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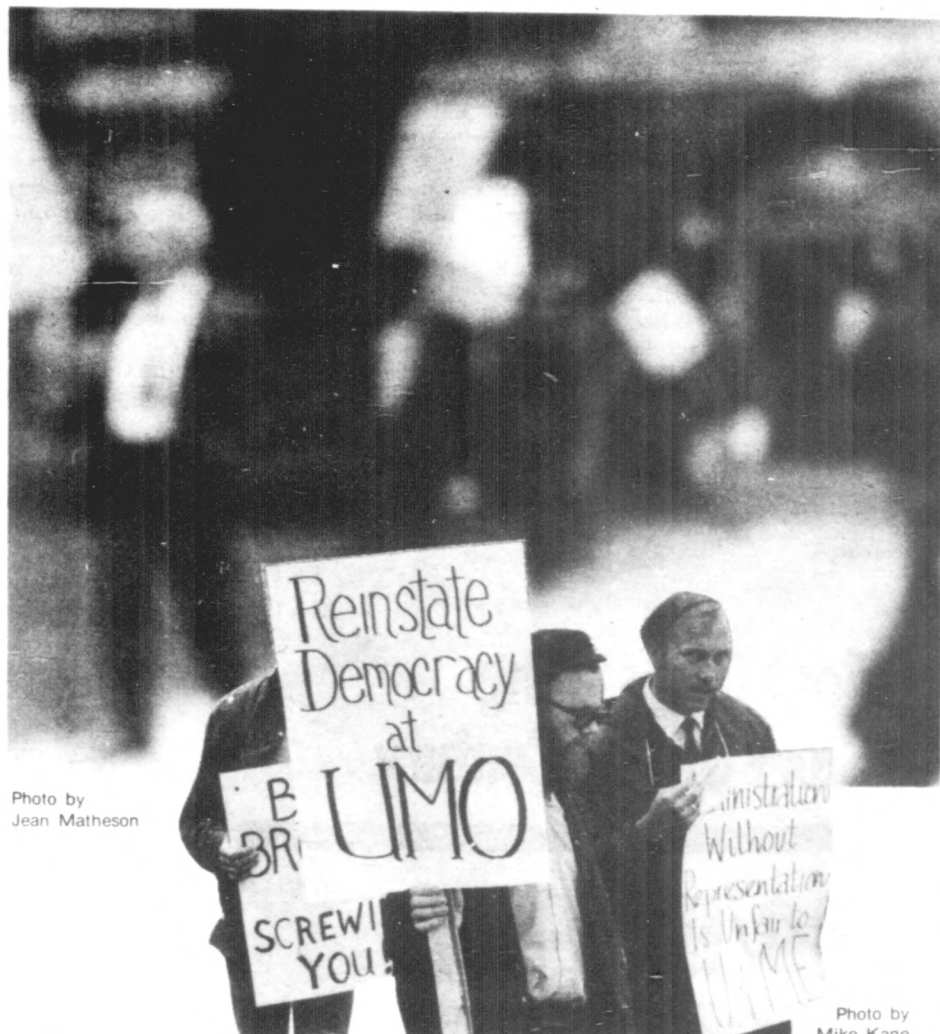
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CAA picket line fails to convince Haaland

Gordon Haaland, dean of Arts and Sciences, failed to rescind his decision cut graduate assistantships in the language department, despite an informational picket held by the Committee for Administration Accountability (CAA) in front of Stevens Hall Wednesday morning.

Asst. Prof. Douglas Hall, chairman of the committee, explained Haaland's position was firm even though the dean had discussed the committee's demands for a greater role in university decision-making with President Howard R. Neville and James Clark, vice-president of Academic Affairs.

"It was pretty much just a flat-out no," said Hall. "We discussed the aspects of the problem, why the cuts were made, why the department was not a part of the cut decisions, all the same questions."

Dean Haaland was quoted in the *Bangor Daily News* as saying "the process is reasonable and in difficult times becomes a little more problematical."

Hall was a member of the committee's three-person group which met with Haaland for an hour during the picketing Wednesday morning. Richard Lindsay, graduate student in History, and Emily Markides, a victim of Haaland's cuts, also attended the session with the dean.

The meeting with Haaland was to discuss the effect of cut in assistantships on three students in particular, who are just finishing the first year of a two-year program.

"To assume that a student can complete a proper Master's program that takes two years in one year is to tamper with the educational quality," Hall stated. "These people have been offered alternatives, to finish their program by this summer with summer courses and independent studies."

The demonstration held during the meeting was peaceful. It was designed to inform the campus community of the CAA's demands and to show the group was taking positive, non-violent, non-interruptive action.

Fliers were distributed stating the CAA's demands to reinstate four graduate assistants in the German department who were cut and to allow the language department to decide where the cuts should be made. The fliers' front cover cartoon which showed Haaland climbing out his window referred to the CAA's claim that the dean closed his office early last Friday to avoid facing the group's deadline for Haaland to meet their demands.

Despite Haaland's refusal, the graduate assistantship cut is far from a dead issue. "If you get stonewalled, you either quit or find some other way to go on," Prof. Hall said. "The CAA is definitely not quitting."

The committee met Wednesday night to discuss what action to take next in their struggle for "democratic decision-making" and a halt to unilateral administrative decisions.

The group has decided on two courses of action open to them. They plan to take their case further up the administrative ladder and to seek recourse through legal action.

"We are not admitting defeat by recognizing where the power is, that the administration holds the power," Hall said.

If the committee receives a negative response or no response at all in their scheduled meeting with Vice President James Clark, the group intends to go to the next administrator in line.

"We have a right to have our case heard," said Hall, who remains confident despite Haaland's negative response.

Budget clears GSS hurdles

BY KEN HOLMES

The General Student Senate (GSS) completed work Wednesday night on the 1976-77 student government budget, amid controversy and back-room politicking.

The major item for discussion and ultimate passage was the Community Action Board (CAB) budget (\$15,122.40), which includes allocations for the Wilde-Stein Club, the Women's Group and the Maine Peace Action Committee.

Other items passed during the five-hour meeting were budgets for the Student Activities Board (\$34,000), the Memorial Union Activities Board (\$12,893), IDB, (\$8,875) and Student Government (\$15,995).

The total approved student government budget for 1976-77 is \$132,824.25. But most student senators are unsure of this figure due to several discrepancies and inconsistencies in the budget circulated at Wednesday's meeting.

The CAB budget had been rejected by the GSS at its previous meeting and sent back to the Finance Committee for further consideration. It came back to the GSS Wednesday night with only two cuts, both from the Wilde-Stein club's budget. These cuts totalled \$225, reducing the WSC's budget from \$2042 to \$1817.

Before final adjournment Wednesday night, the GSS rejected the CAB budget, the Finance Committee met to reconsider the request and make further recommendations, and the GSS finally accepted it.

Tim Dorr, CAB chairperson and Finance Committee member said of Monday night's Finance Committee meeting, "If the senate had given us something specific to cut, we would have looked at it." But he said he felt the budget requests for the CAB were in line.

And Jamie Eves, Finance Committee member, said of the CAB budget, "If the Senate had been thinking, it would have sent recommendations to the Finance Committee."

Diane Elze, Student Government vice-president, conceded that the CAB budget was large, but said this was an indication of the programs and how many things are being funded, not of fat in the budget.

One of the major items debated in the CAB's request was the Wilde-Stein allocation. The WSC had originally requested \$2042 from the GSS, but this request was reduced at Monday's Finance Committee meeting to \$1817, by cutting \$125 from work-study funds and \$100 for a N.G.T.F. conference.

Jim Burgess, Finance Committee treasurer, said the WSC request was passed by the Finance committee unanimously after these cuts were made. But the GSS was not unanimous in its approval.

Sen. Mike McGovern (Somerset) said, "The kids in my dorm just can't see funding the WSC." But he felt the CAB had made a conscientious attempt to comply with the GSS's request for reworking the CAB's budget.

McGovern suggested the WSC's budget be cut \$500 if it proved unable to pass the GSS.

Sen. Keith Davis (off-campus) charged that the CAB's budget was being over-

scrutinized by the GSS simply because the senate didn't like the idea of funding the WSC. Sen. Bob Small (Chadbourne) replied to Davis's charges, saying that as a student senator, "I'm here to scrutinize the budget."

Other controversy over the CAB's budget centered on the Women's Group and the Maine Peace Action Committee.

The Finance Committee did not cut the proposed budgets of these groups, but many at Wednesday night's meeting expressed concern that this was the case. Concern was also expressed that the Women's Group might not have exhausted all other means of raising funds.

Elze, who has been active in the Women's Group, angrily defended the group's budget. She charged the GSS with asking the Women's Group to go far beyond any other group in attempting to find alternate means of funding. Elze said the Women's Group request was especially urgent because the Women's Programs and Services Office, which has helped fund the Women's Group in the past, has been phased out.

McGovern suggested that \$250 be cut from the allocation for the Women's Group's newspaper, "Women's Programs and Services," printed monthly during the school year. McGovern said this proposal would probably cut one issue of the publication.

Becky Lane of the Women's Group defended the budget, saying it had served over 4,000 people since its inception in 1974.

Senator Richard Jordan (Corbett) once again voiced his concern Wednesday night that the GSS is funding a partisan political organization by giving money to the Maine Peace Action Committee.

Burgess replied that the Finance Committee did not feel the MPAC was strictly a political group and therefore did not cut its budget.

After more discussion, the CAB's budget was rejected by a roll-call vote of 11 in favor, 12 opposed and three abstentions.

Senators voting in favor of the CAB budget were Connie Merrill (Androscoogin); Greg Thorton (Aroostook); Meri Strang (Hancock); Neena Sodhi (Hart); Richard Bridges (Knox); Rod Laurendeau (York); Steve McKay (Fraternity); Keith Davis, Jan Reardon, Paul Rooie, and Kim Wieland, off campus senators.

Opposed were Bob Small and Graydon Braley (Chadbourne); Sue Cummings (Balentine-Colvin-Estabrooke); Rich Jordan (Corbett); Robert Farrar (Cumberland); Betsy Bradshaw (Dunn); Rita Laitres (Knox); Mike McGovern (Somerset); Kevin Madigan, John Madigan Jr., Mike Perry and Donald Sproul, off-campus senators.

Abstaining from the vote were Paul Violette, Jim Burgess and Kevin Bushey fraternity senators.

After discussion of several other budget items, the GSS adjourned for a half hour and an impromptu session of the Finance Committee was held to once again thrash over the CAB budget proposal and make further changes.

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Submitted to the Finance Committee was a proposal by McGovern and several other senators who had voted against the CAB budget, recommending the CAB budget be cut \$1,055. This Proposal would have included cutting the MPAC newsletter (\$300), the WSC's gay symposium (\$500) and the Women's Programs and Services Newsletter (\$250).

But the Finance Committee felt this action was too drastic. The committee agreed on cuts totalling \$150, and decided to reallocate these savings within the CAB budget, giving \$75 in additional funding to the CAB Fast Day (\$175) and the CAB Symposium (\$175).

The CAB budget was then re-submitted to the GSS, which this time approved the budget by a roll-call vote of 20 in favor, six in opposition and two abstentions.

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to the GSS. This time, those supporting the CAB budget had rallied forces and called in re-inforcements. With 28 senators voting, compared to 26 the first time, the CAB budget was approved by a roll call vote of 20 in favor, six in opposition and two abstentions.

Those voting in favor of the CAB budget on the second roll call were: Merrill; Thorton; Cummings; Small; Braley; Jordan; Dan Casavant (Gannett); Strang; Sodhi; Bridges; Laitres; Gordon Lewis (Penobscot); McGovern; Laurendeau; McKay; Bushey; Reardon; Mark Schneider; and Weiland, off campus senators.

Those opposes were: Alex Cuprak (Dunn); Bradshaw; K. Madigan; J. Madigan; Perry; Sproul. Abstaining again were Burgess and Violette.

In other GSS budget action Wednesday, considerable discussion centered on the Student Activities Board Budget (\$46,893). Included in this budget was the MUAB request for \$12,893.

MUAB was given a \$36,000 grant at the beginning of the 1975-76 school year. Any money not used by the group this year, MUAB's first, was to be applied toward the 1976-77 budget. This surplus will tentatively be about \$13,000, bringing MUAB's total budget for 1976-77 to about \$26,000.

MUAB was granted board status when it was formed, meaning it had direct representation on the Finance and Executive committees. The GSS later revoked this board status and MUAB was placed under the SAB.

Wednesday night MUAB was again granted board status by the GSS. Because this change took place after the 1976-77 budget had been drawn up, MUAB's budget will still be under the SAB next year.

The main item for discussion concerning MUAB was the exact amount the group will receive next year.

Burgess explained that the Finance Committee had reached an agreement with MUAB that the group receive up to the allocated \$12,893. If MUAB's surplus is more than expected, Burgess explained, this money will be applied towards the \$26,000 needed for 1976-77, and MUAB will accordingly receive a lesser amount from the GSS.

Burgess also explained that since MUAB was granted funds unconditionally in its first year, the GSS cannot enforce the agreement that all surplus funds be applied toward the 1976-77 budget.

Student Government President Dan O'Leary said Thursday he and the Finance Committee "blew it." He said MUAB had offered to donate their surplus funds to the

GSS and then request the full \$26,000 needed for next year's programs. But O'Leary said the Finance Committee had neglected to act on this offer.

After more discussion Wednesday night the GSS approved the SAB's budget. Budgets for student government and IDB were also passed, both with little discussion.

In other GSS action Wednesday night WMEB-FM was allocated \$2,000 to enable them to broadcast over the summer. This money will cover salaries, supplies and charges for the Associated Press (AP) Wire Service.

The University of Maine Fraternity Board (WMEB) was allocated \$550 to help send five delegates to the Alpha Gamma Rho national convention to request that the convention be held at UMO in 1978.

Sen. McGovern labeled this request "almost as preposterous as giving money to the Somerset Club," but a representative of UMFB said if the national convention could be brought to UMO in 1978, it would bring both the College of Life Science and Agriculture and UMO national recognition.

Also Wednesday night, the GSS allocated the Homecoming Committee \$400 for fireworks for Homecoming 1976. This allocation, Burgess explained, will be matched by the Alumni Association.

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Non-reappointment of Cowman may be invalid

BY BOB CAMERON

On February 29, 1976, Karen Cowman, a first year instructor in the UMO Music Department, was notified in letter that she would not be reappointed for the 1976-77 academic year. The reasons listed were financial exigencies within the University system and the re-evaluation and realignment of duties in the department, caused by the need for a voice teacher in Music Education.

The Policy Advisory Committee (PAC), a group of five tenured music faculty, had voted unanimously to recommend that Cowman not be rehired. This recommendation went to Robert Goodwin, chairman of the music department, and he passed it to Arts and Sciences Dean Gordon Haaland, who agreed and notified Cowman of the decision.

According to the UMO faculty handbook, a faculty member in "the first academic year of service" must be notified of a decision not to reappoint by March 1 of that academic year. Cowman, however, was given written credit when she was hired for one year of teaching experience toward completing the standard probationary period prior to being granted tenure. If, technically, she could be considered in her second year of service, Handbook regulations say she should have been notified Dec. 15, 1975.

University lawyers are studying the circumstances of Cowman's non-reappointment. If the administration's interpretation of the handbook rule stands, Cowman plans to take her case to court. She has submitted an official letter of grievance to the Music Policy Advisory Committee, and the committee will respond by May 20.

She believes it is within her rights to take legal action if necessary. "I'm almost bound to fight for my job," she stated. She has also been surprised and encouraged by

the great amount of student support she has received. "The student response has been very gratifying."

Several issues were reportedly involved in the decision not to reappoint Cowman. She was hired last September as a qualified voice teacher for choral teaching and

to teach the class of vocal majors, Goodwin said. "That issue's a little murky." He said the class of 14 vocal majors that had been taught by her predecessor was divided and taught by Goodwin and a part-time graduate student.

There were many factors involved in the

admitted Goodwin, pointing out the deadlines in the notification timetable, "but we're forced to make early decisions."

The PAC keeps a file of statements defining each members position in faculty reappointment decisions. The letters are confidential, and Cowman's attempts to



Karen Cowman



Robert Godwin

conducting. According to Cowman, she was offered the option in September of not teaching a studio voice course, and she decided not to, because she felt she could devote more time and energy to the three choral groups she was working with.

"No new faculty person should or would logically come into a new situation and say, 'I reject that part of my job description,'" she said. "I think logic backs me on that point." She said if the PAC had the impression that she refused, it may have influenced their vote to recommend she not be rehired.

When asked about Cowman's option not

PAC decision said Godwin. He said the teaching of vocal majors was mentioned in Cowman's contract, and that PAC's job is to "evaluate the performance of a faculty member against that faculty member's assigned teaching responsibilities."

"From the various sources by which we make our evaluation," said Godwin, "including personal conferences with students, it was clear that there was a contradiction of views among these students."

"We don't have the time to look at the work of new faculty members to establish a pattern, determine consistency of work,"

obtain them were unsuccessful. According to Godwin, legal action would be necessary to open the file.

If Cowman is not reinstated in her job, she can apply for a new position now being advertised by the music department. The new position, according to Godwin, differs only slightly from Cowman's present position. Godwin has specified that whoever takes the new position must take a group of vocal majors, including new students expected in the fall. More emphasis is placed on private voice teaching in the new job description.

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It's not easy, when the time comes that you must close the door on the most rewarding years of your life, to try and summarize and assess what you've learned and sensed and believed in that time.

Such is the case with this individual, now closing the door on four years as a University of Maine at Orono student and four months as editor of the *Maine Campus*.

There are just too many people and experiences I wish to remember forever, too many achievements I wish to be proud of, and too many thoughts I have always longed to share.

Many of my thoughts have appeared on this editorial page since I wrote my first editorial for the *Maine Campus* April 12, 1974. But many have appeared only to cherished friends who made the sacrifice of trying to become close to a man obsessed with hard work, long days, and perfection, and driven by that obsession to fulfill a will to lead. In the six years of my career as a journalist, too few relationships survived that sacrifice, to my eternal regret.

But I admit I have no other regrets for the commitment I made six years ago when I decided one day I desired the honor of being known as a journalist, a newspaperman. I believe a man can make no finer commitment than that which he makes to his fellow man, and the commitment of journalism is just that.

Journalism is a responsibility, a burden of trust that is a privilege to bear. With that privilege goes a duty to stop at nothing short of the best possible performance of one's skills, and then to try to do better next time.

The *Maine Campus* has done its best, and we have never quit trying to do better. Neither I nor this newspaper ever claimed to have achieved greatness — we just gave everything we had in trying.

We owe it to the profession, and we owe it to the world we live in.

Journalists must watch without rest for flaws in the community, in government, in our leaders, in our society, and in all aspects of our lives we are required to monitor.

We must inspect and describe the events of our lives, so society may study itself to revise or perfect its destiny. As history is made, journalists must write it, so society can judge itself immediately in the brilliant sunshine of today in time to change tomorrow.

When we find room for improvement, we must report it, and suggest steps to betterment. When we find dishonesty or incompetency, we must expose it and prove it. Where we find naivety, we must enlighten, and where there is confusion we must present the facts and interpret them. When warning is needed, we must warn; when leadership is needed, we must lead.

It is always difficult and usually a thankless role, but it is what society demands of journalism.

It forces us to be constantly curious, to be persistent beyond reason, and to become acute aggravations to friends, lovers, and people we meet on the street. It forces us to hurt people, to disrupt their routines, and disturb their traditions.

Thus journalism brings as much pain to journalists as it brings rewards. "Journalism will kill you, but it keeps you alive while you're at it," was how one of the greatest described this life, and that is the truth. It is worth it.

It is worth it to me because I have been able to be involved in the making of history on a human level, and I have been able to touch, and become part of, the lives of men and women making history, whether great or minor.

I have been lucky enough in my career as a journalist to meet many who have achieved greatness on varying scales, and they have impressed upon me the value of the struggle for intellectual, educational, and vocational excitement and greatness.

I need not thank such people, or point them out, for fear of embarrassing some and neglecting others, and anyway, the people I respect most highly among all I have met in my career know who they are. It is a mutual relationship.

As for my relationship to the University of Maine at Orono, which may never end — I don't think even I can summon the words and rhetoric to adequately label it. Let me write, however, in my last declaration to UMO, that I do indeed respect this community and its members, more than you think, which is probably why I worked the way I did and wrote what I wrote as editor of the *Maine Campus*.

I am lucky to have had that opportunity, and to have had a tolerant staff of writers, reporters, editors, diehard workers, supporters, and confidants which made it possible for me to be a good editor. I requested much from my staff and they gave me all they could — it was their newspaper, and their success.

To that staff, which I also respected much more than I was ever able to express, and to the journalism faculty here, and to my community, and to that ethereal entity I have slept with for so long, the *Maine Campus*, I have one more request (borrowed from Bill Danoff):

*"Empty the ashtrays, sweep up the floor,
put a lock on your door,
and if somebody calls in the morning,
just say I don't live here no more."*

Ah, now, to sleep, perchance to dream — but I have promises to keep, and miles to go before I sleep, miles to go before I sleep.

Jeff W. Beebe

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Response to Reynolds

To the editors:

That long diatribe from Prof. Clark Reynolds has me alternately laughing and crying. He is a colleague I have known some and have enjoyed much on occasion for his dynamism and good nature. I'm sorry to see such frustrations come out so emotionally. Perhaps he is one of those full of ideas who at times has trouble telling his good ones from his bad ones.

Unless he goes to a rigid and doctrinaire service academy or fundamentalist religious school, however, he'll find the same conditions he doesn't like here. And the disadvantages inherent in the superficiality of the indoctrinating education and in the rigid discipline aimed at appearance and form rather than substance at those places might outweigh the effects of the looseness and informality he deprecates here.

Of course, if he is right and I am wrong in not minding the first-naming attitudes of students today, I will have to change my ways. When a student comes should I measure him immediately by how he addresses me, instead of waiting to see how and

what he (or she, forgive me) does? Maybe I can develop standards depending on hair length and beards.

Surely Clark cannot mean these things are so important. Every social movement has its good and its bad sides, and the extent of grade inflation is not good. The relative looseness of attitudes of young people towards one another and towards us, I feel, part of the good side, and helps rather than hinders education. Those things were artificial and to an extent hypocritical, part of the military syndrome in our tradition which we can well lose, and the losing of which probably is part of the post Vietnam syndrome.

I am sorry Clark has not had his share of honors and committee assignments. If he doesn't get another job and still here year after next, I'll use my considerable influence to see to it he gets on at least three committees that year. In the meantime, many of us have resisted the impulse to lower standards for grading and for other important things, and I hope he will continue to maintain his—for the important things.

Brooks W. Hamilton

To the editors:

I couldn't help but respond to Prof. Reynolds' letter. "Its time for me and others like me to leave Maine." For anyone who has been involved in trying to bring change to UMO this has been a frustrating and bitter year. I also share the discouragement of constantly being faced with dead-ended students and with a seemingly over-burdened and often mediocre faculty. Graduate education has been a series of disillusionments. I have watched the few faculty members who cared enough to be available to students, had the capacity to

excite them about learning, and stretch them to new limits of understanding and achievement become unavailable and even unapproachable under the burden of committee work, increased teaching loads, and an unresponsive administration.

I can't say that I agree with Dr. Reynolds' indictments of "unimaginative Maine people" and the "permissiveness of the past era" but I haven't often agreed with all his ideas. I have only respected his energy and appreciated that he would take the time to spark controversy that could lead to

dialogue and change.

I hope there will be a few people left at UMO with the energy to tackle problems and demand response. I have always felt that tackling problems was a more constructive than leaving them behind, and besides, I'm not convinced that there really are greener pastures where these same problems or others as critical don't also exist. But I'll have to admit, I'm not signing up for another year of banging my head against the wall.

Lina Dunning

Collective bargaining

To the editors:

The story by Bev Wood in the April 30 issue concerning the House rejection of the pay plan quoted Representative Davies as saying that "State employees just got collective bargaining rights and Longley was trying to reduce them." This may be an accurate quote of Representative Davies, but it gives the erroneous im-

pression that the compromise pay plan suggested by the legislative leadership and Gov. Longley diminished the collective bargaining rights for State employees. This is not so.

Representative Davies had received a letter from Deputy Attorney General Donald Alexander April 7 indicating that "It is the opinion of this office that there would be no obstruction of the obligation to bargain specified (in the State Employees Labor Relations Act) by enactment of L.D. 2342." L.D. 2342 contained some of the provisions in the final joint leadership and Gov. Longley's bill which was eventually rejected by the Legislature.

Under the collective bargaining law all cost items, including negotiated wage settlements, are subject to legislative approval and any salary increase which required additional appropriations could not take effect until the Legislature had appropriated the

necessary funds. This will be the case in all future negotiations, whether or not the provisions contained in the compromise bill are eventually adopted.

In fact, many states which bargain with their employees have their salary schedules specified in statutes, and each time a new settlement is negotiated these are revised as part of the legislative ratification process.

To imply that Gov. Longley was trying to reduce collective bargaining rights recently given to State employees is at variance with the facts. The compromise proposal was designed to eliminate present inequities, which had evolved over a 25 year period since the last comprehensive salary study was implemented, and put the State's salary administration "house" in order.

Ralph Lowe
Communications Coordinator
Office of the Governor

Overreaction?

To the editors:

Diane Elze's letter of May 11 begs for a rational and reasoned response.

It seems obvious to us that Ms. Elze (note feminist consciousness) has taken a tongue-in-cheek satire, designed to illustrate a

point, and treated it as a personal affront. It would seem that a basic sense of humor would have allowed Ms. Elze to respond more calmly. Seaverns and Koshlick made their point, and Ms. Elze made hers. But was it necessary for our vice-president to cut-down

the entire male population of this campus in the process?

If Ms. Elze overreacts to every issue that comes her way, she will be ineffective in handling truly major problems such as tuition hikes, legislative appropriations, and the flight of professors from UMO. Her blast of hot air (bless you Carl Pease for making truthfulness a virtue again) may not only slow down processes in the Student Senate but will ensure that a feminist consciousness will never be raised on this campus. Rather, outbursts of this type can only serve to further the old adage that a woman's place is in the kitchen. So c'mon Diane, take off your combat boots and exhibit the spirit of cooperation and tolerance that will be needed for the Senate to perform effectively in the coming year.

Steve DeAngelis
Charlie Plourde
Marty Richardson
Audrey Noether

Housing

To the editors:

The new housing policy just announced is to say the least, an injustice to the students. There "squatter's rights" becomes almost fictitious considering the rights left. If the University continues its asinine policy of accepting more students then can be adequately provided for, soon all but a few rooms will be triples and the few that aren't will be quadruples.

With all due concern for austerity measures, tripling more rooms and placing greater restrictions on intra and inter-dormitory movement is demanding too great a sacrifice from students. Maybe an equally financially prudent measure would be tripling up the offices of policy makers. They're about the same size as dormitory rooms.

Ronald W. Hill
Oxford Hall

Of one mind

To the editors:

In response to Seaverns and Koshlick (and others of similar thinking)

I see a blind man coming, and I want to rip those ugly, goggling bulbs from their sockets, for those are not eyes, not eyes like mine.

I hear a deaf man coming, and I long to tear those fleshy, useless flaps from their unsound head, for those are not ears, not ears like mine.

I speak with friends as a mute man nears, and we thirst to slice that speechless, gurgling lump from its undeserving mouth, for that is not a tongue, not a tongue

like ours.

I stride behind a crippled man, and I hunger for single chance to shatter those clumsy, hobbling stumps, for those are not good strong legs, not legs like mine.

I pause to thing beside a man whose mine whirls with notions different from my own. He does not share my loves, my lusts, my learning. I ache to smash, to crush, to pound to dust that I impudent mass of squalid, rotting thoughts, for, beware, I am wise; I recognize what's not a mind, surely not a mind like mine.

Richard Thomas

Vietnam journal

To the editors:

For many of us, the War in Indochina represents a significant turning point for the United States historically, economically, socially, and psychologically. Certainly the War in Vietnam may be seen as a focal point revealing present and future problems and priorities facing our society. Yet one finds that most members of the University Community have little knowledge of what happened in Vietnam and what lessons are to be drawn from that ordeal.

The purpose of this letter is to bring to your attention a new international journal, *Vietnam Quarterly*. The first issue of *Vietnam Quarterly* provides excellent background information and analyses for understanding the lessons of Vietnam. Nguyen

Cong Binh, a historian in Hanoi, discusses events leading up to the August Revolution of 1945; Noam Chomsky formulates a summary and analysis of U.S. policy in Vietnam during the past 25 years and why this policy failed; Ngo Vinh Long reports on the last days of the United States in South Vietnam.

The subscription rate of *Vietnam Quarterly* is \$10.00 per year for four issues and may be ordered from 108 North Mole Street, Philadelphia, PA 19102. I do have about 10 issues of the special first issue which may be purchased for \$1.50 instead of \$2.50. If you would like a copy of the first issue of *Vietnam Quarterly*, please call me at 581-7167 or see me at the Maples.

Doug Allen

WMEB successful

To the Editors:

Well, we made it. Half of the executive staff will be staying an extra semester as a result, but it was well worth the effort. I'm referring to WMEB's begathon drive. We raised approximately \$700 through our own efforts and the Maine Day proceeds, and the student senate has approved a \$2000 appropriation from their surplus. So, some thank yous are in order.

First and foremost, we thank the students of UMO and the surrounding community. Their nickles, dimes, and larger donations all contributed substantially to the drive. Also we'd like to thank the DAB's of York

and Penobscot halls for their contributions. Pat Chasse and his pet rocks, and Greg Hewitt of MUAB were both primary factors in the success of Maine Day, and to them we're grateful. We thank Phil Spalding and Jim McGowan for their moral support, as well as the entire student senate.

The *Maine Campus* also gets our thanks for their support of the begathon. Most of all, however, we give our thanks to our advisor Greg Bowler. From him, we received nothing but incentive, pique questioning, guidance, unsolicited comments and great support.

The WMEB-fm staff

R.O.T.C. thanked

To the editors:

Last September the Off-Campus Board (OCB) Food Coop was faced with the loss of their distribution center due to the closing of the Ram's Horn Coffeehouse. Members of the coop checked with various agencies, departments and people around campus to see if anyone had room to spare two afternoons a week for the distribution of food.

As things turned out the people at R.O.T.C. were the ones who had room for us. Every Wednesday and Thursday afternoon since then we've marched up and down

their hall carrying crates of vegetables; boxes of meat, bread and eggs; and cartons of milk. Sometimes I know it must have looked like complete chaos in Classroom B, but all of this was more than tolerated by the R.O.T.C. folks, who always had ready smiles and friendly words for coop members.

I don't know their names, but I recognize the faces of the people from R.O.T.C. and I want them to know we appreciate the help they gave the coop this year. Help was badly needed and they gave their generosity.

Meg Hanson

Owls, Eagles announce new members

The Sophomore Owls and Eagles, who sponsor the freshman mixer each year and help freshmen adjust to UMO, have announced their new members for 1976-77.

New Sophomore Eagles are Robbie Horton-president, Lisa Haritas-vice president, Moira Tryon-secretary, Ann Gacetta-treasurer, Rita Caouette-historian, Andrea Curate, Jane Banks, Kim Boothby, Tona Buros, Nancy Carter, Jean Colt, Nancy Duval, Donna Edgerly, Kim Falconi, Sally Francis, Janet Frost, Margaret Gerrish, Patricia George, Sally Gould,

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New members of the Sophomore Owls include President Craig Smith, Vice President Thomas Sweetser, Secretary John Field, Treasurer Wendell Brann, Michael Donnelly, Timothy Gagnon, Stephen Gruber, Melvin Hess, David Higgins, Richard Hodgdon, David Ives, Gary Kenny, Peter Linchan, Francis Reed, Robin Roy, Dana Smith, Andrew Sturgeon, George Veilleux and Charles Warner.

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Plans final for Bash

The annual Senior Bash will be held Friday, May 21 on the football field and will feature the usual steak and lobster dinner, followed by an outdoor concert.

The lines for the steak and lobster dinner will be open from 5 to 6:45 p.m. to allow students with late finals time to get there for the meal. Tickets, at \$3.50 for seniors and \$7 for guests, are on sale in the Memorial Union until 3:45 today. Each senior is allowed one guest.

Arrangements for contracting a band are still being made, but plans for the 45 kegs

of beer have been finalized. The Senior Skulls and All Maine Women will be pumping the kegs.

Class Night, which will be held Thursday, May 20 at 7:30 p.m. will take on a new image. Instead of the traditional evening with a guest speaker, it will be a musical event. Two bands will play in Hauck Auditorium, and it will be free and open to anyone on campus. Clean Living, a seven piece country-rock band, and the Kennebec Valley Boys, a bluegrass group, will provide the entertainment.

In case of rain, the Senior Bash dinner will be held in Wells Commons and the concert in the Memorial Gym, with the beer being served in front of the gym.

Also, it is being requested that everyone bring identification.

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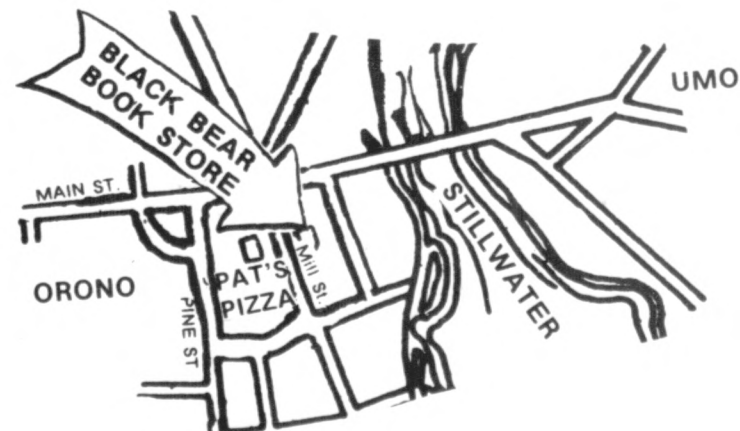
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Committee report pinpoints 1975 Maine Day funds

Money raised at the 1975 Maine Day dance marathon for the Fogler Library Student Development Fund finally made it to the library Wednesday, a year late.

Mike McGovern, chairman of the Ad-Hoc Student Government Maine Day committee said yesterday the \$2400 earmarked for the library fund, "Just sat in the bank for the last year."

McGovern said the money, which was raised by the Pan Hellenic Council, never reached its proper destination because the treasurer of the Pan-Hellenic council didn't have the proper authorization to transfer funds from one university account to another. He said when new officers take over in student organizations, they are supposed to sign over this authorization, but this wasn't done.

The report of the Ad-Hoc Maine Day committee, released Wednesday, recommended the Dean of Student Activities keep a closer watch on accounts such as this and, "encourage good record keeping of all student activities."

William Lucy, Dean of Student Activities, attributed the delay in turning the funds over to the library to a breakdown in communication within the Pan-Hellenic council.

"There's no question they should have been turned over long before this," Lucy said.

The Ad-Hoc committee's report stated that as a result of their investigation, the \$2400 was placed in the Student Development Fund. But Lucy said the Pan-Hellenic Council would have taken care of the problem by themselves, even if the report had not been completed.

"It was just a breakdown in communication between one administration going out and another coming in," Lucy said.

Both Lucy and McGovern attributed some of the delay in turning over the 1975 Maine Day proceeds to the time it took to make sure all the debts incurred in running the dance marathon were paid.

But in the fall of 1975, when these debts had been taken care of, the Pan-Hellenic

Council still didn't transfer the money, McGovern said.

The failure of 1976 Maine Day was another topic of the committee's report.

The report stated one of the reasons the Maine Day committee did not meet his year was that not enough interested students came forward early enough.

Lack of encouragement from the administration of UMO was cited by the committee as another reason for the collapse of the 1976 Maine Day Committee. The report recommended that Student

Government study the duties of the various UMO administrators connected with student affairs.

The report contained several other recommendations concerning future Maine Days. These included recommendations that the Maine Day Committee be established no later than October 15th each year, activities be planned no later than December 31st each year, and on the same date decisions should be reached as to where any proceeds from Maine Day will go.

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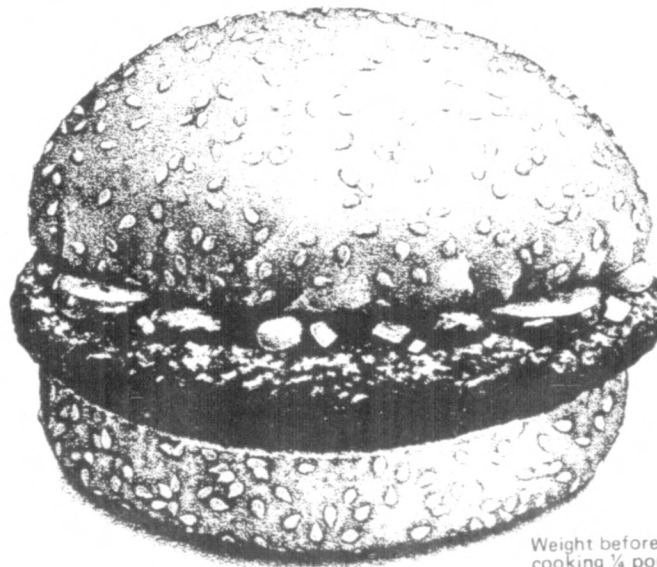
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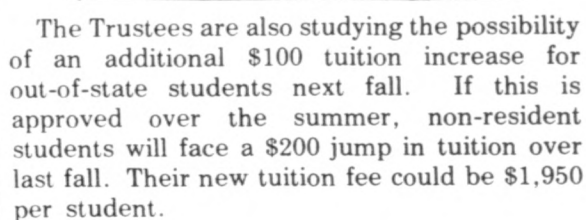
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Budget bewitches spring

BY JIM KILEY

This increase will go into effect on July 1 for every student in the university system. It will provide \$1.7 million of the \$3.5 million Chancellor Patrick E. McCarthy requested for salary and wage hikes throughout the Super-U system.



Neville planned to cut approximately \$1.6 million from the budget. To cut \$1.6 million from the budget, Neville predicted a loss of 105 employee positions and another 52 student employees. He arrived at his decisions after a month of deliberations with his Budget Review Committee.

Neville also asked Parker Cushman, director of the Physical Plant, to eliminate a total of \$350,000 from his department. Cushman must

Vice President Arthur M. Kaplan was asked to cut \$179,000 from student services. \$125,000 of this cut was to come from the Student Health Center. However, Kaplan said some sort of health fee schedule could help to reduce this cut.

Neville also asked for a \$75,000 cut in Physical Education and Athletics, \$136,000 from the administration's budget and \$22,000 from the police and fire budget among others. The cut in P.E. would eliminate 27 student employes and underfund one to three intercollegiate sports so they might be reduced to a club sport level. The state legislature has failed to act on the university's request, so these budget cuts are still very likely for the fall.

Even the efforts of Chancellor Patrick E. McCarthy and Student Government President Jim McGowan appearing before the state Legislature in March failed to rouse enough response from the legislature to obtain any additional funding. In the last week of April the 107th Legislative Special Session ended without appropriating additional funds for the university system and without granting state employees any salary and wage hike.

One of the fall's biggest stories, the eviction of Kent Coffin from Somerset Hall, was finally resolved in court in January. Penobscot Superior Court Judge Robert L. Browne issued a permanent injunction ordering Coffin out of his room and into Aroostook Hall.

Students were also affected by the decision of the College of Arts and Sciences to drop their language requirement in February. The college restructured itself into three academic areas, and now requires students to take 27 credit hours in the two areas outside their major.

More bad news hit students' wallets in April when the federal HEW department cut UMO's financial aid funds by \$680,000, meaning UMO's 3,600 students on financial aid will receive about \$150 less in aid than each received this year.

Students did receive some encouraging news this semester. L.D. 2155 provided for three university students, one from UMO, to participate in collective bargaining negotiations with the university. The legislature also approved Maine's new criminal code which decriminalized the possession of one and a half ounces or less, of marijuana.

Nobody likes budgets. Not the governors that concoct them, not the legislators that vote on them, not the administrators that gripe about them, and especially not the public which must live with them.

But since we are prisoners of the "Big Bucks," it helps to know where the money comes from and where it inevitably goes. This is easier said than done. For one thing, nobody can give a really straight answer since nobody really understands the questions. Figures are so easy to juggle that what is crystal clear in the mind of one analyst is mud to another.

What's more, budget figures and statistics are so confusing that only an economics major with a fetish for hand calculators would get any real excitement from sitting at a desk hours, day after day, balancing a state budget. It's even more dreary and unspiced for the people who have to study them.

President Neville appointed Dr. Stephen L. Weber new special assistant in January. However, the university also lost some staff throughout the semester. In February Vice Chancellor for Business and Financial Affairs Herbert L. Fowle, Jr. resigned and Stanley L. Freeman resigned as vice chancellor for public service in March to resume teaching in the education department.

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The women's teams were more successful as their ski team placed second in New England behind Dartmouth at Stowe, Vermont. The women's basketball team finished their regular season with a 9-1 mark and won the Maine state championships with a 67-57 win over Husson in March. Crystal Pazzdziorko was the team's top rebounder and scorer. And the women's gymnastic team won the state championship in April after placing third in a 12 team tri-state meet in March.

WMEB Begathon results 'somewhat successful'

The WMEB Begathon, to raise badly needed funds for the radio station, was somewhat successful, according to UMO student and self-appointed chairman of the Begathon, Barry Singer.

"We could have done better if we had more organization," Singer said. The Begathon raised about \$850 through activities sponsored by WMEB, including a coffeehouse, IDB movie, an album giveaway, spaghetti dinner for off-campus students, sponge throw, a dance at Wells

Commons, and outright begging in the complex cafeterias.

The Student Government Finance Committee recommended May 10 that WMEB be allocated \$2,000 to allow it to continue broadcasting through the summer months. The General Student Senate (GSS) unanimously approved the recommendation at their meeting Wednesday night.

Singer explained the \$2,000 budget allocation is needed to fund their summer programming schedule. If they don't broadcast this summer, "we'll be sure to

lose the King Biscuit Flour Hour," Singer said.

The record services, which have taken WMEB three years to build up, provide the station with free, new releases from almost all the major record companies.

Singer explained, "They will think we're a rinky-dink station if they try to contact us this summer and nobody answers the phone because nobody is there." The record companies will then stop sending records, Singer said.

This loss of status might have killed the

King Biscuit Flour Hour, a weekly series of syndicated rock concerts offered by only two other stations in Maine — one in Presque Isle and one in Lewiston.

Singer said proceeds from Maine Day raised about \$300 for the station, the dance at Wells Commons brought in about \$280 because the band played for free, and the begging in the cafeterias by WMEB DJs raised about \$200. Singer also said people have been sending in checks in response to their pleas for help.

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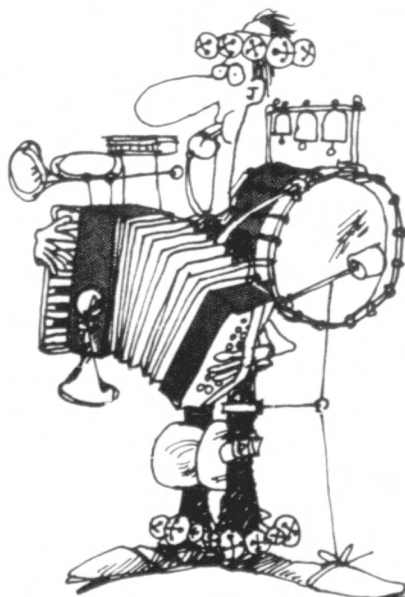
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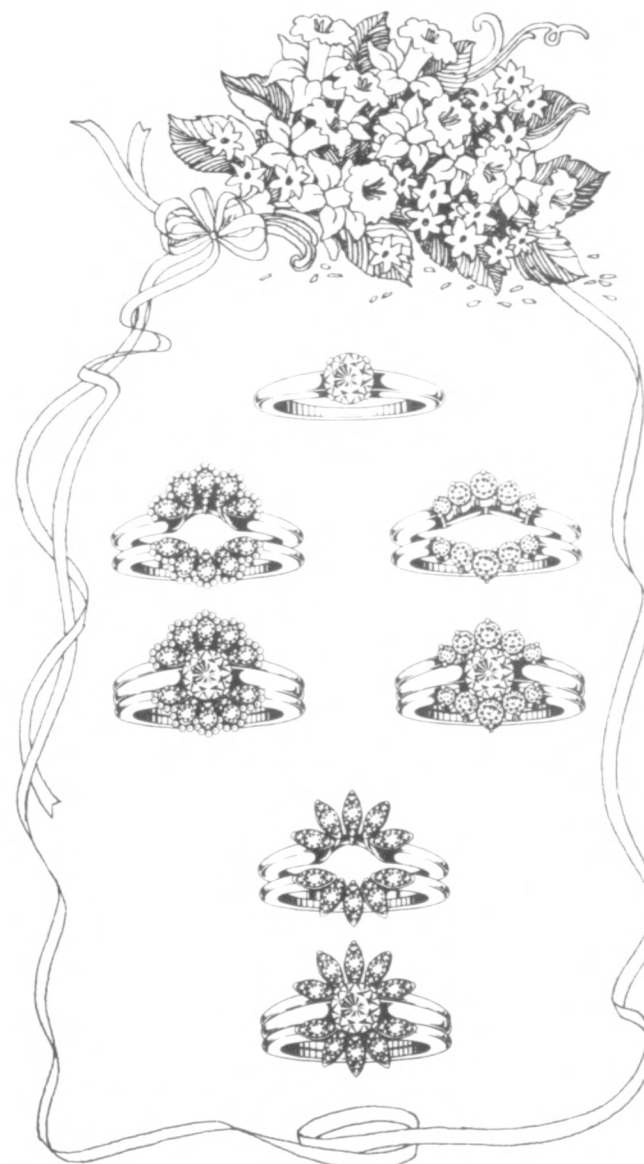
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Arab student to play important role in conference

BY JOHN FERLAND

A University of Maine at Orono student will have an important role in the Joint Mideast-American Business Conference scheduled Aug. 2-6 here.

Talal Al-Shair, a senior chemical engineering major and native of Saudi Arabia, will be coordinator of Saudi Arabian Affairs at the conference. His duties will include introducing American businessmen and Saudi Arabians who want to meet each other, helping out with translations, participating in the organization of the Saudi Arabian information center and aiding the American hosts with the proper hospitality concerning social activities and meals.

Al-Shair has some special qualifications for his post. Not only is he familiar with the campus, he either personally knows, or has at least met, most of the Saudi Arabian businessmen who will be attending.

"Most of the businessmen in Saudi Arabia are retired government officials so their influence is greater than regular businessmen," explains Al-Shair. "I'm counting on a number of Saudi Arabian representatives to bring their current open invitations to bid and I expect business contracts to be signed on campus."

Because of the contacts he has in his homeland, Al-Shair has been following up conference director John R. Brown's

formal invitation letters with personal letters of his own to better organize conference arrangements.

In fact, Al-Shair, who is said to be a look alike to Sheik Ahmed Yaki Yamani, the Saudi Arabian Minister of Petroleum and Minerals, delivered the conference invitation from UMO President Howard R. Neville personally to Yamani.

Al-Shair asserts that the Saudi Arabian businessmen are very serious in their intent on coming to the conference. They are expecting to personally meet American businessmen and get contracts for their \$142 billion industrialization program.

In addition, Al-Shair says the conference will have an academic effect. He says, it will give American businessmen a chance to learn of the religious customs and tradition that are important to the Arabs, thus making business arrangements easier.

"Ignorance of this could hurt the profitability of the business negotiations," he explains.

Most important, however, is the fact that the Arabs prefer to do business on a personal basis and they want to make friends with and learn about the Americans before discussing business.

"Interpersonal communications is very important," says Al-Shair. "Arabs prefer personal business contracts. They prefer to make friends and socialize before doing

business. It's a building of trust. In fact, Arabs would never order from catalogues because there is no personal relationship involved."

Al-Shair, whose father is a general in the Saudi Arabian Army and will be attending the conference, was born in Riyadh, the capital of Saudi Arabia. He also lived in Karachi, Pakistan, before his family moved to Beirut, Lebanon, where his father is military attache for the Saudi Arabian embassy. Al-Shair attended the National

College in Beirut and Ricker College in Houlton, before attending UMO.

Following his graduation in August, Al-Shair hopes to study for a masters degree in business administration to add to his training for a job as a member of the Saudi Arabian Industrial Planning Committee in the Ministry of Oil and Mineral Resources.

He expresses optimism for the conference and is looking forward to helping in its organization.

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Residential Life anticipates more dorm overcrowding

BY PETE WILKINSON

This year, overcrowded UMO students were paid \$110,599 in housing rebates, and Joline Morrison, assistant director of Residential Life anticipates a similar overcrowding dilemma for 1976-77.

Figures released by the department of Residential Life and Housing last week show that when classes began last September there were 4,852 students assigned to UMO dormitories, 608 above the normal capacity of 4,244. After most single occupancy rooms became double occupancy rooms, and double occupancy rooms became triple occupancy rooms, the additional 608 students accounted for 1.662 overcrowdings.

As of Sept. 27, the number of overcrowded students had dropped to 1441, including 1197 freshmen, 93 sophomores, 33 juniors, and 23 seniors. There were 1,116 freshmen living in mandatory triple occupancy rooms, and only 17 freshmen living in voluntary triples.

Overcrowded students were repaid 20 per cent of their housing bill for the duration of their overcrowding, to a maximum of \$73 per semester for each

student. Some students, Morrison pointed out, were overcrowded for only a portion of the year, and she added that the number of overcrowdings decreased since September as vacancies became available both on and off campus.

Donald N. McCurdy, manager of Family Housing, Morrison, and Dean of Student Affairs Dwight Rideout attributed some of the overcrowding to the higher cost of living off-campus.

The higher costs of apartments, food and transportation were offered by Rideout as reasons that might discourage a student from seeking off-campus housing.

McCurdy noted the limited number of off-campus apartments and the large increase in their rent. McCurdy estimated most single unit apartments that used to cost \$100 per month five years ago now cost about \$175 per month.

Both McCurdy and Morrison believe dormitory living is not only cheaper for the individual student, but in recent years has become more desirable. And dormitories now offer the student more services, activities, and conveniences than they used to, Morrison said.

Morrison said 300 more students have indicated they plan to occupy their dormitory rooms next year than had so stated at this time last year. This has not caused too much alarm, she said, because in reality only a small percentage of those upperclassmen do in fact re-occupy their dormitory rooms.

Residential Life has not put a freeze on the number of voluntary triples transfer or readmission students can make. Next fall, Residential Life will again triple freshmen and students already living on campus, Morrison said, but will not allow transferees and readmission students to form voluntary triples as they have been permitted to do in the past.

Morrison said this measure was taken so as not to add to the already serious overcrowding problem. "Overcrowding the entire dormitory is just as serious a problem as overcrowding the individual rooms," she declared.

Overcrowded dormitories not only limit the student's privacy and living space, but are apt to be noisier as well, she stated, and can impose on a student's studying.

Morrison and McCurdy feel the new apartments on College Ave. may remedy the overcrowding indirectly. McCurdy feels University employees will become the tenants of the new complex, making other less expensive off-campus housing available for students.

McCurdy said the new apartments will cost about \$235 for single units, \$285 for double units, and \$330 for triple units, more expensive than most students can afford.

Also to ease the overcrowding next fall, freshmen will no longer be required to live in dormitories, but may live wherever they choose, Morrison added.

This policy change, approved by President Howard R. Neville for a one year trial period, is designed more to give freshmen freedom of choice than to eradicate overcrowding, she said.

"I don't think we should require students to live on campus if they don't want to," said Morrison. She said the recommendation to suspend the freshman requirement was based on a growing number of requests from freshmen to move off campus this year.

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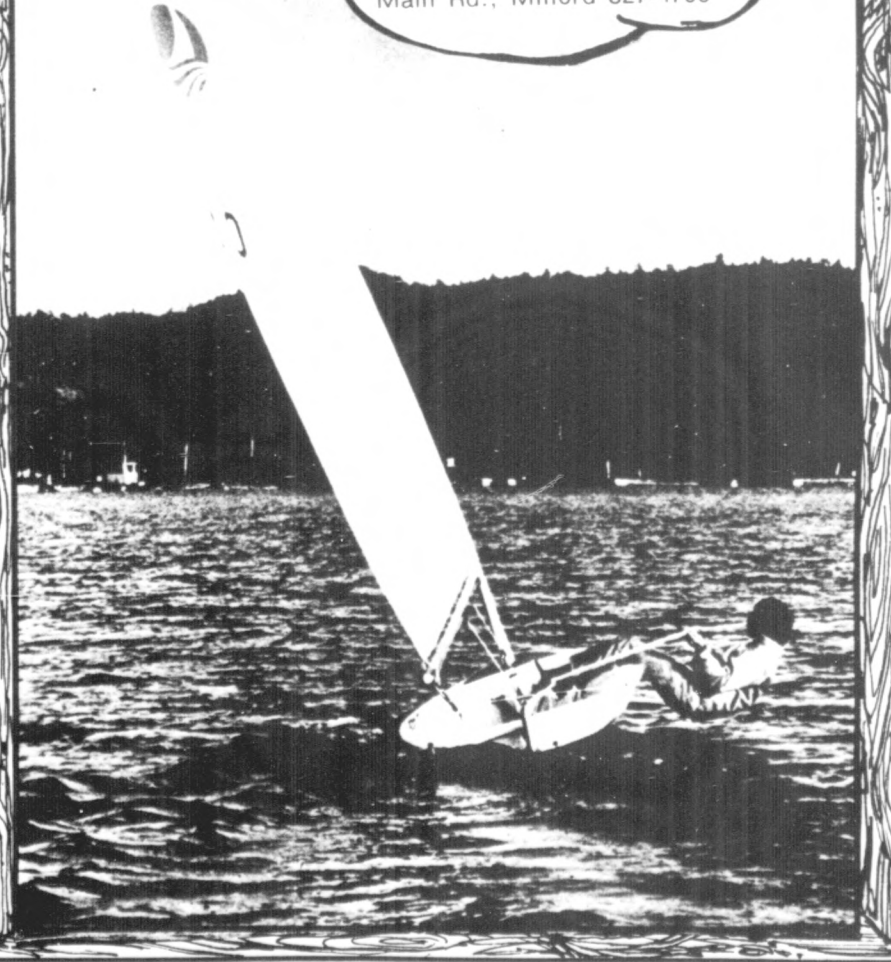
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Participants will be compensated for their time and services.

Mathematics Prof. Earl Beard will replace Prof. Jane Pease as Council of Colleges chairperson for the next academic year. Also, Louis Ploch, professor of rural sociology, will replace Prof. Alton Clark as vice chairman. Kay Surpless, an instructor at BCC, was voted the new secretary, replacing Hayden Soule, professor of agricultural engineering.

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17-1 sharpshooters take title and establish NE league record

The Black Bear's rolled up a 17-1 season against teams from Dartmouth, MIT, Norwich Military Academy, Providence, and others. The one loss to MIT was attributed in part to defective ammunition.

Non-league action this season included competition against the nationally recognized University of Alaska at Anchorage rifle team (for another victory), and against 30 plus East Coast teams at the West Point Invitational. There, Maine placed eighth, its highest ever, defeated only by colleges with shooters on full athletic scholarships. Important victories at West Point were over the military academy's three teams and over all New England Teams.

Certain individuals have been instrumental in the success of the rifle team. At least half of its members have been state champions in some respect and among them are Mark Wallingford, Tim Tobin, Dave Wellman, and George Putnam. All

four have been named to the New England All-Star Team and Wallingford and Tobin have been nominated as All-American selections.

Wallingford, a junior from Auburn, has been shooting only since attending the university. Between his freshman and sophomore years, his average increased 18 points from 256 to 274 (out of 300). He is currently holds the titles of Maine State Iron Sights Champion and Massachusetts State Collegiate Champion, and is one of the four shooters on the Maine State Champion Rifle team.

Tobin, from Gray, Maine, has been recognized as New England's most outstanding freshman with the fourth highest average of the league's 73 shooters. This season he was winner of the National Rifle Association's (NRA) collegiate sectional for New England and junior three position champion.

SPORTS

Tracksters eye NE's

The Black Bear varsity track squad has qualified men in five events for the 1976 New England Track Championships at Boston College Friday and Saturday (May 14-15) at Chestnut Hill, Mass.

Representing UMO will be veteran Gerry LaFlamme in the mile, record-setting triple jumper Dan Cochran, freshman Al Sherrerd, in both the discus and shot put and the mile relay unit of Larry Campbell, Mark Fisher, Ed Gott, Nick Tupper and Tom Stephenson.

Alvas Rand qualified in the javelin, but will not compete because of a sore arm.

LaFlamme, a senior from Haverhill, Mass., won the Alan Hillman Trophy as the outstanding running events competitor

in the recent Maine Invitational, spurring Maine to a second-place finish. LaFlamme's 4:07.6 mile in the 1976 Yankee Conference Meet was a new Maine mark. The Bears came in fifth among the YanCon Schools.

Last year's New England winner Connecticut joins Northeastern and Boston College as favorites in this weekend's meet which includes a 45 team field.

The New England meet marks the end of the 1976 outdoor season for coach Ed Styrna's Bears. Maine went 3-0 in dual meets in addition to their performances in the YC and MI meets. The assistant track coach is Jim Ballinger, a former UMO track standout and a current record holder in the hurdles.

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Black Bears humiliate Husson Braves; 27-5

BY GEO ALMASI

There's not much one can say about a 27-5 ballgame—it isn't a squeaker (pardon the cliché) and it certainly doesn't rate up there with the World Series or a no-hitter.

Still, there were several positive results from Maine's thrashing of the Husson Braves last Tuesday. For one, Bruce Justice, the hard-throwing sophomore who had previously pitched only 7 2/3 innings, came in relief for the erratic John Sawyer and hurled six strong innings giving up but three hits and no runs.

A second plus was the raising of Maine's record to 18-7 while the Bears tuned up for the ECAC Championships and third: It was a good batting practice.

And batting practice it turned out to be as Maine belted Husson pitchers around for 21 hits including two homers by catcher

Bill Hughes (one a grand slam) and one by hot-hitting Tony DiBiase. Maine's overall batting average was raised .015 points from .274 to .289.

Maine jumped on Husson starter Mike Ulitz and opened up the scoring behind Billy Hughes's long homer with Dumont and DiBiase on board. From there the barrage continued and Maine tallied five runs in the third on a Tony DiBiase tater, three runs in the fourth and a whopping 11 in the fourth.

Sawyer, the 6-2 righthander from Belgrade also showed extreme control problems as he walked six batters in three innings and surrendered an equal number of hits.

Husson knotted the score at three-all in the second inning as Leon Paquin belted a bases-loaded double scoring Tom Munley and John Harnisher who had walked and

Mike Fultcher who singled.

Pitching woes continued and Ulitz was replaced after three innings by designated hitter Tim Murphy, and the Maine batters gave him a hard-hitting welcome scoring eleven runs on six hits.

In that 'game breaking' fourth, Billy Hughes hit his second homer of the day, Brian 'Barney' Butterfield had a double and single and Dana Dresser chipped in with two singles.

The game dragged on and Coach Winkin substituted liberally in the latter innings. Still, the Black Bears came up with two runs in the seventh and three in the eighth. Bruce Justice came up with a double (his first hit as a Black Bear) and raised his season's average to .500.

Justice earned the win as Sawyer failed to go the minimum five innings for a decision, raising his record to 2-0. His

earned run average decreased from an overblown 4.68 to a respectable 2.63. Now if only the Red Sox would take heed.

In the pitching department, Bert Roberge, as everyone knows, leads the staff in almost every department. He has pitched 60 innings, given up 44 hits, 13 earned runs, struck out 49 and his e.r.a. is a miserly 1.95.

Another pitcher finishing up his four-year stay is Steve Conley. Conley, a 6-7 righthander has been a consistent performer without the fanfare of a Roberge or Dumont. In four seasons he has put together a sparkling 17-4 won-loss record and can feasibly tie Roberge's mark of 18 career wins. His e.r.a. has leveled off at a me 3.24.

Friday Maine hosts Bates at 2:30 p.m. and on Saturday the Bears take on Colby although the forecast calls for rain. Game time is scheduled for 1:00 p.m.

Commentary / GEO. ALMASI

It's Awards Time

Break out the beer and pretzels it's that time of year again and for those who have been anxiously awaiting the results, fear not, because the first annual "Haldeman awards" for those who 'deserve what they get' will commence.

Albert Einstein mathematical award: To Harold Westerman, athletic director and his administration for selling 2800 student athletic passes when Memorial Gym can seat only 2400.

Richard M. Nixon honesty award: Lynn McGlothen, St. Louis Cardinal pitcher for admitting he intentionally beans batters in certain situations. He was fined and suspended by the non-sympathetic Bowie Kuhn, baseball commissioner.

The Mel Count look-alike award: Promising freshman Kevin Nelson who is rumored so skinny he eats spaghetti one strand at a time but during games proves otherwise.

The Bruce Springsteen Instant hero award: Paul Wholey, transfer guard from American U. who went on a tear and scored 32, 29, 22, 27 and 32 points in his first five games. He finished with a seasonal average of 22.1. What some fans would term a 'pleasant surprise'.

The Howard Cosell 'Tell it like it is' award: Buffalo Brave owner Paul Snyder for his exquisite dialogue on the firing of coach Jack Ramsey: "He's not fired, just not rehired."

Chuck Wepner 'Fighting Spirit' award: John Shumate of the Buffalo Braves recipient. I have never seen a player jostled and pushed as much as he. I also have never seen a man come so close to getting the sh-- knocked out of himself.

The WHA-NBA Attendance award: The UMO women hoopsters and their Maine State Basketball Championship. The women were gaining in status and respectability but the absence of fans (I've seen more people attend a Doris Day rerun) hurt them considerably.

The This will hurt me more than it will hurt you award: Boston College for not insisting on a rematch with the Maine nine. Since rained-out this past Wednesday BC loses the chance to get pick to participate in the ECAC Championships. If they played Maine and beat them who knows?

The John Smith Simplistic award: Jack Bicknell wins unanimously with his perplexing 'veer' offence which consists of a 'A' Back, 'B' Back, 'Z' Back, 'Y' End and 'X'. Hint 'x' means split end and you can guess the rest.

The Rodney Dangerfield Get No Respect award: Steve Conley who has won 17 games and no one, including 800 million Chinese, knew. Steve, a steady competitor throughout his four years has a good chance to break Bert Roberge's and Mike Driscoll's record of 18 wins.

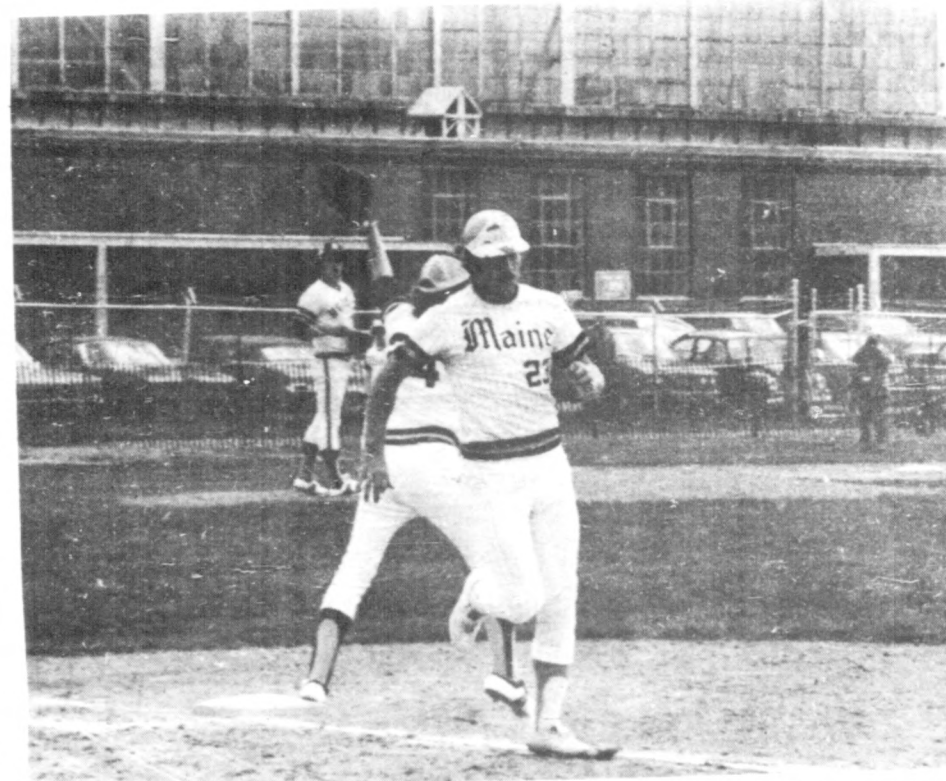
The superman-Kryptonite loss of power award: John Dumont who led his teammates in doubles and total bases (13 and 79—both for Maine records) has nary a homer this year and only 43 bases with two regular season games left and the ECAC's.

The Denny Doyle Change of Scenery award: Paul Westfall of the Phoenix Suns. After riding the bench Small Paul was traded by the Boston Celtics to Phoenix where he scored over 20 points a game and his team is currently in the finals for the Western Division Championships.

The whistle while you work award: Bobby Orr who missed 3/4 of the NHL season and still earns his millions. Who said practicing can't be fun.

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