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# Maine craftsmen display their talents at 7th Fair

BY PEGGY GOYETTE

The large crowds at the 7th Annual Crafts Fair this weekend were indicative of the current interest and enthusiasm in hand-crafted items. Seventy-five exhibits, from fabric weaving to metal working were displayed in the Union, representing an even larger number of craftsmen, for whom crafts are more than just a hobby but a livelihood.

One of the artists involved was Joy Warren, who with her daughter Stasia displayed hand-woven scarfs made of yarn from the wool of the sheep they raise on their Beech Hill Farm in Skowhegan. She also weaves with hair from angora rabbits, dogs, horses and silk.

Warren first got interested in weaving when as a little girl she



went into a museum in Vermont and saw a loom. 'My mother wouldn't speak to me and my grandfather cried; it turned out to be my grandmother's loom,'' Warren said. She learned the craft ten years ago and has been teaching it for six years, often giving private or group lessons in her home. She has recently been asked to teach in Canada because of her versatility in working with other fibers besides wool

"People have got so they like interesting fibers and some of them don't mind paying for them," she said, showing a bone-colored, doghair scarf and explaining how it radiates the heat to one's face when the air is cold. She enjoys teaching her craft as well as working with it;

Mid-Week

# Maine Campus

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# Student petition prompts change in finals schedule

BY JILL HANSEN

President Howard Neville decided yesterday, after conferring with his Council and the Council of Deans, to change the Thursday afternoon final exams (periods 15 and 16) to the preceding Saturday afternoon, Dec. 18.

The change was made following a recommendation by the University of Maine at Orono General Student Senate, university faculty and staff. "More than 2,500 students have indicated through petitions that they share the concern about several thousand students vacating campus in the height of the holiday rush," Neville said in a letter to the university community.

"Before the final decision, I felt we ought to have some expression from students and faculty," said Neville. The students were polled this weekend, basically at the dining commons, and Neville asked the deans to poll the instructors to determine their feelings on the possible change, according to Dr. James Clark, vice president for Academic Affairs

"As few exams as possible are scheduled for the last periods of exam week," Clark said, "but we were working with a four-day week this year. This tight situation occurs once every eight years,"

"Positive poll feedback, overwhelming support of the exam switch, and safety factors all contributed to the final decision," Clark said. Some students are bound to be upset, even by the re-scheduling, Clark said, but we must consider the benefits to the maximum number of people.

As few exams as possible are scheduled for the last periods of exam week, Clark said, but we were working with a four day week this year. This tight situation occurs once every eight years, he added.

According to Earsel Goode, assistant registrar, making the switch will be no problem. The exams will be held Saturday, same times, same places, as originally scheduled.

According to Goode, 2,141 students are scheduled for the 15th period exam, and 2,832 are scheduled for the 16th. Most of the make-up exams scheduled because of conflicting finals will be given Saturday



FRESHMAN SENSATION RUFUS HARRIS scored 25 points last weekend against N.U. Story on page 14.

photo by Russ McKnight

# Book discounts a possibility for next semester

Students at the University of Maine at Orono next semester may benefit from a long-awaited discount on all textbooks sold at the University Bookstore. This likelihood comes after the unanimous passage of a resolution Friday by the University Bookstore Committee calling for a seven per cent discount on all new and used texts sold here.

Alden Stuart, business manager of UMO and a member of the committee voting in favor of Friday's resolution, said yesterday he has been in touch with the president's office at UMO and has requested a decision on the acceptance or rejection of the resolution by Thursday. The Bookstore Committee serves in an advisory role to UMO President Howard Neville.

If the resolution is implemented, next semester will mark the first time a Bookstore Committee resolution created in 1970 has been used. That policy called for the bookstore to return all profits to students through discounts on textbooks.

One year ago the committee passed a resolution similar to Friday's vote calling for a 10 per cent discount on all texts. But an accounting error, it was later learned, had pegged bookstore profits higher than they actually were. The bookstore at the time was in the process of completing payments on a long term debt, which is where all store profits since 1970 have gone. The accounting error last year was discovered at a time when Tom Cole, manager of the bookstore, believed the store had enough funds in reserve to pay off the remainder of the debt.

No such roadblock should be encountered this year, however. According to Cole, the Bookstore has officially been debt-free since the end of June. Figures released for the fiscal year ending in June showed the bookstore to have a surplus of over \$30,000—and no outstanding debts.

This figure, coupled with projected revenues from the current fiscal year, which ends at the end of June, 1977, would have placed the bookstore's total excess revenue in reserve at about \$100,000—if not for the textbook discount recommended by the bookstore committee on Friday.

According to Cole, a seven per cent discount will mean that \$25,830 of this projected \$100,000 surplus will be returned to students next semester. He said this will leave the bookstore with about a \$75,000 surplus at the end of fiscal 1977, a figure

large enough to guard against any possible debts which might be incurred by the store.

The text discount recommended by the Bookstore Committee will be administered on a floating basis from semester to semester. According to Cole, the intent of the discount will be to return all profits realized by the store to students while keeping a surplus about as large as the surplus will be at the end of fiscal 1977.

Those present Friday and voting in favor of the resolution were four student representatives to the committee, one faculty representative, and two representatives of the administration—Cole and Alden Stuart.

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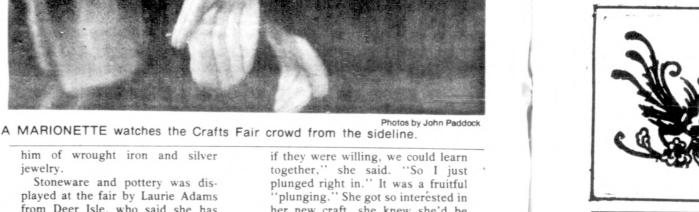
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him of wrought iron and silver jewelry.

Stoneware and pottery was displayed at the fair by Laurie Adams from Deer Isle, who said she has been doing this as a living for three years, supporting herself and her two children. Laurie got her degree in architecture and ended up teaching art for 12 years. Her interest in pottery resulted from her willingness to learn it with her ninth grade class, when they asked her to

teach them how to make pottery. "I told them I didn't know how but

if they were willing, we could learn together," she said. "So I just plunged right in." It was a fruitful 'plunging." She got so interested in her new craft, she knew she'd be doing it full time some day. Today she has her own studio and makes lead-free porcelain and stoneware mugs, bowls, platters, vases and planters. The pottery is decorated with subtle glazes, the porcelain tones ranging from blues and greys to celadons (pale greens). Much of the stoneware is earthy white to



FRANK DECKER dragged his roommate, Howard Fraser, to the fair "to get

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# Crafts Fair

"I would really like to have a school," she said. The Warrens sell woven items from their house and have begun to make spinning wheels out of native rock maple and expect to have the first ones ready next month.

Another fair participant, Catherine Hunt of Monroe, originally from New York City, displayed batiks in the form of wall hangings, posters, and Christmas tree ornaments. A batik is a design made on fabric with hot wax and dyes. Hunt starts with a white fabric, drawing designs on it with a hot wax pencil. Then the piece is dipped into a colored dye bath; the dye cannot penetrate the hot wax so the design is preserved. If a third color is desired the process is repeated. By waxing over the color, the design is maintained. Finally the fabric is boiled to get the wax out and to set the dye.

Hunt, who is affiliated with "Chosen Works" in Bangor, studied art in New York and was into painting before she got interested in textiles. She started working with batiks five years ago and sells them to shops and galleries in New England, New York, Pennsylvania and New Jersey. She, her architect husband and their young son moved to Maine from New York two years

A woodworking exhibit was displayed in Sutton Lounge by Richard Guthrie, a UMO student, and Kent Mockler, a Bangor resident. Mockler explained that they cut their own wood, choosing Norwegian pine because it's free of pitch pockets. (Pitch pockets in some other pines are caused during bad growing seasons, when the wood tends to split and form pockets which fill up with sap.) Guthrie and Mockler make heavy coffee tables, doll cradles and

wall-plaque candle holders. Mockler said he's been doing this for three years, operating out of his cellar and selling in the area. Sometimes the tables are displayed in furniture stores under the name "Pine Ridge Gifts." This is strictly a hobby for Mockler, who grew up on a farm where "tools were second nature," he said. "I've taken a shine to this," he added, referring to voodworking. 'I enjoy it, it keeps me busy and I don't have an ulcer

Among the jewelry exhibits was one displayed by Walter and Dorothy Goodrich from Kennebunk. Dorothy does enameling on copper and silver,

usually copper, making plates, ashtrays and wall plaques as well as jewelry. She said she first got interested in this craft 20 years ago because somebody she knew was working with enamels. So her husband got her a kiln that Christmas.

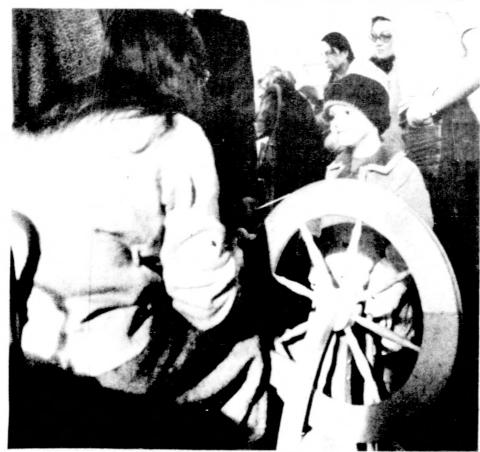
"I started from there," she said, adding it took many lessons and much practice she became adept at the craft. She still takes lessons. Mr. Goodrich cuts the copper into the desired shapes and his wife decorates it with different colors of enamel (melted ground glass), most of which they buy in granular or powder form; some comes in small chunks.

Mrs. Goodrich also dressed up copper discs by placing a few deep red chunks and crystal ones on a small disc, setting this in the kiln at about 1500 degrees Farenheit, and in a few seconds she swirled a design into the soft mass of melted glass. She displayed another method of designing by sketching an owl onto a disc which she had powdered, baking it, then filling in the appropriate colors afterwards and heating it again. The copper is always sandwiched between layers of enamel on both sides so it won't crack, she explained.

Though the Goodrichs' have a studio in their house and they sell to shops, this is a hobby for them. "We don't want it to be a business because it would get too commercial, and we want to keep it a craft,"said Mrs. Goodrich. They don't usually exhibit at fairs anymore but were glad to come to this one because it's juried, and she said they knew it would be made up of quality crafts

exhibits. Another exhibitor, Hemenway of Stonington is one of about 400 members of the Artists Blacksmith Association of North America. Standing amidst his wrought iron brackets, kitchen utensils, fireplace accessories and candle holders of unusual shape and design, Hemenway said, "There's a lot of blacksmiths if you start beating the bushes and looking for them.

They're not always easy to find." He has always been interested in crafts, and when he decided to go into a specialty of his own, ironworking seemed to suit him. Hemenway has been doing this full time for eight years and has his own shop, "Green Head Forge." His wife, Harriet, had the exhibit next to



A YOUNG APPRECIATOR of spinning watches attentively.

# Mary Hamilton elected new Maine Campus editor

Mary A. Hamilton, a 21 year-old senior journalism major from Lexington, Mass., was elected editor of the Maine Campus for the spring semester on Friday. Hamilton was selected over three other candidates by the Committee of Student Publications. "I'm psyched," Hamilton said, "I've

been waiting all year for this opportunity." Before being elected as editor of the Campus, Hamilton was the editor of the Bangor Community College Times in 1975. She was also a reporter for the Northeastern University newspaper in Boston while attending school there, and has written a number of commentaries and articles for

the Maine Campus. "A newspaper doesn't uphold its civic responsibility if it doesn't step on a few toes," Hamilton said of the approach she will take to the editorship. "Reform is a principle part of journalism.'

"As editor I will introduce at least one regular column, along with a student travelogue and a forum." She said this forum was an idea first used by the Boston Globe. The forum will explore a question of interest and will present statements from opposing points of view. At the end of the forum, she said, there will be a student poll, giving students the opportunity to express their own views on the subject being explored.

Hamilton would also like to utilize more photos and feature stories, as she says the Campus has done in the past, and will

revitalize the Arts and Entertainment Section. She envisions that the section will come out only once every two or three weeks, but says it will encompass more

The Campus under Hamilton will also probably have a regular team of investigative reporters, assigned to, "crusade for the better interests of the university community.

"Basically, too, I'm offering a challenge for all those non-journalism students who may think that this place is a showcase for journalism students. I want more involvement from others," she said.



Photo by Gene Gilmartin

## GSS invites state legislators to visit UMO

Two similar programs to invite Maine legislators to the University of Maine at Orono campus have been scheduled for Dec. 8 and Dec. 13 by the General Student Senate's Legislative Liason Committee (LLC) and the UMO administration.

The LLC program scheduled for Dec. 8 is designed to introduce Maine legislators to the Orono campus and its student body, according to LLC Chairperson, Rita

The Dec. 13 program set up by UMO administrators will be more structured specifically on UMO's budget problems, Laitres said.

According to GSS President Dan O'Leary neither faction knew of the other's plans until Friday, Nov. 26. At that time he was contacted by President Howard Neville and Vice-President of Student Affairs, Arthur Kaplan about the LLC proposal. They

than the LLC program and will focus discuss the two programs and avoid any conflicts. O'Leary said the administration also wanted to make sure the LLC program would have merit and not confuse legislators about the budget problems at

Laitres attended the Dec. 1 meeting with Vice-President Kaplan and it was decided to allow both programs to continue as long

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### editorial

# If it worked once .....

Last week the story was: Final exams - can we switch the last two finals to earlier in the week so everyone can be on the road for home and eggnog before it gets dark Thursday? Can we close up UMO before Christmas Eve and get home in time for Santa Claus? Can we convince the 'administration' there are valid reasons behind the move, behind the switch, and if it's easier for the

Now we have a sequel to the story. It was discovered, after polling professors and petitioning students, a large number seemed to agree with the Student Senate. Let's take a couple of our finals Saturday, and get out of here early enough so we don't have to push ourselves home. This is fine with the registrar - one switch here, one switch there, and everything works out fine. It is also fine with Residential Life who won't have to dish out so much money in overtime because it's employes have to work on Christmas Eve.

And the new schedule is fine with most of the students involved, who might be able to leave earlier, find rides home easier, and certainly get home a little quicker.

This move, this change, represents

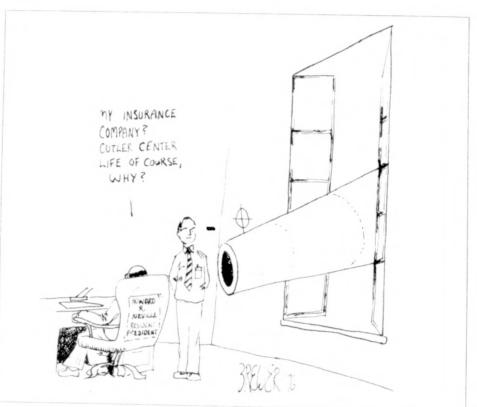
the power of the people, even though it is only a minor change. The Student Senate saw a problem, drew up a resolution to solve it, gathered the support of the constituents, so to speak, and presented it to Pres. Neville, i.e. the administration.

Why did Neville concur with the resolution? Because he realizes it was a problem he had just overlooked, or because the people took a stand and said, this is what we want? The president asked for input before he made his decision, and input he got, in the form of 2,500 student signatures.

Rarely do the students, as a collective body, ask for anything around here. They may do a lot of mumbling under their breath, but no one on the administrative ladder hears about it. A couple of thousand voices gathered together makes a lot of noise, however, and the change in the final schedule is only one small example of

If only we students would get involved in a few of the other issues which affect us on this campus, and work together to make a desired change...maybe it would work again, and on a bigger problem.

Now take the budget (please)...



# Jhunjhunwala faults Balakrishnan view of Johnson lecture

In the Maine Campus of November 19, V.K. Balakrishnan reacts to the Distinguished Lecture Series presentation of November 17, given by Russell Johnson. Although Balakrishnan deserves to be criticized severely for his irresponsible formulations, we do not intend to respond in this letter to his specific attacks on Johnson. Let us simply state that one would have to have an incredible imagination to find any resemblance between what Russell Johnson actually said and what Mr. Balakrishnan attributes to him. What the letter reveals is Balakrishnan's own fears, rigid assumptions, and information or lack of information.

To provide but one illustration, Balakrishnan told Johnson that he was "distressed" by the fact that Johnson "had turned Mao into a Similarly, in his letter, Balakrishnan asserts that "Johnson was as enthusiastic as a boyscout in eulogising and apothesising Chairman Mao." The truth is that Johnson cited Mao only a few times and then in the mildest of contexts. He would quote Mao on the need to love and care for others and would add, "That's what I learned not from the Chinese but in Sunday School.' Over the years, Russell Johnson has been very successful in sharing aspects of the Chinese experience with workers, members of the Rotary and Kiwanis and other service clubs, high school and college students. but there was no way he could appease Dr. Balakrishnan, short of an outright condemnation of Mao and China.

What we would like to do is to mention the main impact of Russell Johnson's slide presentation and then relate this to Balakrishnan's concerns with dictatorships and freedom. Johnson first showed his slides of the Philippines, a society typical of living conditions in many of the Latin American, African, and Asian countries of "The Third World." We observed how the small, elite, Filipino ruling class, as exemplified by Marcos and his friends, lives: the palatial homes, the expensive automobiles, the costly means and clothes, etc. This was evidence of the Marcos dictatorship

and its extreme repression as necessary to protect these privileges of the wealthy. The slides showed the modern industrial plants of the U.S. and Japanese corporations that dominate the Filipino economy. And not far from these corporations, we observed the wretched dwellings of the peasants and workers, the overwhelming majority of the Filipino society who live under conditions of abject poverty, malnutrition, illiteracy, poor medical care, and extreme oppression.

By contrast, Johnson's China slides showed a society in which one did not find the extreme class differentiations between the few, who lived in excessive affluence, and the many, who lived in abject poverty. We did not observe the expensive homes, automobiles clothing; and missing were the foreign corporations.

To many in the audience, life in China may have seemed very drab. Johnson emphasized that he was not comparing China with the U.S., but rather the China of today with the China of 25 years ago and the China of today with the Philippines of today. What emerged from the slides was a sense of a China which has made considerable progress in minimizing the extreme differences in wealth; in struggling with previous conditions of poverty and malnutrition and illiteracy; in providing decent health care for all; and in dealing with sexism and various forms of economic oppression and exploitation. Not a perfect society,

but one that is making progress. Until a few years ago, the Philippines, South Korea, India, and various other Third World countries were described as "democracies," at least in terms of how that concept is understood in the U.S. and other advanced capitalist nations. Indeed, we usually provided these former colonies with their model of "democracy." Today these nations are veiwed as "dictatorships." What happened?

If one analyzes what the "democracy" actually meant for the total society, he or she finds that it gave the landlord the "freedom" to plunder and exploit the peasants; the elite the "freedom" to live in

extreme affluence. It also gave foreign interests the "freedom" gain access to raw materials, to hire cheap labor, to make excessive profits, etc.

Throughout the Third World, the peasants and workers, constituting perhaps 85 or 90% of a particular society, began to react against this double exploitation. Various forms of opposition, violent and nonviolent, began surfacing. A severe threat was then felt by these elite "democratic" governments aligned with local landlords and foreign interests. In order to survive and maintain their privileges, the elite began to increase their acts of repression and

finally established formal dictatorships.

experience differs. In removing the basis of that double exploitation, the exploitation of the wealthy landlords and the foreign interests, the Chinese have radically restructured the class nature of their society. This has allowed for the sense of progress exhibited in Johnson's slides: the attack on class privileges, the

overcoming of extreme poverty and illiteracy, the providing of decent health care, etc. In short, the Chinese have struggled to overcome the class basis of the economic and other forms of exploitation and oppression that have dominated the lives of most Chinese.

Finally, we wish to comment on Prof. Balakrishnan's concern for 'civil liberties,'' a concern which we share. It is important to recognize that "civil liberties" is a relative concept in that it takes on different meanings at different stages of development. What may seem terribly important to V.K. Balakrishnan, with his special class background and class interests, may not be so relevant to the class interests of most of the Third World society. The starving and illiterate peasant may not be too concerned with the denial of certain "freedoms" which can only be enjoyed by the wealthy of his or her society. What he or she is more concerned with is the "freedom" to gain a greater share of the products of one's labor, the "freedom" to enjoy decent health care, the "freedom" to overcome the exploitation and oppression that dominates his or her life.

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# **LETTERS**

# Is that 'A' as in Adolf?

To the editor:

During a recent study break at the library, I was leafing through an issue of the *Maine Campus* and chanced upon a letter that I felt was thoroughly disgusting. I am referring to a letter written by one who so boldly signed himself/herself as "A". "A's" letter was in response to an article carried in the Campus apparently on the topic of one of the Christian groups on campus. I regret to say that I did not read this letter and I also regret that I did read "A's" letter.

I must admit my dear "A", that I am not deeply religious myself and

do not belong to any of these religious organizations, to which you are so violently opposed. But as to your reference of religion as a "goddamn tax shelter" and a "shield", I tend to see in your characteristics of a man who once lived in Germany. In which case you should have signed yourself as "H".

Stop a minute and open your closed mind. Religion is something that people both here and abroad feel strongly about. You and I cannot label ourselves as Judge, Jury, and Executioner of these people. Fighting over the topic of religion is the reason for strife that has existed in

places like Ireland and Lebanon. Your type of bigoted, non-constructive criticism is the reason for this strife and no-minds like yourself are the catalysts.

Isn't it time we stopped behaving like idiots and started trying to live together for what we can accomplish? I sincerely do not wish to reprimand you for your religious beliefs, for that is your right, just as it is the right of the Christian organizations on Campus to believe as they do. I would, however, like to ask you to keep your bigoted KKK views to your ignorant self and stop trying to perpetrate them on to us.

Furthermore, I hope that those who are like you and adhere to your

type of unintelligent writing are few and far between. You proved your worthlessness and cowardice by not having the intestinal fortitude to print your true name. Or is "A" to be thought of as "Asshole" not "Atheist"? I am sorry to have to write a letter like this and I feel insulted to have to remind "A" of the Bill of Rights that he should have learned in high school.

Michael L. Peters 329 Cumberland Hall

# A lack of understanding

To the editor:

I appreciated Laura Stanko's article in the November 16 edition of the Maine Campus. She took a look at the various Christian groups at UMO and reported on them in an objective and rational manner, which I believe gave each group equal exposure to the reader.

I was shocked and disappointed in a letter entitled "New Journalism Low?" that appeared in the November 19 Campus. The letter maligned the Campus for publishing "...this piece of 'journalism' about cultish, pagan rituals--you know, the pablum we call religion is this modern world of ours." I am amazed at the poor choice of words and the lack of understanding of true Christianity. Granted, there are some churches and other religious organizations around who are guilty of being a "tax shelter - a show, a carnival for the people..." But, let's be intelligent about any general statements we make in regards to any controversial subject. Examine what some of the words mean that appeared in the article to describe these Christian groups. Take the word "pagan" which supposedly represents religion. The Random House Dictionary defines pagan as: 1) a person who is neither a Christian, Jew or Muslim; and 2) an

irreligious or hedonistic person". It doesn't make sense to call religions "irreligious". I can't buy that line about priests being pushers either. When have you seen priests wandering the streets tempting innocent bystanders with their dangerous "opiate"?! The word opiate means "to cause dullness or inaction". I don't believe that this is a very accurate way to describe groups who have active roles on campus. (That line about the "opiate of the masses" came directly from Karl Marx; not a new line at all.)

I would also challenge anyone to examine the financial records of IVCF, the NAVIGATORS, ANTIOCH, etc. and come out with a report on how "fat and rich" they are becoming by their efforts.

Another observation is that anonymous letters like that tell me something about the convictions of the individual. While I certainly don't know everything about the issues involved, I have taken the time to find out the activities and beliefs of the groups mentioned, and find the article entitled "Christian Groups at UMO: membership grows" to be accurate and informative.

Michael F. Doble 136 Cumberland Hall

## Field day

To the editor:

A Tribute to the Future Site of the Performing Arts Center

What a field. Different in every season, peaceful in all. Regardless of traffic on the road, a walk through here settles the most anxious feelings. It's a kind of open solitude one finds, no hiding. Walk your dog here. Take a walk alone, with a friend or lover through the field, superficially barren. Find your own best friend. The tall grasses, buttercups, nesting Bobolinks and Savannah Sparrows are long gone since the mowing began two sum-

mers ago. The woodchuck still raises his head from his burrow against the woods. In winter meadow mice trails can be seen; sometimes you can see footprints and the print of a dragging tail. Smell the grass even now. Enjoy the oak and maple leaves blown all over. Walk it at night beneath the brilliant and expansive winter sky. Distant echoes of digging and building are heard. Enjoy it now. Perhaps we'll have one more season before the hrududil begin.

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## Give us a break

To the editor:

RE: Christmas vacation

This may seem like beating a dead horse, but I, and I'm sure others, would be interested in the reasoning behind next semester's schedule Why do we have a 16 week semester in the spring? Are spring courses more difficult, or do they contain more material than the fall semester courses we all completed in 14

tedious weeks?

It would have been reasonable to assume that because the administration took away our February break, that they would have extended our Christmas break to 5 weeks and saved some energy. Instead we are left with our usual 4 weeks of rest and recreation time plus an extra week of classes.

Again I ask, why are the spring courses more elongated than the

In conclusion, I can't see why the administration is curtailing our vacation time. Maybe if they lived more than a few miles away they would better understand the problems and pressures of being so far away from family and loved ones. Vacations are necessary to a healthy learning experience, and I, for one, can not see a good reason to surrender any of the too short vacation time that we already have. I would personally like to see the Christmas break extended to 5 weeks and eliminate the February break for this coming semester and thereafter.

Tony Maggio

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To the editor:

We would like to express out special thanks to those individuals of the university community who took part in the special Thanksgiving blood drive held on campus Friday, Nov. 26. Through their efforts the platelet needs of the Bangor community were met and made the holiday weekend a far less critical time for the bloodbank. We wish to thank the following for their gift of time, blood or expertise: Ernest Carroll, Randy Mase, Francis Davis, Otis Sproul, Henry Hooper, Roger Verhelst, Pamela Goltz, August DeSiervo, Almer Homola, Deanne Hutchinson, Frederick Hutchinson, Walter Grant, James Frank, Catherine Bosse, Norman Wilkinson, Clifford Koller, Steve Ball, Marlene Doucette, Elizabeth Stone, Thomas

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# I like Bio 1, but...

To the editor:

There has been much discussion in the past about Biology 1, but I want to state that I like the course very much, despite the difficulties with English not being my native language. The instructor is an effective teacher who presents the material in an interesting manner.

I am concerned, however, with the overabundance of petty rules which interfere with the objectives of the course. For instance, to take a make up exam it is necessary to register on a sign-up sheet. Frequently, the sign-up sheet is filled and it is not possible to take the make-up test at a convenient time. Once, having duly

signed up and having prepared for three days, I arrived to take a make-up. Because I had lost my admission ticket, however, I could not take the exam. I had my university ID card, and matching signatures on the ID and the sign-up sheet, but this was not sufficient. If the official university ID (and matching signatures) is not sufficient positive identification, why does the university waste money to produce them?

Yes, I was remiss in losing my ticket, but this does not justify such rigid and inflexible rules.

Sincerely Nelson Suarez 206 Estabrooke Hall

# The Occult:

# A UMO professor

## talks about the supernal world

by Linda Kennedy

With the advent of William Blatty's "The Exorcist" and its cortege of fiendishly-possessing thrillers, America has sacrificed its imagination and soul to dimestore occultism. But for people like Orono's Associate English Professor John Wilson, former atheist and agnostic whose flirtations with a psychic world backed him through the open doors of traditional religion eight years ago, belief in the occult surpasses Woolworth's sensationalism; it is a world view.

Wilson, a 1963 graduate of Bates College in Lewiston, attended graduate school at the University of Kansas at Lawrence, received his Ph. D. in English there in 1967 and has taught at UMO since 1969. He says his introduction to psychic conciousness came 10 years ago when he was teaching as a graduate student in Kansas and a student gave him a copy of Rev. Ralph Harlowe's book "Life After Death."

"It was in that book that I came to realize that there are a great many clergy who do not have a very clear understanding of the whole supernal world," Wilson said. Harlowe's book details his discovery of the existence of angels. The Reverend claims to have seen three angels that match their 2600-year-old Bibilical descriptions flying above him one day, but certain intellectual factions of the Christian Church denounced his book as hocus-pocus and in turn prompted Wilson to question their bigotry.

"I, like many clergy, was still a doubter after reading this book, but it began my interest in the occult world and the supernatural, and one thing led to another until I realized that I had indeed been very foolish, though understandably so, for not accepting what has been obvious to the majority of history and the majority of the world; I mean the reality of the supernal world and the relative non-reality of the physical world," Wilson explained.

Like many college students of the 1960's, Wilson dabbled in the Edgar Cayce paperback-occult fad when he was at Bates, but these first encounters with the psychic world produced suspicions that eventually converted him to atheism.

#### "...many people have an inbred inability to respond to spiritual experiences.

"It's almost as if it were a professional obligation that intellectuals are expected to be agnostic or atheist by principle,' Wilson said in defense of his former convictions. "I would say that in general, academics are intellectual, rationalistic, and to a certain extent, materialistic; hence, many people have an inbred inability to respond to spiritual experi-

wilson did not take long conquering his 'inabilities' when he later tuned into psychic thinking at the University of Kansas. Gnawed by questions his occult readings raised, he waded through literature on life after death, reincarnation, demonic possession and Karma until 1967, when he began communicating with the

spirit world himself. Wilson explained that just as telepathy and extrasensory perception (ESP) can exist between two living persons, they may also serve to contact the souls of the clinically dead. He related that in one of his earliest brushes with precognition, he "knew" of his father's 1957 death in Medfield, Mass. before a Red Cross

volunteer delivered the news to him on the German army base where he was stationed. Though the the telepathy troubled him at the time, Wilson says he has since sharpened his psychic prowess and can read minds now.

"I listen in on telephone conversations, and for example, I get thoughts before they're articulated. I hear words people will say," Wilson elaborated. "So it's clear that I, as many other people, as I suspect everyone can, am tuning into another mind and by-passing the necessity of speech."

"I think my mother-in-law is quite psychic, and I listen when my wife and she are talking in the telephone and can hear her conversation so I don't have to ask (my wife) what was being said later," he continued. "I don't do this all the time, and I don't do it all that easily, but I'm not doing anything very dramatic. I'm just communing.'

Wilson said he started communicating with the spirit world by using "automatic writing," an ancient mediumistic technique by which an individual can slip his concious mind into a trance and allow another soul to direct his hands to 'automatically' write or type messages from spirits. Biblical references to "automatic talking" in tongues purport a similar concept of divine message-sending from God to His followers on earth.

Enthralled with the possibility of contacting the spirit world, Wilson says his eight-year flirtations with automatic writing that began in the early 1960's left him with a healthy fear for spiritual forces.

"I read about it, I tried it, and I found I could do it," he explained, "You don't really need a pen. The ideas or words come into one's mind first, and then indeed the pen slows you in getting it all down, although it is clear that some force beyond my conscious will is moving my hand. Something is moving me, the same way that anyone who honestly works the Ouija board realizes there's an energy force working there.

"I have no idea of the source of this. Clearly the thoughts are not coming from any conscious source. Whatever the source of that automatic writing is, they are putting the thoughts there and bringing them out by this means."

Wilson's initial fascination later soured when he learned that poking around in the occult world could arouse satanic as well as good-natured spirits. Fear of "The Exorcist"-style possession and manipulation by evil spirits abbreviated Wilson's meddling with the occult and sent him shaking to the Episcopalian Church's protection eight

"I have fooled around with and engaged in seance calling-up-of-spirit scenes," Wilson said, reminiscing about former possession panics. "I was willing to get in touch with anything at first, just to see what was involved, but I started getting messages through automatic writing from diabolical spirits.'

'Particularly they were directed toward my wife," Wilson said with hair-raising conviction. "For example, they would suggest unpleasant or nasty things that one should do to people, or they would tell lies about other people." Wilson hedged about divulging specific obscenities directed toward him through automatic writing.

"All of this suggests, once again, what is obvious: that any means by which the world of the diabolical can enter us will be used," he summarized, ducking further inquiries in the matter.

Wilson has remained riveted to Anglo--Catholicism since his first satanic scares, and now avoids seances, refusing to practice automatic writing except to demonstrate the technique's validity to doubting Thomases.

"I think it all very dangerous," he said quietly. "That's why the Church has traditionally been the means of protecting us from the diabolical. Left alone, I don't think most of us are strong enough to withstand, certainly all the time, the invasions of the devil. I would therefore not advise people to fool around with it and would caution anybody to rely on the traditional means of protection--the

#### "...I incarnated in the north of Maine X number of years ago...'

Despite his present spiritual devotion, Wilson's religosity toppled to intellectualism throughout what he termed a "non-Christian" upbringing as a Protestant Unitarian. Wilson says he switched to the Episcopalian Church during his devil-fearing period because its sense of tradition and sacramentality pleased him.

Wilson's satisfaction with his new-found faith, however, has not always been reciprocated by the Episcopalian Church. Some church priests will not condone the occultist shadows looming over Wilson's Christianity and bristle at his presumption that the human soul reincarnates into the physical world after death instead of settling in traditional heaven or hell for eternity.

Wilson's philosophy of reincarnation includes the possibility that Christ himself may be a reincarnated soul who has walked the earth before in the bodies of Buddha, Mohammed, and other holy prophets.

"I think a good argument can be made for their being all one in the same--avaters (as the Buddhists call it). And it certainly seems plausible then, that Christ would have incarnated many times whenever we needed him...There are priests who are willing to accept possibilities of what I suggest, and there are others who find Christ to be unique and not an avatar. I'm willing to listen to that, but I don't find it necessary. Buddha was important to the people of his time."

Regardless of church denunciations that his religious ideas are heretical, Wilson reserves as staunch a reverence for Christ's sacredness as more conventional

'Christ is part of God, is perhaps as close to God as any soul," Wilson declared in reference to the Church's 2000-year old concept of the trinity. 'Presently his (Christ's) spirit is the chief agent by which one can achieve health. I would say he is not necessary; one could probably pray to any powerful figure, call him whatever you want. But I think he is still the best means of achieving salvation for man."

'God can be anything He wants to be, and whatever Christ is--his spirit, as incarnated in the form of Jesus--was a manifestation of God. There have been others. But Christ's Second Coming certainly will be a reincarnation as far as I'm concerned," he said.

Wilson's unique religious convictions have also given him a different perspective on the Biblical warning of a violent end for a wicked world.

"The spirit never dies or is ended. The end of the world I do not see as being as cataclysmic a problem for anybody who believes in the primacy of the spirit. I'm not asking for it, I'm not hoping for it. I'll suffer as much as anybody else physically,

but certainly not philosophically," he said. Wilson bases his doctrine of soul survival on more than the Buddhist avatar concept. He claims that spirits he consulted during his more audacious occult years told him that he himself is living his eighth human incarnation on earth.

"I have no specific conscious awareness or remembrance of any of those previous existances except for the last one, and that is fairly dim," Wilson mused as he tilted his chair backwards. "To the best of my knowledge, I incarnated in the north of Maine X number of years ago, and I have in my mind a vivid image of the place it

"It's a forest, and once getting there my soul would say 'ah! Obviously yes, this is it!' similar to the deja vu we have with

trial-and-error reincarnation. people and the 'oh-I've-been-there' kind of business. And I'm sure we have, many

Convinced that the physical world is a testing ground where man must purify himself and compensate for past transgressions to join himself with God, Wilson views life on earth as more of a prison sentence than a reward and anxiously yearns for the day when he will no longer need to return. His philosophy diverges from the Buddhist deterministic notion of karma, however, in that through Christ's saving grace, Wilson believes man may be pardoned for some iniquities and therefore attain salvation sooner than he might by

Wilson also believes in ghosts and thinks they are vengeful or feeble-minded spirits who for some psychological reason cannot successfully leave earth between incarna-

"I've never seen a ghost," Wilson admitted. '(But) I think perhaps I was in the presence of one one night, as I recall, when my dog was aware of it, and I knew something was around. I've never had the opportunity to talk with one, and indeed, I'm not sure that I want to, because oftentimes ghosts are indications of troubles, or something worse."

Wilson sees mortal death as birth into the cosmos. A cursory look at one of his numerous recommended books on the occult lucidly explains his attitude toward dying. The British biologist Lyall Watson wrote "The Romeo Error" in the early 1970's in hopes of scientifically disproving soul survival beyond the physical body but ended up supporting it.

Watson's book includes an 1892 study made by the Swiss Albert Heim, who miraculously survived a mountain-climbing fall in the Alps and then documented reactions of 30 other alpine-fall survivors, all of whom were disappointed that death did not take them because their brush with it was so euphoric.

In his book, Watson documents hundreds of autobiographical near-death accounts where a person's soul is projected beyond his body, the most famous of which were written by authors such as William Wordsworth, Emily Bronte, George Eliot, George Meredith, Lord Tennyson, Arnold Bennet, D.H. Lawrence, Virginia Woolf, Bernhard Berenson, John Buchan, Arthur Koestler and Ernest Hemingway.

As an English professor and specialist in Britain's 19th century Victorian period of literature, Wilson believes great writers are often sensitive to mysticism and life-death enigmas. Wilson continues to research occult themes in Victorian literature but asserted that his psychic-consciousness readings have dwindled as his occult convictions have jelled. Although Wilson thinks his spiritual ideas make sound sense, not all his Orono colleagues

'Their usual reaction (to my beliefs) has been amusement, embarrassment, and then astonishment, in that order," he quipped. "Then once they get over the initial mild shock, they pretty much leave me alone and do not discuss it. They think I'm a little weird."

Experience has taught Wilson his occult views rarely gain public approbation, but then again, he is not seeking it. Content with his cosmic philosophies, he leads a rustic life on his 150-acre self-sufficient farm in Troy, Maine with his wife Mary, a part-time UMO Continuing Education English professor, and their five children, whose ages range from three months to 10

Wilson conveys a bemusing aura of good health and spiritual peace and says that through meditation he has increasingly been able to ward off disease in the last two years. He began practicing transcendental meditation three years ago and now meditates for 20 minutes twice a day.

"I get a lot more work done, and that is my primary goal. I'm not a maharishi cultists, I just don't have time for it," Wilson asserted. "I love to work, and it (meditation) allows me to work more efficiently and better control my body."

"I am no longer seeking occultism as a would-be believer. I believe, and therefore l am cultivating my own garden right now and doing what has to be done: teaching, writing and farming. I have satisfied my intellectual and emotional needs here, and I'm perfectly happy to wait until I die to get a better perspective," he said with a confident smile.

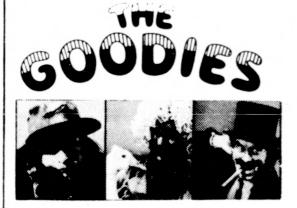
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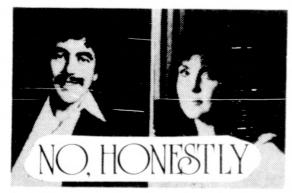


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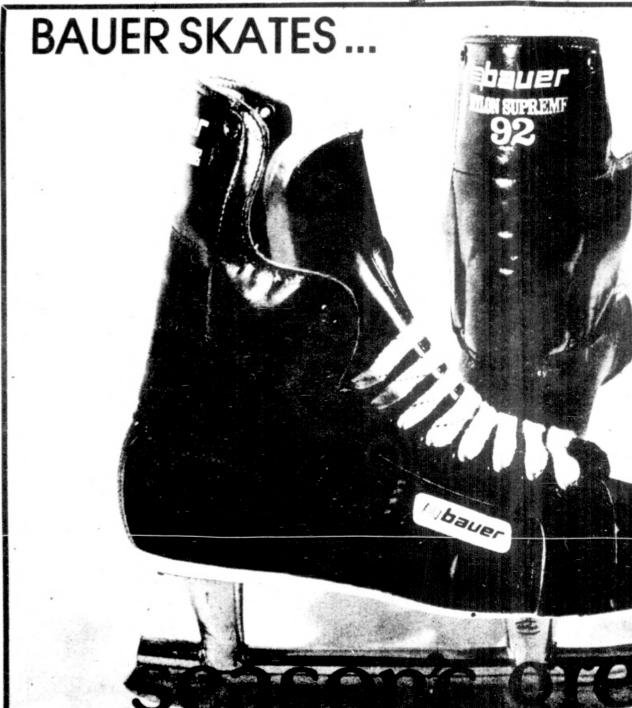
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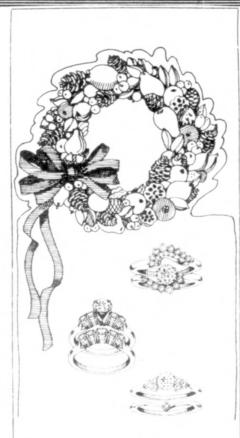
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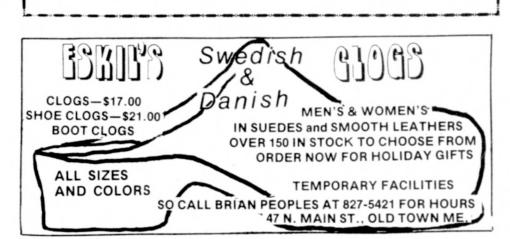


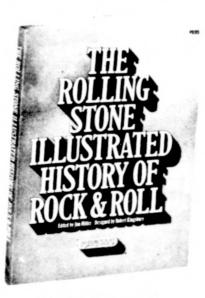
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## A profile:

# Greek system still strong at UMO

BY GAIL PLESSET

Interests and lifestyles have naturally varied over the years at the University of Maine at Orono but one institution which has stayed strong is the Greek system. Since the first fraternities opened chapters here in the early 1870's, the system has now grown to 18 social fraternities, all with their own houses and 10 social sororities, each with their own room in the dormitories.

Fraternities and sororities are highly organized, close units. Over 1100 students are attracted to the system for one reason or another. "The chance to be involved in a small group within a large organized system is a major reason for involvement," said a sorority pledge.

An added attraction to join a fraternity is the opportunity to live in a house with 40 or 50 other people. "Fraternities serve as an alternate lifestyle, as well as a social brotherhood club," William Lucy associate dean of student activities and organizations, stated. "It is a chance for young men to live with a small group and participate by working with a budget, programming, community service and leadership," the dean explained. "It's a home away from home."

Fraternities house about 600 men, Dean Lucy said. Most houses are 84 to 85 per cent full. The fuller the house, the lower the cost to residents. Presently, houses are financially in the black, and many of them are cheaper to live in than the dorms, sometimes by as much as \$200 a semester.

"However, coed dorms have given fraternities competition because it's a more natural lifestyle," said Bill Michaud, member of Alpha Gamma Rho fraternity and president of the Fraternity Board. "But because of the housing problem, freshmen are now allowed to live in the houses. The rule was changed this year, "he said.

Contrary to popular belief, sororities are allowed to have houses, Dean Lucy said. The problem is finding available housing, and to build would be very expensive

"Girls have mixed feelings about having a house. Some like having just their own room," said Maryann Tiemann, president of the Panhellenic Council. "Most would like to have someplace to call home beside a room provided by the university." She noted that women in Alpha Phi sorority live in Sigma Phi Epsilon's house.

Everyone has their own idea of what a fraternity and its members are like. Dean Lucy believes, "The fraternity image has not really changed in the past five years," referring to the community services and programs Greeks participate in. "Wild fraternity parties are not the rule, but the exception. To the best of my knowledge nothing shows fraternity men cause more damage than non-Greeks on campus," he said.

"The fraternity image changed for the better in the past four years I've been here," Michaud said.

Fraternities and sororities frequently combine forces for fund raisers such as when Lambda Chi Alpha fraternity and the sororities raised food for the underprivileged at Thanksgiving. Other activities include Halloween and Christmas parties for children, visiting nursing homes, marathon fund raisers, blood drives, visiting orphans and winterizing homes for senior citizens. All sororities have philanthropic organizations they work for.

The two representative governing bodies in the Greek system are the Fraternity Board and the sororities' Panhellenic Council. These boards are responsible for the winter carnival (as of this year), Greek weekend, the Organizational Fair in October and

Maine Day in the spring.

"Fraternity Board invites anyone with a gripe or interest to the bi-monthly meetings," said Pres. Michaud. The board, which consists of house presidents and house elected officials, meet at different fraternities. Guest speakers, the Inter Dorm Board, the Fraternity Buyers Association and Dean Lucy also

attend meetings.

"Panhellenic Council represents the ten sororities and promotes the Greek spirit and a feeling of togetherness," Pres. Maryann Tiemann explained. Among other activities, the council makes the rules for sorority rush (recruiting new members) and Greek weekend. Two members from each sorority serve in the

How do students come to "Be Greek?" Every group has their own system, although all fraternities have an



open rush. In other words, recruiting by brothers and the chance to become a pledge continues throughout the year. However, the Fraternity Board does sponsor a Rush-Weekend in the fall. Fraternities often get the names of freshmen, sophomores and juniors not in the Greek system from the Student Activity Office.

"Fraternity competition happens if two houses want the same guy, because naturally only one wins," Michaud said. "But houses try to attract members on the basis of their cost and reputation, not by defaming other houses."



Alpha Gamma Rho fraternity recruits Life, Science and Agriculture students only. "This is a national restriction because of it's social/professional status," Michaud explained. This regulation makes Alpha Gamma Rho unique. Students interested in any fraternity also visit houses via word of mouth or through friends.

"Usually a brother brings another guy to the house. If the house and the potential pledge are interested, he'll be encouraged to return frequently," Delta Tau Delta brother John Diamond said.

Brothers also interact with new students, through chance meetings, connections and friends from hometowns.

Time varies from less than a week to two months

when a fraternity votes on a prospective pledge to offer

him a bid—the invitation to become a brother. Some require a unanimous decision while in other houses a future pledge needs only 50 per cent of the vote, which is not done in his presence. Once a bid is given, he becomes a pledge and within the school year, a brother. A pledge can live in the house.

Before the final initiation, the pledge goes through a week sometimes called 'Hell Week' and sometimes known as 'Help Week.'

"Every national chapter condemns hazing," Dean Lucy said. "They take strong disciplinary action if there is any. However, projects by pledges are encouraged."

Michaud concurred saying there is no Hell Week, only a Work Week. Hazing is illegal.

However, some fraternity men stated, "The majority of the houses have Hell Week even though they're not supposed to. They all have some kind of hazing to a certain degree. Hazing involves physical and/or mental abuse."

Another fraternity brother, from a different house, explained, "Pledges are told 'Trust your brother, no matter what, even if it looks like you'll be injured, do it.' It's mental hazing, but nothing to bring a kid to the breaking point or serious injury."

Defenders of this type of initiation said, "Because everyone's gone through the initiation together, they become like a family, no one is better than anyone else." In both fraternity and sorority it is agreed that the secret traditions make the members appreciate their group more, and consider it special.

"Sorority rush is very competitive because they want to reach their quotas," a sister said.

Sorority rush begins with sets of parties, over three weeks in the fall and spring. During the final set of parties prospective sisters choose which sororities they want through "preference signing." An alumnus from each sorority and the vice-president in charge of rush match girls to their choices.

A formal written invitation is given to each girl the next day if her first sorority choice accepted her. If she is not matched, open-bidding by sororities begins. Both the matching and open bid systems occur the same day because "all girls are on an equal level," Maryann Tiemann said.

"Sororities extend open bids (invitations) to all girls who did not get a bid. Some girls decide to wait and try to get into their first choice sorority later," Tiemann continued. "Those who want, get a sorority."

After receiving an invitation to join a sorority, the future sister becomes a "bowpinney" when she has a week to decide if she definitely wants the sorority. She then becomes a pledge, which lasts about six months,

As a pledge she gets to know the sorority and can drop anytime, but must wait a year before joining another. She can never join another sorority once she drops the sorority she was initiated into.

"Sorority offered me the chance to meet new people, and have two to three groups of friends," Kate Ramsay of Phi Mu sorority said.

"Sororities are not entirely social," Tiemann noted, "because they work for philanthropies. They provide girls with an outlet other than a dorm. It's a chance for a closer bond, to do charity work and to get involved."

"The expense of sorority varies, but it is not outstanding. There are pledge dues, initiation fees and semester dues," Tiemann explained. This averages about \$100 a year depending on the sorority.

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# News and Events

MPAC MEETING every Tuesday at 4 p.m. MINI-WORKSHOP. Cross-country skiing at the Maples. All are welcome.

TRAINING SESSION in Student Legal Services Tuesday, Dec. 7 from 7 to 9 p.m. in 30 Coburn Hall. Representative Dick Davies will speak on "New Criminal Code" and "Federal Hitchhiking Law"

BAGEL DAY: Hillel is sponsoring a bage! sale in the Union, Thursday, Dec. 9 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

PHOTOS NEEDED: Entries for major student photography exhibit by students throughout New England, at Panoptican Gallery of Photography, 69 Newbury St., Boston 02116. Deadline is Dec. 11. For information on entry requirements, write or call the gallery as soon as possible, 617-267-2961.

EDUCATION EXCHANGE: Chair canning, Wed. Dec. 8, 7 p.m. in the Walker Room of the Union. Last in the series. \$5 fee.

SANDWICH CINEMA: "Generation upon Generation" (Genetics Study); Dec. 8, 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m., N. Lown Room.

by Brud Folger, Damn Yankee, Memorial Union. 7 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 9.

MAINE MASQUE: General admission ticket sale begins Wednesday, Dec. 8 for "The School of Scandal", which runs Dec. 14-18. Box office hours are 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. weekdays.

PHOTOGRAPHY WORKSHOP: Informal Portraiture. 7 p.m. Dec. 7, Classroom B: Second in Series, Series fee \$5.

ROAD RALLY: UMMC is holding another road rally Friday, Dec. 10. There will be two classes, single and multi-navigator with a rally school Tuesday at 8:15 p.m. in the International Lounge. First car leaves at 7 p.m., registration is from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. in the steam plant parking lot. For further information contact Dick at 866-4821.

FILMMAKERS Richard Searls and Stu Silverstein discuss their films "Dead River Rough Cut" and "The Free Life", Sunday, Dec. 12 at 7:30 p.m. in 100 Nutting Hall. No admission charge.

TENNIS CLUB MEETING in the 1912 room in the Union Thursday, at 7 p.m. Discussion will concern plans for next year

# FILM

"Coogan's Bluff", 7 and 9:15 p.m. 130 Little Hall

Laughter and Love Film Festival. "Rules of the Game." (1939) 7:30 p.m. Student Union BCC.

#### THURSDAY

"Coogan's Bluff", 7 and 9:15 p.m. 100

# Forum to focus on UMO's aims for next 5 years

BY ELIZABETH BUTTERFIELD

Want just three minutes to speak on which priorities the University of Maine at Orono should seek to improve in the next five years?

You can speak for those three minutes if you attend a forum on university-wide issues Tuesday, Dec. 7, at 7:30 p.m. in the Wells Commons lounge.

The forum is part of the Steering Committee on University Re-accreditation's self-study process, which is prelim-

inary to university re-accreditation. On March 12-14, 1977 the New England Association of Schools and Colleges (re-accrediting association) will be on campus to evaluate UMO for re-accreditation.

UMO's steering committee has been doing an extensive self-study and has been projecting "where the university is going to be in five years," said Meri Strang, the only undergraduate student on the steering committee. The NEASC will evaluate UMO on how well it is meeting its institutional goals.

In an effort to consider possible directions for UMO, the three issues the forum will focus on are: encouragement of cross-disciplinary studies and approaches be an institutional goal; should we be considering different or additional ways to offer the people of Maine greater access to our educational resources; and can we improve the living/learning environment for students?

"The steering committee feels that more effort needs to be placed on these three priorities," said Dr. JoAnn Fritsche, special assistant to the vice president for Academic Affairs. "However, the forum might enlighten us on which priorities should be addressed and which priorities should be junked.'

The forum will be chaired by James Clark, vice president for Academic Affairs. Forty-five minutes will be devoted to each of the topics. Speakers will talk for three minutes each and then the forum will be open for discussion with the audience.

"I don't know what to expect," Fritsche said. "If there's a low attendance at the forum we'll assume students are satisfied and we'll concentrate on improving these three priorities.'

"It's really important that students go ind are aware of what's going on,' Strang

#### WEDNESDAY

# ● Fraternity, sorority profile

One sister stated, "It (sorority dues) is now a financial burder." The money goes to the national organization and a building fund for the rooms, she said.

Some seniors experience a change in attitude towards the Greek system. "As a senior, I've become more apathetic. It doesn't mean that much to me anymore," one sister said.

While a brother noted, "You start putting more emphasis on school. You worry more. School becomes more important than social life. You realize, this is the

How do Greeks do academically? "The grade point average of Greeks has consistently been above non-Greek," Dean Lucy stated. According to the 1976

three days. Room and board is free and brothers take them to classes, pick them up at the airport and generally cater to them. "Realistically, it's not a form of rush. We provide a serivice to the university," Doug Curtis, Theta Chi brother explained. "Our main goal is to get students orientated to UMO life.

The administration is now considering Theta Chi's new program for foreign students. "We would provide room and board free for any foreign student who desires to come to UMO, but would have nowhere else to stay or could not financially afford it," Curtis said. If the administration accepts the program it will go into effect next fall. The student would not be required to become a brother.

Phi Kappa Sigma has one of the best scholarship programs in the country," Prof. David Trafford,



spring semester statistics, the average fraternity brother had a 2.56 semester average compared to 2.54 of his non-Greek counterpart. Sorority sisters averaged 2.90 compared to 2.84 of non-Greek women. Total Greek average is 2.68 versus 2.65 non-Greek.

Each fraternity and sorority has its own ideals, values and programs. For example, Theta Chi fraternity sponsors its own freshmen orientation program.

Letters are sent to eligible high school seniors in the spring to invite them to stay at Theta Chi for two or

advisor to the fraternity, said. Trafford, who is president of the Phi Kappa Sigma Educational Foundation, said the foundation is only local, and is incorporated and tax-exempt. Ten scholarships, which are awarded each year to chapter members, are based on "need, scholastic average and chapter statesmenship." The money comes from legacies and bequests. The foundation invests the principle and uses the interest for scholarship money. Awards range from \$100 to \$300.

Phi Eta Kappa is the only local fraternity at UMO; in other words, it is not part of a national chapter. Rich Carvill, Phi Eta brother, explained, "It is self-sufficient. Some guys from Oak Hall got together to start a fraternity." It missed bids for national fraternities, therefore, it became a local fraternity in 1906 with just one house. They later made a pledge to remain a local fraternity, and eventually won recognition as the second strongest local fraternity in the country.

# Faculty relations official says wages primary issue

BY JIM SLOAN

Recent surveys have shown that faculty in higher education are most concerned with academic governance issues when voting in favor of collective bargaining. However, a labor relations authority told a group of UMO faculty at a Physic Dept. colloquium last week that the majority are actually most interested in gaining higher

Speaking on his experiences with collective bargaining at Wayne State University in Detroit, Melbourne G. Stewart, the vice provost of Faculty

Relations at W.S.U. maintained that a unionized faculty's priorities began with higher salaries but that they were also concerned with job security, teaching workload and academic governance issues.

The UMO faculty has petitioned the State Labor Relation Board with two labor organizations and are presently waiting for unit determination hearings to be scheduled. Once the composition of the unit is determined, the faculty will vote in a representation election that will determine if the group wishes to be represented by a collective bargaining agent.

Besides salary determinations, Melbourne said, a collectively bargained contract is primarily "putting into print what is already done in practice.'

Melbourne explained though that many things must be negotiated at the bargaining table. In addition to job security, workload, salary and academic governance issues, union rights and privileges, use of facilities, union dues deductions, administration rights, promotion and tenure, working conditions-compensation and grievance procedures must also be negotiated and put into contract form.

Although the faculty at Wayne State has received a cumulative salary increase of 14.8 per cent since collective bargaining came to the university, Melbourne feels the reaction to unionization has been mixed. Most agree, however, that without a union, conditions at the university would be worse, according to Melbourne. Out of the 1700 members of the faculty collective bargaining unit, only 800 belong to the union and pay dues.

Melbourne said the number of university systems that have established collective bargaining has increased from 62 in 1973 to 100 this year.

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# Wildlife professor and students nurse injured eagles

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He clasps the crag with crooked hands;

Close to the sun in lonely lands,

Ringed with the azure world he stands.

The wrinkled sea beneath him crawls; He watches from his mountain walls.

And like a thunderbolt he falls.

These emotional words of Alfred, Lord Tennyson's poem The Eagle, portray the nobility and pride of our national emblem, the American Bald Eagle. Experts list the eagle as having few natural enemies. They point out, however, that man poses the biggest danger to the eagle.

The University of Maine at Orono wildlife department has a group of diligent individuals trying to save the lives of two Bird' are carefully being nursed back to health by Dr. Ray Owen, grad students Charlie Todd and Tim Stone, and undergrad Jim Connolly.

Iggy is an immature female weighing 13 pounds and having a wingspan of about 51/2 feet. She was found in Topsfield, Maine with a bullet wound in the left wing. The bullet caused so much damage to the bone and tissue that Dr. Ron Lott will be

forced to amputate the wing.

The Adult Bird is obviously an adult bald eagle. He weighs about ten pounds and is smaller than Iggy. Male bald eagles are smaller than females. The Adult Bird has the characteristic white head, and dark brown plumage. Iggy has the immature, mottled brown-white plumage. Iggy will gain adult plumage when she reaches age

The Adult Bird was found caught in a raccoon trap. The jaw-type trap stretched ligaments and bruised the leg, but he will be released in about three weeks.

Iggy is a sadder case, however. After her amputation and convalescence, she will be sent to Pawtuxent Wildlife Research Center in Laurel, Md. There, Iggy will spend the rest of her life with the caged eagle population.

## State legislators to visit UMO

as a sufficient number of legislators showed interest in the LLC program. Another meeting was scheduled for Friday, Dec. 3 to compare the formal RSVP responses from the legislators. Laitres said ten legislators have sent positive responses to the LLC and of those ten, six have decided to also attend the Dec. 13 program. Because legislators showed interest in attending both programs, both will proceed as scheduled

The Dec. 8 program will consist of many events including a meal in Wells cafeteria, injured bald eagles. 'Iggy' and 'The Adult where the legislators will eat with the

students at a regular meal, allowing more students to have contact with the attending

Another event is an hour and a half meeting with the vice-presidents of student affairs, academic affairs, financing and administration and public research. It is expected the budget and future effects of budgeting will be the major topics of discussion.

Some of the events scheduled for the Dec. 13 program include a luncheon at Hilltop cafeteria, a half-hour speech given by President Neville and GSS President Dan O'Leary, a presentation by students and department heads and presentations by the vice-presidents. A question and answer period will follow. The vice-presidents' presentation will show how a further budget cut or the lack of a budget increase will affect their respective areas.

Laitres stressed the importance of student involvement in the LLC program. She said, "If we want to stop another tuition increase we've got to show how necessary the state funding will be. People have got to help us lobby for that funding.



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# **SPORTS**

# Swimmers Marshall and Sarson power team over BU, UMass

BY BRIAN SEAWARD

The freshmen of the University of Maine men's swim team proved themselves more than just rookies as the Black Bear mermen defeated Boston University 94-18 and the University of Massachusetts 89-24 last weekend, in the Bay State.

Freshmen Tom Sarson, Bob Marshall, John Judge and Doug Burnham gave good performances in the individual events and relays, and Bruce Eppinger, Scott Semle and Rob Garron also added to the team's depth.

At the B.U. meet, Marshall placed first in the 200-yd. freestyle with a time of 1:51.4 and first in the 100-yd. freestyle with a 49.2. Sarson won the 1,000-yd. freestyle with a 10:43.1 clocking, captured first in the 200-yd. butterfly with a 2:10.0, and swam a leg of the winning 400 yd. freestyle relay. Judge won two first places, the 200-yd. breaststroke and the winning

medley relay in which he swam the breaststroke leg.

The upperclassmen had good performances also, including, Jim Smoragiewicz' victory in the 200-yd. backstroke, Bob Stedman's win in the 500-yd. freestyle, and the one-two finishes of Roy Warren and Rolf Olsen in the one meter and three-meter diving.

Judge and Smoragiewicz led the way to victory at the UMass meet. Each had strong performances in their events.

Judge set a new school record in the 200-yd. breaststroke with a time of 2:19.5. Smoragiewicz won two first places, swimming a 2:01.5 in the 200-yd. individual medley and a :49.3 in the 100-yd. freestyle.

"I wanted to go below a 2:20.0," Judge said, "I think I took it out too fast in the first 100, but I really came on strong for the last 50 yards and it felt really good."

Smoragiewicz later said "I was pleased



THE UMO MEN'S SWIM TEAM won their second and third meets of the season last weekend. The Bears swim New Hampshire Wednesday at Durham.

with my 200-yd. individual medley time. I lowered my breaststroke split and that's what I really wanted to do."

Coach Alan Switzer was pleased with the team's performances at both meets and said everyone did a good job.

He added that some individuals had done really well and the work done in practices is beginning to show in swimmers' performances. Captain Jimmy Farragher said, "We showed a lot of good swims early this year and when we come back from Florida, the second half of the year should be really strong."

The UMaine team will swim against the University of New Hampshire on Wednesday and the University of Vermont Saturday. Both are away meets.

## <u> Harris and Wholey star</u>

# Men hoopsters smash Northeastern, 89-67

BY MIKE MCNAUGHTON

The University of Maine basketball team evened their record at 1-1 with a convincing 89-67 victory over the Northeastern Huskies at the Memorial Gymnasium Saturday night.

The Black Bears took the lead with just over eight minutes to play in the first half and never gave it up as the Huskies could do little offensively against a tough Maine man-to-man defense.

Standout freshman Rufus Harris had the hot hand for Maine as he hit on 10 of 13 shots from the floor and 5 of 5 from the foul line for a game high total of 25 points. Paul Wholey was also outstanding for Maine both offensively and defensively and wound up with 23 points.

Maine got good efforts from both Kevin Nelson and Wally Russell coming off the bench midway through the first half to spark Maine to an eventual 47-29 halftime lead. Nelson finished the game with 11 points and 8 rebounds. Russell had 8 points and a game high total of 6 assists

Maine displayed good shot selection, hitting on 52 per cent of their shots compared to Northeastern's 39 per cent. The Black Bears also were effective from the foul line, netting 21 of 25 free throws.

Northeastern, whose record dipped to 1-2, got good efforts from Dave Caligaris and Howard Thompkins who had 16 and 12 points respectively. The Black Bears have two home games this week, Tuesday night against Central Connecticut and Thursday against City College of New York (C.C.N.Y.).

The UMO Jayvee squad upped their record to 2-0 with a 101-56 victory over the Pease Air Force Base. Six UMO players had double figures in that game with Tim McGirk leading the way with 16 points. Saturday night's box score:

MAINE 89

Harris 10-5-25, Reilly 1-4-6, Lapham 3-0-6, Wholey 9-5-23, Gavett, Nelson 3-5-11, Fitzpatrick 4-0-8, McGloughlin, Russell 3-2-8, Klein, Donahue, Morrison 1-0-2 NORTHEASTERN 67

Mercer 2-2-6, Collins 1-0-2, Caesar 3-0-6, Thompkins 6-0-12, Ramos 3-3-9, Caligaris 6-4-16, Sheehan 2-0-4, Motley 2-2-6, Loughnane 1-0-2, Clary 1-0-2, Dillon 1-0-2

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OFFICIALS Coyne, Webb



CO-CAPTAIN DAN REILLY manuevers the ball downcourt in UMO's victory iast Saturday against Northeastern. The Bears face Central Connecticut in the Pit tonight.

SENIOR BERIC KIMBALL overtakes a UNH opponent in last Saturday's dual meet in Durham.

# Tracksters beat UNH, Maine sweeps three events

BY STEVE VAITON

Led by sweeps in three events, the UMO thinclads won their second meet in as many starts, turning back New Hampshire 70-48 at Durham on Saturday.

Though conditions were not conducive to good times or distances, assistant coach Jim Ballinger was pleased with the performances. "We're begining to round into shape", he said. "The times are a bit slow but this can be attributed to the short time between the first two meets, and to the slow track. The hard surface and short straightaways tend to wear down the runners more quickly, slowing times one or two seconds per quarter mile depending on the race. It also took a toll on our jumpers."

The Wildcats took an early lead, but 1-2-3 finishes in the high jump, shot put, and 600-yard run put the Black Bears ahead for good.

Four UMO athletes had repeat wins in their events, and three placed in second events as well. Paul Collette repeated as hurdles victor, Al Sherrerd took first in the shot (46'7'') and third in the weight, Ed Gott took the 600 (1:17.6) and helped the mile relay team to another win, teaming

with Tom Stephenson, Nat Tupper, and Nick Tupper in 3:33.7. Mike Roddin cruised to a first in the mile (4:16.1) and anchored the two mile relay team to a 8:09.0 win, as he, Jon Howland, Myron Whipkey, and Steve Nightingale all had good split times.

Other Maine winners were Lou Hinckley (high jump-6'4''), and freshman Steve Dexter (1000-yard run-2:18.5). Additional double placers were Stephenson (relay and 60), and Howland (relay and 600).

New Hampshire's fine distance man George Reed returned to competition after sitting out the cross country season, and coasted to a 9:15 two mile win. UNH thrower Lou Perazzo heaved the 35 pound weight 55'9", a good throw in New England at any time in the season.

Two Mainers were injured in the meet, most seriously, pole vaulter George Glover, who broke a bone in his arm on a vault. Glover, who also long jumps and triple jumps, will be in a cast for 6-8 weeks. High jumper Scott Sharek pulled a thigh muscle and is questionable for this Saturday's meet at Vermont. Both men's and women's teams will be in action at Burlington, starting at 11 a.m.

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# Women demolish UMass, break UMO swim records

BY BILL WALLACE

Jill Puzas and Nancy Kurt each smashed two records as the University of Maine women's team crushed the University of Massachusetts 88-43 at Amherst last weekend. UMO swimmers and divers accounted for 14 of 15 first place finishes.

Despite the lopsided score, the meet produced several exciting races, especially the 500-yd freestyle. This race matched up UMO middle-distance freestyle ace Anne Lucey against UMass' Debbie Schwartz. Anne held a two body-length lead at yard 400. For the next 50 yards both swimmers were even. Anne turned first at yard 475, and held on to a half body-length lead to win with a time of 5:40.8.

Jill Puzas became the new UMO school record holder in the 50-yd. butterfly and the 100-yd. breaststroke. Jill's :29.8 effort in the 50-butterfly produced one of the closest races of the meet. She hit the wall at yard 25 a fraction of a second ahead of UMass' Debbie Schwartz. In the final 25 the UMass star closed the gap but in the end it was Jill who touched the final wall first. The 100-yd. breaststroke proved the race of the meet as it pitted UMass' defending New England breaststroke champ Teresa Totin against UMO's Jill Puzas. Teresa and Jill were even through the first 50 yards of the race. The second 50 proved to be Jill's, however, as the UMO star captured first by a couple of body lengths. Her time of 1:10.8 broke the UMO record and tied the New England record.

Julie Woodcock won the 100-yd. individual medley, 100-yd. butterfly, and swam legs of UMO's winning medley and freestyle relay teams. These consistent, outstanding performances characterize Julie as a true champion competitor.

Nancy Kurt broke UMO records in the 50 and 100-yd freestyle. In the 100-freestyle, Nancy swam the race in her patented way: a fast first 50 yards, and finish as strongly as possible in the last 50. Her :57.6 time proved too fast for UMass' Teresa Totin who placed second with a fine :58.5 clocking. Nancy's other record came as a member of the record-setting 200-yd. freestyle relay. Her leadoff split of :26.5 on the relay bettered Dulcie Cole's old record of :26.9. Nancy also won the 200-yd. freestyle.

UMO's backstoke duo of Denise Small and Eileen Sherlock placed one-two in both dorsal events. Denise, UMO record holder in the 50, 100 and 200-yd. backstroke, took first in 50 and 100-backstroke. Eileen, a freshman from Pawtucket, RI, placed second in both races, exhibiting strong finishes in each

Diver Patti Ward captured first place in the one and the three-meter diving events.

# Cagers prevail, nip Mass.,58-56

Two clutch free-throws by guard Lottie Linder with seven seconds remaining in the game proved to be the winning margin for the University of Maine women's basketball team last weekend as they defeated the University of Massachusetts 58-56 at Amherst.

After a slow start, UMO's solid man-to-man defense finally picked up the team late in the first half. The defense, a man-to-man sag', caused numerous UMass turnovers which led to a 28-22 halftime lead.

According to UMO coach Eilene Fox, the outstanding defense allowed UMO to get the ball more often, and take two to three times as many shots as their UMass foes. UMO's star forward Crystal Pazdziorko was the game's high scorer with 18 points and 17 rebounds. Barb Cummings and Renea Deighton each contributed 8 points

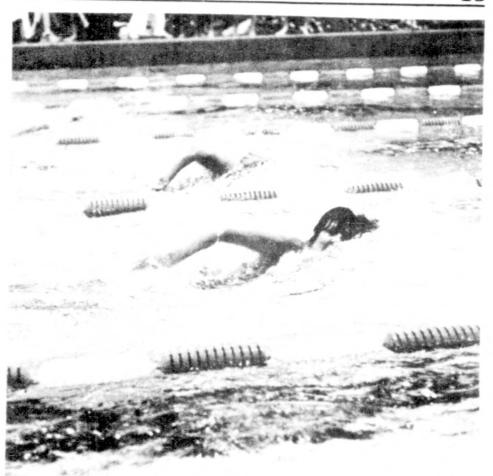
umo's record is 2-0. The team's next game is against the University of New Hampshire at Durham, and UNH does not have a powerful club according to UMO coach Fox.

The UMO freshman showed some of the form that made her last year's Rhode Island Interscholastic Champion. Teammates Debbie Lander and Sally Barnes also showed improvement since the New Brunswick meet.

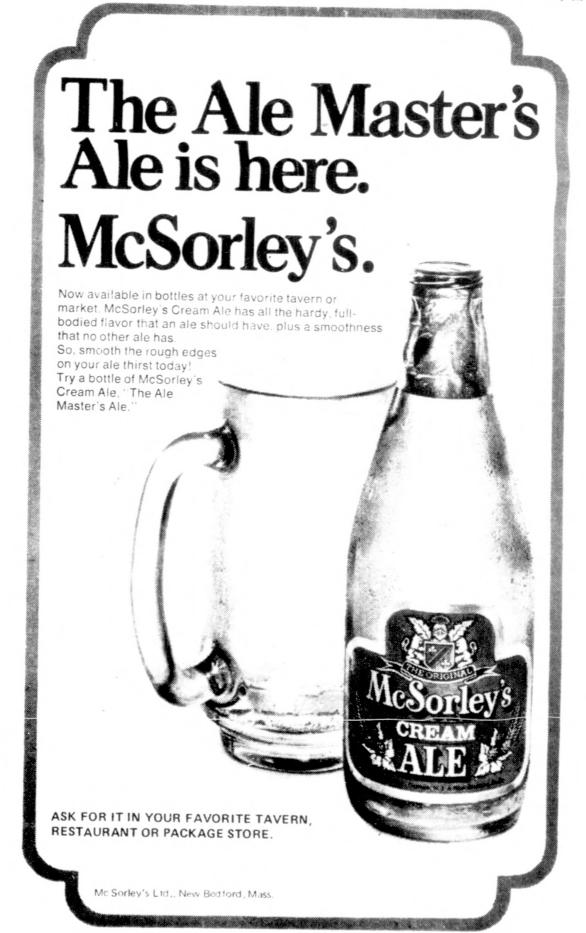
UMO sprinter Leigh Hutchinson showed a fast finish as she outtouched UMass' Lise Hembrough and fellow teammate Rae Fournier to win the 50-yd. freestyle.

Both of UMO's relay teams broke UMO records. The medley relay team of Denise Small, Jill Puzas, Julie Woodcock, and Eileen Sherlock opened the meet with a victory and a new UMO mark. Their time was 1:59.8. In the final event of the meet Nancy Kurt, Eileen Sherlock, Jill Puzas and Julie Woodcock added another record with their 1:45.4 performance in the 200-yd. freestyle relay.

UMO coach Jeff Wren was pleased with his team's performance. Last year UMass finished fourth at the New England's and was the only team to defeat UMO in a dual meet. This victory gives UMO a 2-0 record. The next women's meet is next Saturday at Boston University.



FRESHMAN ANNE LUCEY won the 500-yd freestyle (pictured above). She also placed second in the 200-yd freestyle. She and her UMO teammates face Boston University this weekend.





COACH AND TEACHER JANET ANDERSON has been instrumental in the development of the outstanding women's athletic teams at UMO today.

## Anderson views her UMO career and the growth of women's sports

BY KAREN LACASSE

Janet Anderson, a native of Sioux City, Iowa and a graduate of Nebraska State Teachers College came to Maine 14 years ago without a job because, "I hadn't been further east than the Mississippi River and I wanted to see the east coast." Now, as UMO's varsity volleyball and junior varsity basketball coach, Anderson is in charge of the scheduling of the games for all women's sports and has since received her masters degree in physical education at the University of Maine at Orono.

Asked what the coaching situation was when she first began teaching at UMO ten years ago, Anderson said, "There was no coaching when I first got here. We didn't compete against other colleges. For example, we would play three field hockey games; one against the alumni during homecoming, one against a local high school and one interdorm game.'

In 1967, women's sports at UMO was more recreation-orientated. A strong women's association, the Women's Recreation Association (WRA), sponsored play days and sports days, which involved area high schools. Then in 1970, women's athletics really got started, in which Miss A. (as she is called by the players) coached all of the women's sports including tennis, bowling, badminton, field hockey, volleyball and basketball. They were still on a sports day emphasis with two days set aside for everybody to go to a specific site and play. "But," added Miss A., "it had to be a planned organization because competitors demanded it."

After the state tournament series was organized in 1971 with a northern and a southern division within the state, Miss A. was coaching varsity field hockey, volleyball and basketball. But because of class loads, department responsibilities, and an overlapping of schedules; she decided she could not coach any more than one sport. "I gave up basketball because I played it, taught it, coached it and officiated it and just plain got tired of it," Anderson said.

Now, as head varsity coach of a state championship volleyball team for the past five years, Miss A. is proud to be a part of the sports scene at UMO."If everybody could have the type of players I've had over the past six or seven years - they would be very fortunate people." said Anderson.

Miss A. feels her players set different goals for themselves when they are competing at the collegiate level. Many enjoy companionship and the excitement of competition besides being dedicated to the pain of conditioning. "A coach expects a great deal from the players," adds Anderson. "They have to push themselves

to a point where they want to give as much as they can.'

Miss A. also feels that character comes into it. "In sports there is a high-charged atmosphere all the time, and a lot of people use this as a release for themselves," commented Anderson.

Miss A. speaks very highly of the recreational program at the University of Maine and feels the school has provided an activity for everybody whether it is sitting down and playing cards or going out on a football field and tearing heads off. "I think this is an enormous plus for UMO," concluded Anderson.

# Black Bear football trio named to all-ECAC squad

The University of Maine Black Bear defense that helped the football squad to a six-five record was honored recently when three members of that unit were named to the All-Yankee Conference team, selected by the league's coaches.

Two of the players, senior linebacker Scott Shulman of Hingman, Ma. and sophomore defensive end Chris Paul of Biddeford, Me. were named to the squad for the first time, while senior Jack Leggett, of South Burlington, Vt. was named at defensive halfback for the third

Leggett, who also kicks for the Bears, was named to the first team after being honored by placement on the second team in 1975. Leggett served many purposes for the Bears as he bolstered the Bear secondary, as well as returning punts and kicking field goals. Leggett missed breaking the UMO all time career field goal record by three and holds the record for the longest field goal in the school's history.

He joins halfback Wayne Champeon from 1958-60 as Maine players named to the Yankee Conference team three times. Only seven men have been named to the team twice from Maine.

Another Bear tri-captain, Shulman was named to the first team. He was the top tackle for the Bears, and led the defense in

tackles. His work in the Connecticut game was the key to that victory.

Paul, who had come to Maine as a running back became a defensive star this season. His aggressive tackling and timely sacks led the Bears to their win over Central Connecticut. Paul was named to the second all-YC team.

Other members of the Bear defense, who were overlooked by the selection board but deserved mention were sophomore linebacker Chris Keating of Cohasset, Ma. and sophomore Dave Harrison of Middleboro,

Keating intercepted four passes and returned them 104 yards and also recovered three fumbles. Harrison, meanwhile, intercepted three passes and just missed two others thrown by Clark Crowley of Northeastern, in that game.

Rudy DiPietro was the top Bear offensive player with over 900 yards rushing, but was overlooked in favor of Bill Burnham of New Hampshire on the Yankee Conference

The Eastern Collegiate Athletic Association announced today that Scott Shulman, Jack Cosgrove, and Jack Leggett have been named to the All-ECAC Division II football squad. Leggett is UMO's only repeater from last year's prestigious ECAC



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