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Weekend

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Faculty agree to united budget stand

BY MIKE DOSTIE

At an assembly of the entire UMO faculty last night in Hauck Auditorium, about 200 faculty selected a resolution expressing a consensus opinion on the university's current budget difficulties.

Choosing from four separate resolutions, the faculty members agreed by a 13-vote margin to endorse a proposal stating that "unless the present Legislature is willing to endorse now a major effort to resolve the present financial crisis...both the quality

and quantity of teaching, research and public services will be in full retreat with consequences that may take decades of remedial effort."

The resolution was submitted by Howard Foley, associate professor of Law Enforcement

at Bangor Community College. He was pleased not only at the acceptance of his resolution but also that the faculty appeared in force to voice its opinion.

"I'm very happy that my resolution was chosen over the others," Foley said. "It's also been a long time since the faculty has gotten together and done something. I was kind of nervous that no one would show up."

"My proposal was more representative than the others," Foley added. "You had a wide variety of opinion at that meeting with conservatives and liberals. To get anything passed you really had to sell it. I would have liked a harder stand but you had to give in to get anything done."

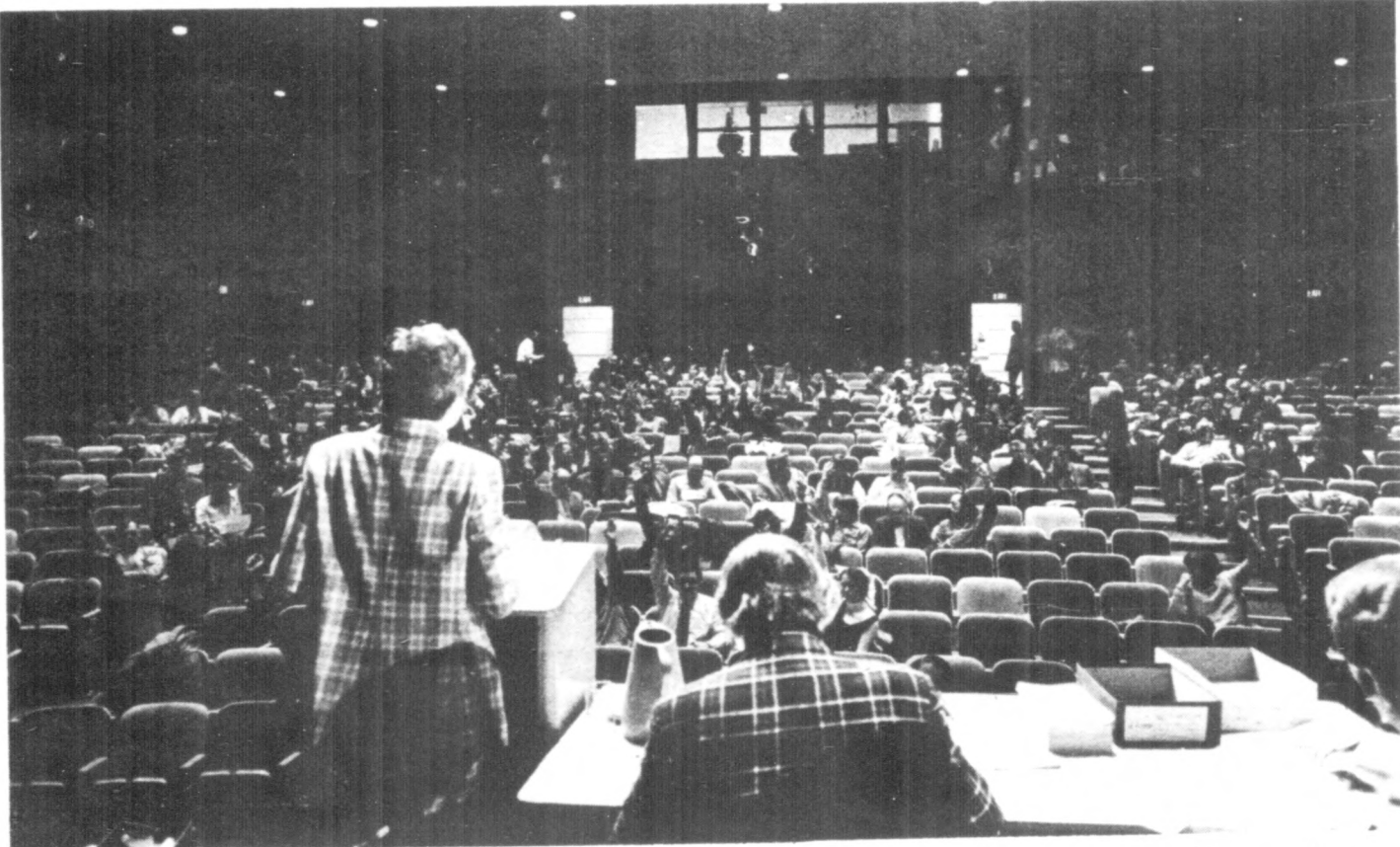
Foley said his resolution represented a middle ground between the more "palliative proposals" and the stronger proposal sponsored by Walter "Bud" Schoenberger, professor of political science.

Schoenberger's proposal came to the meeting from the faculty of the College of Arts and Sciences, which endorsed it Monday. He stressed the faculty had been "pushed too far" and should "demand that the Governor and the Legislature supply the funds necessary for us to conduct our educational activities in order to promote the interests of our students and of the people of Maine."

This vehement wording initiated the most debate at the meeting and was termed "embarrassing" and a "strategic mistake" by two faculty members. Schoenberger's recommendation lost by 59 votes on the second ballot of the elimination procedure used at the meeting.

"I was trying to demonstrate that there is a concern and a certain amount of

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About 200 of UMO's 600-plus faculty members gathered in Hauck Auditorium last night to

adopt a resolution of consensus opinion on the current budget controversy. Council of Colleges

chairwoman Jane Pease (standing) managed the proceedings.

photo by Jeff Beebe

Members' opinions differ on value of task force

BY JOHN PADDOCK

A task force organized in 1974 by President Neville to formulate ideas and make recommendations on undergraduate education "could have been a blue ribbon committee," said Dave Bridges, a student member. "Instead it has turned into a major disappointment to me."

"The committee should have taken a serious, strong look at undergraduate education to find out why kids are unhappy," Bridges said. "We were supposed to hold public hearings to get more student input, only we never did. It just didn't seem like student input was wanted."

Bridges blames part of the problem on "a lack of leadership" on the part of the task force's chairman Stephan A. Norton, associate professor of Geology.

Norton, whose workload was reduced by Neville in 1975 so he could concentrate on running the task force, said Bridges' views "were not representative of the work done by the committee."

The faculty and students see the task force in a different light, he said. "Our philosophy is to try to make only a few fundamental changes. If you make these changes you'll accomplish something."

Norton said a good effort was made to try to get student input into the committee's work. "We sent out questionnaires to 600 randomly chosen students, however only 200 responded. I don't put any stock in student opinion when you get a sample like that," he added.

"In an article in the *Campus* last year, we requested student input, but the faculty members on the committee weren't approached by anyone, although Dave might have been," he said.

"Dave wanted to talk to more undergraduates about their gripes," Norton said. "He was in favor of a public forum. However, based on task forces at other universities, the public forum was inefficient because most students won't come to it, and the conversation gets dominated by just a few. Therefore I don't think it would be representative of students, and I made the decision that we wouldn't have it," he said.

Bridges also complained the faculty members of the committee "didn't seem to care how many students were on the committee."

The committee started out with five students and the faculty. Since then one student resigned and was replaced, another student graduated and wasn't replaced, and a third student has recently resigned. "That leaves us with only three students on the committee," said Bridges.

Norton said he didn't think a new student should be brought into the committee to replace the one who graduated, because only one meeting was scheduled for the '75-'76 school year. Concerning Tony Blanchette, the student who recently resigned, Norton said, "This is the first I've heard of it." Blanchette refused to comment on the reason for his resignation.

Another student, Lina Dunning, said she felt Norton "had put a lot of time into the committee. I'm a little impatient that it has taken this long to come out with a report," she said. According to Norton the report on the survey and other task force findings should be released in early April.

Dunning added, "We haven't had a lot of communication with students. A task force has an obligation to get to students, whether at a public hearing or through small individual meetings. Public meetings, however, haven't gone well in the past because of student apathy so they may not have been beneficial anyway," she said.

Associate prof. James E. Swasey, a faculty member of the committee, said "there hasn't been a great deal of activity on the committee this year - we've only met once." But "I have no particular gripes about the way the committee has been run," he added. "I don't want to say whether or not we've met our objectives or not until the report is published."

Richard Discenza, assistant professor of Management, said he is "not upset by the way Norton has run the committee. He's put a lot of work into it." Discenza added he would rather "wait until the final report comes before making any further judgement."

Committee members Paulette French, associate professor of Romance Languages, and Charles Buck, professor of Microbiology are also awaiting the final report.

"We shouldn't undercut the chairman of this committee until the results have been tabulated and the report is out," said Buck. "Only then can I make a judgement as to whether everything was covered," he added.

Bridges said he would "in no way support a report, because the committee has just not covered the ground. The committee has not fulfilled its charge," he said.

Norton said his "expectations were not totally realized, however, when you've got 15 diversified people on a committee you can't always agree on too many things." You can't talk about the "nitty gritty" in such a situation, he said. "You must talk about very broad fundamental things," and make "discreet" changes.

"There's still a lot of ground yet to be covered. We haven't even touched certain areas because of a lack of time," Bridges expected speedy progress, Norton said.

but "the faculty was much more deliberate-out of necessity. I could see very early that there might be differences of opinion among faculty and students, said Norton. "We did things in ways the students wouldn't have."

When the report is published in April, Norton said the task force "self-destructs." He added gloomily that "almost all of this report will have been wasted if within two years the money situation at UMO doesn't improve, because many of our recommendations require additional funds, which are not available."

A&S would sustain highest faculty cutbacks

BY ELLEN DUNCAN

President Howard R. Neville, in his proposed budget reductions, cut the academic area the least because he believes the primary mission of UMO is teaching. Although 12 and one half vacant faculty positions won't be filled and six faculty places will be vacated, the UMO teaching program remains relatively intact.

Dean Gordon Haaland of the College of Arts and Sciences suffers the largest loss of faculty members for budget-related reasons.

Five positions in Arts and Sciences will open up, Haaland said, because of retirements. Prof. Bernard Sass and Prof. Albert Barden will leave the zoology department. A teaching associate, Robert MacKay, will leave anthropology. Prof. Elmer O'Neill is retiring early from foreign languages and the math department is losing Prof. Howard Eves.

O'Neill and MacKay won't be replaced. Eves' position will be replaced by a more junior-level faculty member. One position in zoology will be filled because the department is "hard pressed", with the largest number of majors in the college, Haaland said.

Three people will lose jobs but Haaland hasn't decided yet who they are. He will take teaching loads into consideration along with other factors. Those departments where people are removed will be

those "...where we can make the gentlest cuts," Haaland said.

Fifteen graduate teaching assistantships will be eliminated. The terminations will be made by dollar amounts and have the potential to badly affect a couple of departments.

Haaland said a number of people may leave on their own if there is no reasonable income raise. He stressed the sinking morale and said, "A modest increase will encourage everyone — they won't be so sad."

Dean Winston Pullen of Life Sciences and Agriculture has to absorb a budget cut of \$68,000. He will do it primarily by cutting people. Eleven graduate teaching assistants, about 30 per cent of the total, will lose their positions. Most of the money, however, will be gained from three faculty positions that will be vacated, Pullen stated.

Two faculty members from one unit were up for tenure, but found their jobs terminated for reasons not budget related. Pullen will try to fill one of these positions in the future if he can find the money.

Also, Dr. Tom Bryan of animal sciences will leave UMO to accept another job and his position will not be filled. Department Chairman John Wolford says Bryan has various reasons for leaving but one is the higher salary of his new position.

LSA has had an increase in enrollment of 235 students in the past year with no increase in staff. Pullen states, "We have a

responsibility for the students that are here."

Faced with the possibility of removing two more faculty members from the college, Pullen may try the method of reallocation. Lower priority programs in the college may have funds and staff removed from them and directed toward higher priority units, so they can retain their staff. It's a matter of juggling what resources the college has Pullen says. He points out non-tenured people will be hit hardest.

A senior professor resigned from the College of Engineering and Science in January, 1975 and this position will not be filled. According to Dean Basil Myers, that salary takes up half of the \$40,000 budget cut Neville recommended for that college.

The rest will be made up in a \$15,000 cut in capital equipment and the loss of two half-time secretaries whose jobs have been terminated.

Prof. Mriganka Ghosh of the department of civil engineering and Associate Prof. Lin Lee from mechanical engineering have resigned this semester and Myers says the college is going to try to replace them. Other faculty members are expressing the desire to leave UMO at this time, Myers added.

Myers said the reasons center not so much on the chance to get a higher salary elsewhere, but to get away from the stifling emphasis on teaching in that college. Faculty have to carry heavy course loads and have not time to devote to graduate activity, research, and other academic matters. The situation is frustrating to the point where faculty choose to leave, Myers said.

Myers commented, "We will do everything we can to avoid termination of people's jobs." He added, "We can get by on a shoestring for a couple of years." He believes this despite the fact that student enrollment in Engineering and Science has risen one and a half times the level it

was six years ago while the number of faculty members have decreased.

At the end of this semester, there will be three vacant positions that will not be filled in the College of Education. Removal of the three salaries will make up most of the \$74,000 budget cut Neville has requested.

Dr. George Prescott is one of two faculty members who is retiring. Dean James Muro said his leaving and the fact he will not be replaced, will have a severe effect on research in the college. Prescott developed the Metropolitan Achievement Tests and was instrumental in the Analysis of Learning Potential. He is also active in the program for doctoral candidates.

Dr. Alex Caughran, who is also retiring, works with the masters and doctoral level program. He's well-known, too, for his work in the field of elementary language arts, Muro states.

Anne McCourt, who is on leave completing doctoral work, is accepting a position at another school. She does excellent work in the field of children's literature and is extremely well-rated by students, Mura said.

Administrative Officer Don E. Coates said he hopes these three positions will be the only ones the college has to count on. Coates said it's now the basic thinking of the College of Education that "...we'll cut programs before we cut people."

For Dean W. Stanley Devino, of Business Administration, it's not "a problem of walking down the hall and telling people they have to leave. My problem is convincing people to stay here," he said.

Business Administration suffered no dollar budget cuts so Devino doesn't see the need to terminate anyone's job. He wonders, however, how he is going to retain the services his faculty offers if other business schools attempt to bid them away.

There has been a 40 per cent increase in student enrollment on the national level, Devino says.

Neville foresees pay raises

BY BEV WOOD

"It looks as if we're going to get our salary increases," said President Howard R. Neville to the College of Engineering and Science faculty Monday afternoon. Neville said he thinks the university system may get \$2 or \$3 million.

This means the Super-U probably will be allocated the \$1.7 million requested to raise employee salaries.

With the wage adjustment, salaries would go up 4-7 per cent, which is "not enough," said Neville, but it's a "step in the right direction."

According to Neville, Chancellor Patrick E. McCarthy is planning to recommend another tuition increase to the trustees, which would generate about \$1 million.

"If UMO gets the \$1.7 million to increase salaries, plus another million, with what we can raise locally we will only have to make minor cuts," Neville said.

If this happens the planned cuts will be reviewed, Neville said, and some of the

money reallocated. "It looks like we're not going to be as bad off as we thought," said Neville, "but this may change."

After last week's appropriation hearings, in Augusta, Neville was satisfied a majority of the legislators understood that the University would be a "less good" institution if funds were not restored.

However, said Neville, it takes two thirds plus one governor's veto, and he doesn't believe the university has that much support.

Neville said UMO will have to "bend more and more" on alumni and friends to retain the excellence of the university.

Longley believes Orono should be maintained as a university, according to Neville, but he thinks the system should be changed. To get the point across to the trustees, he has lowered the boom on the whole system, Neville claimed.

"I think we've reached the down," said Neville. "We're going to fare better in the future. I think Longley's going to change his attitudes."

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Bankrupt department store empties for final closing

BY DOUG CURTIS

The W.T. Grant Co. in Old Town will close its doors for good April 1st and with the closing the rest of the 1,400 employees of the state's chain will be out of work.

W.T. Grant Co., the nation's largest retail employer, was forced to close when New York Bankruptcy Judge John Galgay ended the chain's 70-year history by declaring the company officially bankrupt.

Grant's is currently holding a liquidation sale to raise as much capital as possible to pay off their creditors. The Old Town store is one of the 359 stores out of approximately 1,200 to remain open. According to Henry McBride, manager of the Old Town store, the reason Old Town's store was preserved was because it was the largest store in the Bangor area, so it could handle more people and inventory.

But come April 1st, the entire store will close for good and about 60 area jobs will be lost. This represents an estimated payroll loss of \$190,000 per year. However, the Bangor Chamber of Commerce says the loss is closer to \$2 million, because each dollar spent is usually re-spent from ten to twelve times. The Bangor Chamber did not estimate the total impact of the closing because no community study has been undertaken.

According to McBride, the 26 stores in Maine were the backbone of the W.T. Grant Co. They had the largest return of profits in the U.S. and Old Town store was no exception. McBride said the store has shown an increase in profits every year since it opened in 1969.

Grant's has been in the Old Town area since 1930. It was located between Davis Drug and Northeast Bank before moving to its present location on Stillwater Ave. in 1969. The Grant's chain itself began in 1906 in the Northeastern U.S. The reasons for the chain's collapse include new high ticket items, discontinuing long familiar lines, and too swift expansion.

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the receipts from the liquidation sale, along with the company's assets, will first go to bank lenders, vendors, and bond holders. If there is any money left, the remainder will go to the company's stockholders who own the company.

McBride said several of his employees have already found work, but most of them are still looking.

According to the *New York Times*, three major corporations have emerged as potential buyers of the chain. They are the Montgomery Ward chain, a large retailing division of Marcor Inc., the S.S. Kresge Co., and the Greyhound Corp. However, no company has yet made a final decision.

Correction

Senators not expelled; cleared of truancy

An article in last Tuesday's *Maine Campus* (GSS expels four senators for excessive truancies) misreported several important facts concerning GSS dismissal proceedings against four UMO student senators.

Three senators mentioned in the article, Tom Hastings of Hancock Hall, Rod Laurendeau of York Hall, and Paul Violette representing the fraternities, have not been expelled, and remain in good standing because they were able to justify their absences.

There will, however, be four vacant senate seats for the remainder of this semester. Two on-campus senators, Bill Horr of Penobscot Hall and Peter Sparta of Cumberland Hall, and one off-campus senator, Gail Surette, have already been dismissed this semester. Another on-campus senator, Beth Butterfield of York Hall, will be dismissed in the current proceeding.

Woodswomen chop trees and challengers

BY JAC ROY

If you happen to see nine women with axes walking up to Hilltop you might wonder what's going on. Is this part of a new revenge tactic, or maybe, a new drill team?

Both guesses are wrong. The women are the UMO Woodswomen Team and they practice in the woods behind the PICS Building.

This year, for the first time, UMO has a competing women's team. And they share the spotlight right along with the men, competing in similar events.

Jane Romain, a forestry major, had been to many woodsmen meets and had seen various women's teams perform. Last year she got several women interested in practicing and last fall they were recognized as a team. They were granted preliminary approval by the student senate and they were on their way.

Since then the women have competed in two meets. In their first meet earlier this fall in New Brunswick, the Woodswomen placed third behind McDonald College and the University of New Hampshire. "After New Brunswick we came back determined to beat UNH and McDonald and we did," team captain Terry Curtis said proudly,

referring to a February meet at McDonald College in St. Albans, Canada.

There the women finished second in the women's division, but outplaced five men's teams in overall competition. Thirty-three teams from Canada and the northeastern United States competed in this meet.

"We only have one women's team left to beat and that's Paul Smith's of New York", Curtis continued. The Woodswomen hope to remedy this when they compete in their next meet at UNH the weekend of April 30th.

One event the women participate in is the Quarter Split, in which two people work as a team to split two logs into four pieces and are judged on speed. Another event is Dot Splitting, where points are awarded by how accurately the woodswomen can hit four dots on a log. Other events include buck-sawing, pulp throwing, log rolling and tree felling.

The women's team, which is made up of five freshmen and four upperclassmen, is enjoying a good season and has hopes for an even better record next year since most members will be returning.

The UMO Woodswomen will be appearing at the Bangor Sportsmen Show April 2, 3, and 4.

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Strategy, not force — for now

*"The weight of this sad time we must obey;
Speak what we feel, not what we ought to say."*

Shakespeare said it first, and at least one faculty member felt the time was right last night to repeat those words at a special meeting of the entire UMO faculty. Those were the last words of "King Lear," and they were also the last words of the debate on the four budget opinions presented to the group for its choosing.

Unfortunately, however, for the more high-spirited among us, the couplet expressed the hopes of only a small minority of the 200 or so faculty members present. In the end, the choice of the faculty was to "Feel what we feel, and speak what we ought to say."

Actually, the entire point of the meeting was to make a choice between something and nothing, and to do it dramatically. And although nothing quite dramatic happened, the fact is that something was done, by the entire faculty together, and therein lies the news.

The choice between the Schoenberger resolution ("The faculty...is fed up," and "pushed to far...") and the milder BCC and Pease resolutions was a choice between force and strategy.

We all understand, and of course deep down inside support wholeheartedly, those who would use forceful language to let the legislature and the governor know the faculty is "fed up." But we also recognize the need for strategy, even if it amounts to a series of token gambits and parries, even if it is "too little, too late." The university is walking a tightrope in this budget circus, and if it comes down to one or two or three legislators who can tip the balance (we should be so lucky that it would be so close!) strategy may confuse enough of them to keep us from going down.

Each individual teacher on this campus knows how he feels about the budget controversy and the governor et al., and the faculty as a whole knows pretty well what the feeling of the entity is. We know, and the legislature knows it.

But the important factor in dealing with politicians, and their egotistic little entity, the legislature, is words. Forget about feelings, about honesty, about sincerity. Politicians care about the posture of their stance, what it looks like, what it sounds like, and its appearance in the eyes of the beholder.

The UMO faculty by its vote recognized this and adopted the perfect strategy — words with

impact, and words with only bureaucratic-style emotions.

What impact? The impact is in the mere existence of the words, and the unique spirit that went into them. (The last time the faculty got together as an official body that we can remember was to hear President Neville's January 1974 convocation). Any resolution which bears attribution to the faculty of the University of Maine at Orono collectively also deserves admiration.

It really will make no difference what kind of words are sent to Augusta, except for appearance's sake. Tender loving care is not going to get us a penny more than hard-nosed demands and disgust.

But when you've got everything to lose, you might as well be careful, or at least look that way. The faculty was wise to temper their feelings and adopt the resolution that strategically and artfully expressed concern instead of blunt honest disgust and anger.

The time for angry action — political action, and work action — may yet come.

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You may be dead wrong

To the editor:

I can understand that you, the editor of the *Campus*, are becoming somewhat irked because your fellow students have not responded to your "advocacy journalism," and rushed to the fore of the budget battle. No doubt you've worked long, hard

Security is...

To the editors:

After what happened to me tonight I would like to add my thanks to the ever-growing list of appreciators of the various security systems at U.M.O., including the police. Specifically, I am referring to the detection device at the Fogler Library. I was really impressed. It was awesome. Tonight I was walking out of the library after a hard night's work, carrying nothing but the books I had brought in with me, when all of a sudden the alarm goes off, and I almost did a flip when the gate suddenly locks against my groin. The subsequent search and interrogation of my person produced nothing, and I was advised to "step back and try again." I would simply like to conclude that this sophisticated theft-prevention device worked so well in embarrassing and almost castrating the innocent, that I would hate to see what it would do if it actually caught anybody stealing something.

Al Walker

hours to produce the editorials, etc., which you hoped would arouse us.

It's perfectly understandable that the failure of this marvelous "advocacy" leaves you a disappointed, disillusioned man. Perhaps it's to be expected that you now lash out at those who've failed you.

It irks me nonetheless.

It irks me because you seem to assume that students aren't doing what you want them to because (in your elegant phrase) "...most students just don't give a shit."

This may be true. However, I would like to offer an alternative

explanation: they may think you're dead wrong.

Though this may come as a shock to you, there are students who care about the university, but who hold a position on the budget issue which differs from yours.

Though I don't care to express my feelings in terms of the excrement mentioned above, I do care about the university. I'd like to state my views on the subject.

It seems to me that you are being very selfish and narrow-minded about the budget cuts. You argue that we should not be cut. At a time when all state departments are taking cuts of 10

per cent, you say that the U of M shouldn't. What makes us so special?

To be sure, you think that higher education is so important that it cannot be cut. Certainly, though, there are many in Maine who feel that human services cannot be cut, or highways cannot be cut. Everyone's in favor of cutting government spending — that is, government spending on the other guy. "Cut government spending, but don't cut me."

Maybe you've become so isolated from the world while you're here on campus that you forget what's going on outside. Let me remind you that there is still a recession out there. The times are tough, especially for Maine. Maine people are having to cope with reduced budgets (which is no easy matter, as you're beginning to realize). Yet you propose to increase the taxes on a sick economy, so that we at the U of M don't have to cope with a cut ourselves. You made a direct appeal to the people of Maine and the legislature for that very proposal. In effect, you ask them to sacrifice so that we won't have to.

Personally, I wouldn't dare to make such an appeal. I think the public would quickly tell me where to go.

You've got more nerve than I have.

You may be very comfortable with lobbying, but I hate to see

the university join the pack of special interest groups howling "Me first!" to the legislature. I see nothing wrong with low-key presentations of the university position to the legislature, but I will have no part of your hysterical attempt to sway the lawmakers by massive student demonstrations, etc.

May I then respectfully decline your invitation to drive down to Augusta this week? I will not accompany the "dedicated dozen or two" on their quest to scream for money. I'm going to attend my classes, eat my meals, and possibly even do some studying. Next year, after the cuts have taken place, I expect the university to still exist more or less as we know it, and I will be doing the same things on a typical weekday. The quality of my education may be slightly lower, but I am willing to accept the fact that Maine cannot now do better.

Robert F. Sherlock
419 Aroostook Hall

Wrong.

To the Editors:

The most recent issue of the *Campus* carried an article which stated that I am a Senator, and attributed me to a quotation about Pres. Jim McGowan.

I am neither a Senator, nor have I ever said such a thing about President McGowan.

Daniel J. O'Leary

Racist reporter?

To the editors:

I feel I must respond to a couple of ill-conceived remarks made recently in an article in your newspaper; "Students enjoy festivities at Quebec" — *Maine Campus*, March 5, 1976.

Your reporter stated, "Unfortunately the Quebecian [sic] bus drivers could 'speakee' only one language, French." What is unfortunate is that your reporter can understand and 'speakee', though poorly, only one language, English. The native and first language of Quebec is French. That province's cultural heritage, including its native language, is protected and sanctified by Canadian Federal law.

Therefore, any suggestion that Quebecers should speak English or that they ought to respond, in kind, to English-speaking "tourists" is a direct violation of their sanctified rights.

Other blatant misconceptions in the article, that Quebecers are a cold, thrifty and dissident people, smack with the same type of blind chauvinistic arrogance that produces such racist notions that all Black people are good tap dancers or that all Mainers are grizzled, pipe-smoking, lobster-catching herring-chokers who say "Ayuh" at every opportunity. A pox on such non-thinking.

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Group pressure key cause

Alcohol use and damages increase together

BY BRENDA BAKER

Probably because of the northeast Tuesday night, only 15 people attended the alcoholism seminar at 7 p.m. in the Memorial Union.

Maureen Berube, UMO coordinator of alcoholic services, began the presentation with the film "The Summer We Moved From Elm St." The movie dealt with an alcoholic family and showed the effects of

alcoholism on children. Berube stated alcoholism is a family sickness, affecting the whole family, not just the alcoholic.

Most of the people attending the seminar expected it to be about booze on campus, which was the advertised topic. The seminar was, however, planned to deal with alcohol in the family. Dr. Lambrose Karros, a psychologist at Husson College and the Bangor Halfway House was scheduled to speak on this subject, but when Dr. Karros could not come, because of poor road conditions, Berube turned the conversation to booze on campus.

Berube has worked this semester on an "Alcohol Awareness Program" for Residential Assistants on campus. Groups of ten R.A.s meet for three-week sessions to discuss ideas related to alcohol on campus, and possible solutions to problems related to weekend drinking.

Most of the students at the seminar agreed they drink because of group pressure.

Dean Rand, director of the Memorial Union, felt getting a keg on the weekend was an automatic reaction for many students. He said, "this doesn't show a whole lot of creativity on our part," and suggested there are many other leisure activities that would be much more creative.

Berube felt if people stopped laughing at others who were drunk, they would not feel as encouraged to drink. She suggested many ways to have fun and still have alcohol available. Her ideas included serving food to slow down the effects of alcohol, or making a spiked punch with a low alcohol content instead of buying a keg.

Richard Ray, of Alpha Gamma Rho fraternity stated, "Alcohol draws people

together, so to solve the problems you have to find out what else draws people together." Berube said since alcohol was permitted on campus there has been a 500 per cent increase in disciplinary problems. She also said damage to university facilities amounts to \$10,000 a semester.

Berube noted for some reason students do less damage to buildings while drinking six-packs than kegs. She felt this was because the beer was not as available. She said Corbett Hall had tried eliminating kegs and it was successful in reducing damages.

Berube also said the idea of a damage committee of dorm residents seemed to work in some cases. This idea was tried in Aroostook Hall. The committee members determine who is responsible for damages, and arrange payment for repairs.

Doug Packard, a freshman from Gannett Hall, stated UMO has the highest per capita beer consumption of the U.S. colleges. Berube said this might be related to the notion of tolerance. She also felt, "how much can you drink" is always the big question, on this campus.

One older woman said she felt students should be more aware of the damages excessive alcohol use can inflict, especially irreparable brain cells, and child abuse by alcoholics.

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discontent in this university," the political science professor said. "I'm particularly concerned with the seriousness of this problem. I hope that the Legislature and the people of this state realize the seriousness of this problem."

Schoenberger expressed little remorse at the defeat of his proposal and felt satisfied with the one accepted. But he also doubted that "any resolution will be effective."

A subsequent ballot between the accepted Foley proposal and a moderate resolution submitted by Professor of History, William H. Pease, left the Foley resolution clearly representing the faculty's position.

Pease was "happy and quite satisfied" despite the defeat of his proposal. He said there was "little difference" between his proposal and the one accepted.

Foley disagreed with Pease's analysis of the two resolutions, saying the difference between the proposals was "like night and

day." The associate professor felt Pease's proposal was "too mild."

A fourth resolution proposed by Kate Surpless from Bangor Community Campus was unfavored by most faculty receiving only three votes on the first ballot.

The faculty opinion, which will be transmitted to the Governor and the Legislature, appears at a crucial period in the financial debate. The Maine State Legislature is scheduled to begin its debate on the university's \$6.4 million budget request at the beginning of next week.

Student Government President Jim McGowan, who had criticized the faculty's decision to present a resolution, believed the proposal approved at the meeting was "a good one" but would have "little impact on the legislature."

"The only way you're going to get any action from the Legislature," McGowan said, "is to take some sort of concrete action. The Legislature has been through so much that it's tough to get their attention."

Mandala's ethnic entertainment offers variety in song and dance

An elegant French gavotte, a candlelight Hungarian wedding, an acrobatic Russian dance, and a lyrical Israeli suite are a few themes which will highlight the March 20 performance by The Mandala Folk Dance Ensemble. Mandala presents ethnic music, song and dance Saturday at 8 p.m. in Hauck Auditorium.

Mandala, which is Sanskrit for "circle of life," is a Boston group of 30 people, mostly students. They consider international folk dancing a "hobby" and a "consuming interest." Among them is Timothy Burns, a 1972 UMO graduate.

The troupe now has live musicians and singers to accompany their energetic program. Dances range from a Gay Nineties cake-walk to traditional European reels to the ruchenitsa, Bulgaria's national dance.

Often Mandala members travel to countries to gather new dance material as well as native costumes for their shows.

Other costumes in their extensive collection are careful replications.

Since its beginning in 1965, Mandala has performed in the Newport Festival, Boston's "Summerthing", the New England Folk Festival, and at many universities. This is their second visit to UMO. Mandala is funded by the Massachusetts Council on the Arts and Humanities.

Saturday's international folk dance festival is sponsored by MUAB, the Graduate Center and the Memorial Union. Tickets are \$1 and available at the door and in the Union from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. today.

Besides the show, there will be a free warm-up party at 7 p.m. Friday in Estabrooke's Graduate Center. Folk dance workshops will be held in the Dam Yankee Saturday at 1 p.m.

After the performance everyone is welcome to a reception in Estabrooke Hall for the Mandala members.

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Sculptors Carol Bailey and Michael Lalicki will present a slide show and discuss their work, Tuesday, March 23, at 7 in 202 Carnegie Hall. The discussion will include various sculpturing techniques. Anyone interested is welcome to attend.

All interested young women from UMO and BCC are invited to enter the Miss Greater Bangor Scholarship Pageant, May 1. First, second and third place will be awarded \$500, \$300, and \$200 respectively. The winner goes to the Miss Maine Contest and maybe the Miss America Contest. For information write Dennis Witcomb, RFD # 2, Hampden Highlands, 04445, or call evenings, 862-3605.

A free program and slide-show on the works of women artists who deserve rediscovery and reassessment will be presented Monday, March 22, at 7:30 p.m. in 202 Carnegie Hall.

Dianne Belanger of Orono, Diane Courant of Searsport, and Ilka List of Dover-Foxcroft, three UMO art majors who have completed research on women as artists from the Middle Ages to the present, will lead the discussion.

UMO President Dr. Howard R. Neville will open the 24th Annual Institute in Occupational Hearing Loss and the 13th Annual Institute in Industrial Hearing Conservation on June 28, here at UMO.

The Institutes are being held by the Hearing Conservation Noise Control of Philadelphia. The faculty includes Joseph Sataloff, M.D., Professor of Otolaryngology at Jefferson Medical College, and director of both institutes.

The OHL, which runs until July 2, is oriented towards industrial physicians, safety engineers, otolaryngologists, hygienists, health management executives, and administrative personnel. The IHC is concerned with the responsibilities of industrial nurses and those actively interested in hearing test performance.

"Friends of the University" is a group of students and university employees who give up their lunch hour once a week for the sake of UMO. At these weekly noon-time meetings, a core of 15-20 members gets together to generate ideas for raising money to help pull the university through its current financial troubles. They recently sponsored a concert in the Memorial Union with "Coloured Rain" and they have several other events planned, including a Bingo game Tuesday night, March 23, at the American Legion Hall on Park Street in Orono. The game will start at 7 p.m. and there will be prize and money awards.

New England Atlantic Provinces Quebec Center (NEAPQ) will relocate sometime late this spring or early summer to a house at 160 College Ave. The house, presently occupied by James A. Harmon, director of admissions, is owned by UMO.

The plans are to make NEAPQ's present location in Fogler Library into a Government Documents Center. According to NEAPQ director Ronald Tallman, the move will benefit both the library and the center. He said, "Canada House will have an identity...and the library will be getting more space."

Religious

SATURDAY
MASS—Newman Center; 6:15 p.m.

SUNDAY
MASS—Newman Center; 9:45, 11:15 a.m., 6:15 p.m.; Service in 137 Bennet Hall; 11:15 a.m.
MASS—Dow Hall, BCC; 12 noon
MCA WORSHIP DIALOGUE—MCA Center 12 noon

Events

SUNDAY
FOLK DANCE—No. Lown Room; Union 7 p.m.

MONDAY
BEGINNING BACKGAMMON—Bumps Room, Union, 3 p.m.
BAGPIPING—Thurrell Room, Union, 3 p.m.
SLIDE SHOW AND DISCUSSION—on Women artists, 202 Carnegie, 7:30 p.m.
DANCING LESSONS—Jitterbug and Fox Trot; Lown Room Union; 8 p.m.

WEDNESDAY
FLEA MARKET—sponsored by The Crafts Center; North Lown Room, Union; 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Enter-tainment

FRIDAY
FACULTY RECITAL—Kristin Lindley, violin, Kathryn Ann Foley, piano; Lord Hall; 8:15 p.m.
FILM—"Blazing Saddles"; Hauck Auditorium; 7 & 9:30 p.m.
FOLK DANCE WARM-UP PARTY; Damn Yankee; 7-10 p.m.

SATURDAY
FILM—"Tommy"; BCC; 7 & 9 p.m.
FOLK DANCE—featuring MANDALA; Hauck Auditorium; 8 p.m.

SUNDAY
ANIMATED FILM—"Fantastic Planet"; 100 Nutting; 1 & 2:30 p.m.

MONDAY
CLASSICAL GUITARIST—Anton Pawlowski; Lord Hall; 8:15 p.m.

TUESDAY
FILM—"Eighteenth Century Williamsburg FFA Room; 12 noon

Personals

Kath.,
Only I know your birthday is March 25.
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DINNER—Tomato Juice; Baked Boneless Breast of Chicken w/Dressing & Gravy or Creamed Shrimp & Peas; Rice; Parslied Potato; Broccoli Spears; W.K. Corn; Strawberry Ice Cream w/Strawberry Sauce; Orange; Ice Cream; Sherbert

MONDAY, MARCH 22
LUNCH—Cream of Mushroom Soup; Minestrone Soup; Crackers; Corned Beef Hash w/Poached Egg; Salad Bowl; Molded Gingerale & Grapefruit Salad; Tossed Salad; Banana Drop Cookies; Apple; Ice Cream; Sherbert

DINNER—Veal Parmigiana or Baked Haddock Fillet w/lemon; Whipped Potato; Spinach; Carrot Strips; Green Salad; French Bread; Blueberry Cake w/cream cheese icing; Pineapple Chunks; Ice Cream; Sherbert

TUESDAY, MARCH 23
LUNCH—Vegetable Soup-Crackers; Apple Fritters-Syrup; Sausage(2) or Chicken Salad w/ Potato Chips; Peach & Cottage Cheese Salad; Shredded Lettuce; Blond Brownie w/Peanut Butter Icing; Orange; Ice Cream; Sherbert

Sports

WOMEN'S BASKETBALL—State Tournament; Memorial Gym; 5 p.m.

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—Carefully examines traditional instructional activities

IV. Comments _____

Group proposes changes in Maine tax structure

BY DOUG CURTIS

A group known as the Citizens' Committee on the Maine Economy (CCME) has come up with an alternative tax structure they hope will be passed in the 108th Maine Legislature.

The new system, as designed, would raise tax revenues in the state by 20-22 per cent for a net gain of over \$100 million. This money would be used to fund the needs of this state, including the full funding of the Super-U system.

David Vail, spokesman for CCME, told a group of UMO students and faculty Monday the committee was established last fall for the purpose of presenting an

equitable tax structure to the people of Maine.

The CCME has recommended three major changes in the Maine tax structure. The first calls for shifting the tax rates on incomes over \$18,000 very steeply. Secondly, the committee would get rid of unfair loopholes and deductions only the rich can benefit from. This means disassociating the state tax form from the federal tax form. According to the group, it also means cutting out tax shelters on interest from municipal bonds and capital gains that allow millionaires to pay less income tax than paper mill workers.

Finally, the group feels the new progressive income tax program should

become the state's main revenue source, instead of bringing in only about 9 per cent of Maine taxes and forcing reliance on regressive taxes.

Currently, Maine receives 65 per cent of its revenue from regressive taxes such as sales or property tax. These taxes are regressive because they take the biggest "bite" out of families with the lowest incomes. A progressive tax, such as the income tax, increases with your ability to pay.

The goals of the CCME are twofold. First, they want to shift the tax structure to become more progressive, and also maintain full employment in the state. The group did not define what full employment is.

The program they proposed would be similar to the Works Progress Administration program which took place in the New Deal era. This program would last for no more than 30 weeks at any one project and it would be designed to repave old roads, to provide jobs and bring money into local communities. Money to support the program would come from a surtax on corporations making more than \$25,000 in profits, federal unemployment monies and the state's general fund.

The CCME says the closing of loopholes alone in the Maine tax structure will raise 20 million dollars.

Vail also advocated raising the corporate tax rate in Maine steeply. Presently, Maine has the lowest effective corporate profits tax rate in New England, a rate only about 50 per cent of the national average.

The group also advocates a tax on personal wealth, especially on stocks and bonds. They expect this additional revenue will be \$12-20 million.

The biggest hike in taxes would occur at the personal income tax level. By raising the taxes steeply for families making \$18,000 or more per year the group expects to raise between \$70-80 million. At the same time low-income families will be taxed less because of the shift in tax burden would be based on the ability to pay.

Vail also noted that the wealth tax would only affect 1/2 per cent of Maine's

population. His group calls for a "nest egg" of \$30,000 in wealth to be retained by the family as tax exempt for such purposes as retirement, education, and medical expenses. This would only tax the wealth of an individual over \$30,000.

CCME also recommends that homeowners and low income renters be protected from the regressiveness of the property tax by a homestead exemption on the first \$10,000 of value of owner-occupied housing and by an income tax rebate for renter's who pay the landlord's property tax for him.

The CCME also suggested a law be passed to require public disclosure of corporate information on Maine sales, profits, and tax loopholes used, in order to keep businesses in Maine more honest.

Proposal will impose fees for student health service

Students who obtain health care at the infirmary will have a choice of two types of fees to pay next year if the state legislature doesn't restore UMO budget cuts. Vice President of Student Affairs Arthur Kaplan and Dr. Robert Graves have put together a plan so that the comprehensive health plan now available to students will be maintained.

Under a proposal submitted to President Neville the first choice would be a voluntary health fee, probably included in the semester bill. A sum of \$14 per semester (an average of \$1 per week) would enable students to obtain all the services they now receive at the infirmary. These include physician and nurse service and lab services and medication. Students will also be able to buy health and accident insurance for \$32 per year.

Kaplan pointed out that many New England land grant schools have a mandatory health fee of this type. Students at UMass-Amherst must pay \$46 per semester, while students pay \$40 at Rhode Island and \$32 at Vermont. UConn has also implemented a health fee and UNH is considering it.

Those students who choose not to pay the fee, will be charged approximately 40 per cent of the actual cost of services they receive. The university will continue to subsidize the Health Center about 60 per cent of the costs. Students who use this plan will still have access to the "cold table", where common cold medications are, and initial emergency care.

Kaplan added that prepaid options or a fee schedule will be extended to summer students.

DLS features Bill Toomey

Bill Toomey, world record holder in the decathlon and a member of President Gerald Ford's commission on Olympic sports, will be the next speaker in UMO's Distinguished Lecture Series, Wednesday, March 24, at 8 p.m. in the Memorial Gym.

Toomey is the recipient of the 1969 AAU Sullivan Award, bestowed on the athlete judged to have "by performance and example done most to advance the cause of good sportsmanship and amateur athletics."

As the winner of the 1968 Olympic decathlon, he was accorded the title of "World's Greatest Athlete," and inducted into the U.S. Track and Field Hall of Fame in 1975.

Toomey won four consecutive National AAU Pentathlon championships, five consecutive National AAU Decathlon championships, set the world record in the Decathlon in 1966 and 1969, won the World

Student Games Decathlon in Hungary in 1965, the Pan-American Games Decathlon in Winnipeg in 1967, and the British Isle Decathlon championship in London in 1968. In addition to his numerous athletic championships, Toomey's academic background includes a B.A. degree in journalism from the University of Colorado and an M.A. degree from Stanford University. He holds a California Teaching Credential in general and secondary education, and has been selected one of the University of Colorado's four "Alumni of the Century."

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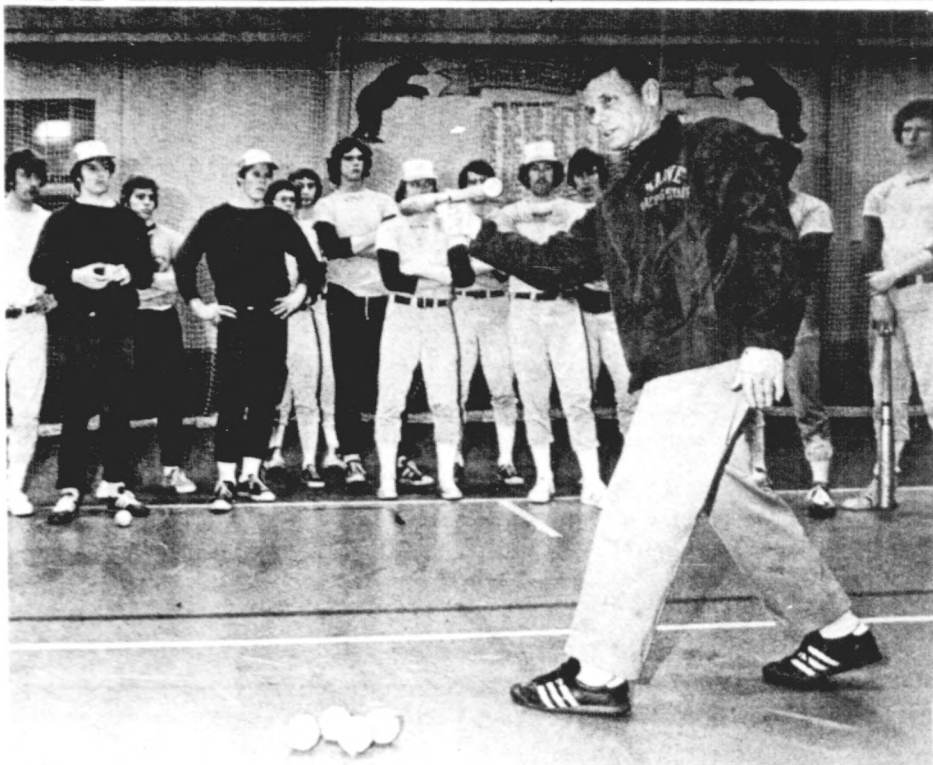


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John Winkin, coach of the Black Bear baseball team, instructs his players on proper batting techniques. The Maine nine are

readying themselves for their upcoming Florida Trip on March 25.

Bouncing the ball around...

In response to Commissioner Bowie Kuhn's cry of "Play ball", baseball teams have opened their training camps. And another American tradition continues on...the women's gymnastics team placed third among twelve schools with a score of 72.90 behind Keene St. (78.95), and Vermont (84.4) in the weekend tri-state meet. Because Maine failed to reach the 83-point level in any single meet, they weren't eligible to compete in the upcoming Eastern regionals. "But it's important that the girls continue to improve their skills as well as their dedication," said coach Jeanne Walsh, noting the time lapse between now and the "States" on April 17...Voting the Boston Celtics for NBA MVP selected Kareem Abdul Jabbar (9 votes), Jim Chones (2) and Earl "The Pearl" Monroe (1) received other votes. The Celtics weren't allowed to select teammates. My choice is the incomparable and ever-hustling Dave Cowens...The New England Women's Intercollegiate Fencing Championships were decided this past weekend and Maine placed sixth. Barb Maling finished in 6th place for the most outstanding performer award...Arlene Hiss, female race car driver, has made numerous enemies in her latest quest for equality. While racing recently, she was black flagged for driving too slow and almost hit a track fireman. There have been talks of a male boycott of any race she enters next...It's a good thing the baseball team leaves for their Southern trip. With 12 inches of snow, it might be a wee bit troublesome to field a

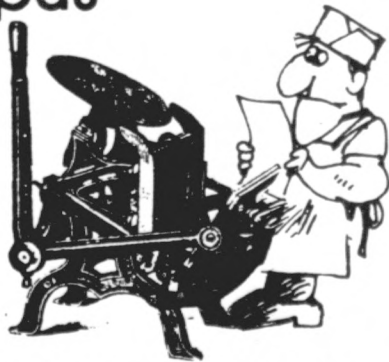
groundball with any success. Florida, Maine isn't...Joe Frazier and George Foreman have agreed to fight, most likely at the Madison Square Garden but the time isn't set as yet. For Joe's sake, I hope he lasts more than the second round. The first time these two greats met, Frazier lost his championship to Foreman...For those of you who missed the article, Bill Toomey, acclaimed "World's Greatest Athlete" after the 1968 Olympics, will speak here at UMO on March 24. His lecture subject hasn't been disclosed...Jim Plunkett for back-up quarterback Tom Owens and four draft choices (two of which are first round) seems fair enough to me. Plunkett wants to head west anyway, and his physical condition is below par. He had a shoulder operation last year and strained knee ligaments. Also, his playing performances have been too erratic for Chuck Fairbanks. At any rate, San Francisco (the team New England is dealing with) is completely checking Plunkett's physical status...The women's basketball team will meet the winner of the UMPG-UMF match (played last night) Friday (tonight) at 8 p.m. at the Memorial Gym. The final game for "A" division is scheduled for Saturday at 5 p.m....Now that there are 16 teams remaining in the NCAA Division I basketball championships, I can foresee a Marquette-U.C.L.A. final match-up providing the Bruins get by Nevada-Las Vegas and the Warriors contain Scott May and Indiana, two formidable foes...Won't you please play John Havlicek, won't you please play?

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Sports

Gannett and Lambda Chi continue All-Points lead

Gannett Hall and Lambda Chi Alpha continue to lead in The All-Points Trophy and B.C.Kent trophy standings, as the Intramural spring schedule gets under way.

Gannett has 616 points, in defense of their crown, and Oxford Hall maintains the runner-up position with 502½ points. Following the pair in the dormitory competition are Knox, Dunn, Corbett, Aroostook, Stodder, and Chadbourne. All have over three hundred points.

Lambda Chi was well back in the pack in 1975, but currently has 495½ points, with last year's titlist Phi Eta Kappa running second with 484½. Also in the close race are Alpha Gamma Rho (470) followed by Phi Kappa Sigma, and Phi Gamma Delta.

Gannett Hall's Penthouse basketball team took their third consecutive dormitory championship in the recently-held playoffs. The Penthouse won all their playoff games easily, including the final by 26 points.

Gannett also captured the B league title as their 4B team swept through the regular

season undefeated, topped Knox 4N, 64-48 for the dorm title and added the campus B championship over Phi Eta Kappa 70-63.

"Hole in the Wall" again won the off-campus championship by stopping the Langford's 78-70, then proceeded to drop Penthouse 77-67 for the campus A lid. They were undefeated throughout as was Gannett 4B.

Sigma Alpha Epsilon won the seasonal titles in both A and B division of the Fraternity basketball league. The A team advanced to the final championship game but the B team was derailed by Pek-B.

Volleyball resumed this week, with defending champions Chadbourne-E, Alpha Gamma Rho, and B.S.S. defending their Fall crowns.

The 1976 IMMA Wrestling meet will be held Saturday, March 20, in the UMO Wrestling Room, with 90 participants, and the Co-ed free throw tourney will be held on March 25, according to Director David Ames.

Women host basketball tourney

The UMO women's basketball team will compete against four of the best schools in Maine during the 1976 Women's Basketball State Championships which began on March 18.

Maine, top-seeded in the top "A" division will defend its ranking again against Husson (5-3), state champion last year, UM-Portland-Gorham (5-3), UM-Presque Isle (5-3), and UM-Farmington (0-8).

Maine's only loss came at the hands of Husson on March 9. "We might have peaked too soon in the season," said Eileen Fox. But it's hard to get yourself up throughout the whole schedule.

Since anything can happen in tournament action, coach Fox portrays an optimistic but apprehensive tone with her predictions. "I feel we have the most potential, but we also have a lot of new

people (7 freshmen) and we'll just have to see how they'll do."

Fox, coach for U.M.P.G. last year sees Husson as their biggest obstacle. "They always give my teams a hard time, especially if we play at Husson. They have a scrappy club. The half-court press, which they still use, is their best defense."

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