood
One Wood
within another.
The outer wood
is very good:
We cannot praise
the other.

Reflecting an early version of the Madison Avenue ethic, a young woman in Lincoln, Maine, was too concerned with the cold winter nights to mourn her husband's death:

Sacred to the Memory of Mr. Jared
Bates who died August the 6th 1800
His widow aged 24 who mourns as
one who can be comforted lives at
7 Elm street this village and pos-
sesses every quality for a
good Wife.



Hitting closer to home, a tribute to the Penobscot chief, Orono, who died in 1801 with over a hundred years to greet his maker, stands in Old Town:

Safe lodged within his blanket here below
Lies the last relics of Old Orono
Wore down with care, he in a trice
Exchanged his Wigwam for a Paradise

Rhymed and designed, New England's headstones definitely furnish a saleable commodity. As Bill Silsby verifies, even the most inexperienced "rubber" can make some profit with his work.



"New York City really laps up something like this from New England's obscure towns," the Ellsworth native said. "You'd be amazed what people will buy. I used to give some of my rubbings to friends and keep the rest. Two years ago, I had an exhibit at the coffeehouse and a lot of people were interested in buying them. I sold about 10 at around five dollars each."

Silsby said an inexperienced student in his class has agreed to commission his rubbings on consignment to local shops. The Abenaki instructor also mentioned that in other states rubbings sell for as much as \$50 a sheet.

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Sigma Chi, Pool Lappers take Intramural swim meet

The sounds of the summer were prevalent at Wallace pool for the 1975 Intramural Swim Meet. Sigma Chi easily won the Fraternity Division title with 99 meet and 124 total points, well ahead of Lambda Chi's 54 meet and 74 total points.

The Non-Fraternity championship was taken by the Independent Pool Lappers with 57 meet Points, while Chadbourne Hall, the leader going into the final relay, finished one behind with 56 meet Points and were given the championship points because of the Pool Lappers Independent status. In a limited Women's meet, Balentine Hall won the title.

These results put the B.C. Kent (Fraternity), and All-Points (Dorm) trophy standings in the Following Situation. Alpha Gamma Rho leads the Frats with 257½ points, followed by Lambda Chi Alpha 241, Phi Eta Kappa 185, Sigma Chi 179, and Alpha Tau Omega 164. The dorm standings include Gannett 272, Oxford 229, Knox 207, Chadbourne 176, and Aroostook 170.

Sigma Chi won the title by finishing fifth in the 100 yard Medley Relay, placing 1-2 in the 100 yard Individual medley (Peter Clark and George Harris), 2nd and fourth in the 50 Freestyle (Jeff Milliken and Scott Harris). They again went 1-2 in the 100 Freestyle (Jeff Milliken and Peter Farnum), took a first in the 50 yard Backstroke, (Mike Vessey), and won the Breaststroke (Dana Clark and took the relay, from 20 yards.

Sigma Chi also set records in the 100 yard Freestyle with Jeff Milliken swimming the distance in 54.576 sec., and the

200 Yard Freestyle relay with a time of 1 minute 40.460 sec. Another record was set in the 50 yard Butterfly by Stetson Tanner of SEP, in the time of 27.193 sec.

Meanwhile, the Pool Lappers and Chadbourne engaged in a tense battle with the Independent taking an early lead on the strength of Al Darrah's record performance in 100 yard Individual Medley. The time was 1 minute 3.473 sec. They increased it with Ron Redman's victory in the 50 yard Freestyle, but Chadbourne came back as Eric Moller won the 50 yard Backstroke in the time of 28.864 sec. They finished seventh in the 200 yard relay, however to let the championship slip from their hands.

Other records in the Dorm meet were by Brad Allen of Oxford, in the 50 yard Butterfly (26.950 sec.) and by Knox Hall in the 200 Yard Relay, (1 minute 40.163 sec.)

In the fraternity three-man hoop race, Alpha Gam does not have a club in the semi-finals, but Phi Eta and Phi Kappa do. Phi Eta's Chris McMillan, Jeff Brackett and John Mooney will meet either SAE (Mike Costello, Kevin LaBree and Joe Bouchard (of Sigma Nu-A) Colvin Martin, Steve Conley and Ed Flaherty) in the American League playoffs. Meanwhile Phi Kappa's Kelly Littlefield, Dennis Seekins, and Dave Morrison will meet Kappa Sigma's John Thibeault, Garrett Hart and Rich Higgins in the National league matchup.

In Dormitory singles tennis action, Paul Peterson of Oxford will match serves with the winner of a match between



Shooters

The University of Maine rifle team, sporting a 2-1 record, continue their season January 24 when they visit Dartmouth. Above, left to right, co-captain Mark Wallingford, Coach MSG Robert Bernier, and co-captain George Putnam.

Melvin Palmer-Somerset and Pat Valley-Knox, Matt Daunis of Lambda Chi.

In other completed action, Penthouse of Gannett (for the second straight year) won the dorm Softball championship and Phi Kappa Sigma was the fraternity victors. Chadbourne and Alpha Gamma Rho were the Volleyball leaders.

Hodden of Oak, with a time of 12 minutes and 21 seconds, was the individual dorm cross-country champion, followed by Carle (York), Finnegan (Oxford).

Greenfield (Aroostook) and John Kimball of Corbett. The fraternity placers were Avery of Delta Tau Delta, followed by Cary and Duffy of Alpha Gamma Rho, Bergerone of Sigma Chi, Griffin of Delta Upsilon, and George Johnson of Sigma Phi Epsilon. Alpha Gam was the overall winner and Avery's time was 13 minutes and 10 seconds.

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