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Weekend

# Maine Campus

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*Voter turnout exceeds predictions*

## O'Leary, Elze elected

BY JIM KILEY  
AND JOHN PADDOCK

Dan O'Leary won a relatively easy contest for student government president Wednesday night, while his running mate, Diane Elze, won the vice-presidency by 170 votes over Meri Strang. The election capped off a low-key campaign with a larger than expected voter turnout.

O'Leary finished with 1,139 votes. Bob Small received 731 votes and Carl Pease was third with 382 votes. Elze won the vice-president's seat with 935 votes. Strang received 765 votes and Dan Casavant, 486 votes.

Twenty-five per cent of the student body, or about 2,300 students voted Wednesday. About 50 of the votes were write-ins. This was between 400 and 1,000 more votes than was predicted by various student government members.

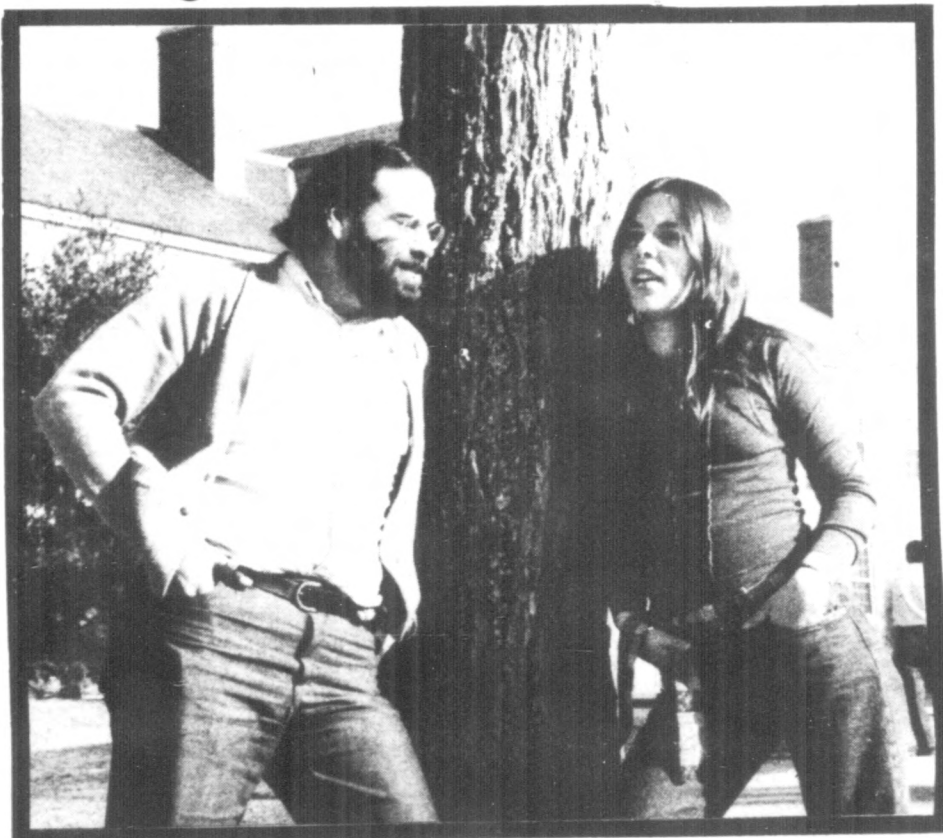
There has been a steady increase in student voter turnout over the past four years and, although there was a slight decline this year compared to last, O'Leary said he was "amazed" at the number that did vote. He had expected less student interest in the elections this year.

O'Leary added that since he didn't know why the turnout was high, he would like to run a survey to find out more about student voting habits and why they are so unpredictable.

O'Leary said he "expected a closer race, with Small and Strang the people to beat." He credited a "coherent platform based on the issues" as a deciding factor. He also mentioned the endorsements of the *Maine Campus* and Jim McGowan as influential in his victory.

Elze said she was "pleasantly surprised" at the outcome and, although she was confident Dan would win she was "much less confident" about her chances. O'Leary as running mate was "the factor" in her victory, she said. O'Leary, however, said, "We decided to run as a team and it was as a team we got elected."

Concerning the voter turnout, Elze was less enthusiastic than O'Leary. "I find it hard to believe only 2,300 students out of 9,000 would vote," she said.



Dan O'Leary and Diane Elze

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O'Leary and Elze will assume their offices at a senate meeting Wednesday night.

Out-going President Jim McGowan, who predicted 575 voters, said, "The voting turnout was more than I expected. I'm pleased with the turn-out but I thought it still could have been more." McGowan said it was a low-key election which must have been helped by the exposure given by the *Maine Campus* and WMEB radio.

Last year almost 3,000 students voted in the election which McGowan won with 1,704 votes. However, he said there was also a referendum on a student activity fee last year which helped draw out the vote. He also attributed last year's turnout to a "very active campaign" conducted by more candidates.

Strang was disappointed in the turnout as a whole. Although she predicted 2,500 votes and was only 200 off, she thought if

more on-campus people had voted she would have won the vice presidential election. "I only lost by 170 votes and it would have made a difference if more of those people had voted," she said.

Carl Pease said the total vote "was much higher than I expected. It must prove that students aren't quite as apathetic as some people think they are."

Casavant, who came in third for vice-president said he did "better than expected for the amount of work I did."

"If I really had a chance of winning I should have made a platform speech concerning the issues long ago instead of waiting until the night before the elections."

Casavant called O'Leary "quite capable—have a lot of faith in him." Diane Elze, he said, "seems very confident in her decisions and that's a quality that really can't be overlooked." Although Meri Strang didn't win, Casavant said she "should be a key figure in student government next year, probably one of the more influential student members."

Small was also surprised by the large turnout. He had only predicted 1,500 voters but said it was really hard to gauge just how many would vote. Small said he was "pleased that all the candidates kept the campaign issue-oriented" and felt he will be able to work with both O'Leary and Elze next year.

Jamie Eves was elected president of the Off-Campus Board (OCB) with 231 votes, while Keith Davis had 202 votes for vice president. Both were unopposed in this special election for off-campus students only.

Although the student vote declined slightly since last year, most of the candidates were satisfied with the turnout. They also agreed that last minute exposure and door-to-door salesmanship helped in increasing the turnout.

It even enabled write-in candidates like Jim McGowan and Jeff Beebe to receive a few votes each. Henry Kissinger, Patty Hearst (from off-campus) and Cricket Lighter were also among the 50 write-in votes.

## She sent a post card to tell them where to find her

BY JEFF W. BEEBE

Sometime Tuesday, Martha Szetela, a 23-year-old senior forestry engineering major at UMO, dropped a post card in a mail box and walked to the Agricultural Engineering barn on Sebago road. She went into the basement, into a laboratory she had been familiar with as a work-study student and shut herself in a refrigerator.

Three members of the campus police department opened the refrigerator minutes after 10 a.m. Wednesday morning and found her dead from suffocation. Dr. Dan Meyer, a medical examiner called to the scene, determined Szetela had been dead between 12 and 24 hours.

The post card had arrived in the U.S. mail delivery at the Counseling Center in Fernald Hall at 10 a.m. Wednesday. Dr. Charles Grant, director of counseling services, immediately relayed its message to campus police.

"I'm in the basement of the Agricultural Engineering barn, in Dr. Hassan's old laboratory," said the handwritten post card. It was her second reported attempt to take her life.

During the academic year 1974-75 she had worked with Dr. Awatif Hassan on a "methane digestion" project, in which she and Mrs. Hassan were trying to

perfect a process to convert poultry manure into methane fuel.

Martha Ann Szetela came to UMO in the fall of 1974 as a transfer student from the University of Hartford, in Connecticut, and Manchester Community College, which is located in her home town of Manchester, Ct. "She was a work-study student for Dr. Hassan,"

**"I'm in the basement of the Agricultural Engineering barn, in Dr. Hassan's old laboratory."**

Mrs. Sharon R. Soucie, a secretary for the Department of Agricultural Engineering. "She didn't put in all that many hours, because she was pretty busy."

Mrs. Hassan and her husband left to teach at Duke University in North Carolina following the spring 1975 semester.

Szetela was indeed busy at UMO. She was an honors

student, and she was department photographer and editor of the student newsletter in the agricultural engineering department, said Dr. Norman Smith, chairman of that department and Szetela's academic adviser.

She was involved in the Newman Center programs also, said Sister Marie West. She was a member of the parish council, a member of the finance and administration committee there, and she sang in a folk group.

Smith said she and Dr. Hassan also worked together to produce slide programs to take around the state and present to high schools. She ran a small darkroom in the basement of the agricultural engineering building.

"Everything she did with us, you couldn't fault her a bit," recalled Smith Wednesday. "Martha was a bit of a perfectionist. Everything she did was really cracker-jack," he added. Several of her photographs of a cider-pressing demonstration on the mall were published in a national agricultural engineering journal.

Sister Marie said Szetela was a very frequent visitor at the Newman Center on College Avenue. "She used the center to work on many of her projects, and she studied in the lounge," said Sister Marie. "She would

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Martha Szetela, right, working in an engineering laboratory with Rinda Ward and Cheryl W. McFarland, two UMO agricultural engineering majors.

## ● Martha Szetela

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put herself out at times to help out on another project, or take on a project.

"She was the kind of a girl who didn't ever create a stir at all, yet when she's gone it creates a void," continued Sister Marie. "She certainly was a great part of the place. I wish we'd all been able to help show her what a part of us she was."

Neither Mrs. Soucie or Sister Marie, two of Szetela's closest friends, were able to offer any explanation of what may have led Szetela to make two attempts to take her life.

Last Friday, April 9, she had shut herself into the refrigerator in her apartment after putting a note on the door telling her roommate to call the police. Her roommate came home at noontime, earlier than usual according to Orono police chief Thomas Landers, who responded to her call with an ambulance crew.

Landers said the roommate had not entered the room before police arrived, and that when they opened the refrigerator Szetela "was not unconscious." She was taken to the university infirmary by the ambulance crew. Dr. Robert Graves, director of the Cutler Health Center, said she remained there overnight and was released Saturday morning.

Sister Marie said she last saw Szetela Sunday morning. "She was at our Mass in Bennett Hall, much to my surprise. She was in the folk group and sang that day, and I spoke with her a little bit afterwards, and tried to get her by phone later, just to see how she was doing, and was not able to," said Sister Marie.

According to Mrs. Soucie, who saw Szetela Monday morning in the agricultural engineering department office, "she was in most of the day" working.

Szetela's roommate saw her last Tuesday morning.

Friday through Monday Szetela was in contact with the Counseling Center in Fernald Hall but "she missed an appointment Tuesday morning, which caused us

concern," said Director Dr. Charles O. Grant.

Grant said the Counseling Center personnel deals with cases of attempted suicide by establishing and maintaining close contact with the person.

"We try to see them two or three times a day, briefly, to keep up the contact, and to see family, and friends, and roommates, and get them to establish contacts," Grant explained.

"The thing you try to do," said Grant, "is you try to make effective personal, emotional contact with the person, because they're in the process of cutting themselves off from everything. If you can make significant interpersonal contact with somebody, it gives them something to hang onto while they're dealing with the problems leading them in the direction of suicide," he said.

"This is one of those situations where we were unable to achieve the necessary contact," Grant said. "You can only learn from a person as much as they want you to know."

Mrs. Soucie and Sister Marie both described Szetela as a quiet, but likeable, student and friend. "She had quite a bit of stuff going, and she was quite a bit to herself," said Mrs. Soucie.

"I feel strongly that her life did have great potential," said Sister Marie. "But now I understand she only saw the less pleasant aspects of her life." Szetela had a 3.803 accumulative grade point average, and she needed only 4 credit hours this semester to receive her degree.

"I feel a lot of sadness that a life with so much potential is gone now. I wish she could have been helped to know more about it, to see that great potential," Sister Marie said.

Grant feels the same sadness. "What's most disappointing is to see that ambivalence we know is there in a person, and to try and reach that part of a person that wants to keep on living—which was very weak in this case—and sometimes you can reach it and sometimes you can't."



Dr. Charles O. Grant

photo by Rhett Wieland

## DLS lecturer foresees ascendant Third World

Third World countries may be the next "demon" chosen by the United States as a threatening force to be fought, stated Egbal Ahmad, Third World foreign policy expert, presented by the Distinguished Lecture series Tuesday night.

Ahmad spoke on the present U.S. foreign policy as constructed by Secretary of State Henry Kissinger, and its evolution since the Indochina war.

Present U.S. foreign policy, including detente with the USSR, is a direct result of losing the number one world power position it held for so many years, said Ahmad. "By the mid 1960's, it was clear that the circumstances and factors that defined the United States as the number one power in the world during the post-World-War-Two era were disappearing. This presented the U.S. with a choice: either develop a new policy based on the new position of the U.S. in regard to foreign countries, or reconstruct the same old policy to keep the appearance of being the world's #1 power."

Ahmad listed five factors that had once determined the U.S.'s power, which now have changed or disappeared.

(1) Strategic superiority through weapons, primarily the nuclear bomb, lost when the USSR attained strategic parity with the U.S.

(2) Dependence of Europe and Japan on the U.S., who were left in economic ruin after World War Two.

(3) The ability to be a world police force, intervening with Third World economic and social revolutions, to protect U.S. business interests.

Ahmad elaborated: prior to the Viet Nam war, the U.S. had held, supposedly, a doctrine of "Limited Force", in regard to foreign intervention, Ahmad stated. The policies exhibited during the Viet Nam

war destroyed that doctrine. The U.S. had long been intervening in foreign revolutions and insurrections in order to protect corporate interests, following this policy of "Limited Force" or "Invisible Force". Limited by whom, Ahmad asked. Invisible to whom? Surely not to those being bombed, seeing their villages...those being intervened against, he declared.

(4) Ability of U.S. leaders to conduct a strong and aggressive foreign policy.

(5) The position of economic superiority, held by the U.S. after World War Two. Unchallenged for years, this position was lost between 1968-1975, when the American dollar was devalued three times.

The loss of these precious levers over other world powers forced the U.S. into making new policies, Ahmad said. Those constructed by Henry Kissinger were designed to maintain the U.S.'s appearance of being a world power.

The new policies are based on maintaining new levers against foreign countries, Ahmad stated and making allies with fascist countries. According to Ahmad the fascist state is a healthy environment for U.S. interests and the U.S. has devised a new power constellation of fascist countries with the exception of Israel.

While faced with a loss of power, (through the strategic parity with other countries) and abandonment of the "limited force" policy, the U.S. must also cope with a public with divided opinions on foreign policy since the Viet Nam war, Ahmad said.

The answer to this, he said, lies in finding a "demon" to rally the public against a threat which concerns the entire population, as the "red, yellow, and black perils" have in the past.

"I am very afraid that the new demon for the U.S. will be the Third World countries. I really am afraid," he said.

## UMOSG endorses McGowan to fill next Trustee vacancy

The University of Maine Organization of Student Governments (UMOSG) announced it will recommend that outgoing UMO student government president Jim McGowan be considered for filling an upcoming vacancy on the Board of Trustees.

That position is now held by former UMO President Winthrop C. Libby, whose term expires on May 26, 1976. Libby has served on the Board of Trustees since 1975, completing the unexpired term of Steven Hughes, who was appointed to the board in 1968, as a student representative.

UMOSG chairman-elect Douglas P. Gillespie said Thursday a letter will be sent to Governor James Longley next week, urging him to strongly consider McGowan for the trustee position.

Gillespie also said letters will probably be sent from each of the student governments in the University of Maine system showing McGowan's broad-based support from the students in the system.

The letter will expound on several points, Gillespie said. One is that the governor has repeatedly said he wants a consumer representative on each of the state's boards and committees. A student, as a consumer of education, would be such a representative, Gillespie emphasized.

Other points Gillespie will emphasize are that McGowan, "has been active in UMOSG, is a representative of the university's largest campus, and has a good understanding of the total university system."

UMOSG has traditionally sent a recommendation for a student each time there is a vacancy on the Board of Trustees, often with no hope the student will be seriously considered for the position, Gillespie continued. But he felt the governor will seriously consider McGowan for the position, both as someone the governor has worked with and respects and as a qualified student representative.

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O'Leary	101	225	184	137	23	152	32	286	1139
Small	75	94	87	244	1	164	23	43	731
Pease	54	67	69	29	4	122	7	30	382
Elze	97	200	90	132	10	108	22	276	935
Strang	85	96	53	238	3	205	30	55	765
Casavant	36	72	217	26	14	90	7	24	486

Score Card

## Winners and losers assess election results

BY JIM KILEY AND JOHN PADDOCK

There were many reasons why the Dan O'Leary-Diane Elze ticket won the overall election, including a strong unified platform and ticket, good exposure, campaigning and endorsements, but the biggest influence might have been the old "home-court" advantage factor.

It was obvious during the ballot-counting where each of the six candidates was strongest. Most of the candidates had already conceded different complexes before the actual counting had begun. It was the candidates who had the broadest base of support who ended the winners.

In analyzing his victory, O'Leary said he expected to carry his two strongholds, the off-campus and Hilltop votes. He easily beat Small and Pease in the off-campus voting as did his running mate Diane Elze. O'Leary received 286 votes, or 80 per cent, to Bob Small's 43 and Carl Pease's 30, while Elze had 276, Meri Strang 55 and Dan Casavant finished with 24.

O'Leary figured he would do well at Hilltop because he used to live there. Elze said, "We did a lot more campaigning there and we had another student working with us." Pease and Strang thought the O'Leary-Elze ticket would take Hilltop because Hilltop usually votes for the most liberal candidate. O'Leary and Elze easily won this complex with O'Leary taking 225 votes or 58 per cent to Small's 94 and Pease's 67. Elze had 200 votes for vice president while Strang had 96 and Casavant finished with 72 there.

Student government members considered York complex as the "test area" on how the election would go because no candidate came from there. Hilltop didn't have a candidate running either but this complex was thought to be leaning in the O'Leary-Elze direction anyway. Both O'Leary and Elze won in this test complex. O'Leary received 101 votes to Small's 75 and Pease's 54, while Elze's 95 votes

barely topped Strang's 85. Dan Casavant finished third with 36 votes for vice president.

O'Leary also won in Stewart complex and fraternity balloting, but he failed to carry his running mate Elze in either of these areas. O'Leary easily took Stewart with 184 votes. Bob Small finished with 87 votes and Pease had 69. However, Casavant took 60 per cent of the vote in his home complex with 217 votes. Diane Elze only had 90 votes there and Strang had 53.

In the fraternity voting O'Leary's 32 votes topped Small's 23 and Pease's seven. However, Meri Strang won the fraternity's vice-presidential vote with 30 votes. Elze was second with 22 and Casavant had seven. Most of the candidates thought this voter showing was poor but blamed it on the placement of the ballot box. Last year fraternity students had three ballot boxes in three houses. This year there was only one in the Union.

Casavant was particularly pleased with his Stewart showing but said he expected to do well there. O'Leary and Elze were not surprised by the good showing of Casavant in his own complex and noted that Strang and Small also won their complexes with relative ease. Small finished with 244 votes or 60 per cent in Stodder, compared to O'Leary's 137 and Pease's 29. His running mate, Meri Strang, had 238 votes, while Elze had 132 and Casavant received 26.

In Wells, the voting for president was close. Small received 164 votes to O'Leary's 152. Pease had his best showing in Wells with 122.

Strang finished first in Wells, for vice president, 205 to Elze's 108 and Casavant's 90. Strang, from Hancock, expected to do well there and her appearance on the ticket probably brought added votes to Small.

The only real controversy which developed at all during this election occurred when Bob Small delivered a letter Thursday morning to President Jim



The ballot counting went swiftly Wednesday night in student government offices. All the ballots

were counted and the winners announced two hours after the polls closed.

photo by Jim Kiley

McGowan with a list of election complaints. However, Small said he wasn't logging a formal complaint because most of his complaints were due to human errors and he felt it would take too long to have another election. Small also said he didn't feel the election was close enough for a formal complaint.

Small complained that due to the suicide on campus the campus police were late in getting some of the ballot boxes to the complexes. Small said the box for Stodder didn't get to the dining hall until 12:30, one hour late. He suggested they might be delivered the night before the election next year by the student government's Fair Elections Practices Committee. He said they could deliver the ballots on election day next year much easier.

Small also felt some on-campus students could have voted twice by using their meal

tickets in their commons and then going to vote in the union with their I.D. cards. He suggested next year the committee should decide that only I.D. cards should be used. He also felt the fraternities didn't have as much of a chance to vote this year as they did last year.

Casavant said the only upsetting thing that occurred during the campaign resulted Tuesday night when the candidates spoke on a WMEB radio show. "Someone called up and criticized McGowan for being partial to O'Leary. What he failed to understand was that he (McGowan) was only interested in the credibility of the senate for next year and his endorsement was made to insure that credibility for next year."

Casavant called the election "a test" for him. "I'm thinking of running next year and it was a good experience for me."

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To add to that alleged abuse of the power of the press, we had the audacity to be on the side of the winners! But it's good to know when you stick your neck out that more than a thousand of your peers agree with you.

Seriously, however, we don't mind critical discussion of the power of the press, or of our right to use it, or our style of using it.

What we are just about fed up with is the mindless babbling from those who know less than nothing about the newspaper business who try to tell us that as reporters and editors and as journalists we have a responsibility to be objective in every thought we think.

Objectivity is a myth.

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## Editorial

honesty, and sincerity. That is what we require of ourselves and what we believe we owe to those who value our opinions enough to turn to this page to find out what we have to say.

And just as strongly as we believe we have a duty to be accurate, fair, honest, and sincere, we believe it is our duty to say what needs to be said—to encourage improvement, to protest inequity, to criticize incompetency, to suggest a course of action. In short, we feel a very real duty to lead.

Those who believe that the words that fall on this page are nothing more than the throbbing of an orgasmic lust for power could not be more wrong.

An editorial office is an incredible magnet, day in and day out, every minute of the day. It collects facts, ideas, complaints, requests, judgements, successes, tragedies, opinions, and emotions. In it are focused countless curious details of our lives, and the questions that accompany them.

And no person who ever reports an event or an issue can live that experience without forming an opinion based on the many details discovered in the hunt for who, what, when, where, how and the merciless why.

When the events and issues we cover may have significant effect on our lives, on your lives, or on our approach to life, we believe we owe it to you, who place a great trust in us, to let you know what we think.

## Commentary **JIM KILEY** / Good luck to the Class of 1984

My younger brother Wiley Kiley is 14 now, he wants to come to UMO and major in something in liberal arts. I keep telling him he's crazy: "be a plumber, an electrician even a backhoe operator for cripe's sake, but not a liberal arts major." He keeps telling me to stop trying to run his life. He says I'm just like Dustin Hoffman's relative in "The Graduate" who says one word, "plastics". So I've given up, let him learn from his own mistakes, he's probably gonna come here anyway. I can just picture what it'll be like when I call him up after his first month here.

Sept. 30, 1980

"Hi Wiley, this is Jim, how're you doing?"

"Oh not too bad, although sometimes I didn't think I'd make it through the first month."

"Make it through the month!" Why you've still got 45 more months to go. What happened Wiley?"

"Well, first of all, the John F. Collins memorial registration rush was murder."

"The John F. Collins what?"

"You remember John Collins, Jim. He was the university's registrar back in '76 when you graduated. He had to shelve the old pre-registration method to save money in our early days of retrenchment."

"Ya, I remember him, but why's it called a memoriai?"

"Boy Jim, you've really detached yourself from here. Don't you remember he was run over by 237 seniors in the "Pit" in the fall of '78 when he got caught between the Ps. 31 sign-up table and the first opening of the doors?"

"Oh yeah, that sounds vaguely familiar. How's his idea working out anyway?"

"Not too bad. I started camping out in front of the gym right after dinner at Stewart the night before registration began. I was one of the first kids in line so I was able to get five courses I can put up with, and I only fell down twice during the initial rush when the doors opened! You should have seen some of those kids who slipped and couldn't get back up. They were carrying them out of the "Pit" on stretchers like flies. Is this how the "Pit" got its name?"

"No Wiley, it used to be a basketball hothouse. It was always packed; an opposing player's nightmare. It even made "Sports Illustrated", but for some strange reason the fans stopped coming in droves right after this. People were talking about some sort of a jinx, but I didn't really know what was going on."

"Oh forget that Jim, let me tell you what my courses are. I got Zo 3 Monday and Wednesday from 7:00-8:00 and a Saturday lab from 5:30-8:00."

"That's crazy; that lab isn't Saturday night is it?"

"No Jim that's in the morning, remember classes only go from sunrise to sunset now. It's a measure they say that'll save millions in electricity. They lock up all the classroom buildings at dusk now except for the Bear's Den and the game room on the bottom floor of the union. Even the library is closed. They figure everyone's up so early for classes, no one's going to study at night anyway."

"Someone must be protesting Wiley. Why one year the library closed on Saturday mornings and there were scores of protests until it opened."

"Nope, everyone seems to be used to it now. There was one protest letter to the "Daily Maine Campus" by someone named Mack Campbell the very first week of the semester, but nothing ever happened. He was probably just some eager freshman who wanted to crack the books. And besides, in the next day's paper Rocko Baillero, our star running back, wrote a letter saying how we must conserve energy or he'd punch this Campbell and anyone else right in the mouth. This kind of stopped any open-the-library movement. What? Oh yeah, you must've heard of Baillero, he's got a football scholarship. I think he's a transfer from Walpole State or something like that in Massachusetts."

"What's this about the "Maine Campus" going daily?"

"It's true, Jim, they started it this semester. It's a Monday-Friday paper; they have the weekends off. I guess it's the only thing that's expanded here in the last four years. This year there will be 331 journalism graduates and over 500 from the freshman class have expressed an interest to major in it. There's even a report that the journalism department will get back their fourth faculty member. Remember the position got wiped out in the 20% cut of '77."

"Well at least they've got a large pool of writers. Are they doing a good job?"

"It hasn't been a hot-bed for news so far, Jim. Let me read you this week's lead stories: Leaves start to fall from mall elms. Black bear's knees completed when funds give out. University cows now milked for profit. Library addition closes due to lack of use and Rocko Baillero jumps bail; will play at UConn Saturday."

"Gee I guess you're right Wiley, there's not one budget story there. It must be dull."

"Oh it's never dull Jim, just weird. Even our new director of police and safety, Jeff Temple, is weird."

"Jeff Temple is head of the campus police?"

"Yes, Jim, in fact he's the only member of the campus police left. All the others were phased out. Temple was kept because he was low man on the totem pole. Now he's the director of police. He rides around campus all the time and he's always pulling over cars who run stop signs, especially if they look like out-of-state visitors to UMO."

"It's kind of hard for him to pull over cars now because they took his blue lights away last year to save money. He has to use a bullhorn out his window to call the cars to a stop. He does a good impression of a siren, but he hasn't mastered the flashing lights yet."

"You should hear him riding around campus when he's not pulling someone over. He sticks the bullhorn out the window and yells 'It's the Jeff Temple Show.' And then he starts singing these queer songs from the early '70's. I heard he used to be on the radio or something, but I don't believe it."

"Well, Wiley, at least he's trying hard, and he must enjoy having that whole police house to himself."

"Oh no Jim, where've you been. All Temple's had for the last year is his car. When the campus police was almost completely phased out the Nevilles moved into the police house and put the President's home up for sale. Pres. Neville said the profit from the sale would go to the university's E & G budget, whatever that meant. He said it would save the English department for at least one more year. But who cares right, we all know how to speak English."

"So who bought the house, Wiley?"

"You know that guy who owns Silver's that auto parts place in Orono? Well he bought it."

"Gee, Wiley, it mustn't seem the same without the President living there. Well I really wouldn't know. The house still looks nice, but you should see the front lawn. It's unbelievable. I heard we were going to get a neon sign something like Silver's North on it, but a lot of people were worried that parents would drive right by the campus come parents' weekend."

"Listen Jim I really got to go. Me and the rest of the guys in my quadruple..."

"What! You're in a quadruple, Wiley?"

"Yeah, two bunk beds. Don't worry Jim, we've got enough room to build a bar in one corner. We're getting along fine. Well anyway we've got a basket rented in the field house from 3-3:30 and I'm going to stop by the Health Center to make an appointment for a check-up on my way there."

"Wait a minute Wiley. You've got to rent a basket in the fieldhouse and make an appointment for a check-up! What's going on up there anyway!"

"Don't get excited Jim. We would have had to eliminate our nationally competitive basketball team last year if it wasn't for this rent-a-basket program. Hell, \$25 ain't much for a half-hour when you split it up six ways."

"And I'm making an appointment for a check-up next January, not now. They're all booked up until next semester anyway. Remember our \$75 Health Center fee allows us to go there anytime during the regular hours 8-9:00 and 2-3:00 to make an appointment."

"Oh Wiley, you should have taken my advice and been a truck driver or something. It seems terrible up there."

"Are you kidding Jim? This is a great place to be. Rumor has it that we can't afford to heat all of the dorms this winter and Balentine Hall will have to close."

"You know what that means, don't you? All of the Balentine girls will have to come up here and double up when it gets cold. They say the first snowfall and the first crisp, cold air is beautiful on campus. Me and the guys can't wait for it to arrive."

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## Use your power wisely, fairly

To The Editors:

As concerned students we would like to express our opinion regarding your April 13 editorial endorsing Dan O'Leary and Diane Elze as Student Government President and Vice-President.

We feel that your endorsement was improper and unwarranted considering the situation. *The Campus* is the official newspaper of the University of Maine at Orono. It has tremendous influence and enjoys what amounts to a virtual monopoly of the campus media (along with the less influential WMEB and the many University newsletters).

We applaud your appraisals and criticisms of the candidates, but feel the actual endorsement of Dan O'Leary was unnecessary and potentially dangerous. It is this misuse of the press that has

ruined many candidates, prodded others on to victory, and swayed many elections in the past. Your editorial could have dealt primarily with the need to vote, rather than specifically who to vote for.

Perhaps most of the students following the campaigns were not swayed by "The Vote is Your Decision," but we will never know exactly how many votes were cast, not on personal discretion but on the influence of your editorial.

By the time this letter reaches your desk, the votes will be counted and the election decided. Regardless of the outcome, your readers were influenced in some manner.

You will undoubtedly argue for "freedom of the press." Just keep in mind the power that you

hold. We urge you to use it wisely and fairly.

James Tees  
Matthew Keene  
Karl Anderson

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After fair and complete review and wide discussion of the candidates, we determined the candidates we endorsed, were, in our opinion, the best for UMO. Therefore, we felt a responsibility to the community to express that opinion and present our reasons. We consider our editorial endorsement a function of our leadership, not our influence.

## Questioning the country's priorities

To the editors:

As many people may already know, Sen. Edmund S. Muskie is chairman of the newly formed Senate Budget Committee. The purpose of this committee is to recommend a "target ceiling" on military spending (as well as 15 other spending categories) for fiscal year 1977. With Muskie as chairman, Maine citizens have a unique opportunity to voice their opinions about the rising military budget at the expense of domestic needs.

President Ford has proposed a spending ceiling of \$394 billion for FY 1977. Out of this amount, the administration has requested that \$114.9 billion be spent on the military. If this amount is appropriated by Congress, it will constitute an incredible \$13.9 billion increase over last year's budget, or an increase of 6.6 percent over and above inflation.

The Ford Administration justifies its request through reliance on the CIA's estimates that the Soviet Union is outspending the U.S. on defense. But the efforts of Sen. William Proxmire and Rep. Les Aspin have shown that

this claim is misleading. The CIA obtained its figures on Soviet military spending by calculating what it would cost to purchase and operate the Soviet defense establishment at U.S. prices. These figures are necessarily biased because the Soviet defense establishment concentrates on manpower, which because of low wages and conscription, costs them very little. But to maintain such an army at U.S. pay rates would be very expensive.

On the other hand, the U.S. military concentrates on technology rather than on manpower. Because technology is very expensive in the Soviet Union, a Soviet analysis of how much it would cost to build and operate the U.S. military establishment based upon their own prices for technology would probably show that the U.S. was spending more on defense.

One only had to look at what's currently happening at this university to see the adverse effects of this country's economic priorities. While it's probable that Congress will appropriate over \$90 billion over the next 30 years

for an additional fleet of bombers, this university may lose up to 100 instructors because of "insufficient funds". The cost of only one of these bombers would be sufficient to fund the University of Maine for the next ten years!

The budget committee's 1st Budget Resolution must be reported to the Senate floor by April 15. Therefore, it's important to act now to pressure the committee to recommend a substantial cut in the proposed military budget. The further the congressional process goes, the harder it will be for individuals to influence the outcome.

There are two ways in which Maine citizens can act immediately. You can either write to Muskie (Senate Office Building, Washington, D.C., 20510) and express your concerns, or call his Bangor office in the Federal Building (call 942-8271 and ask to be connected). Your message will be relayed to him in Washington. Nothing will change unless public concern is expressed. Make your voice heard!

Kingsley Sleight  
Orono

## Give the guy credit

To The Editors:

The *Maine Campus* has done it again. You have failed to give credit where credit is due. I write specifically about your recent article concerning the override of Governor Longley's veto of the student collective bargaining bill.

Your reporter did state that UMO and UMPG "student government representatives—Jim McGowan, Jim Cloutier, and Mike Seavey aided in the passage of the bill." McGowan, Cloutier, and Seavey do justly deserve some credit, but those who I believe were most instrumental in having the bill become law were not mentioned. Orono State Rep. Dick Davies, a cosponsor of the legislation, and Angus S. King Jr., a lobbyist hired by UMPG Student Government, worked day after day to get the bill passed and the veto overridden.

Dick Davies has been working for students' interests not only on this bill, but moreover on other bills that have come before his colleagues. The editors of the *Campus* appear to have a great interest in events in Augusta, but have never highlighted together

Davie's accomplishments for young people. With his assistance, we now have a more liberal hitchhiking law, a new criminal code with provisions for decriminalizing marijuana, the retention of the 18 year old drinking age, and the student collective bargaining law.

While the importance of the activities of student lobbyists can not be minimized, too often the *Campus* has given credit to Jim McGowan and other students when most of the credit should have gone to Dick Davies.

Mike McGovern

## Check with us first

To the Editors:

The German section of the Department of Foreign Languages and Classics has lost all of its graduate assistantships. Let us examine the implications, first for the German section, then for students and faculty in general.

Without assistantships, the German graduate program will wither and die. The undergraduate program will suffer greatly. (It is impossible to measure all the ways in which bright, advanced, involved graduate students serve to vitalize and enrich the undergraduate program.)

The implications for those in other departments are to be found in the way in which German assistantships were terminated:

1) Those most affected by the decision—students and faculty—were neither consulted nor in-

formed during the decision making process.

2) Those most affected—students and faculty—were not told who made the decision or why.

3) Students and faculty are offered no recourse. They are to accept the demise of one program and the diminishment of another—without complaint or debate.

And that is precisely the way it will be. Unless students and faculty of UMO join us in demanding and obtaining an accounting from those in the administration who made the decision.

Why should you help us? Because, friends, if we can be dealt with in this manner, so can you.

Asst. Prof. Douglas Hall  
Chairperson,  
Committee for Administrative  
Accountability

## Just around the corner

To the editors:

On Saturday, April 10, while playing racquetball in Memorial Gymnasium, I became another statistic on the police files at U.M.O. After returning from playing, I found there was no cash left in my clothes. Nothing too unusual about a rip-off at the gym, excepting my locker had

been securely locked when I left the locker room.

A regulation Master combination lock, not a fifty-cent special, had been "popped", i.e. forced open by using a bar as a lever.

This all took place on a fairly busy Saturday morning. The writing is or should be on the

wall-do not bring valuables into the gym for any reason, locks are no longer adequate protection against the misunderstood delinquents looking for easy money. How far away can assault and mugging be? Two rows down on the right?

Bruce W. Lewis  
Bangor

## Stuck at Stucco

To the Editors:

I am writing regarding the commentary in the *Campus* (3/25) written by Michael Perry. I feel I should mention a few things that Mike might have exaggerated or left out.

I also live at Stucco Lodge, but I am here through choice—unlike many of my fellow residents—last year I lived in Somerset Hall. I moved down here because, even though the room fee was higher, I did not have to buy a meal ticket (which was a big load off my bill, among other reasons). Also, I have to admit, the rooms here are nice.

However, I have changed my mind since I've moved here. These are the reasons: 1. I have to pay \$8-\$10 a week to put gas in my car to go to and from campus every day (I have very irregular hours so it cuts my chances of rides with others); 2. Food was being stolen everyday last semester, which left very little in my work/study salary; 3. Last semester someone tried to hotwire my car and burnt out the

entire electrical system (which cost me \$130 to get fixed); 4. With all the inconvenience, it still costs us \$115 more per semester just for one-half of one room—we still have roommates. The total cost for one person alone would pay for an apartment much closer to campus, with two bedrooms, kitchen, and a bathroom. What intelligent college would acquire and pay for such an apartment alone? Not too many, I'm sure. However, for many of the people here, it was the choice between Stucco and BCC. Also, I may point out, anyone who is at Stucco has less chance to no chance at all to get onto campus, whereas a BCC student will eventually get that chance.

One more item that prompted me to write this letter is an anonymous letter that was received by Mr. Perry in today's (4/5) mail from "An Old Alum" as he safely calls himself. My dear Sir, may the fleas of a thousand camels infest your armpits.

"Alum", Sir, you seem to think that we at Stucco are of very well-to-do families. I cannot speak for all of the others here, but as for myself, I am on financial aid because my parents do not make 16,000 a year. I am in college because I wanted to learn something—not because I didn't have anything better to do, as I know many others are. Please note my reasons above for moving to Stucco in the first place. Many of my friends here are in the same boat financially, and a couple of them are afraid they might have

to quit because they don't have the money nor the financial aid they need to continue. And, dear Sir, I would not take food stamps if you gave them to me—I do have pride.

This may not have brought you around to our side, Sir, but if you have something to say, have also the courage to sign your name—to quote your own letter, "and take it like a man."

Denise M. C. Carrier  
102 Stucco Lodge

## Endorsement indictment

To the editors:

The editorial endorsing Dan O'Leary and Diane Elze for student senate president and vice-president respectively did not represent the views of the entire *Campus* staff which includes myself. Although they may both be fine people, I don't think the *Campus* should give endorsements. Furthermore, the wording between your editorial and McGowan's led me to believe that maybe Jim should have written the editorial instead of Jeff W. Beebe.

My apologies go to the remaining candidates and especially my good friend Dan Casavant, who has already done more than his good share of work for UMO and is already shining in my book.

Doug Curtis



# Tuning into tune-ups the W

BY URSULA ALIBERTI  
photos by John Paddock

"Tired of getting ripped off at auto shops for repairs you don't really need?"

This is what Alan Surgi, director of the Wells Commons Auto Shop, said he is striving to avoid. He explained the auto shop in room two in the basement of Dunn Hall is geared "essentially for a person to do routine maintenance and repairs on his vehicle" so he won't have to pay to have them done at a garage.

Surgi also teaches an auto repair course. Both the course and the shop are open to the entire campus with Wells Commons residents having first priority.

Surgi has supplied the auto shop with approximately \$350 in equipment which includes metric and standard tool sets, a battery recharger, jack and stand, timing light, dwell tachometer, distributor wrenches, screwdrivers and many other tools. To borrow equipment, students must sign a release form and give Surgi his or her I.D. and license. He stressed the license will be returned immediately and explained he requires the I.D. merely so people will not decide to keep tools. Surgi is usually available all day Friday for tool sign-out.

Besides lending university tools and teaching a course, the 21-year-old broadcasting major helps students tune up and repair cars. According to the owner of a car Surgi repaired, "He's very helpful and knows cars inside and out." Other car owners agree he is a good mechanic and will devote as many hours as necessary to do a thorough repair job.

According to Surgi, he picked up the habit of working on cars from his older brother. He helped his brother repair and rebuild used Volkswagon and Porsche engines when he was eleven. The first thing Surgi repaired himself was a lawnmower. When he was thirteen he progressed to rebuilding an old Honda motorcycle. Now he works summers in New Orleans as a mechanic for William F. Surgi Equipment Company, his grandfather's firm, rebuilding diesel engines and selling industrial supplies. He owns two Porsches and works on the engines whenever he's home.

Last year Surgi discussed the possibility of setting up an auto shop with Scott Anchors, area coordinator of Wells Commons Complex, who liked the idea. He then submitted a proposal to the Wells Commons Complex Council, comprised of five dormitory presidents representing Hart, Hancock, Oak and Hannibal Hamlin, Dunn and Corbett, and one chairperson, Debbie McGrath from Dunn.

In the proposal Surgi explained how he planned to organize the shop, how much money he would need for equipment, and how students could benefit from it. The Council approved the idea and he was allotted approximately \$350 from the Complex's general revenue fund.

According to Anchors, the money in this fund comes from the pinball machines in Wells Commons. The university does not contribute to the fund however, it does pay 20 per cent salary because he is employed as a work-study student in a teaching capacity.

Besides teaching his class, Surgi is expected to instruct students while he works on their cars. Because he is on work-study, Surgi is paid for the

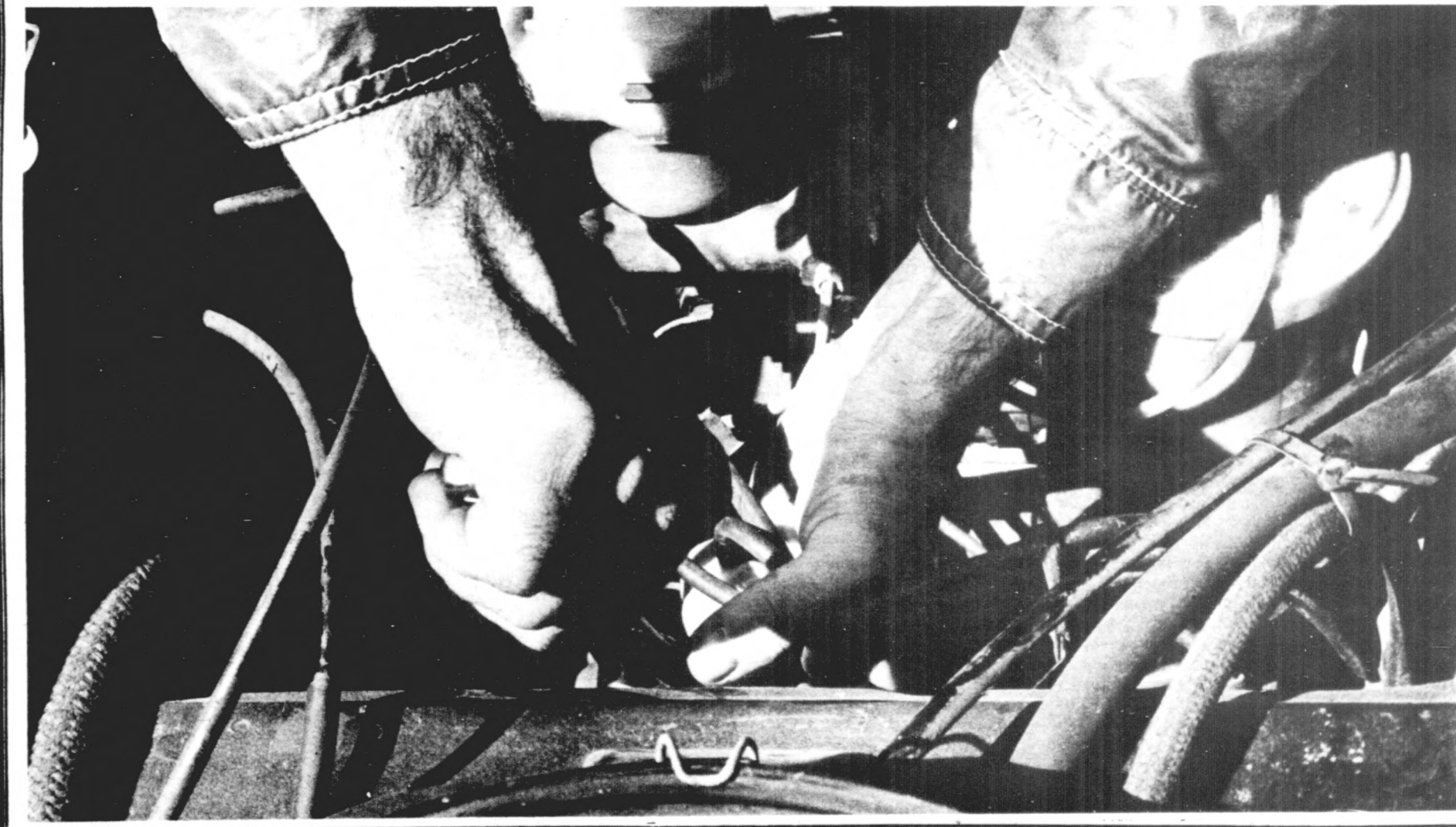
time he spends repairing cars. Consequently, students do not have to pay him for labor, but they are expected to help him and learn whatever they can about their cars, Anchors said.

Surgi said the primary objective of his course is to "familiarize students with little or no knowledge of automobiles with how to properly maintain their vehicles." He hopes the students he instructs will gain a working knowledge of cars so they'll understand when repairmen tell them what is wrong with their cars. Hopefully, Surgi said, this will decrease their chances of "getting ripped off."

About ten students are enrolled in Surgi's class, and fifty per cent of them are women. The class meets every Tuesday in Wells Commons at 6 p.m. Students also meet almost every Wednesday afternoon from 3-5 p.m. outside Dunn to tune up an engine or help Surgi work on a car. The course will continue throughout the semester and students may enroll or drop out whenever they choose.

Surgi believes any repair work students can do themselves will ultimately "result in an increase in the safety of their vehicles." He hopes students will grow to respect their cars as machines that demand attention and not merely as objects to be taken for granted. Surgi says he "tries not to leave any stone unturned" and can answer technical questions after class or after every student has a basic understanding of what's being asked.

Gail Fletcher of Androscoggin Hall is one of Surgi's students. She said she has no knowledge of cars and is "just eager to learn anything and everything" she can. She thinks she learns a



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great deal when Surgi brings auto parts into class for purposes of demonstration. According to her, this is very helpful because it is sometimes difficult to visualize what he's talking about when, for example, he explains how to remove and clean valves or how a piston fits into a cylinder.

Beverly Rose of Androscoggin and J.J. McCormack of Hancock, also students, agree demonstrations are useful, but feel they benefit even more when they help Surgi work on a car because then they see exactly where everything is.

Rose said she feels that after taking the course, she could go to a garage and confidently request a specific part and look as if she knows what she's talking about. Hopefully, then repairmen won't attempt to sell her parts she doesn't really need. The women said they get kidded for taking the course, but they don't mind because they feel it's worthwhile.

Most of Surgi's male students are taking the course not because they fear "getting ripped off" but because they want to know basically how to tune up and maintain a car. They agree the most practical and beneficial part of the course involves actual work on cars in need of repair.

Richard Cyr summed up the guys' sentiments when he said he wants "to learn how to tune up a car, and it'd be nice to know what's happening and be able to work on an engine."

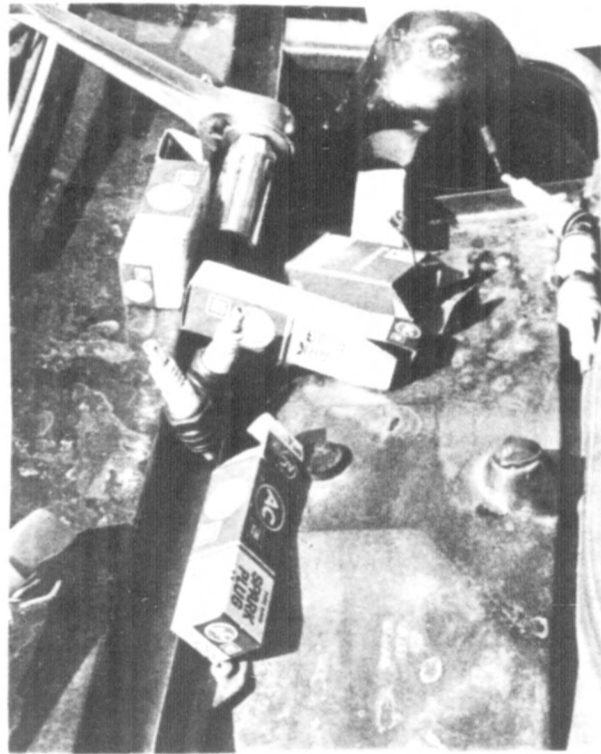
During one class Surgi outlined some things people should look for purchasing a used car. For example, before stepping into a car, one should check the tires to ensure they are properly inflated, look for rust spots and examine the ground directly underneath the car to be sure it isn't leaking any fluids.

Surgi also emphasized it is important to check all fluids (transmission, brake, oil, etc.) in a vehicle one isn't familiar with. He said he couldn't stress enough the importance of checking to ensure a car has good brakes before going anywhere. If there is any "play" in the brakes, the brake system could be worn out.

One should check all the gauges to see if they work efficiently. All lights on the dashboard should fade within thirty seconds after the engine is started. If, for example, the oil pressure light doesn't fade, this could be an indication the oil pump isn't pumping oil at the pressure it should, and, consequently, the engine may burn up if the car is driven any distance.

After starting the engine and before moving, one should listen for unexplainable noises. According to Surgi, these noises could be an omen of costly repair bills.

If purchasing a standard transmission, one should accelerate and then quickly let up on the gas pedal. If the gears shift, this could indicate trouble somewhere in the transmission. With automatic transmissions, if there is too much hesitation when one accelerates, this could mean trouble. Surgi stressed people should check to be sure the "shifts are crisp" because if the transmission has to be replaced as a unit, as opposed to just parts of it, the owner will have to pay a lot of money for a new one.



One should check the color of the exhaust when accelerating. There shouldn't be any color unless it's cold and then it may be grayish as a result of condensation. If the exhaust is blue, the potential car owner may have to buy new pistons, rings or a number of other parts.

When driving down a straight road, one should check to see if the car moves in a straight line when the driver has his hands off the steering wheel and if the car remains in a straight line while going over a bump. If not, this may be an indication the front alignment is off. Surgi suggests a friend follow to see if the car is in line. If it isn't, the body will appear to go one way and the tires another.

If steering is difficult, chances are the power steering is defective or the car needs more steering fluid.

Finally, one should notice whether or not the car comes to a complete stop without pulling to either the left or right. If the car pulls, the brakes will

need adjusting or may have to be replaced.

Surgi feels people should check out cars just as thoroughly as they would a new house because "after all, a car is one of the largest investments a person will make."

Surgi must submit another proposal to the Complex Council requesting to teach and run the auto shop next year, but Anchors has told him to go ahead and purchase more tools. Surgi hopes to equip the shop with more "specific" tools so people can do more intricate work such as rebuilding engines and grinding valves.

Surgi also said he would like to see the university build a garage somewhere between the steam plant parking lot and the skating rink. To cut costs, he suggested Eastern Maine Vocational Technical Institute (EMVTI) students build the garage so the university would only have to pay for building materials.

Surgi has also suggested the university offer people discount rates. University affiliates, specifically administration, faculty and students, would be able to use the station's facilities and borrow tools by the hour for slight fees. Surgi said they could, for example, "rent a lift for fifty cents an hour." He thinks some stores might sell auto parts to the gas station fairly cheaply because it would be affiliated with the university.

Surgi said this arrangement would benefit both the university and the station. The station would get a lot of business, and UMO affiliates could get repairs and gas for less money. The money earned from selling gas and lending out tools could be used to purchase more tools and improve services rendered by students at the station.

According to Surgi, the station could build up "quite an inventory of parts, and this facility would permit a higher upkeep of faculty and student vehicles, making the roads up here a little safer."

Surgi is confident these ideas can work. He said he would like to see it happen and would also like to work at the station or be advisor to the work-study students there.



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Typographical errors in the last column of page seven of last Tuesday's *Campus* unfortunately misrepresented the views of James Russell Wiggins. A quotation which read "Each and every day of my life I feel that American is no manifestly better than anything available to us," should have read "Each and every day of my life I believe that America is so manifestly better than anything available to us."



## Borges: not just a man of letters

Jorge Luis Borges considered by many scholars to be one of the best writers in the world today, will be the subject of a symposium at UMO from April 15-18.

A native of Argentina, this author of numerous short stories, poems, essays and books attracted international attention when he and Samuel Beckett received the Fermentor Prize. Borges will appear at the Bicentennial Shakespearean Festival in Washington, D.C. as the keynote speaker later this month. Here he is the guest of the departments of English, foreign languages and philosophy.

Carlos Cortinez, assistant professor of Spanish, an authority on Borges, says literary scholars from all over the United States are coming to the event to make presentations concerning the author's work and pay tribute to him. Borges will perform periodically during the symposium and give an address entitled "Simply a Man of Letters" Saturday afternoon from 3 to 5 p.m. in Hauck Auditorium.

Cortinez says Borges is a "writer who's

easy to get addicted to," who concerns himself with metaphysical topics such as personal identity, eternity and the mystery of life. "He uses a religious idea to set his stories," Cortinez said.

Some readers find him too intellectual but more admire his brilliant mixtures of poetry with prose and fiction with non-fiction. Such works as *Ficciones* and *The Aleph and Other Stories* have attracted a multitude of disciples.

The American writers Borges has influenced are John Updike and John Barth. Cortinez feels one reason must be Borges original approach to literature. He is a master of conciseness and precision. Cortinez says Barth once commented, "Borges says in 10 words what takes me 700."

In his forties, Borges suffered total blindness through an hereditary affliction. In the 30 years since then, (Borges is 76), the handicap hasn't hampered Borges work. Cortinez says, but has apparently given him greater powers of concentration.

His ability to write poetry benefited from this.

Because of his British grandmother, Borges learned to speak English and the Spanish of his homeland at the same time. His father's English library enabled him to master both languages and become familiar with others like French and German.

Borges is now devoting much of his time to the study of Old English.

Cortinez says, "Borges pretends he's nothing more than a man of letters." As an acquaintance of his he knows the author as a jovial, witty and "...a beautiful human being." On first sight of Borges, he has the look of a graceful man, but afterwards, Cortinez stresses, you can feel the "big energy" flow through him.

All sessions of the symposium, most of which will be held in the English-Math Building or Hauck Auditorium, are open to the public.



Jorge Luis Borges

## Thieves assail parked vehicles

Again this week, numerous larcenies were reported to UMO police as thieves broke into several vehicles parked in campus lots.

Richard Fontaine reported to campus police Monday that 30 eight track tapes and accompanying carrying case were stolen from his car while it was parked in the Estabrooke Hall parking lot. Alan Reynolds, UMO director of police and safety, said the car was locked at the time of the theft. The tapes and case were valued at \$127.

Thieves also stole a tape deck and two speakers from a car owned by Steve Larnaux while the vehicle was parked in the Memorial Gym parking lot Monday, police said. Reynolds said the vehicle was believed to be locked at the time of the theft. The car stereo equipment was valued at \$80.

William Eickhorst reported to police that his car had been dented while it was parked in the Stevens Hall lot on Tuesday. Damages were assessed at \$100.

A radiator grill was stolen from a 1973 Chevrolet Blazer sometime between 9 p.m. Monday and 7:45 a.m. Tuesday while the

vehicle was parked on campus. The truck belongs to Maine Motel Supply of Brewer, Reynolds said. The grill was valued at \$50.

An orange upholstered bench valued at \$81 was stolen from the main lobby of Somerset Hall Tuesday or Wednesday.

Barbara Crandall reported her coat was stolen from a rack outside the pool in the men's gym Monday evening. Police reported the coat was valued at \$70.

A physician's desk reference book was stolen from an examination room at the Health Center sometime Thursday, an official reported. The medical reference book was valued at \$63, Reynolds said.

A wallet owned by Michael Guptil was stolen from an unlocked locker in the men's gym Tuesday, Reynolds said. The wallet and contents were valued at \$15, including \$10 cash.

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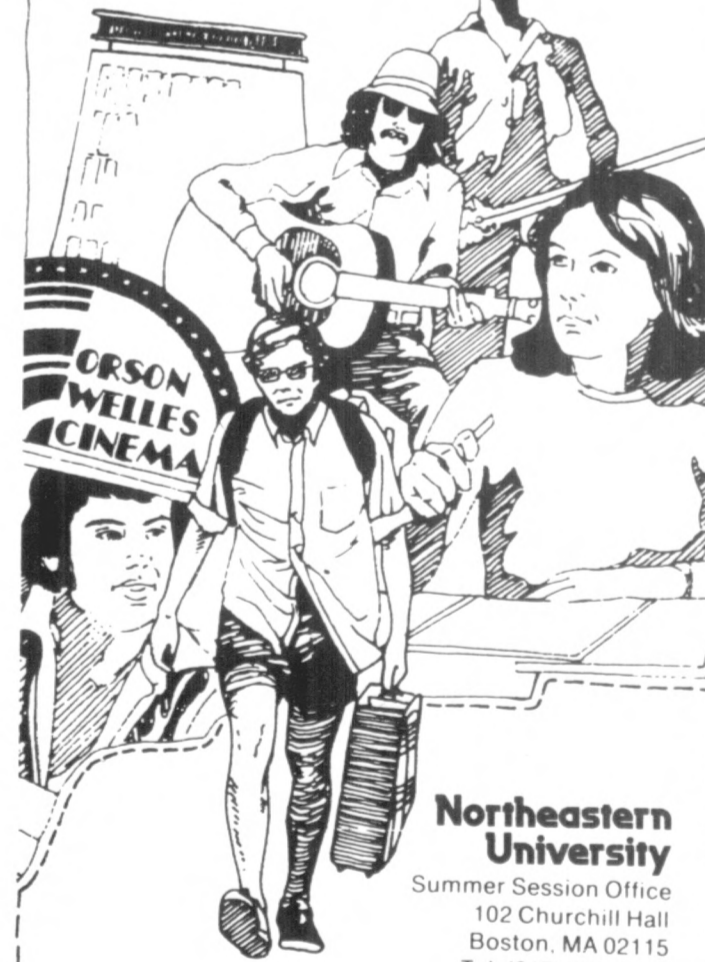
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## Students return guilty verdict in mock trial

BY SUE BARTLETT

On October 16, 1975 in Brewer, Maine, Paul W. Chalken was arrested for operating under the influence (OUI) by officer-Ralph Pinkhan. Not really, but to give students of Jordan I. Kobritz's class "The Legal Environment of Business" an understanding of court procedure, a mock trial was staged Tuesday evening in 137 Bennett. Students also gained valuable insight into the ins and outs of being charged with OUI.

Kobritz was aided by the local district attorney's office. Superior Court Judge Robert C. Browne presided during the trial. The individuals involved in the trial demonstrated for two hours the legal and psychological aspects of court procedure.

The court case used was an actual adaptation of a case tried several years ago with changes made relevant to current procedure. Ralph Pinkhan, the arresting officer at the time and Eugene W. Beaulieu, a prosecuting attorney with the district attorney's office were both involved in the original case.

The mock trial charged the defendant, Paul Chalken, with OUI. Chalken, who is really a full time assistant district attorney, told the 12-member jury, law students from the class, that he was a traveling salesman who suffered from an ear balance disorder. He said his wife was expecting in two weeks and explained he was a newly initiated member of the Elk's club the night he was stopped and had had only two beers.

Officer Pinkhan's story which stated he had smelled intoxicating liquor on the defendant, witnessed staggered walking, slurred speech, swerving across the center line of the road while driving and failure to stop immediately when signaled.

Pinkhan is a Maine state police officer assigned to the local district attorney's office.

Chalkan was defended by Peter Weatherbee, a local attorney. Weatherbee demonstrated through the trial techniques

designed to shake the confidence of the jurors of the necessity of the prosecutor to prove guilt beyond a reasonable doubt. Playing for sympathy for the defendant was also crucial to Chalken's defense.

The acting prosecuting attorney was Eugene Beaulieu, part-time assistant

district attorney in Old Town. Beaulieu, a successful prosecutor in OUI cases, was also successful in convincing the mock trial jurors of Chalken's guilt.

Kobritz, the instructor of the course, said the reason he conducted the mock trial was to allow students to witness an actual

court case.

He added that he got the idea from the questions students asked in class. From the questions students asked Kobritz explained, he realized that for them to witness an actual court case would be an effective means for them to form a better understanding of courtroom procedure.

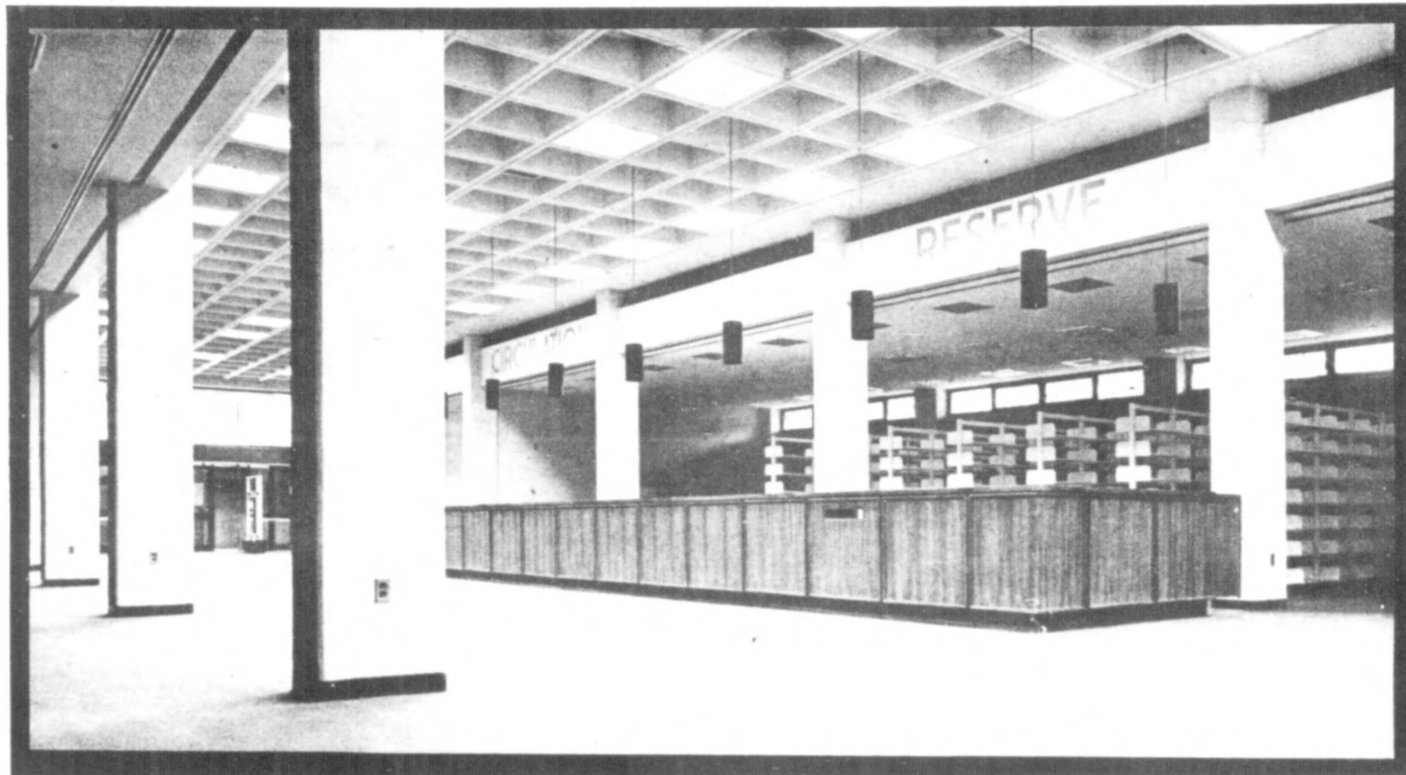


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## news briefs



A woman journalist whose career has embraced several break-through firsts for a female, including being Life magazine's first woman staff writer and the first woman editor in 50 years for McCall's magazine, will be a Distinguished Lecture Series speaker at UMO, sponsored by the General Student Senate.

Shana Alexander, known to many through her Life magazine column "The Feminine Eye" and a regular column for Newsweek magazine, as well as her work as a radio and television commentator on Spectrum, a production of CBS News and Point, Counterpoint, a regular feature of CBS's 60 Minutes, is also a founder and member of the Policy Council of the National Women's Political Caucus.

Alexander's lecture, free and open to the public, will be delivered at 8 p.m. Tuesday, April 27, in the Memorial Gymnasium at UMO.

An English faculty member at UMO, Dr. Dwight Cathcart, is one of the invited speakers for the International Shakespeare Association Congress convening in Washington, D.C., April 19-25.

Major Shakespearean scholars and critics from throughout the world will attend the international congress, the first to be held in the U.S., and a series of special events, including appearances by the Royal Shakespeare Company and an exhibit focusing on Shakespeare in America over the past 200 years in Folger Shakespeare Library are scheduled.

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SUNDAY  
RADIO SHOW: King Biscuit Flour Hour, WMEB-FM; 9 p.m.

FOLK DANCING: North Lowm Rm., Memorial Union; 7 p.m.

MONDAY  
COMEDY: Bicentennial Comedy-Heroes and Hard cases; Student Union, BCC; 8 p.m.

RADIO SHOW: Moontime Variety Show, WMEB-FM; 8:05 p.m.

TUESDAY  
SANDWICH CINEMA-Hammerman in Williamsburg; North Lowm Rm., Memorial Union; 12 Noon.

WEDNESDAY  
SANDWICH CINEMA: Hammerman in Williamsburg; North Lowm Rm., Memorial Union; 12 Noon.

FILM: Pat and Mike; 101 English-Math Building; 7 & 9:15 p.m.

COFFEEHOUSE: featuring Laurie Goater; Wells Lounge; 9-12 p.m.

FILM: 1776; 100 Nutting Hall; 7 & 9:15 p.m.

## Events

FRIDAY  
SELF-DEFENSE WORKSHOP: Women's Center, Fernald Hall; 3 p.m.

SYMPOSIUM: "symposium (on) Borges and (with) Borges"

OPEN HOUSE: 28th Pulp and Paper Open House; Industry related student project demonstrations; Jenness Hall; 9:30 a.m.

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PLANETARIUM SHOW: "Spaces of Man"; Wingate Hall; 7 & 8 p.m.

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EASTER EGG HUNT: Memorial Union; 7 a.m.

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MONDAY  
PUBLIC ADDRESS: Dr. James S. Coleman, "Ethnicity and National Development in New African States"; 100 Nutting Hall; 8 p.m.

TUESDAY  
DIALOGUE: ("The Right to Die" film and discussion; Bangor Lounge, Memorial Union; 7 p.m.

MEETING: Maine Peace Action Committee; The Maples; 7 p.m.

PHOTOGRAPHY SEMINAR: Composition in Nature Photography; with Steve Bicknell; Walker Rm., Memorial Union; 8 p.m.

WEDNESDAY  
GOLF LESSONS: start. Memorial Gym; 3 p.m.

MEETING: General Student Senate; 153 Barrows Hall; 6:30 p.m.

BLOODMOBILE; Kennebec Hall; 2-8 p.m.

THURSDAY  
DISCUSSION: "The Victorian Woman" with Dr. Margaret Kenda; Walker Rm., Memorial Union; 12 Noon.

## Dining Hall Menus

SUNDAY, APRIL 18

LUNCH—Chicken Rice soup, crackers; American Chop Suey or French Toast-Syrup; Sausage (2); Green Salad; Jello w/Topping; Orange, ice cream-Sherbet

SUPPER—Cider; Glazed Baked ham w/Pineapple slice or Broccoli Cheese Souffle; Scalloped potatoes; Asparagus, W.K. Corn; Vanilla ice cream w/Raspberries, sliced peaches, sherbet.

MONDAY, April 19

LUNCH—Minestrone soup-Crackers; Hot pastrami on Rye & White bread or Confetti Egg salad; Potato chips; peach & cottage cheese salad; Tossed salad; Macarons; Half grapefruit, ice cream-Sherbet.

SUPPER—Veal parmesan or Baked haddock w/Lemon butter; Whipped potato; spinach, wax beans; mixed salad greens; Chocolate pound cake a la mode, apricots, ice cream-Sherbet.

TUESDAY, APRIL 20

LUNCH—Cream of Broccoli soup-Crackers; meatball sub sandwich or chef's salad; Cole slaw; shredded lettuce; ice cream bar, apple, ice cream-Sherbet.

SUPPER—Pot roast w/Vegetable gravy or turkey tetrazzini; oven brown potatoes; carrot strips, peas, salad bar; blueberry pie, orange, ice cream-Sherbet.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 21

LUNCH—Cream of mushroom soup-crackers; beef stew or fruit salad plate; tossed salad; molded orange & Peach salad; Biscuits; butterscotch chip cookies, banana, ice cream- sherbet.

SUPPER—Baked pork chops w/Dressing or Chili con carne; Rice, whipped potato, french Green Beans; escalloped Cabbage; Shredded Lettuce; Corn Bread; Chiffon Cake w/Strawberries & Topping, Sliced Pears, Ice Cream-Sherbet.

THURSDAY, APRIL 22

LUNCH—Vegetable beef soup-Crackers; Grilled frankfurts & Rolls (buy) or Tuna salad; Potato Chips; Lettuce Wedge; Cabbage, Pineapple & Carrot Salad; Peanut Butter Bar, Orange, Ice Cream-Sherbet.

SUPPER—INTERNATIONAL NIGHT: Peanut Soup (African); Chicken Paprika (Hungarian) or Shrimp Curry (Indian); Noodles-Rice; Broccoli a la romans (Italian); Sursote Rodbeter met Kummel (Scandinavian); Helensalat (French Salad); (Austrian); Pain Ordinaire (French Bread); Apfeltorte (German); Hawaiian fruit cup.

FRIDAY, APRIL 23

LUNCH—Cream of Tomato Soup-Crackers; Ham, Egg & Cheese Bun or Sliced Turkey Sandwich; Tossed Salad; Pear, Cream Cheese & Peanut Salad; Apple-sauce Cookies, half Grapefruit, ice cream-Sherbet.

SUPPER—Pizza or Seafood patties; Whipped Potato; Peas, Squash, Salad Greens; Ice Cream w/Sauces, fruit-Sherbet.

SATURDAY, APRIL 24

LUNCH—French Onion Soup-CROUTONS & Crackers; Toasted Tomato, Lettuce & Bacon Sandwich or Scrambled Eggs & Bacon; French Fries; Cole Slaw w/Celery & Green Pepper; Orange Cake w/Orange Icing; Sliced Peaches; Ice Cream-Sherbet.

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# Admissions office awaits 3,300 replies

BY THERESA BRAULT

This time of year, college admissions offices around the country double-guess and play God, said James Harmon, UMO Director of Admissions.

"We've received most of the applications for admission from high school seniors already," Harmon said. The office has to sift through the applications, make decisions about them, and wait for the results.

This year, 2,654 out-of-state students and 2,780 Maine residents have applied. "We've already sent out 3,300 invitations to students," Harmon said.

The Admissions Office has accepted 500 out-of-state students so far this year. The rest of the 3,300 invitations are Maine residents, the quelled rumors of a saturation of out-of-state students due to the financial crisis. Many students feared

the administration would stock the University campuses with out-of-state students since they pay more per year than Maine students. Harmon discounted these theories. "We usually shoot for twenty per cent of out-of-state students plus New England Regional students."

"This year, as in most years, we've overinvited," said Harmon. "We have 2,000 places available for the 3,300 students we have invited to attend the university. But everybody overinvites. We live a dangerous life in admissions."

Bert Pratt, assistant director of admissions, says Harmon's policy of overinviting students stems from a "secret mathematical formula".

"You've got to admire Mr. Harmon", Pratt said. He is a mathematical whiz. His formula is based on the theory that only

one out of every three students invited to attend the university will actually enroll. Many people wonder how he dares to invite so many. The reason is, he has learned from 20 years of experience that not all of the students invited to attend will come."

According to Pratt, every admissions office fears the two basic evils of either too few or too many enrollments in a university. "One is just as bad as the other," he said.

"If 50 more students enrolled at the University than we had room for, we'd just make room for them somewhere," Pratt said. "But this has never happened."

Every fall, each college on campus projects how many positions they will have available for the next fall. The Admissions Office uses three to decide how many invitations to send out.

"We have to get the invitations out to

allow students to make up their mind before the June deadline," Pratt explained. When it gets down to their final decision, two major factors helping them decide which college to choose are tuition differences and financial aid. Pratt added.

"We don't worry about the overflow of invitations because we know most of these people are also looking at other places, and we know they are applying for financial aid at the other places as well as here. The amount of financial aid the colleges are willing to give them can be a deciding factor," Pratt stated.

The rising tuition at UMO and promise of further increases if the Legislature doesn't appropriate funds may also influence many would-be freshmen. Pratt said.

According to Harmon, the Admissions Office tries to clear out most of the applicants by April 15. "Students have until June 1 to make up their minds about coming to the University before they lose their \$50 deposit," Pratt said. Late applicants must wait until June to determine if there are places left by withdrawals or students who decide not to attend the university.

"At this point, it's difficult to tell what our final totals will be," Harmon said. "We've sent out the invitations, now we have to wait for the results."

# Canadian studies gain acceptance

BY DOUG LEWIS

Introduction to Canadian Studies (CAN I), scheduled to start as part of the UMO curriculum next fall, will expose students to every major aspect of the history, culture, economics, and industry of Canada.

"I hope CAN I will generate more interest in the Canadian Studies program, particularly among first and second year students," said Ronald D. Tallman, Director of the Canadian-American Center. "The course will depend almost entirely on the knowledge and expertise of various professors from almost every college on campus," Tallman said. "These guest lecturers will be asked to talk on their specific areas of knowledge dealing with Canada and possibly its relationship with the United States."

"I will be lecturing only about 20 per cent of the time. For myself and the guest lecturers it means a little extra work, but this type of course can help the development of the Canadian Studies program to a level where hopefully students will someday be able to major in it."

"Right now it is possible to minor in Canadian Studies as we have established 18 credit hours. We have 17 students on campus minoring in the program now," Tallman continued, but "the problem is getting first and second year students interested in studying about Canada. CAN I is the ideal type of course to generate that interest."

Tallman said CAN I will become a prerequisite to the Canadian Studies program. The course will help test the effectiveness of the curriculum approach to the Canadian studies area and measure both the impact of the program on the students and the cooperation from campus faculty.

Tallman noted one of the requirements of the course will be a field-trip to Canada.

He has taught CAN I twice before at two different colleges. "The first time was a complete disaster, the next was quite successful."

Tallman pointed out that UMO has the most extensive Canadian Studies program in the country. "In fact, its better than some of those in Canadian universities."

Despite this, the Canadian-American Center is not yet a department. Tallman said although the center is not a part of any particular college on campus, most of the courses a student takes as a Canadian Studies minor are in the College of Arts and Sciences.

Although the course has to be approved by only one college, Tallman has proposed it to six. "Three have approved it already and we are negotiating with three others. We need the cooperation of several colleges and I felt it was the courteous thing to do, letting the colleges know about the course."

Tallman began to plan the format of CAN I just before Christmas last year and it is already set for next fall semester.

Although talks of budget cuts didn't hurt the conception of this particular course, it may hinder the expansion of the program as a whole to the point that Tallman would like to see it. He is convinced that, with the installment of CAN I as the program's introductory course, student interest may dictate expansion.

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# SPORTS

## Warner performs in Virginia

The Annual Portsmouth (Virginia) Basketball tournament which places many top college senior players in the country into an individual style of play, featured Major Jones, Phil Spence, Mo Howard, John Lucas and UMO forward Bob Warner.

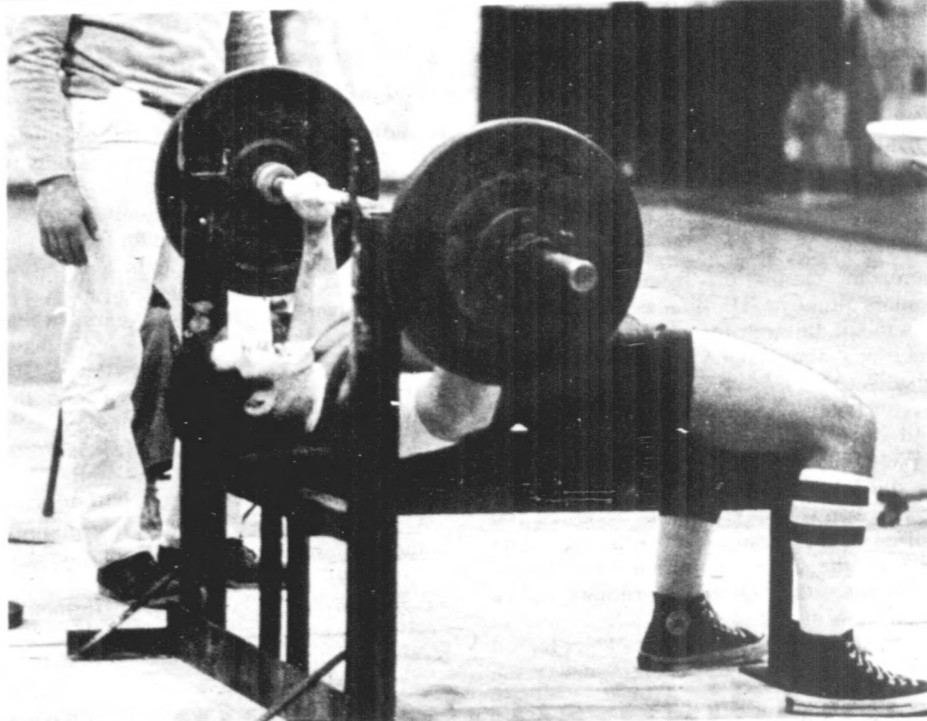
Warner met these star players head-to-head in the March 24-27 event, and fared well. The purpose of the Portsmouth Tournament is to give professional scouts an opportunity to see top players in more "free wheeling" action, than can be shown in a season of play. The players are placed on twelve man teams, which are as equally balanced as possible.

Against this type of competition, the top players, including the 6'7 Saco native, could show off what talents they possess. In the initial game of the tournament Major Jones scored 35 points, and went on to win

the most valuable player award. But against Warner, in a late contest, he scored only 16 points. The reason given for this was Warner's ability to rebound against the 6'10 Jones and his defensive style.

Warner put in 13 points of his own in the match-up against Jones and became a starter for his team and in later games overshadowed taller players.

He continued to contribute against Spence and others, and came out of the three day encounter in a better position to become a Professional. He expressed hope that this performance in this guard-oriented tournament is enough to warrant consideration by the NBA teams in their draft on June 8. He did play very well against bigger and quicker men and may deserve a chance when the teams make their choices.



Marty Joyce, a contestant in the recently held weightlifting contest, lifts 305 lbs., in bench press competition. photo by Mike Kane

### Commentary **GEO. ALMASI**

## Used clubs and bogeys

Yesterday I entered the dream world of make-believe and slice-free shots. It ended in a nightmare of bogies, countless sandtraps and cause for a new 5-wood. It was that bad.

Now I realize to master this eloquent game of golf one needs more than a new (in this case second-hand) set of clubs, but surely I don't have to practice with the intent and determination of a Jack Nicklaus. Do I?

It was so simple. Pick a club, any club, grab a few deteriorating and pear-shaped balls and zap! Instant success. Not to mention the \$40,000 plus purse which accompanies ultimate winners on the professional golfers tour.

I couldn't have been more wrong. Golf, which allegedly had its beginning in primeval Britain around 200 B.C., requires its participants learn more than just the official Harry Vardon overlapping grip.

Now if Wilson, Spalding, and the remaining sporting goods entrepreneurs were to shape their handles in beer bottle fashion I just may improve my score by approximately 40 strokes.

Another aspect troubling to my strained eyes as well as my swing was the ball size (or lack of). For unknown reasons those innovating inventors of golf optioned for a ball sizeable to an overstuffed marble and U.S. models vary little.

No matter how I plead or cry, my sub-conscious can't seem to get the hang of hitting a little white ball only 1.68 inches in diameter.

'Don't rush your down swing. Keep head down. Shift your weight.' Ben Hogan's old book on proper golfing techniques couldn't help my problems even if it was all pictorial.

I remember my younger days when trading baseball cards highlighted a most un strenuous day.

And never would pitching pennies put calluses on my soon-to-be-hardened hands. But I can handle the aforementioned intrinsic components. It's the rules that befuddle the average duffer.

No longer are they simplistic as evidenced by the first rule in golf's first acknowledged written code which merely states: "You must tee your ball within a club's length of the hole."

The first written code in 1744 had all of 13 rules and today it takes 25,000 words to articulate on 47 by-laws.

In a sorrow fulway it reminds me of my Johnny Newcomer days at confusing cribbage. An ancient adage in golf says it all in a nutshell by surmising, "Lots of golfers see red before they see green."

So I'll rage on and stick with golf accompanied by the invaluable help from a cast of thousands and then some. And until that momentous day comes when I master this so-called 'Gentleman's Game', I'll religiously abide by the 'Golfer's Ten Commandments':

- Thou shall not take Arnold Palmer's name in vain.
- Thou shall not cross thy partner's path when he's putting for a birdie.
- Thou shall not covet thy partner's new graphite clubs.
- Thou shall not bear false witness against thy caddie, course officials, or opponents wives.
- Honor thy Father and Mother and anyone who cracks 100.
- Keep thy weekends for golf and say an extra prayer on Sunday.
- Thou shall not walk when one can use a golf-cart or Honda Civic.
- Thou shall not steal, curse or ravish the ball girl while on the course.
- Thou shall not wrap wedge around immovable trees, rocks and unsympathetic transients.
- Thou shall not replace the 18th hole flagstick with Red Sox banners.

Maybe they won't help and maybe I'll come down with a severe case of Argentine lombago, but I'll be out there tomorrow among fellow divots. We'll see who's tee-shot can avoid the Stillwater river.

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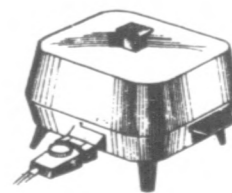
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