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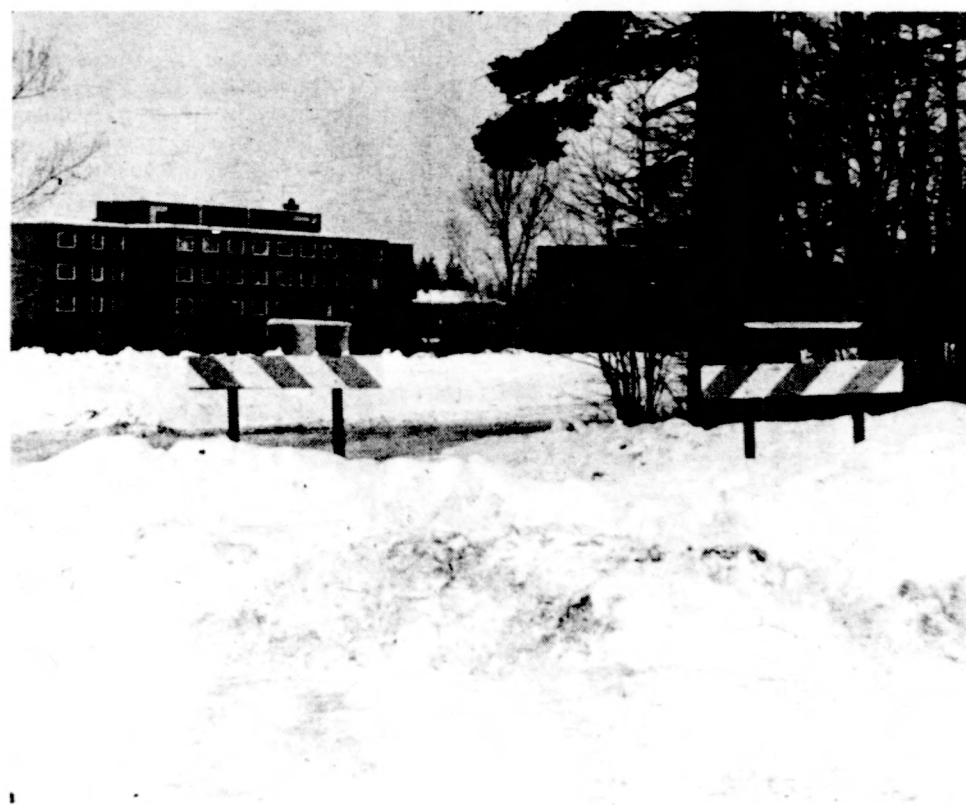
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television's "Gong Show" as Toms indicated that nights might be reserved in the "new" Bear's Den for talent nights.

The bar and lounge area will be in the rear of the Den where beer is now served. The bar will be L-shaped with bar stools, while the carpeted lounge will have custom-designed booths made of heavy wood. The bar and lounge will entail two rooms with a movable partition between. A small stage will locate in this area where an electronic baseball game now rests.

Toms says he's like to replace plastic cups with glasses or mugs but says he's "not sure" if this is feasible "because of the theft rate." People will be hired to work behind the bar, Toms said, and a doorman may be employed on crowded nights.

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LOWdown

Dance class openings are still available for:
Jazz Dance—Tuesday and Thursday, 11 a.m.
Beginning Modern—Monday and Wednesday, 2:10 p.m.
Intermediate Dance Techniques—Tuesday and Thursday, 2:10 p.m.

Friday, Jan. 28

4:10 p.m. Physics colloquium: Dr. Harvey Brooks will speak on "Resources and Economic Growth," discussing the ultimate steady state and the spaceship earth metaphor, in 140 Bennett Hall.

7 p.m. Women's swimming with Bowdoin at the Wallace Pool.

7 p.m. Women's basketball with UMF in the Memorial Gym.

7 & 9:30 p.m. "The Man Who Fell To Earth", starring David Bowie. A MUAB movie in Hauck Auditorium.

7:30 p.m. Distinguished Scientist Seminar Series: Ralph S. Palmer, New York State Museum, will speak on "A Nonpolitical Discourse of Eider Ducks and Featherbedding," in 102 Murray Hall.

8 p.m. Littlewood's Lottery Folk Music, Damn Yankee.

Saturday, Jan. 29

Jan. 29 and 30, all day: Ski Sugarloaf weekend trip. Contact the Student Activities Office.

7 & 9:30 p.m. "The Other Side of the Mountain", a MUAB movie in Hauck Auditorium.

8 p.m. Disco dance in the Damn Yankee.

Sunday, Jan. 30

6:30 p.m. Organizational meeting of the University Volunteer Ambulance Corps in 127 Lengyl. Attendance required for UVAC members, all interested people welcome.

6:30 p.m. Meeting at the Ram's Horn for the election of officers. All invited.

Tuesday, Feb. 1

12 noon High Noon Club (formerly Sandwich Cinema): "The Selling of the Pentagon", in the Memorial Union.

4 p.m. Maine Peace Action Committee (MPAC) meeting, Weisz room of the Maples. All interested people are welcome to attend.

8 p.m. Academy Award-winning film "Hearts and Minds", in 101 English Math. Sponsored by the MPAC.

The Indian Island Tutorial Program will begin again on Feb. 1-4. All tutors will be picked up at the same place as before, between 6 and 6:15, by the John Cyr & Son bus of Old Town. Anyone unable to come should leave a message with the C.A.P. office on Indian Island, phone 827-7712.

Heat conservation saves big money

BY TIMOTHY GRANT

UMO may have saved between \$17,000 and \$20,000 on heat conservation during the recent semester break according to Allan Lewis, Director of the Physical Plant at UMO.

There was also a savings due to cutbacks in the use of electricity, closing of kitchen and dining rooms, ventilators not in use, and the disconnecting of all outside telephone lines not used during the break.

All dormitory thermostats were set at 55 degrees except in areas where maintenance was in progress, Lewis said. There were thermostats set back in classrooms and general offices during this same time, he added.

"The only exceptions were older buildings such as Alumni Hall," Lewis said, "which have one zone heating units which were set at 65 degrees according to the coldest room in the building. Other room in the same building got as warm as 75 degrees."

One building receiving complaints because of cutbacks in temperature was the field house. Although used extensively during the semester break, the temperature was set for 55 degrees.

"We got several complaints that it was too cold in the field house," Harold Woodbury said, director of men's physical education, "but these people were using the facilities on their own time." He added that he hadn't received any complaints

from the limited classes that use the field house.

"During intercollegiate and high school track meets we turn the thermostat up to 65 degrees," Woodbury said.

Lewis stated that if the temperature in the field house was kept at a constant 45 degrees, the University would save approximately \$15,000 per year.

Lewis added that the snowstorms of the past few weeks have had little effect on the snowplowing budget. "With the students gone it was only necessary to plow the main arteries with the minimum crew," Lewis said. "This eliminated having to pay overtime to all the crews for working 24-hour shifts as is the case when school is in session."

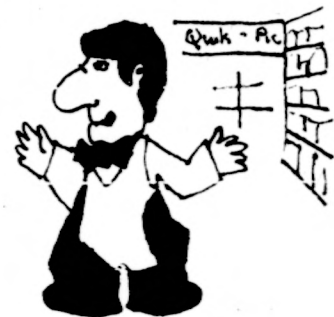
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Hichens wants 21-again**Drinking age expected to rise to 19**

BY DAN WARREN

If you're under 21, Walter Hichens doesn't think you should be allowed to drink. And if Hichens has his way, you won't be. Not if his legislation passes.

Hichens is a Republican State Senator from Eliot and he has a bill before the 108th Legislature which would raise the legal drinking age from 18 to 21. His fellow legislators though say the bill's chances for passage are slim, however, it is expected to fare better than a similar Hichens proposal last session.

It's going to be different this time, though, Hichens says. And Maine youths, he warns, better drink while they can. had a lot of legislators come up to me since my other bill got defeated last year," Hichens said, "and they all tell me they made a mistake" in not voting for it. "I'm expecting a lot more support this time," Hichens added this week in a telephone interview with the *Maine Campus*.

Another individual who expects the drinking age to rise this legislative session is UMO student senator Rita Laitres. Laitres is chairman of the student senate's Legislative Liaison Committee, the group responsible for keeping close ties between the university and legislature, and she says that from information she's received, the legal age will be raised—to 19. "I've talked to Mike McGovern (a student senator familiar with the mood in Augusta) and he too thinks it's going to pass," Laitres said of Old Town Rep. Michael Pearson's bill to raise the age to 19.

Laitres says she's "very worried" about the legal age being raised and urges students to contact their legislators. "It might make a difference, she says,

"Legislators know that kids don't write many letters. So if they are contacted, it might make them change their vote." Laitres said her student senate committee has been researching the issue as well as working closely with Orono Rep. Dick Davies.

The bill, LD4, is co-sponsored by Sens. Conley and Cummings and is scheduled for public hearing at 1:30 p.m., Feb. 9 at the Augusta Civic Center. A bill to raise the age to 20 will also be discussed.

Hichens, who along with Rev. Benjamin Bubar, is a powerful member of the strict-prohibitionist Maine Christian Civic League says his reasons for sponsoring the bill are both "personal" and "reflective of the wishes of today's society." To enforce this feeling of his, Hichens points to the fact that some 600 Mainers attended a hearing on a similar proposal last year. Hichens added that his bill has the strong support of Bubar, the 1976 Presidential nominee of the national Prohibition party.

Hichens, a father of seven and a grandfather of 16, says his legislation is intended to help "get the alcohol out of the high schools...away from the young kids."

He admits that he doesn't like the 18 to 21 age group drinking but says his greatest concern is not their consuming the alcohol, but giving it away. "It's the kids at this age (18 to 21) that are giving it to the kids in lower grades," Hichens said, "And this is where we get our tremendous problems."

Among the problems Hichens hopes to make a dent in are violence and damage due to inebriation along with drinking and

driving. The latter is a major concern of Hichens and he has another proposal which would require mandatory rehabilitation programs for minors convicted of driving under the influence.

Hichens said he's "unsure" of what effect his legislation would have at UMO. "I don't know what would happen there," he said, "I guess it would be tough to enforce."

One concern the bill's opponents have is that raising the drinking age would eliminate the business that distributors

presently get from 18, 19 and 20 year olds. Hichens dismisses this worry. "I don't think it would have much effect at all on beer and wine sales," he said. "In fact, the lobbyist for the beer and wine people favors the increase" in the drinking age.

The 19-year-olds bill, sponsored by Rep. Pearson of Old Town, doesn't at all appeal to Hichens. "That would be no consolation to me to see his bill pass if mine failed," Hichens said, "His wouldn't solve the problem. Nineteen just isn't old enough."

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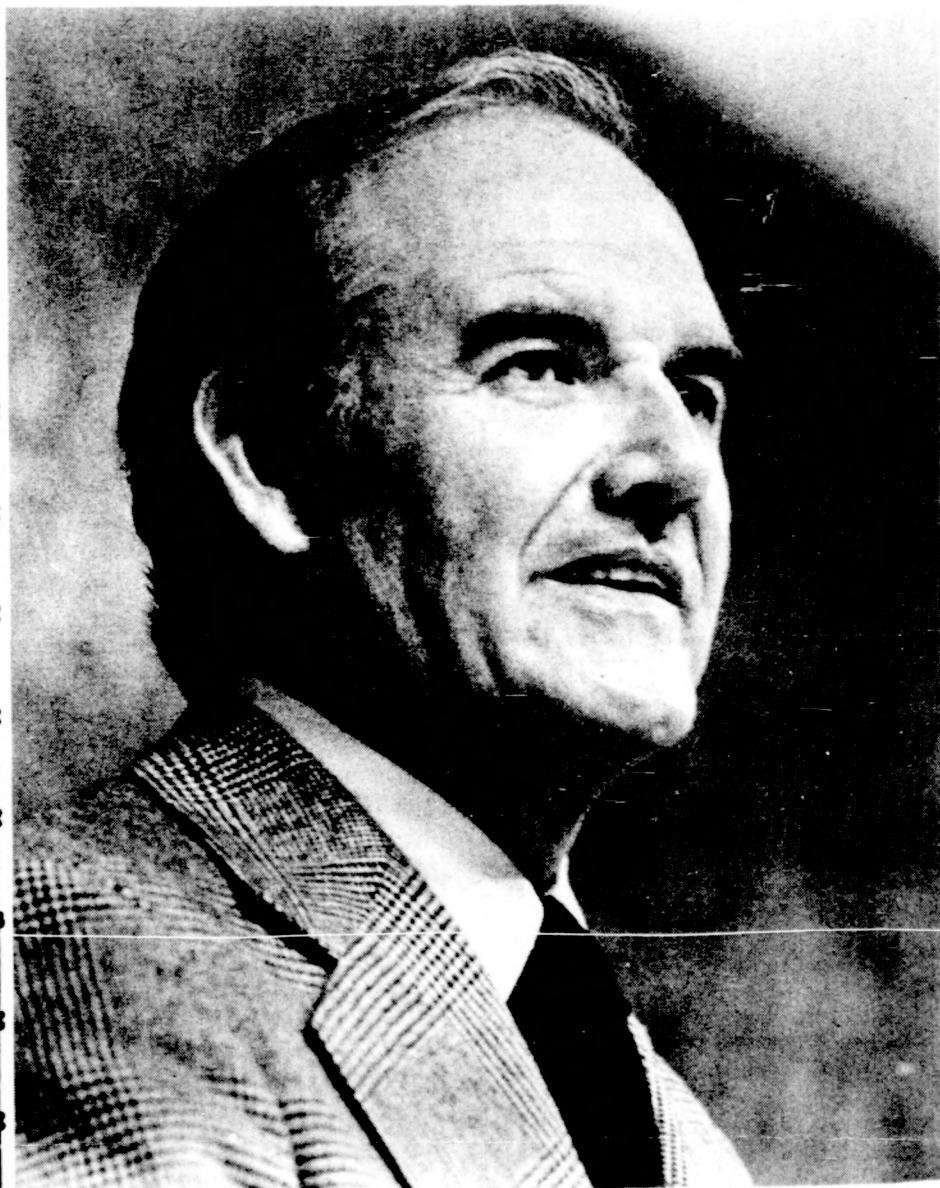
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editorial

Beer today, gone tomorrow... Is one year worth all the hassle?

They are thrown upon us at the beginning of each new year like so many tons of snow, and God knows, it takes every ounce of public strength to plow them under. They are the numerous bills that are thrust upon the Maine State Legislature at the beginning of each session that would raise the 18-year-old drinking age anywhere from 19 to 21.

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Starting next week...

"ACADAMIA NUTS"
by John Brewer



21 ineligible to purchase liquor. Senator Walter W. Hichens, (R-Eliot) a Benjamin Bubar disciple, is the sponsor of this bill and its unreasonable fascimile of two years ago. Since the inception of the lowered drinking age five years ago into Maine law, not a winter has passed without someone trying to raise it back. So far, we've been lucky, and all attempts have been defeated.

But our number might be up this year. Rep. Micheal Pearson (D-Old Town) is sponsoring a bill to raise the legal drinking age to 19. Rita Laitres, chairperson of the UMO legislative liason committee (which acts as a student lobby to the state legislature) believes the measure has a good possibility of passage.

Sen. Hichens says he will compromise at the 19-year-old level if he has to, if only to get booze out of the hands of the high school kids. He reports that of 151 letters he has received from maine high school principals, 125 are infavor of changing the present law, and general support seems to be growing.

The ramifications of these bills are obvious. It isn't so much the fact that the bars will lose a healthy chunk of their businesses, or that the Bear's Den will have to start checking ID's again. It is the fact that the State of Maine gave us a piece of candy five years ago, and now it wants it back.

Whether the legislators were right or wrong in granting the 18-year-old citizens of this state the pleasure of another vice is not relevant here. The hard reality is that it was done, they regret it, and they think by putting things as they were, they will make amends.

It'll never happen. mankind has been on the skids ever since some guy discovered that alcohol was a hell of a lot better taken internally

than applied externally. Sadly enough, it has become an inherent part of our culture, and no amount of legislation restricting its use is going to curtail it, at any age level.

It shouldn't be necessary to refer back to the days of Prohibition. There must be quite a few members of our present legislative body who remember these days, and recognize them for the dismal failure that they were. This was the era that gave us our Al Capones, our speakeasies, our bathtub gin. It would be naive of us to assume that such legislation would be enough to scare off the budding young bootleggers who are bound to surface as a result of it.

And of course, there is always the old argument of where to draw the line. The age of mental maturity often does not coincide with physical age, and the chances are great that the disturbed 18-year old of today might be the disturbed 19 or 21-year-old of tomorrow, with or without his cup of tea.

Basically raising the drinking age is a discriminatory act against a group of persons who must prove themselves adult in every other aspect of life. It is a difficult thing to tell them that once they were worthy, and now they are not. Especially for the sake of a lousy twelve months.

And so, those of us who strongly believe that we are still responsible for our own actions, despite an imposed one-year gap, may well be found at a public hearing on this issue at the Augusta Civic Center on February 9.

Let's hope that one word to the wise old men of the 108th Legislature will be sufficient. They may hold the drinking card for another year, but the screams will be heard for many years to come.

Commentary

by Mike Perry

Commentary made easy...

It seems the increase in prices this semester, coupled with graduation, has left the Maine Campus with very few regular commentists (if John Wayne can be a Shootist, I certainly don't see why I can't be a commentist), perhaps an omen as to the lack of humor amidst this year's students.

However, being able to write commentaries does not take any special talent, as this reporter is the first to confess. Certain conditions in personal outlook are desirable, but not necessary. Three good qualities include, a pessimistic attitude toward life, cynicism and an empty wallet.

But enough bickering. To relieve the burden of so many commentaries from so few pessimists (a perfectly good word itself, the hell with John Wayne), this reporter would like to present a crash course in "How to Write Commentaries for the Maine Campus," or, "It's a Long, Long Way to Commentary."

1. Start your commentary off with something so hilarious that you'll capture the audience right away, such as "I often wonder about whale sex." Please ignore this commentary's example.

2. If you wish to tear down something, humiliate it, or burn it to a crisp, have a character with a really useless name be in favor of it, such as Stanley Useless, Bolivar Throckwimple, or Larsen E. Sludge. Do not use easily recognizable names, such as Jimmy Peanut or Richard Milhous Underwear.

3. Do not pre-determine your ending. As commentist, your story

can have a much wilder ending if you have no idea where it is going.

4. If you think your commentary will be too short, bluff. One sentence can easily become two with imagination (See #3 above). If it is too long (say, the length of War and Peace), don't worry. The editor's blue pencil is mankind's greatest invention since the Frisbee.

5. Occasionally use incorrect words in your missive, but words that will be appropriate. "There are three students living in a double cell," or, "I certainly was underwhelmed by tonight's meal."

Not all the instruction in the Super-U system will help a struggling writer create a commentary if he (or she) does not have a topic. To aid these potential writers, I have prepared a modest list of university and non-university topics which are commentaries within themselves.

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Jim Longley

These are just a few of the many topics which lend themselves to commentaries, just by being around. Not all these topics would definitely

make a good story, but two or three together may get a writer arrested. For example, comparing President Idi Amin to a soggy bowl of Cocoa Pebbles might be amusing, but it is doubtful one could write enough on the subject. Or K-Tel presenting Jimmy Carter's greatest smiles. The world of the Commentist is a unique plane of existence, and one filled with great deals of Humor and Wit. And the best part is that a commentary can be created from just about any subject, kids. And if you don't believe me, please reread this story.

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Fair warning from Davies

To the Editor:

During the semester break, the Maine Legislature convened for its 108th session. Among the bills submitted for our consideration are three which seek to raise the legal drinking age above the current level of eighteen years. The ages proposed by these three pieces of legislation range from nineteen years in the Pearson-Prescott bill to twenty-one in the Hitchens bill.

These measures will be given a public hearing within the next month by the Committee on Liquor Control, at which time testimony will be accepted from anyone who wishes to express an opinion either for or against the bills.

This legislation has serious implications for students on college campuses throughout Maine. If any of these bills receive passage, some people who can now legally consume alcoholic beverages may lose that privilege. Here at Orono, the pub will have to change its operations or close and resident assistants in the dormitories will have to act like police, as they did before the drinking age was reduced to eighteen years.

Two years ago a similar measure was sponsored by Senator Hitchens, a leader of the prohibitionist Maine Christian Civic League. The bill was not taken seriously by young people around the state, and no one appeared at the public hearing to oppose it.

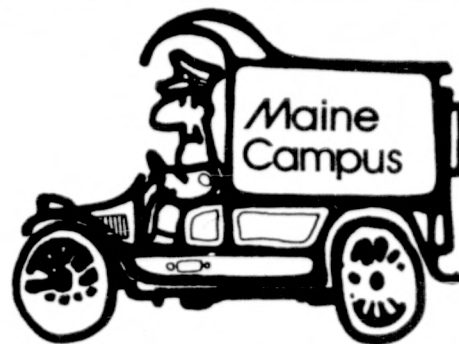
The result was a favorable report on the bill by the Committee and a very close call. The bill was actually passed twice, but some strong lobbying by students with the able assistance of nine young legislators enabled us to finally kill the proposal by one vote.

I am writing to urge students not to let these three bills go unopposed this time at the public hearing. There are several things you can do to make your opinions heard. You can attend the public hearing and speak your mind. You can write to your Senator and Representative expressing your feelings and urging them to vote against any change in the drinking age. Lastly, you can visit Augusta and speak with your legislators in person. All of these methods work. If you would like to help out on this matter but don't know how to go about it, contact the Student Government upstairs in the Memorial Union. They will be co-ordinating efforts at UMO. They also have the names and addresses of all the legislators.

There is a strong possibility that one of these three bills will be enacted into law unless we act quickly and effectively. It is your government, so let your legislators know your feelings.

Richard Davies
State Representative

District 77—Orono



MAIL CALL

The Maine Campus will only consider for publication, letters to the editor which are signed and include an address. Names will be withheld upon request. Letters should be brief, concise and limited to 350 words. We reserve the right to edit all letters for grammar and good taste.

Blue Cross cuts Cutler

To the Editor:

When students who were covered by Maine Blue Cross required hospitalization in the Cutler Health Center Hospital, Maine Blue Cross has always paid 100 per cent of our charges for the hospitalization. We have just been notified that we are classified as a "Non-participating Hospital" and this means Blue Cross will only pay 80 per cent of our charges. For every day a student is hospitalized he or she will have to pay \$8 or more out of his or her pocket if Blue Cross is the only hospitalization insurance covering that illness.

This ruling applies only to Blue Cross. Other hospitalization insurers may or may not follow suit. The Student Health and Accident Insurance will continue to cover 100 per cent of the balance due. For this reason, some students may wish to reconsider a previous decision not to purchase the student insurance. Ordinarily, the plan can

only be purchased at the beginning of the fall semester unless there are extenuating circumstances such as this Blue Cross change in policy. Therefore, our carrier has agreed to let anyone join our hospitalization plan in the first two weeks of the spring semester. The premium cost is \$25 for those who have paid the health fee and \$40 for those who have not.

Basically, it is an excellent hospitalization insurance covering care at any hospital, anywhere, plus many of the other charges one may incur for health care. Coverage lasts until the beginning of the fall semester, 1977, at which time it can be renewed, or, in the event a student graduates, coverage lasts until those months after graduation.

R.A. Graves, M.D., Director
Cutler Health Center

Mathematicus on going down the 'up' escalator

To the Editor:

Alas, my annual epistle is long overdue, but this has been a busy year, what with moving into our new Mathematics-English building and trying to find a parking space and all. First let me thank the former Chairman of the English Department for very kindly (but not so subtly) correcting the printing error in my last letter in which I reported that the fourth floor of the English-Mathematics Building would probably be used for ghost writing. The printer unfortunately left out the word "ghost." Although they do teach ghost writing on the fourth floor (with final examinations on Halloween), it is my understanding that the English Department

does also teach at least some real writing on the first three floors.

Now that we have been occupying our new quarters for a year, a progress report is in order. It gives me great pleasure to announce that in general the roof does not leak. Very much.

On the negative side, it has come to my attention that some students are running down the "up" escalator. This practice is dangerous and must cease. Any students caught doing so will not be permitted to renew their mathematics laboratory passes when they expire at the end of the month. A complete list of these rules is posted at the foot of each escalator.

For those who have examined that "certain piece of work that A

could do in 5 hours and B could do in 8 hours" in the main lobby, which I mentioned in my last letter, I report that it would take 40/13 hours to complete with both A and B working together. Last year I stated we outbid all other interested parties for that certain piece of work by an amount in dollars such that, if its two-digit numeral were reversed and 5 added, the result would be half the amount. The answer is that \$62 is the amount of our overbid.

No readers submitted correct answers to these problems; two correspondents reported the time required as 13 hours, and a third just made nasty remarks about Euclid.

Finally, I have been asked to announce that students no longer

need two separate passes for the English student reading room and student work room. Furthermore, a free pass will be given to any student who this month finds an English word with nine u's in its spelling. Check the departmental bulletin board next month for a list of correct answers and for the next problem.

Believe me,

Sincerely yours,

Mathematicus

Commentary

by Jill Hansen

The calm before the storm, or vice versa?

Last semester I witnessed 30 streakers flashing simultaneous moons, scores of boogie men, vampires and assorted monsters and was bonked on the head by toilet paper streamers.

I've seen the weekday bookworm walk into walls and trip over the floor from sheer inebriation and an unprovoked male assault an innocent vending machine.

What inspires thousand of otherwise rational young adults to "go nuts" on the weekends? Where does all the sanity go?

Peer pressure is a minor cause. No one wants to be alone and sober when the entire dorm is deserted or everyone is screaming through the halls.

Anxiety, that constant, nagging fear of failure that haunts us from semester to semester, is another cause. Crazy is an outlet for pent-up frustrations, monotony and relentless academic expectations.

Fatigue, mental and physical, contributes to the madness that ensues on weekends. Nine or 10 straight weeks without respite or sufficient time to "regain one's cool" creates the need for stimulating diversions.

Physical fatigue is usually miraculously overcome by Friday afternoon. A new flow of adrenalin keeps the body in motion until Sunday evening. Monday is associated with exhaustion.

Then, of course, there's the chronic socialite; never without a drink, never misses a party and never gets a hangover. This human phenomenon needs no excuse to party. His weekends usually begin Wednesday afternoon and end late Tuesday night. He is a constant source of disgust to his studious roommate.

We may be numerical adults, surpassing the wise, old age of 18, but college is not the real world and

few students want it to be. College is like a stag party—the last fling before responsibility either enriches or stifles our lives.

Many who view life with seriousness and perspective recognize the college years as a last excuse for craziness and spontaneity. Most of us will never again have 5,000 potential friends within a one mile radius.

This is not to say that purpose, direction and participation are insignificant until after graduation. Many students can transform easily from irresponsibility to the demands of a career, while others flounder in a void after leaving the security of college. The emotionally unprepared become deadweights on a struggling society.

No one, at any time, should be immune from life. Just as a week of exams justifies a weekend of partying, pain tends to make pleasure greater.

From panty raids, snowball queens and goldfish gulping to streaking, kegball and the Salty Dog Happy Hour, our entertainment reflects society's new emphasis—from coke to beer to pot and back again. At least goldfish are no longer an endangered species.

The 70's and 80's bring increasing anxiety and concern about the future of the United States and the dubious future of the world. College craziness is a nervous and naive laugh at the complexity of life's uncertainties.

With minimal effort, college can be a four year vacation for the average student. A little instinctual knowledge in the art of "Professor Persuasion" and "Beating the System" never hurts.

So go ahead—go wild, drink your brains out (temporarily) and raise hell now and then. But keep an eye over your shoulder. Reality's gonna getcha some day.

College of Business Administration

Reaccreditation in jeopardy

BY PEG GOYETTE

UMO's College of Business Administration is up for reaccreditation in the fall of 1978, but according to Prof. Robert Jensen, it won't pass unless it gets new faculty. It has been accredited at the undergraduate level since 1973 by the American Assembly of Collegiate Schools of Business (AACSB), the only such organization recognized by the U.S. Department of Health, Education and Welfare.

This accreditation may be lost because the sharp increase of business majors—from 600 to nearly 1,000 in three years—has not carried a corresponding increase of teachers, and student-teacher ratio is a big factor in AACSB standards.

Needed are seven new Ph.D.s, according to Jensen. The business college is authorized to fill 18 positions in all, three of which are presently empty, and Jensen said there is room for five new positions. This brings the total to 23 faculty members needed for reaccreditation next year, with eight slots yet to be filled.

To compound the problem, those areas most in need of new faculty are accounting, production, data processing and systems analysis, precisely the areas from which UMO gets virtually no applicants. These are scarcity areas because of strong student demand, "and because that's where the jobs are," said Jensen, adding that accounting offers the highest paying jobs in business.

Not only are UMO's salary offerings in the scarcity areas well below those of similar institutions, by a \$3,000 to \$4,500 gap, but the University is also competing with business and industry to attract qualified teachers. It must offer competitive salaries because unlike some other areas of academia, business is a very mobile field Jensen said.

He said the demand for courses in data processing alone is expected to increase 80 per cent over the next four years. The irony is that when the College of Business first got accredited in 1973 there were over one-third fewer students, and now that the demand is much greater, the school's accreditation is jeopardized.

"We really have two choices," said Jensen, "get more faculty or cut back on business enrollments. But even if we just want to service the students we have, regardless of accreditation, we still need competent teachers in the scarcity areas because that's where the student demand is," he said. He added that 80 per cent of UMO's business majors are from Maine and they're the ones being hurt if enrollments are cut or if classes remain overcrowded.

He pointed out that some teaching slots had been filled by business people from the community on a part-time basis but the large class sized swamped them and they quit.

A happier note is that in some areas of business, such as management or personnel administration, the faculty demand is being met. UMO just hired three new people with Ph.D.s for these areas, from which Jensen cited a "fair number" of applicants for UMO.

Regarding UM's other campuses having business programs besides UMO and Portland-Gorham, such as Augusta, Machias and Presque Isle, Jensen said there are "certainly enough business students to go around," but he questioned the wisdom of the Board of Trustees in trying to spread the resources across five campuses.

"Our basic problem is finally having the university make some reallocation decisions," he said. Not only does UMO's undergraduate business program need more Ph.D.s by 1978, but its graduate (MBA) program must be eligible for accreditation next year also. This is due to a 1975 change in AACSB rules which eliminates any MBA program from riding on the accreditation of an undergraduate program. But even this can be met with enough Ph.D.-level faculty, according to Jensen.

UMPD promotions highlight vacation

Several promotions highlighted an otherwise routine and tedious Christmas vacation for the UMO police department. With students gone for a month and the campus empty, Sgt. Michael Zubick said not much happened except the promotions.

With the death last fall of Major Brian Hilchey, an administrative position was vacated. Lt. Charles Chandler has now been promoted to the administrative lieutenant. Former Sgt. LaForest Dunton was promoted to operations lieutenant.

Promoted to Sergeant were former Corporal and Complex Supervisor Harold Kennedy and patrolman Jeffrey Temple, who is also the official training officer.

The new Complex Supervisor is Cpl. Charles Helms, former patrolman.

Officer Terry Burgess was promoted to Detective and Sgt. William Laughlin is now the bookstore officer.

The accreditation process involves a visit from an AACSB group which will check faculty files, student records, etc., to verify what the college of business published in its two self-study reports. Jensen said the accreditation presently is for five-year periods. To qualify, a business college must be part of a larger university. UMO is the only school north of Boston that meets AACSB standards at the undergraduate level, and Dartmouth has the only accredited graduate program in business north of Boston.

If the whole thing goes through, this will put UMO's college of business on a par with Dartmouth's business program, as well as to make UMO more competitive in a field of high demand. If it doesn't and the college of business loses its accreditation, Jensen said UMO will lose students. He cited an instance of one student already planning to switch to another university which has been more successful in attracting faculty from scarcity areas. And he added it will be even more difficult for UMO to attract new business professors because some refuse to teach at an institution which isn't accredited with AACSB.



Prof. Robert Jensen

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That's the latest word from University counsel, Barnett I. Shur and trustee Vice-Chairman Stanley Evans (Bangor) who in a statement released at the trustee meeting Wednesday, urged trustees to open their committee meetings to the public "whenever possible." But, he added, the Maine "public observation rule does not extend to the meeting of committees" of the trustees. "The committee chairperson determines whether a meeting should be open to the public," Evans told the trustees.

The issue of whether trustee sessions should be open to the public and reporters came to a head last November when the trustees tried to hold closed committee meetings and Sen. Ted Curtis said, "Nothing doing." The Orono Republican claimed that to close the meetings to the public would be in violation of the Maine Freedom of Access Law. The University scoffed at this charge despite a warning from the state's Deputy Attorney General, Donald G. Alexander.

In a letter to Curtis, who requested an opinion, Alexander wrote that the Maine Freedom of Access Law's definition of public proceedings includes the board of trustees and that the trustee's committee meetings should also be considered public proceedings.

This pressure may have had some effect on the trustees and their legal counsel as they appear to have moderated their stance. The University concluded their "Right-to-Know Law" statement saying

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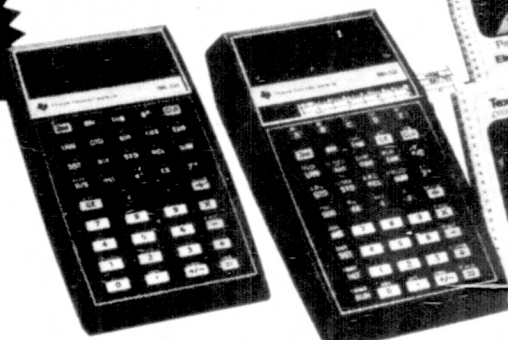
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Sigma Chi contests police seizure

BY TERRY LOMBARD AND MARK TREMBLAY

You've just come back from vacation, put the key in the lock, opened the door, and something about the arrangement of the room looks different. Maybe your roommate changed it before vacation or just maybe someone else did.

Who could that someone else have been? Was it the janitor, the police department, or your R.A.? Whoever it may have been, it is important to know what your rights as a private citizen are and what rights university officials have.

University officials have certain guidelines they must follow as established by university policy, and the United States Constitution. If they go beyond these

"Students are protected against unreasonable search..."

constitutional parameters, they are conducting an illegal search of the premises. This applies to dormitories, fraternities, and university cabins.

Students are protected against unreasonable search and seizure by the Fourth Amendment of the United States Constitution, Rule 41 of the State of Maine Rules of Criminal Procedure, and University policy.

University policy states that "an investigation may not include a search of a student's person, room, or effects without his expressed consent except by law enforcement officers with a duly-issued search warrant, and may not include examination of articles or information obtained directly or indirectly by an unauthorized search."

Policy further states, "...nothing in this section shall be deemed to prohibit: A) normal house inspections at previously designated times, and B) forcible entry of any place or restraint of any person in order to prevent damage to property or harm to a person, when made with reasonable belief that such damage or harm is occurring or is about to occur."

In dormitories, only certain university officials have the right to enter one's room, with or without consent. For maintenance purposes, resident assistants and head residents enter the rooms and will post previously that they intended to do so.

In dormitories, resident assistants and janitors often enter rooms for maintenance purposes, however, if anyone is going to make a search for drugs, he must give the occupant 24 hours notice. One R.A. said, "It is difficult for a drug case to be proven in a dormitory because there must be a number of witnesses present, including the head resident."

Possible drug violators in the dorm are usually investigated on the basis of tips from reliable sources. The R.A. said at a meeting of various head residents and R.A.'s it was disclosed that there is a sizable network of informants working for the police department who receive payment for their information from the President's Contingency Fund.

John M. Blake, Vice-President for Finance and Administration at UMO, says he knows of no such network of informants existing on this campus, and the statement that they are paid via the Contingency Fund is "blatantly false."

Chief Alan Reynolds of the UMO Police Department says, "As far as I know, there are no undercover agents on this campus, but that doesn't mean there aren't any."

One campus case involves the seizure of a water pipe from Sigma Chi Fraternity. According to members of the fraternity, a water pipe was confiscated from under a bed in their room during the last summer vacation. Jim Swales and Dennis Bergeron of Sigma Chi said the pipe was hidden under a bed in the room. Swales said he made sure that it remained hidden before

he left for summer vacation. He adds, "The only way it could have been found is if someone got on their hands and knees to look for it." Both men say none of the other brothers could have taken it for they were among the last to leave.

The pipe itself is perfectly legal. However, upon confiscation, residue from a cannabis plant was found in the pipe. Under Title 17-A, Chapter 45, Statute 1101, residue from a cannabis plant is classified as hashish, a schedule X drug, and therefore constitutes a felony. Marijuana as it stands alone is a schedule Z drug, which is a civil violation.

Sigma Chi claims the pipe was illegally confiscated by the UMO Police Department. Upon returning to school in the fall, a Sigma Chi member noticed the pipe on display at the department.

The police were able to enter Sigma Chi during the summer on Sigma Chi's request that they provide interim security. Sigma Chi is aware of the plain view clause and made sure the pipe was hidden. Swales said when he returned to the fraternity, one week into summer vacation, he noticed the pipe was missing, and thought Bergeron had taken it. However, Bergeron had not.

Another brother, Dan Bowie, a paralegal with Student Legal Services, is working on the case with Jim Haskell, a fellow paralegal. Their argument is that the pipe was illegally obtained without a search

"As far as I know, there are no undercover agents on this campus, but that doesn't mean there aren't any."

warrant. It was not in plain view and even with the resin in the pipe, Maine's Criminal Code gives a vague definition of what a "usable amount" is.

The police department argues that the pipe was legally confiscated. Detective Mildred Cannon of the UMO Police Department said the pipe was probably confiscated in late July or early August, and that no officer would have taken the pipe illegally. The police check the fraternities three times a day during vacations as standard procedure.

The police report was not available although an order from the District Attorney's office was obtained. Detective Cannon said the specific order pertaining to the case was not asked for, when in fact it was. Cannon stands by her argument and says she called the DA's office and claims the specific report was not asked for. She now says the report is available only to the owner of the pipe.

Sigma Chi members believe the pipe is house property and there is no one owner.

If the Fire Marshall were present at the investigation of the house, then the confiscation of the pipe was legal. He is protected by town ordinance, state law, and the Life Safety Code. As an agent of the university he could have reported his sighting to the police. However, Fire Marshall Brasslett says he did not conduct any such search, nor was he involved in any way with this investigation. Detective Cannon says the police officers do not accompany the fire marshal when he conducts an inspection.

Since the police report is unavailable, no conclusions can be made as to the legality of the search. Cannon stands by her statement that the police would not confiscate any item illegally. Sigma Chi stands by its argument.

Other fraternities have experienced similar incidents. One fraternity notes that it had \$2,000 worth of items taken from its house by the police. The fraternity house members admit some of the items taken were university property which the police had full right to confiscate, but they claim some of their own furniture was also taken.

Another fraternity, which takes advantage of the police service, claims a number of marijuana plants were taken from a locked room during a vacation period. They are sure no other brothers or students were responsible for this action.

Janitors may enter the room without consent and do so primarily for maintenance purposes. However, if they find an item or items they believe are illegal contraband, as agents of the university they can report it to the university police. They alone do not have the right to take the item, but their information justifies probable cause, and a search warrant can be obtained by the university police.

UMO Fire Marshall Duane Brasslett has the right to conduct inspections for possible fire hazards in the dormitories without consent, because dormitories are university property. He usually conducts inspections during vacations or when they are needed, and as an agent of the university he too can report any illegal contraband to the University Police. Brasslett says, however, he usually does not report these sightings because his basic concern is fire safety.

What role does the University of Maine Police Department play in search and seizure? The UMO Police do not have the right to enter a dormitory room unless they have a search warrant, or have been invited into the room. With fraternities, Detective Millie Cannon of the UMO police says the police provide a security service for the houses to prevent vandalism, and mainly to check out maintenance problems.

However, if there is "reasonable cause to believe" a criminal law is being violated, a search may be considered reasonable. Reasonableness of search must be determined by an examination of the facts of each particular case. College officials have been backed by the courts in warrantless searches of the student's room where such action was a reasonable exercise of the college's duty to maintain discipline and "educational atmosphere."

Authority to conduct a reasonable search cannot be transferred to civil authorities and must conform to the Fourth Amendment standards. If at all possible, college

Normal inspection of student rooms for health, safety, and standards of maintenance are obviously within the authority of college officials, and warrants need not be obtained for these types of inspections.

When the police perform an actual search, anything in "plain view" which is illegal, may be confiscated. This is known as the Plain View Clause and is upheld by the Maine Criminal Code.

However, a plain view seizure will not turn an initially valid and, therefore, limited search into a general one. This is based on a Supreme Court ruling,

"anything in 'plain view' which is illegal, may be confiscated."

involving Coolidge vs. New Hampshire. Discovery of plain view items must be inadvertent.

It is generally held that the police must have a warrant specifying what things they are looking for before they may enter the premises in question. If they are on the premises by consent, they may seize anything to be used as evidence in a case, or illegal or illegally obtained articles, as long as they are in plain view.

Old Town Police Chief Jack Palo adds, "Plain view cases are funny things. For every Supreme Court decision made that has held that plain view is never enough to justify warrantless seizure of evidence, there is another case that holds plain view is in fact justifiable."

Even if a search warrant is issued to the police, the Supreme Court ruled in *Gould vs. the U.S.* that search warrants "may not be used as a means of gaining access to a man's house or office and papers solely for the purpose of making search and seizure evidence to be used against him in a criminal or penal proceeding, but that they may be resorted to only when a primary right to such search and seizure may be found in the interest of the public."

It adds, "When a valid exercise of police power renders possession of the property by the accused is unlawful, it provides that it may be taken."

These are a few of the basic rights of Maine students and citizens, University officials as state agents and law enforcement officials. It is important to remember that, with the exception of University policy, all the rules and laws are based on Supreme Court rulings, and many of these rulings are being challenged in court.

With all this talk of search and seizure rights and student rights, are illegal search and seizure practices taking place on this campus?

"Sigma Chi claims the pipe was illegally confiscated..."

officials should procure a warrant, if time and circumstances permit, prior to a search of either a student's room or personal belongings.

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Hooper named graduate dean

BY DAN WARREN

The University of Maine Board of Trustees on Wednesday named Dr. Henry O. Hooper, chairman of the UMO Physics Department, as new Dean of the UMO Graduate School; gave the Bear's Den money for a major facelift and reaffirmed their support of the Super-U structure.

Hooper succeeds Roderick A. Forsgren who was Acting Dean of the Graduate School. Hooper moves to the \$29,925 per academic year position after four years as chairman of UMO's Physics Department.

He received a B.S. from the University of Maine in 1956; a M.S. from Brown University in 1959; and a Ph.D. from Brown in 1961. Hooper taught at UMO in 1956 before moving to Brown from 1956 to 1964. From Brown he switched to Wayne State University where he stayed until 1973 when he arrived at UMO. He is a former NASA consultant.

The Bear's Den was the day's biggest winner, receiving \$184,000 for general interior renovation. The Den deserved the allocation, trustees said, because of "greatly increased" student use of the campus pub. Costs are scheduled to be footed by a transfer from dormitory and

dining hall surplus. The Den hopes to pay the debt back.

The monthly trustee meeting started on a promising note with Super-U Chancellor Patrick McCarthy citing "an important endorsement" by state legislators of the present UMaine structure. "The Performance Audit Committee of the Legislature completed an exhaustive inquiry into the University of Maine," McCarthy said, "and recommended that the system structure should not be altered."

More important, McCarthy continued, was the committee's recommendation that the University receive increased state spending for the upcoming biennium. With lack of support from the state legislature, McCarthy said, "public higher education in Maine cannot (help) but suffer."

The trustee's request for \$77 million for the next biennium has been reduced to \$71 million in the Governor's budget, the chancellor noted, adding that the University is scheduled to appear before the legislative Appropriations Hearing Feb. 3 to seek the original \$77 million request.

In a study presented to their fellow trustees, Artemus E. Weatherbee (Kennebunk), Bernard R. Carpenter (Lewiston) and Thomas F. Monaghan (Portland)

exhorted the group to "take an objective look at the actual accomplishments under (the) Super-U as compared with the objectives when it was established...We believe there has been a failure," the threesome wrote, "to meet the original purposes of the so-called Super-U."

Weatherbee said the University system doesn't seem as receptive to suggestions as they should be. "It seems to us," he said, "there has been too much negativism in the reaction of the University to suggestions for changes and too much crying 'wolf' in recounting the dire effects of any changes."

Weatherbee urged the University to keep a close eye on its financial affairs and to draw up a more detailed budget that would hold them "more accountable" to the Governor and legislature. The state is hesitant to grant "lump sum requests," Weatherbee advised.

Among the trio's proposals to help "put our house in order" were:

--institute "an objective study group with adequate funding" to review University operations.

--have out-of-state students pay 100 per

cent of their tuition costs. They now pay approximately 75 per cent.

--have the Board of Trustees take a stand on Gov. Longley's proposed "voucher system" which would allow students to use public monies to attend the post-secondary institution of their choice.

--closely examine present Super-U structure. And, the trio strongly urged, "oppose further centralization" in the system and "maximize autonomy" for each campus in accordance with original Super-U plans.

--more effective management; itemize budget to allow closer scrutiny by the legislature.

--review tuition free programs and determine whether they should be continued.

--maintain tough admission and academic standards. "Do we suffer from grade-creep?" the group asks.

--grant pay increases "where fully justified, but not...across the board."

--penalize students who default on loans.

● Longley proposes \$6 million budget cut

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from UMaine revenues for a total Educational and General services budget of \$56.5 million to maintain present conditions. Uses of this money would be \$39.7 million for salaries, \$6.7 million for benefits and \$10.1 million for other costs.

For 1978-79, \$38.5 million of state funds and \$22.0 million of UMaine funds are needed for a total budget of \$60.5 million. \$42.4 million marked for salaries, \$7.4 million marked for benefits and \$10.7 per cent for other costs. These figures do not include any new programs, which were listed separately for funding.

EDUCATION AND GENERAL -- Part II
This section of the appropriation request deals with development of areas beyond their present status. Areas cited for development are increase in library services, support for academic projects and faculty development, and money to support a health science program in response to state health education needs.

Development in these areas is estimated to cost \$1.1 million in 1977-78 with \$737,000 from state funds and \$363,000 from UMaine sources. In 1978-79, the state is being asked to provide \$1.474 million with UMaine providing \$726,000.

Planned uses of these monies for 1977-78 are: \$315,000, library; \$405,000, faculty; and \$380,000 for health programs. In 1978-79 the estimated breakdown is \$524,000, library; \$999,000, faculty; and \$677,000 for health programs.

STUDENT AID
Most federal assistance programs in student aid are based on matching funds from the state. This past year the University received \$5.4 million in federal monies by expending \$935,000 in matching funds.

The Board of Trustees is requesting

\$700,000 each year of the biennium with additional monies coming from the university, private gifts and federal funds.

TRIGOM

TRIGOM, The Research Institute of the Gulf of Maine, is a non-profit research corporation set up by a consortium of private and public institutions for marine studies. The amount of money UMaine receives for TRIGOM goes directly to the institute for its use. The amounts requested are \$60,000 for 1978 and \$62,000 for 1979.

MAINE PUBLIC BROADCASTING NETWORK

The Maine Public Broadcasting Network, MPBN, is licensed by the Federal Communications Commission to the University Board of Trustees, so its funding request must come through the Board of Trustees.

Add-drop revised

Students adding and dropping courses this past week found the process a bit easier thanks to a new schedule card.

The new card provides the student with more space to write in course information. The course title has been eliminated altogether, no longer making it necessary to squeeze long titles into the small space that was provided.

According to Nancy Fiske, registration officer, last semester 25 to 50 per cent of all the add-drop cards had had some sort of error. So far this semester the figure has decreased to one per cent. The add-drop card is so successful that a new registration card is planned for next semester.

Add-drop cards are good only this week. Beginning on Monday, courses may only be dropped and new "drop cards" will be available.

Part I of the request is for \$3,047,658 over the next biennium to keep operations of MPBN at current levels. This is an increase of \$209,000. The state appropriation will provide 59 per cent and 26 per cent will come from federal matching funds. Fifteen per cent of the money will be raised from listeners.

Part II of the request is for \$39,750 for local programming for the new Presque Isle station and in 1978-79, \$77,000 is requested to continue programming at Presque Isle and to provide a network research office and other educational services.

CAPITAL CONSTRUCTION

The capital construction proposed budget is divided into three stages for a total of \$6,415,000. Governor Longley has

recommended that over \$6 million be cut from this budget.

Stage I is for two new buildings, a classroom-laboratory building at UM at Farmington, \$3,870,000 and an Environmental Science Building at UMO, \$3,000,000. Fifty per cent or \$1,500,000 of the cost of this building will come from private gifts.

Stage II is a request for funds for the completion of previously funded buildings. Included here are \$445,000 for the Portland Science Equipment building and \$150,000 for the Orono English-Math Building.

Stage III is a request for \$450,000 in safety, health and other improvements. Longley has recommended only \$85,000 in the request for safety items.

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Orono barricades Grove Street

BY MICHAEL MINIGELL

Grove Street, which runs by York Hall, and the Ram's Horn to park Street from UMO has been blocked off to all traffic. Action for blockage was taken late in December in response to several years of complaints from Grove Street residents.

Acting Orono Town Manager, Wanda Thomas said the snow and cement barricade will probably stay there until spring when the situation will be evaluated and a new barricade erected.

Making the street a "dead end" was prompted by Grove Street residents who were concerned about the safety of their children. The heightened concern came when the Folger Library addition was being built two years ago. Construction and cement trucks were using Grove Street as an entrance.

Residents brought a petition before the Orono Town Council last April to have the road closed citing heavy traffic, speeding, large trucks and children walking on the side of the narrow street as reasons to have

it closed. They were also concerned about the increase in the number of users of the street.

The petition came after the town had proposed to straighten and resurface the road and put in a sidewalk and new sewage. On December 20, the town council approved a barricade be erected on a trial basis and on January 6 the barricade was put up.

University of Maine Security Registrar William Prosser said that the University had nothing to do with the closing. "In Fact," he said, "we were somewhat opposed to the idea because now it will make it more difficult for us to assist in calls to the Woodshed and the Depositor's Trust Bank." Prosser also said Security will sometimes have to use the Allagash Road which runs by the cabins. "Probably, something will have to be done to the surface of that road to make it more passable," Prosser said.

Hoop games to be aired

BY DIANE WHITMORE

UMO away basketball games will be broadcast live on WMEB this semester, courtesy of Standard Shoe Store of Bangor, which has agreed to underwrite the broadcasts. All games will be aired except the Feb. 16 game at Youngstown University in Ohio.

While WMEB is a non-commercial educational radio station and is prohibited from selling airtime or running commercial announcements, it can use underwriters to aid in financing programs. An underwriter is not an advertiser, but a group or individual who makes a grant or gift to the station through the university. The amount donated by an underwriter is tax-deductible.

The campus radio station cannot advertise, but it can promote programs sponsored by underwriting through non-broadcast means such as newspaper ads and posters, all of which may name the underwriter.

Randy Reil, who is in charge of

underwriting at WMEB, said that Standard Shoe agreed to assume 25 percent of the cost of broadcasting the games, a total contribution of \$325.

According to Reil, WMEB is looking into the possibility of having many more broadcasts underwritten in the future, such as the weekly album features. Local and national merchants have been contacted, "everything from Pesaro's to the Coca-Cola company," and the response has been favorable. The Joseph Schlitz Brewing Co. has agreed to sponsor programs starting next fall.

The schedule for the basketball broadcasts is as follows: Friday, Jan. 28, at Vermont, 7:25 p.m.; Saturday, Jan. 29, at Vermont, 2:55 p.m.; Tuesday, Feb. 8, at Northeastern, 6:55 p.m.; Saturday, Feb. 12, Boston University, 7:25 p.m.; Saturday, Feb. 19, Rhode Island, 7:25 p.m.; Tuesday, Feb. 22, at Massachusetts, 7:55 p.m.; Thursday, Feb. 24, Colby, 7:25 p.m.; and Tuesday, March 1, New Hampshire, 7:25 p.m.

Orono Public Safety Director Thomas Landers said that he was also opposed to Grove Street being closed. Landers is concerned about being able to get to the university in an emergency. He said that in the event of a fire in the York Complex, Grove Street would be the fastest entrance.

"We have already timed alternate entries onto campus with the fire trucks," Landers said, "and found that the Ranglely entrance was not too much longer. But if it is a serious emergency, we will use Grove street even if we have to move or knock down the barricade."

Landers does feel however, this move was in the best interests of all concerned. With reduced traffic on Grove Street, it will be safer for the residents.

The Ram's Horn Coffeehouse will still be accessible from the University end and the Park Street end of Grove Street and Littlefield's Beauty Shop will also be accessible. "The barricade even creates more parking space for the two businesses," Landers said.

"The Orono Police and Fire Departments can live with the barricade," he said. "If it doesn't work, something different will have to be done."

Maine Blue Cross cuts back UMO coverage to 80 per cent

The Blue Cross of Maine has recently decided to cut back to 80 per cent coverage at the Cutler Health Center for those students who have Blue Cross, according to Dr. Robert Graves, director of the Student Health Center.

The Blue Cross of Maine paid 100 per cent of the Cutler Health Center's charges which they weren't required to do, Graves said. The Health Center is not a participating hospital with Blue Cross, he explained. The Blue Cross of Maine consists of an association of hospitals who allow Blue Cross to dictate policies, finances and other matters, Graves added.

"The Cutler Health Center was never in that situation," Graves said. "We should have been treated as a non-participating hospital and covered at 80 per cent of the charges. That is what the Blue Cross of

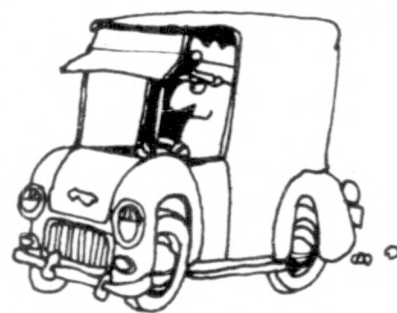
Maine has recently decided to do."

This cutback will have a financial effect only on those students covered by Blue Cross. Instead of the 100 per cent coverage by Blue Cross, students will have to pay the other 20 per cent out of their own pocket. For example, the Health Center charges \$40 a day. Blue Cross will pay \$32; the remaining \$8 will have to come from the student. Those students covered by Blue Cross plus the school insurance will still have 100 per cent coverage. Those students with no Blue Cross, only the school insurance, will also receive 100 per cent coverage since the University had agreed to cover 100 per cent of the Health Center's charges.

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Senate reviews budget

The University of Maine's budget was the biggest issue discussed at Wednesday night's General Student Senate (GSS) meeting.

Also discussed at the meeting was Maine Day. No classes will be held on Maine Day, April 27 this year.

What Chancellor Patrick McCarthy calls a bare-bone budget of \$78.13 million of unrestricted funds, covering two years, is being requested from the legislature, Dan O'Leary, student senate president said.

Governor James B. Longley is only recommending \$71.3 million, he added.

A hearing to decide the budget is set for Feb. 3, at 9:30 a.m., in room 228 of the statehouse.

O'Leary urges students and concerned citizens to write their state representatives concerning the budget.

Bill Carney, chairperson of the Maine Day committee, has submitted a proposal to Assistant to the President Steve Weber concerning Maine Day activities. Weber has accepted the proposal, but added: if the plans of the proposal do not materialize, as in the quality of the activities and student participation, this will be the last time students will celebrate with a day off.

Weber said that Maine Day is an expensive proposal as university employees must still be paid for the day, and if the expense is not justified, it is unlikely there will ever be another Maine Day without classes.

In other business, Greg Thornton, Somerset Hall, was approved as student government concert committee chairperson. presently the concert committee is "broke."

He added in the past the committee has used a "Humanistic approach" and a "not for money motive."

Senator Randy Reil withdrew his proposal of a standing rule of the General Student Senate which said, all votes on any main motion that authorizes the expenditure of \$100 or more requires a quorum of 35 senators.

Low senator attendance was the reason for withdrawal.

Reil also asks students for help in the planning of the Quebec Winter Carnival trip.

Despite seven per cent refund, textbook prices still on the upswing

The seven per cent cash discount at the University Bookstore seems to be helping wallets and pocketbooks, but textbook prices are still going up.

According to Tom Cole, manager of the University Bookstore, certain texts have increased maybe \$2 or \$3. "Overall, prices have gone up some, but there is no terribly noticeable increase," Cole said.



The Alford Arena is near completion. The arena will be open to the public for skating in February.

Business is about the same this semester as last at the Textbook Annex. There is talk of a 10 per cent discount, but it won't be known if the funds are available until the middle of summer.

At the Black Bear Bookstore in Orono, which sells only used texts, manager Edward Jameson said business was "Very good-excellent!" The Black Bear Book-

store has increased its volume and is running out of certain texts.

Dave Rich, treasurer of Alpha Phi Omega, said the APO Bookmart has a little more business than in previous semesters. In APO, students set their own prices and APO sells them at no charge to the seller or buyer.

Concert committee aims for big bands

The UMO Concert Committee has not given up trying to bring talent to UMO community and to make up a deficit from last semester's scheduling. Greg Thornton, new concert committee chairman has been talking with several local promoters about bringing in big bands. As yet, nothing is definite. Some groups being offered as possibilities are The Blend, The Nitty Gritty Dirt Band, Firefall, Charlie Daniels, The Outlaws and as a real outside shot, Bonny Raitt.

The groups brought on campus will depend upon the promoter and how much he wants to spend, says Thornton. There have been no contracts yet, until research has been done on the various promoters concerning their financial backing and experience.

Phil Spaulding, a member of the concert committee, said, "There are advantages that the promoters have and advantages

we have. Promoters have business and promotional ties with the community and funding which the concert committee does not have. The concert committee has the advantage of having built up credibility and credit-ability. We have excellent credit ratings with agencies who deal with the talent." In the past two years, the concert

committee has had 30 concerts and never missed paying the agency's fee. Spaulding says the committee made all the arrangements and all the fees have been paid in full.

Another advantage the concert committee has is that many agencies do not know the promoters and might not be as willing to take the risk, as they would if they were dealing with the committee. The concert committee also is familiar with the campus

and how to run shows, so that the combination of both should be a great benefit, adds Spaulding.

Under an agreement with several promoters, the concert committee would

receive five to 10 per cent of the profit. "Ideally," says Thornton, "10 per cent, but if not, there will be some percentage if we go with outside promoters."

Spaulding feels that the percentage

should depend upon the situation and who the promoter is, as well as who's performing and how involved the committee is in presenting the concert.

But whatever percentage is stated, the promotion will be different and won't be a

financial risk to the concert committee, because the promoter will be doing the financial backing. Says Spaulding, "We'd

like to do at least one concert this spring and do it well. What we'd do is get a group a promoter is interested in, and which we feel the campus would enjoy seeing."

One of the problems students may face if promoters do come to UMO is cost. Says Spaulding, "The concert committee has tried to keep ticket costs down. Look at the Tom Rush concert. We brought the price down to \$3.50-4.00 and lost money on the deal. No promoter will do that."

All of the plans right now, says Thornton are tentative. "What we'll do is work as much as we can to possibly make up the deficit and attempt to get what the students want." Adds Spaulding, "All we are interested in is seeing a lot of music around here."

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Policemen hired

The following men were appointed Wednesday by the Board of Trustees to fill vacancies on the UMO Campus Police: Michael P. DiMonaco, John G. Heitmann, Stephen W. Spencer, Stephen R. Gass, Robert J. Norman, Raymond D. Thibodeau, Michael Denbow, David W. Small, Peter Shoureas.

A campus police spokesman told *The Campus* the vacancies were a result of officers receiving promotions or finding other employment.

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"Albert Herring"**UMO thespians to present comic opera**

Anne Marie Fortin reacts emotionally in Act II of the opera "Albert Herring," as Mark Scally and Patricia Stedry look on.

Opera returns for its sixth season on the UMO campus with the School of Performing Arts Opera Theatre Workshop presentation of "Albert Herring," the tale of an English village's misadventures with choosing its traditional May Queen. Performances will be at 8:15 pm in Hauck Auditorium on Friday & Saturday, Feb. 4 and 5, and Monday, Feb. 7.

A comic opera written in 1947 by Benjamin Britten, England's greatest contemporary composer who died this December, "Albert Herring" is a chamber production with 13 cast members supported by 13 instrumentalists. Opera Theatre Workshop director Ludlow Hallman will be the conductor and artistic director, assisted in their third collaboration by E. A. Cyrus of the Maine Masque Theatre as stage director and designer.

The small English town of Loxford in April and May of 1900 is the focal point of the opera. The townspeople traditionally select a May Queen, ably assisted by Lady Bellows whose secretary, Florence Pike, keeps notes on the activities of everyone in town. This year Florence's notes reveal that there is not a young lady of unimpeachable virtue left in the town.

After much discussion it is decided to crown a May King and Albert Herring, the son of a grocer who now lives with his

domineering mother, is selected. Albert's adventures as May King, his disappearance after drinking too much of the spiked punch, and his return provide the comic relief.

Fritz Robertson of Houlton, who has played the leading male role in two previous opera productions, heads the cast in the title role. Robertson, a senior music major, was Don Jose in last year's "Carmen" and Ferrando in "Così fan tutte" the year before, and was Motel in the Maine Masque's "Fiddler on the Roof."

Other members of the cast, many of them veterans of previous productions, are Patricia Connors of Orono, Lady Bellows; Ann Mills of Lincolnville Beach, Florence Pike; Linda Carroll of Alfred, Miss Wordsworth; John Lyons of Richmond, the vicar; Bruce Lancaster of South Portland, the mayor; Mark Scally of Kennebunk, the chief of police; Alfred Schmitz of Rochester N. Y., the butcher; Carol Craig of Bangor, a bakery employee; Kate Sanborn of Augusta, Anne Marie Fortin of Brunswick, and Jean Shanks of Millinocket, village children. Patricia Stedry, who plays Mrs. Herring, is the only member of the faculty in the cast.

Tickets, which cost \$2 for students with ID cards and \$3 for all others, are on sale now.

Campus coffee prices remain stable

BY BILL LORING

One of the news stories that got a potful of coverage over Christmas recess was the increase in the price of coffee.

Poor weather conditions are responsible for low crop production and a decreased supply. The net effect is a decreased supply with a steady demand and a steadily increasing price.

There was some concern when prices initially rose that coffee producers were artificially adjusting the supply in order to get better prices. However, agricultural experts around the world agree that weather conditions have been poor for coffee production.

Most prices around UMO reflect the price increase. In stores, coffee has risen from \$1.99 to \$3.99 per 10-ounce jar.

The Canteen Company's office coffee service has been hard hit by the increases. Since December 1 the price of a case of coffee has risen \$8. Lloyd Willey of Canteen said while his costs have risen to \$8, he has only raised his price by \$3.

"As long as the business as a whole is solid, then I can afford to take it on the coffee for a while," he said. "I was hoping that the rise was only temporary."

Despite the increase in the case price of coffee, the average price of an office-service cup of coffee is seven cents, Willey said.

The vending machines around campus are owned by the Canteen, but are leased to an individual. Willey believes those vending prices will not change, since state sales tax must be charged for 20-cent items in vending machines.

At the Bear's Den and Fernald Hall cafeteria, coffee is still 20 for a small cup and 30 cents for large, while the actual cost with cream and sugar averages 25 cents.

The University has a contract for coffee with Jordan's, a wholesaler. Current prices

are running in the \$3 range per pound and are expected to rise to nearly \$5 per pound.

Many are turning to alternative sources of drinking enjoyment. Standard beverages of milk and tea are being substituted as well as concoctions made with various weeds and herbs.

The benefits of coffee are hard to replace, though, and many will pay the price rather than forego the pleasure of the caffeine kick.

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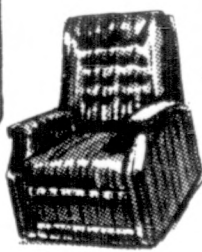
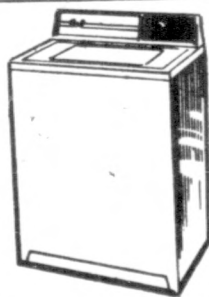
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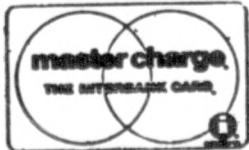
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Maine Campus SPORTS

Skiers log long hours, gain top Maine positions

BY BROOK MERROW

While most UMO students had plenty of spare time during an unusually long Christmas break, the men's ski team spent a hectic vacation training for their first Division I meet of the season at the University of Vermont February 4 and 5.

"There's more depth in our alpine squad than we've had in a long time," said Coach Brud Folger in evaluating this year's team. A ten-day training camp at Sugarloaf and alpine competition within the state during January has resulted in some outstanding performances from UMO skiers.

In the State of Maine Alpine Series, after six of eight scheduled races between UMO, Bates, Bowdoin, Colby and University of Maine at Farmington, Peter Dumas is second in overall standings, while captain Peter Judkins is third. Scott Hoisington of UMF currently holds the lead in the point standings.

Folger said Judkins has been skiing exceptionally well this season. In placing second by one-tenth of a second to Sugarloaf's Dave Bell in the Pleasant Mountain Giant Slalom last Sunday, Judkins' first run was the fastest of the day by two seconds.

The team has been hampered by the recent illness of top alpine skier Jay Marshall, who is expected to resume training next week after a two-week lay-off.

Trackmen ready face terriers on Saturday

BY STEVE VAITONES

The UMO men's track team gets back into action tomorrow with a home meet against Boston University. Both teams are coming out of a long semester break during which B.U. had one dual meet and Maine had none. Both squads, though, have had some competition in various invitational meets in the New England area.

The Saturday meet is expected to be very close as the two teams' strengths lie in different areas. The Terriers look the toughest in the short runs, with Tom Mahan and Vin Polazzo leading one of New England's top hurdle and sprint squads. Mahan has the fastest time in New England in the 60 yd. high hurdles this season (7.3 sec) while Polazzo shares the top N.E. clocking in the 60 yd. dash (6.2). Six hundred yarder Andy Janiak placed fifth in the Dartmouth invitational meet race with a swift 1:12.5. Two B.U. performers highlight the field events, Ed Smolenski has thrown the 35 lb. weight over 57 ft., ranking fifth in the area. Freshman high jumper Joe Brown has leaped 6'10", best in New England. Brown has consistently cleared 6'8" and has the potential to go 7'.

Maine should counter this individual strength with overall depth. The milers and two milers have looked strong, led by Mike Roddin (ninth N.E. 4:15.4). Both Black Bear relay teams are undefeated in dual meet competition. In the field events Al Sherrerd leads the shot putters with a 50'4" toss, ranking him tenth in New England. Also, Doug Hatch and Dan Falt have consistently been clearing the bar in the pole vault at 13'.

The field events will start at 1:00 p.m. with the first running events set to go at 2:00 p.m.

Peter Joseph suffered a temporary setback in a college Alpine series GS race hosted by UMO at Sugarloaf Jan. 21 when he lost his leg in the second race and fell, cutting his leg in the process. Joseph had finished fourth in the first race earlier in the day.

The nordic team was not idle as it skied through a rigorous vacation of training camps and ski meets in Maine, New Hampshire, Vermont and New York. Mark Ouellette, Eric Dambkowski, Bill Mitchell, Rick Smart, John Mathieu, Bill Bailey and Dan McGraw participated in a cross-country race series sponsored by Dannon Yogurt which featured members of the U.S. National Team and former Olympians including Olympic silver medalist Bill Koch.

Freshmen John Mathieu competed last weekend in the National Cross-Country Championships at Lyndon Vt. and placed 22nd in the junior race in which the top ten places went to members of the U.S. and Canadian Olympic teams.

As for the chances in the upcoming UVM meet, Folger is hoping for a fifth or sixth place finish out of a field of ten. "The first three places are obviously spoken for," he said. (Dartmouth tied for first in the 1976 NCAA ski championships, UVM placed second and Middlebury has always been a strong competitor).

Despite the awesome competition, if individual performances remain consistent, UMO will undoubtedly find some positive results in the next two months of competition.

Swimming action tonight

BY BILL WALLACE

The UMO women's swim team completed a highly successful Florida training trip with impressive victories over William and Mary College and Acadia University of Nova Scotia. UMO's record stands at 6-0.

The lopsided win over William and Mary sharply contrasted with the closely-contested Acadia meet which saw UMO's 400-yd. freestyle relay team clinch the victory in the final event.

Personal best swims and school and pool records were turned in by nearly all of the UMO swimmers. Acadia was especially strong in the backstroke and diving events, and proved to be UMO's toughest adversary so far this year.

Nancy Kurt won the 100 and took second in the 200-yd. freestyle against a crew of outstanding Acadia freestylers. Anne Lucey, UMO's pace-wise distance swimmer, took a key second place in the 1,000-yd. freestyle. Her time of 11:40.0 in the marathon event was a new school record.

Coach Jeff Wren was pleased with the performances of his entire team, especially with the improvement of Denise Small, Carol Struzziero, Colleen Trainor, Charny Cutler, and divers Debbie Lander, Patti



The UMO men's ski team will travel to Vermont on the weekend of Feb. 4 to face division I power UVM.

Efforts of Russell, Reilly spark hoopsters over UNH

BY MIKE MCNAUGHTON

The UMO men's basketball team put together a tremendous second half to defeat the UNH Wildcats 74-63 at Durham, New Hampshire, Monday night.

Guards Keith Dickson and Paul Dufour sparked the Wildcats to a 34-24 first half lead. UNH hit on 57 per cent of their shots in that half compared to only 35 per cent for Maine in that category.

The Black Bears were not to be denied this game, however, as they performed superbly at both ends of the floor in the second half. A Wally Russell jump shot gave Maine a 44-43 lead with 14:33 to play. The lead seesawed back and forth until a Roger Lapham drive put Maine ahead for good with just under ten minutes to play.

The Bears got some outstanding individual performances offensively but of equal importance was the outstanding team defense displayed by Maine in the second half as they outscored UNH 50-29. Coach Skip Chappelle singled out Steve Gavett and Rufus Harris for their great efforts in defensively holding down UNH's top scorers, Peter Laskaris and Steve Singelais, to well below their season's average.

Offensively Maine got great performances from Dan Reilly, Wally Russell and Roger Lapham. Reilly was hot for Maine

throughout the game (65 per cent from the floor) and was the leading scorer with 28 points. Russell played perhaps his best game in a Maine uniform as the 5'9" junior grabbed 9 rebounds, dished off 9 assists, and scored 14 points. Lapham was held to just 6 points in the first half but came back with an 18 point second half. In that second half comeback Maine shot an incredible 70.4 per cent from the floor, their best percentage for a half of the season.

"Our second half play was keyed by our shooting," said Chappelle. "In the first half we shot poorly and this affected our play defensively. We began hitting our shots in the second half and this sparked our defensive play at the other end." Maine's record now stands at 9-8. UMO plays two games at Vermont this weekend. Maine's next home game is with Boston University February 12th.

Mondays Box Score
MAINE—Russell - 4-6-14, Harris 3-2-8, Morrison 0-0-0, Lapham 11-2-24, Gavett 0-0-0.

UNH—Layne 1-0-2, Dickson 8-1-17, Dufour 3-2-8, Singelais 3-0-6, Laskaris 6-0-12, Herbert 0-0-0, Cavanaugh 8-0-16, Pardo 1-0-2

	First Half	Second Half	Final
MAINE	24	50	74
UNH	34	29	63

Naiads win two meets, stand 6-0

Ward, and Sally Barnes. The final score of the Acadia meet was 63-50.

Julie Woodcock was a key to the UMO win with her swims in 200 and 500-yd. freestyle, and especially as anchorperson on the victorious 400-yd. freestyle relay.

Her win in the 200-yd. freestyle set a new school and pool record with a time of 1:59.04. Julie's 500-yd. freestyle victory was only tenths of seconds away from her New England record time. Julie's biggest moment of the meet and perhaps of the year occurred in the 400-yd. freestyle relay. UMO's Anne Lucey had drawn even with Acadia's Reenie Taylor in the third leg of the 400-freestyle relay. Both swimmers touched the wall simultaneously, releasing Acadia's Marjorie MacDonald and UMO's Julie Woodcock for the anchor leg. Julie quickly assumed the lead, and touched the final wall with a time of 3:47.795.

UMO scored crucial points in the 50, 100, 200 and 1,000 yard freestyle which allowed the meet to be decided by the final relay. In addition to winning the 50-yd. freestyle with a record-breaking time of :26.09, Eileen Sherlock took an important second place in the 100-yd. freestyle with a personal best time of :57.85. A tendonitis

condition in her right shoulder made Eileen's performances appear even more impressive.

UMO's Jill Puzas was a triple winner in the meet. Her win in the 400-yd. individual medley showed the race sense that made her the tenth best 400-m. individual medleyist at the Eastern AAU Swimming Championships last summer. Her time of 4:48.439 was a new UMO record. The grueling 400-yard event consists of 100 yards each of butterfly, backstroke, breaststroke, and freestyle. Jill's other wins came in the 200-yd. butterfly and breaststroke. In the 200-breaststroke, Jill was pressed the entire distance by Acadia's Holly LeReverend. The UMO New England record-holder held off her Canadian foe, however, to win with a pool record time of 2:31.28.

UMO's next opponent is Bowdoin College tonight at 7:00 p.m. at Stanley M. Wallace Pool. Bowdoin's squad will be an improved one but the loss of diver Ellen Sherman will weaken the Polar Bears in the diving events. Bowdoin's strengths will lie in the relays and the backstroke events where newcomer Ann Dreesen will help out.

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KEVIN NELSON

Bears were 3-5 over vacation, defeating Fairleigh Dickinson, Buffalo, and Bates while losing to North Carolina—Wilmington, Connecticut, Delaware, Old Dominion, and Iona.

The biggest news, however, was the loss of senior guard Paul Wholey who left the team after a dispute with Coach Skip Chappelle. The incident occurred after the game with North Carolina—Wilmington on Dec. 29.

Wholey apparently was critical of the way Chappelle substituted during this game. Chappelle on the other hand was not pleased with Paul's defense that particular game and let him know that. The result was that Wholey left the team that night and evidently for good. Coach Chappelle claimed that this was not an isolated or something which had been building for spontaneous action but was based on

some time.

The result is that Maine has lost a player who averaged 17.9 points per game and who certainly provided plenty of excitement for Maine basketball with his great hustling and scoring abilities.

To make matters worse the Bears lost the services of their outstanding forward Kevin Nelson who suffered a severely sprained ankle at Delaware. Kevin does not know when he'll be able to return to action because it is difficult to predict the healing of the ankle injuries.

The Bears have nine games remaining this season, four at home and five on the road. Without Wholey and Nelson the going will be rough. But as Maine demonstrated against New Hampshire in the second half Monday night, they are a team which will not quit and they are capable of playing outstanding basketball.



PAUL WHOLEY

Mermen defeated down south, but build depth from trip

BY BRIAN SEAWARD

UMO's men's swim team was defeated twice on its return trip from the two week training trip in Florida and now has a record of 6-2.

The Black Bear mermen lost to East Carolina University in a very close meet 62-57 and again to Johns Hopkins University 72-41. Maine beat Ohio University in the double duel meet at Johns Hopkins 72-41.

Despite both defeats coach Alan Switzer was pleased with his swimmers' performances and he feels quite confident of the team's capabilities for the upcoming meets with the University of Connecticut and Springfield College, Maine's toughest competition in New England. He also feels that the team is in a good position to maintain the title of New England champs. "I've compared our times in these meets with the results of the same meets last year and it looks good," Switzer said.

In almost every event the depth has strengthened with significant improvements in performance, and many swimmers have dropped their times far beyond what they did last year at this time.

Switzer thought that perhaps the road

trip back up the coast might have taken the edge off his swimmers at Johns Hopkins. However, he was pleased with the team's performance.

Switzer's impatience with some individual performances before Christmas has since turned into a growing confidence after the training trip.

"We've come a long way since the beginning of the season," Switzer said, "but we have a long way to go."

He added that the meets swum before the trip were really no competition and that the teams to deal with were UConn and Springfield.

The Florida training trip proved to be the factor which was responsible for the improvement in performances. All areas saw marked improvements, including sprint and distance freestylers Ron Pospisil, Bob Marshall, Rob Garon, Kevin Reader, backstrokers Jimmy Smoragiewicz and Jay Donovan, butterfly Tom Sarson and breaststrokers John Judge, Jerry Fiske and Brian Seaward.

Captain Jimmy Farragher said "I think we swam exceptionally well against East Carolina and Johns Hopkins even though we were tired from the road trip."



Farragher added "I believe the strength developed from the Florida trip will go a long way and provide what we need at the New England."

Bob Marshall, Jay Donovan, and Roy Warren led the UMO swim team to victory over Acadia University, 77-35 last Saturday here at the Stanley Wallace pool.

Strong depth was added by Rob Garon, Kevin Reader, Ron Pospisil, and Jerry Fiske, as the Maine mermen took first place in every event but two out of the 13.

The men's swim team will host the University of Rhode Island Saturday at 2:00 p.m. at the Stanley Wallace pool.

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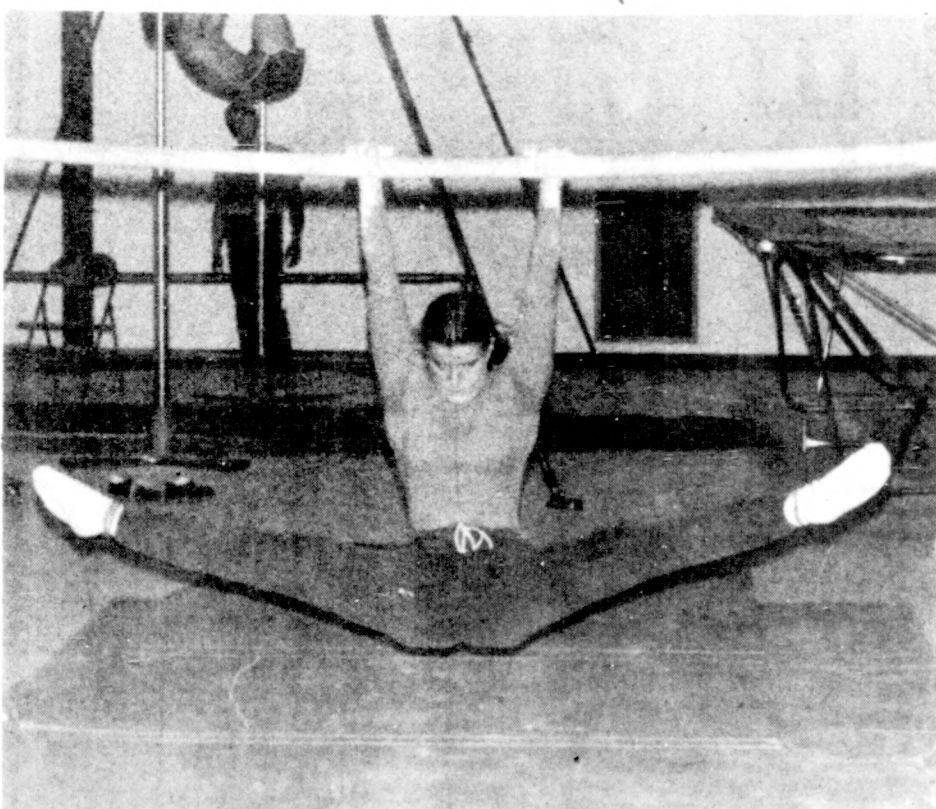
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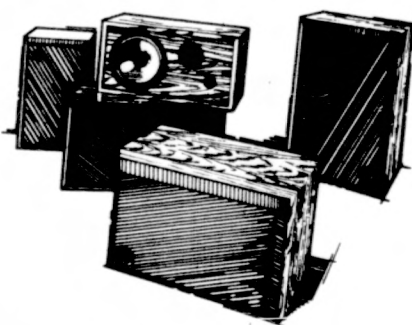
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BY NEIL GENZLINGER
University Free Press, UMG

Eleven two-year faculty received termination notices as University positions were threatened of financial disaster. University of Maine at Portland administration to initiate cutting measures. The action last month by UMPG President Miller, came in response to which indicate that UMPG \$200,000 budgetary deficit for a \$400,000 deficit for 1977-78.

Reports from the administration this year's \$200,000 \$50,000 increase in fuel, maintenance and other costs, and a \$150,000 loss from decreased enrollment. "Between now and early Miller said in his December will take the steps necessary expenditures to the level cover this year's estimated deficit. One of these steps will termination notices, effective

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BY DAN WARREN

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Spokesmen for Maine Indians