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Off-campus housing poses health threat

by Nan Anderson and Enid Logan
Staff writers

There is increasing cause for concern among tenants in Orono that their apartments might not pass the safety and health standards as regulated by the Orono Housing Code.

Several apartments owned by S & W Associates appear to be in violation of this code, and two separate legal proceedings are now underway by tenants of S & W apartments.

Judson Esty-Kendall, the lawyer from Student Legal Services representing the tenants at apt. #1, 12 Pleasant St., have kept the files closed in an effort to maintain confidentiality with his clients.

Public records filed in Third District Court in Bangor indicate the suit scheduled for Jan. 29, 1980, will be based on the premise that the apartment is not fit for human habitation.

According to the "Revised Maine Statutes," the owner is responsible for guaranteeing an apartment is habitable.

S & W refused to be interviewed by the *Maine Campus*, and asked that the reporters talk with their lawyer, Theodore S. Curtis, Jr. of Orono.

Curtis, in a written statement, said, "it would not be appropriate for us to provide any further comment on the case."

Orono Building Inspector, Stanley Brodtko, said he found several violations of the Housing Code at 12 Pleasant St., Apt. #1. "Sure enough, there are some things

wrong," Brodtko said, "we've been trying to get to them."

S & W Associates, Inc. is a foreign corporation whose main office is in Delaware, with a local office in Orono.

Jack Snively and Phil Ward (S & W) own a number of apartments in the Bangor area, including 12 buildings in Orono, according to 1978 assessors records in the Orono Town Office.

Tenants of two apartments located at 12 Pleasant St., Orono, are in the process of seeking damages against S & W for alleged housing code violations.

According to Janice Mathieu, one of four women living at 12 Pleasant St. Apt. #1, "all they (S & W) do is cover up problems, they don't fix things."

The four UMO students, Susan Drawl, Sharon Ludes, Betsy Rossini, and Mathieu, are seeking to have repairs made to their apartment. In addition, they want a reduction in their rent, which is presently \$400 a month, or according to their lease, \$2,400 every six months. The women want their rent reduced to \$50 a month, which they consider proper payment for an apartment they contend violates a number of the regulations stated in the Orono Housing Code.

On Sept. 14, 1979, a letter was hand-delivered by the tenants of Apt. #1 to their landlords' office at 100 Mill St. in Orono.

The letter listed ten problems which they demanded be repaired within two weeks time.

One major problem at the time (Septem-

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Chancellor Patrick E. McCarthy keeps a low profile as chief executive of the University of Maine system.

Top executive doing his job

by Glen Chase
Staff writer

Going into his fifth year as the chancellor of the University of Maine, Patrick McCarthy has been both criticized and praised by legislators, administrators, faculty and students for his handling of the university affairs.

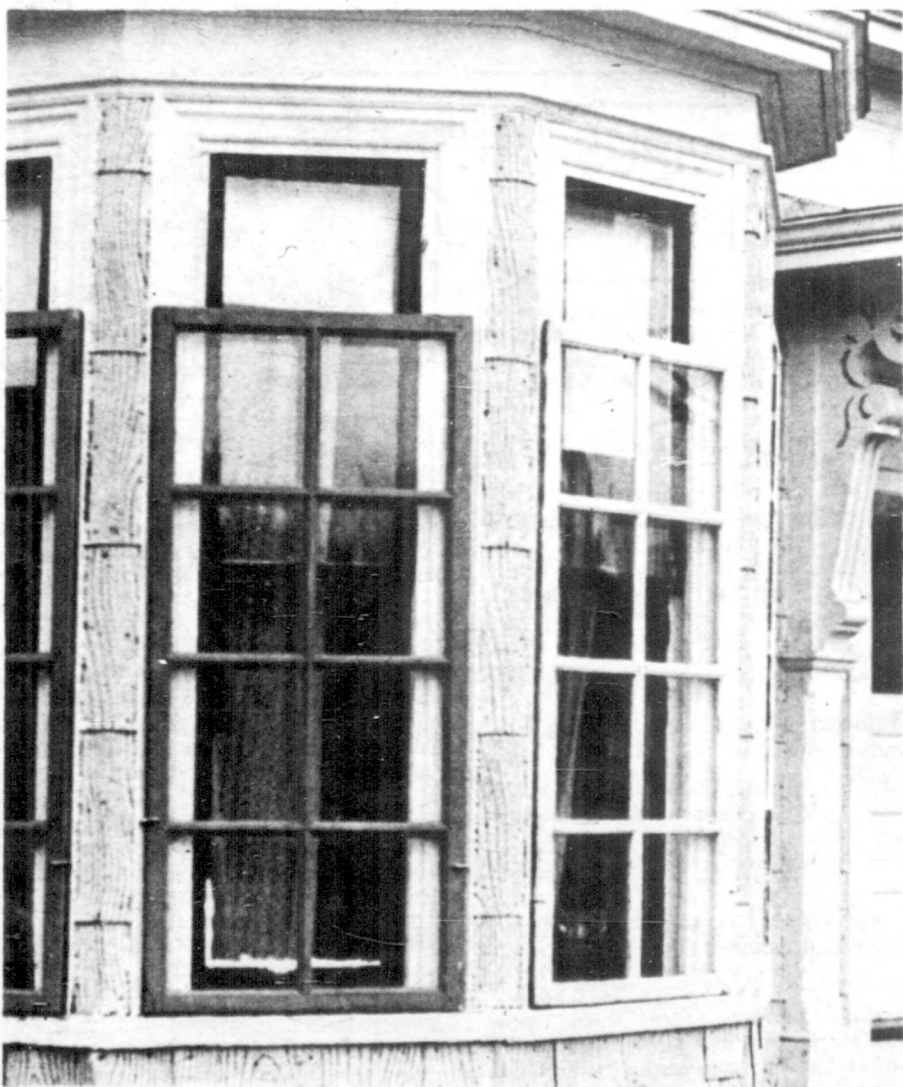
McCarthy perceives his job as the chief executive officer for the UM Board of Trustees as that of doing everything possible to make the university system as efficient, creative and of as high a quality as possible.

To complaints that he wasn't responsive enough to the needs of students, McCarthy said he does make an effort to get to know the students.

"It's important that I know how they feel, but there are time limitations," McCarthy said. He added that he feels he has the best possible contacts with the students available to him.

"I need to have a sense of what the average student is concerned with," McCarthy said. Whenever he is on a campus, McCarthy said that he tries to meet and talk with students.

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Storm windows in the 12 Pleasant St. apartment building were termed "ridiculous" by the Orono building inspector. The windows do not adequately insulate the rooms, instead they allow heat from the apartment to escape through them. [photo by Gail Brooks]

Off-campus residents complain of fire risks

by Andy Orcutt
Staff writer

There have been several complaints of fire hazards in off-campus housing recently with negligence and vandalism cited as the primary causes.

Jean R. McMichaels of Bangor said she



took her four-year-old daughter to a birthday party attended by some 15 other four-year-olds at University Park, an

off-campus housing facility. She said when she arrived, "black smoke was pouring from the chimney and the furnace was literally roaring and vibrating the entire apartment."

McMichaels said she was told by the occupants of the apartment that this was a recurring situation, and that during the previous week, a similar situation occurred in an adjacent apartment, accompanied by flames shooting out of the furnace.

Former UMO fire marshal Duane P. Brasslett said one cause was improper cleaning, which he said is done by the university.

Similarly, McMichaels said that an emergency service called to both apartments, discovered chunks of carbon build-up, but she said the furnace units were neither properly cleaned nor ser-

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2 local Coordinator's job ends due to lack of funding

by Ulrike Wiede
Staff writer

Ellen Weissman's position, coordinator of the Office of Women's Programs and Services (OWPS) will terminate Dec. 31, 1979, due to lack of continued funding.

Presently funded through a CETA grant, Weissman and Dr. JoAnn Fritsche, director of Equal Employment Opportunities (EEO) have tried to get the university to fund the program but it is not willing to do so because of its tight financial situation, said Weissman.

According to Weissman, OWPS can't apply for funding through the student government because the services also involve people and organizations outside of the university and has a broader range than student government is concerned with.

Weissman has approached community members and will try campus and alumni organizations. She also will write to the Women's Educational Equity Act, a funding organization in Washington, D.C.

According to Weissman, for a full time coordinator and the managing of the office, \$13,000 to \$15,000 will be needed.

"In regards to the Women's Center,

which is run by a student volunteer service, I see my role as larger. We coordinate and

program things that are bigger like the Women in the Arts symposium in September and the sexual symposium. I also have more resources than the Women's Center.

"I hope that the full-time coordinator position would continue because I built up so much, I hope it's not left by the wayside."

Weissman knew the position would end in December. "I wasn't pushing it. I knew it would end. It just didn't seem like there was that much concern. A lot of people have been surprised and concerned. Now I have been getting letters of support."

According to Weissman, OWPS will be run next semester by volunteers and one person has shown interest in programming. Anyone interested in helping the service should contact OWPS at 581-2560.

As one of their last programs they will feature Diane Weston, Jane Williamson and two of the three editors of the Women's Action Almanac, a national referral listing who will speak on the women's movement. The lecture will begin at 12:30 and 4 p.m. in the Bangor Lounge in the Union.

Old Town voters to replace representative

by Mike Lowry
Staff writer

In a special election next Tuesday, Dec. 18, Old Town area voters will go to the polls to elect a new representative to the state legislature, following the death of legislator and former UMO police officer Steven Gould earlier this semester.

The District 80 voters will choose between Republican candidate Eugene Paradis of Old Town, a former five-year member of the Old Town City Council and a 1979 graduate of UMO, and Democratic candidate Richard Needham of Stillwater, also a member of the Old Town City Council for five years, as well as mayor of Old Town in 1971.

Needham said that he is running "to get the best possible legislator, and I feel I'm the best possible candidate." He also served as president of the Stillwater PTA for two years, the Old Town Democratic City Committee Chairman for six years, elected to the state committee of the Democratic Party from 1968 to 1974, and a member of the Penobscot County Democratic Committee for ten years. He is current president of the Stillwater Federated Friendship Club.

Paradis, a retired Marine colonel, has served on the governor's advisory board of municipal officials, the Penobscot Valley Regional planning commission, executive committee, and the joint select legislative committee for property tax and equalization as well as on the city council.

"I was asked to serve, and I've accepted their nomination. I feel I've got all the good things, all the high ideals for the job," Paradis said.

Both candidates said they are very concerned with issues affecting UMO.

Paradis, who received a degree in public management last spring, said, "I've had the opportunity to observe the restrictions on the university over the past four and a half years, the erosion of the faculty for economic opportunity elsewhere."

"Action has to be taken to preserve its academic integrity," he continued.

Needham said, "I feel very badly for the university during the past five years, under the Longley administration. The payroll has been drastically held down. A professor with a master's degree from the University of New Hampshire gets more pay than a Ph.D. at Maine. I think that's grossly unfair."

"They should upgrade salaries to be in

line with other colleges in New England," Needham said.

Needham feels he is the better candidate for several reasons. "I'm more in line with the times about collective bargaining. I feel I relate to people better. I'm for the university. And I'm not a retired Marine colonel," he said.

Needham said that he feels that Paradis' military background is not an adequate qualification for legislature.

Paradis, when asked why he felt he was the better candidate, said, "I think the people will decide that. I don't question his qualifications. I realize the importance of proper representation to the people of this community and I hope to put some of that to work."

Illegal voting

by Susan Leonard
Staff writer

Students who live in Old Town and intend to vote in next Tuesday's District 80 special election had better read the fine print. There's a chance that some voters have been told they can vote absentee even though they are able to go to the polls.

Eric Rojo, an Old Town citizen and senior political science major, said he is concerned that some students will be "talked into" voting absentee because it is convenient. An unusually high number (95) of absentee ballots have been recorded in Old Town and Rojo said many are coming from University Park and the trailer parks which house primarily students and faculty.

Because "Old Town has a long history of irregularities in elections," Rojo said there is reason to suspect there may be inequities in this election. "Any citizen can challenge a ballot," he said, if there is evidence to suggest that a person has voted absentee when he was present and able to vote at the polling place, but didn't.

Voting by absentee when present in the municipality when you are able to vote in person is a misdemeanor punishable by not more than \$1,000 fine or not more than 11 months imprisonment or both.

Rojo said that one witness is enough to challenge a ballot with "suspected ballot fraud."

"The ones who will be hurt (voters) are not the ones talking them into voting absentee," he said.

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CETA funding has been terminated for Ellen Weissman as coordinator of the Office of Women's Programs. As of Dec. 31, 1979, funding will be sought for from outside sources. Until then the Women's Center will continue to be run by a student volunteer service.

Maine Events

12:10 p.m. Sandwich Cinema. Mark Twain; "When I was a Boy." North Lown room—Memorial Union.

1 p.m. WMEB album feature

3:30 p.m. Open meeting on Energy conservation or Will We Survive the Winter? Sponsored by Energy Advisory Committee. Peabody Lounge, Memorial Union.

Sign up deadline for a dance workshop with the Art of Black Dance and Music

which will be held Jan. 7 to 11, 1980 in Cambridge, Mass. Contact David Deslles at 942-4332 or sign up at the dance studio, Lengyll Gym.

6:30 to 8 p.m. Women in Worship and the Bible. MCA Center.

7 & 9:15 p.m. IDB movie "Grey Lady Down" 100 Nutting Hall.

7:30 p.m. Mens swimming vs Harvard

8:15 p.m. Theatre. "Inquest" Hauck Auditorium, Memorial Union.

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CANDY GRAMS for sale across from the Bear's Den in the Union.

Missing: Ludwig snare drum serial #166224. Ludwig cymbal stand and 16" cymbal. Ludwig Drummer's Throne. Taken from Lord Hall band room. Any information, please call Nancy Rowe or David Doyon at Lord Hall.



LOST — set of keys in men's bathroom, second floor of Little Hall, on Friday, Dec. 7. If found, please return to Psychology department office in Little Hall. Reward.

STOLEN: Brown soft leather briefcase, taken from Wells Dining area on Wednesday night, Nov. 7, between 6 and 6:30 p.m. Contents include: TI-30 Calculator, SV-5 Surveying Textbook, Geology (orange) Surveying (Blue) notebooks as well as S-3 Soils textbook and notebook. Also Lifesaving books and an irreplaceable Summer Employment notebook. Keep the calculator and sell the books but please return the notebooks. Reward offered if no questions asked. Please return to 313 Oxford or anonymously to Wells Dining Service.

Driving back from Richmond, Va. area after X-mas holidays? Need someone with car or van to bring double bed to Bangor. Will pay expenses. Call 947-4864.

Department budgets becoming tight at UMO

by Gary Pearce
Staff writer

Things are tough all over, kids, and chances are they won't improve in the near future. This seems to be the overall budget picture at UMO.

Department budgets, never enough to satisfy, will remain the same this year as it was for last, said department heads. The only increase will be for salaries and wages. This is creating problems in all departments.

"The costs of telephones, paper, office supplies, and travel expenses have risen dramatically," said English department chairperson Nancy McKnight. "In fact, we've already spent our travel allowance for the whole year this semester." The fiscal year runs from July 1 to June 30. Since 1974, the English department has had an operating budget increase of only \$4,000, far below inflationary increases in costs.

"We (departments) have the mobility to spend any money not designated for salaries and wages as we see fit," she said, "but you can only stretch it so far. Currently, we're looking to get money from other sources, such as grants, but we've had no luck yet."

"Most of our money for next semester is already spent," said Dean James L. Clapp of the College of Engineering and Science. "We've put a freeze on the money we have left until next semester. We can make it but we won't be able to buy any new equipment."

The biggest cost, Clapp said, is buying chemicals. "The cost of chemicals goes up two or three times the inflationary rate."

The colleges have not yet submitted their budget requests for the next school year but Clapp predicts "we will receive

less than we request."

Most departments have had at least a \$3,000 operating budget since the 77-78 fiscal year, but vice president of academic affairs Hoopers has said there has been no increase for the current 79-80 fiscal year.

Representative Dick Davies (Dem.-Orono) thinks the chances are slim of the university being allocated more money than it has this year.

"The state is in a tight situation because of the energy problems and inflation," Davies said. "The state won't give more than it did for the 1979-80 fiscal year."

The only increase, Davies said, would be for energy-related projects. "They may make money available for repairs, improving energy conservation."

Students can affect how much money the university is appropriated, he said. "Lobbying and writing letters to committee members has proven very effective," especially if letters come from area constituents of committee members.

The time to lobby, though, he said, is before the appropriations bill comes to the floor. "Once the bill reaches the floor of the legislature, it very infrequently changes."

Letters can be sent to: Sen. David Huber (R), Cumberland County; Sen. Thomas Perkins (R), Hancock County; Sen. Mary Najarian (D), Cumberland County; Rep. Michael Pearson (D), Old Town; Rep. Louis Jalbert (D), Lewiston; Rep. Don Carter (D), Winslow; Rep. Edward Kelleher (D), Bangor; Rep. Lorraine Chonko (D), Topsham; Rep. William Diamond (D), Windham; Rep. Richard Morton (R), Farmington; Rep. Lynwood Higgins (R), Scarborough; Rep. Paul Boudreau (R), Waterville; Rep. Carl Smith (R), Mars Hill in care of the House or Senate Post Office, Augusta, Maine 04333.

Hooper calls for an end to department overspending

By Gary Pearce
Staff writer

Henry Hooper, vice president of academic affairs, has stated he wants no departmental overspending at all.

But, he said, "I'm sure I overspent when I was physics department chairman."

"Things were different back then ('73-'74)," Hooper said. "We could count on surpluses from previous years. I never drastically overspent; no one ever jumped on my back."

"It's different now, though," he explained. "There was no surplus last year and all the money in the president's contingency fund has been allocated. We just don't have the extra money."

"Operating budgets (all non-personal costs) are the same as last," he said. The inflationary money granted by the state was used for salary increases with the remainder going towards the operating budget.

"We realize some departments, because of already low operating budgets, may need more money, but we're still looking into that," Hooper said.

One of the reasons for overspending, said Hoopers, is the billing procedure.

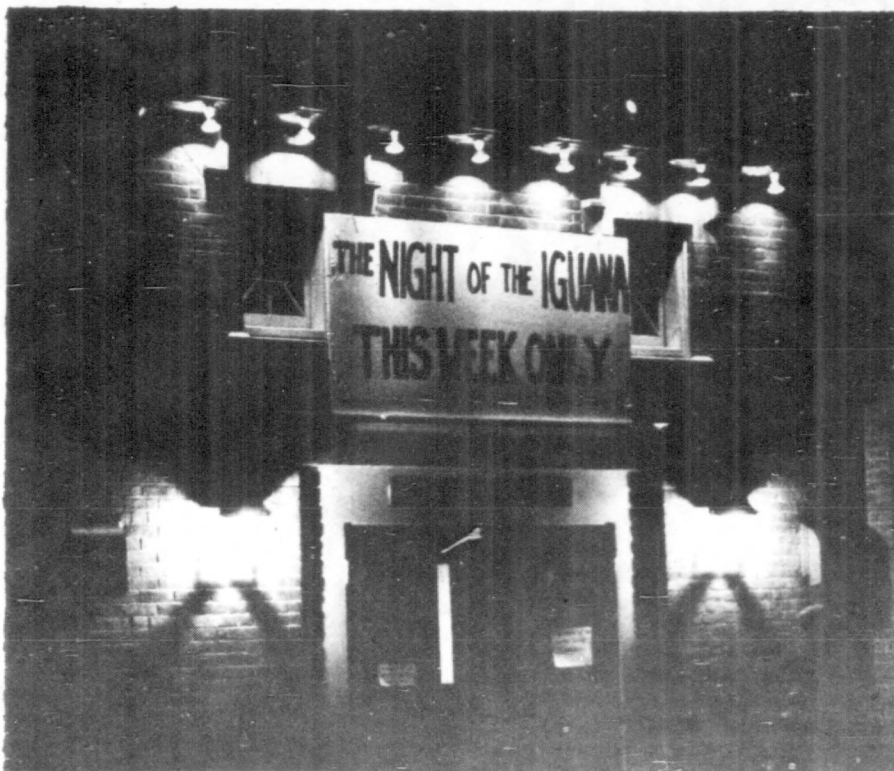
"You buy something at one time of the year," said Hooper, "and you get the bill later. Depending on what semester or year the bill comes, you may have to overspend."

"The budget just will not stand for much overspending this year," he said. "Energy has impacted us severely. If the legislature appropriates energy money to us, some strain can be taken off the operating budgets."

Whatever the case, said Hooper, "salaries get top priority in department budgets. Whatever is left goes to the department's operating budget."

"Unless energy money comes from somewhere," he said, "there will be a budget crunch next year, too. The trustees and chancellor will probably approve a conservative tuition increase for the next school year." Hooper did not know what the increase would be.

"They haven't decided that yet. I have no idea how large it will be, but it will probably be conservative. We have to get money from somewhere."



"The Night of the Iguana" has been nominated in a regional competition in Vermont. Both the director and actors will travel down to perform the play, if funds allow. (photo by Mitch Tarr)

Play wins nomination

E.A. Cyrus, director, and his actors entered "The Night of the Iguana" in the American College Theatre Festival. Two judges from the ACTF came to the show and have since nominated it to the regional competition at the University of Vermont Jan. 23-26.

Jim Miller, who played "Shannon" in the show, was also nominated for the Irene Ryan Acting Award. This scholarship award of about \$750 is also sponsored by the ACTF. The winner of the regional festival will go to Washington to compete in the national competition. Miller said

about 40 schools are regionally entered for the Ryan award.

If "Iguana" wins in Vermont, it will be entered in the Washington competition as well.

Miller said the only problem may be finances. He said he hopes the department can "dig" up enough money to transport the actors and set to Vermont.

"After all," he said, "we can't put the set in the back of a Volkswagen. There are also hotel bills. I hope we won't be stuck without funds to get there."

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To The University Community:
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Gene Paradis

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opinion



To fill a void

An observation and then a criticism:

First the observation:

There *should* be a student government paper funded by student government.

Now the criticism:

The *New Edition* is not doing the job, and the Student Senate made a mistake in granting the paper almost \$4,000 in student money for typesetting equipment.

The *New Edition* has called itself "an alternative" to the *Maine Campus*. It has said it wants to have "more of a magazine format." Students have been hearing both of those promises since early September, and still nothing has happened.

In its present state, the *New Edition* is fulling no big void in campus media. The stories it runs are often trivial, and it's not even doing a cursory job of covering the area it was supposed to be giving more attention to—student government.

One issue had a front-page feature on "Murph," the new police dog. Another issue had a page-one piece on student reaction to Iran.

Why did they do those stories?

Those are the kinds of features and stories the *Maine Campus* does daily.

That's our job.

To truly be an alternative to the *Campus* and better serve its readers, the *New Edition* must go in-depth.

It should publish an essay by the chairman of the religious affairs committee talking about the senate's role in this situation.

We received such an essay from Ben Zeichick this week, but can't publish it due to lack of space.

The essay is a good one. The *student government* paper should exist to tell the student just what the *student government* is doing and *thinking*.

We don't have the room or the resources.

The list of stories the *New Edition* should be doing is endless.

Dave Prichard, an editor there, showed lack of imagination and ability at Tuesday's senate meeting when he said the paper has covered student government "sufficiently." He should drop over to our office some day. We have a list ten pages long of student government stories we would like to do, but aren't able to.

Student government spends more than \$20,000 in student activity fee money every year. That's money we are *billed* and have no choice paying. Students should know more about the clubs and groups that they are paying for. They have a right to know.

Student government is important. Very important.

Student senators have a story to tell. And the *Maine Campus* doesn't have enough space to tell it adequately.

They are foolish to let their paper get out of their hands.

If the *New Edition* proves an appealing and substantive alternative medium to the *Maine Campus*, fine. If it starts doing in-depth stories on students, fine.

But so far it hasn't. It hasn't earned the editorial independence it requests from student government.

Observation: student government needs individuals to put out a paper to meet the needs of students and student government.

Suggestion: those individuals capable of accomplishing that task, report immediately to the *New Edition* office. Its energy needs to be channeled in the proper direction.

D.W.

Carl Pease

Letters for the circular file

I am not a liberal.

Although I find myself, more often than not, voting, with and supporting people who would be labeled liberals, I do not consider myself to be one.

Why is this?

A liberal believes that mankind is basically good, it can be trusted. I don't. This belief on the part of the liberals leads to the construction of huge bureaucracies, which because of their very size are not, and cannot be accountable to the people that they affect.

A liberal believes that the essence of history is progress—that things will get better. I don't. The only constant in history is change. No matter what you do, things will be different tomorrow. But there is no guarantee that things will be better. If you want things to be better, then you had better be able and willing to fight for it. For if you do not try and stand still, you will get run down and ground up by history.

Then why do I find myself siding with liberals?

Probably because the one thing most liberals and I agree on is that people are important. If one person is "ill-housed, ill-clothed and ill-nourished," then something is wrong.

Agreed. The recent liberal solutions have not turned out to be the best ones. They have led to large, confusing, unaccountable bureaucracies which have probably spent more money on themselves than on the problem they were meant to solve. But I would suggest that you stop and think about why this whole "welfare bureaucracy" exists.

It was because someone was hungry, and no one fed them.

It was because someone was naked and no one clothed them.

It was because someone did not have a home and no one took him in.

It was essentially because in this materialistic, individualistic, "I am not my brother's keeper" world, no one cared.

I looked at the *Maine Campus* yesterday and one of the front page headlines read "Big brother, sister program needs more help." There are 70 kids on a waiting list, and somehow I feel that on a campus consisting of 9,000 students you would think you would be able to find 70 people who would be able to spend some of their time with a kid.

So, if all you fine and great conservatives out there want to strike a real blow at the monster of government bureaucracy, care a little, and help your neighbor. For if everyone helped their neighbor, there would be no need for the government to do so.

Oh yes, what am I if I am not a liberal?

I'm a conservative, who had yet to see anything worth conserving about our society.

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Letter on marriage was wrong

To the Editor:

In my opinion, Bill Flack's letter to the editor (*Maine Campus*, Dec. 7, 1979) is inaccurate.

First, I take issue with the assumption that marriage is "by definition a logical extension of a healthy relationship between two people based on emotion, namely love." Whose definition is this? Evidence abounds to suggest that marriage is often the extension of *unhealthy* relationships in which love seems to play little role. Further, where is the evidence to suggest that modern society is any more or less responsible for the state of marriage than any previous society?

Second, Mr. Flack reports that "by and large the grand majority of relationships that eventuate in marriage are based on little more than the result of immature infatuation, dependence." While I do not doubt that many marriages may have components of dependence and/or infatuation, to suggest that the grand majority of marriages are so based seems simplistic.

To support this contention, Mr. Flack uses an example of couples forced to compromise their individuality

and interests for the sake of being together. Mr. Flack presents this example as proof that marriage results in enslavement and subjugation. I believe that Mr. Flack has an important point; lack of regard for individuality within marriage can indeed result in frustration and feelings of enslavement. However, this is not proof that marriage fosters such feelings.

Further, Mr. Flack alludes to a "graduation/marriage syndrome" and expresses the opinion that fear of "continuing the natural growth process without help, in short (being) afraid to face the world as individuals" can explain the increase in marriage at or near graduation.

Are we therefore to conclude: 1) that those individuals who do not marry are not without fear of facing the world as individuals, 2) that unmarried individuals do not receive help from others in continuing the natural growth process, or 3) the natural growth process is interrupted or hindered by marriage? I contend that marriage does little to shelter one from experiencing the "natural growth process" and in many cases provides the impetus for growth.

I believe the following conclusions

can be made about marriage. First, there is no single reason for marrying. Marriage, like all human behavior, is the result of the interaction of a multitude of factors. Second, some people who marry may act in such a way that their individuality is indeed hampered. However, for this situation, marriage cannot be blamed.

Behavior is the choice of the individual, regardless of his or her marital status. If one chooses to place arbitrary restrictions on one's behavior, that is one's own responsibility.

As Mr. Flack accurately states, marriage in some cases may be experienced as a kind of subjugation and enslavement. The reasons for this type of marital experience may vary. However, blaming marriage for enslavement is akin to blaming the atom for nuclear accidents. The victims of such an enslavement should look to themselves for both the blame and solution to their condition.

John Lorenz
Intern, UMO Counseling Center

What's the real story?

To the Editor:

Regarding the article in Tuesday's *Campus* entitled "Academic gifts to athletes alleged," I have a few discrepancies to clear up with Mr. Olver.

The article stated that "two years ago the UMO swim team had a talented short distance swimmer... (who) had trouble making the grades to keep him on the team." Yet the article states that through "connections" and "gifts" the swimmer never missed a meet and went on to graduate. Who is this swimmer?

Mr. Olver thinks he is talking about (name deleted by editor). The man in question never got any "gifts" through his "connections," nor did he ever graduate. The swimmer also missed quite a few meets because of his academics; not quite a few meets because of his academics; not quite what Mr. Olver reported. In the future, I suggest the use of specific names when you accuse.

So what's going on here, Mr. Editor? You allow articles to be printed that are based on only hearsay? Since when are the memoirs of an RA (Kevin Ritchie) the basis for an attack on the athletic department?

I enjoy reading well-written, investigative reporting. I don't enjoy articles by reporters bitten with 60-minute fever attempting to uncover some scandal when none exists.

There are other discrepancies in the article that I failed to mention, but if Mr. Olver requests I'll be glad to write again and point them out. Regardless of what I do though, Mr. Olver should do something to clear these problems up.

How about it Steve, what's the real story?

John Judge
Stillwater

No smoke in the periodical room

To the editor:

Non-smokers and their righteous ex-postulations can be a pain in the neck. But at least it's a pain that passes.

I am one of these non-smokers and having been a smoker, have some understanding (and sympathy) for those who crave a cigarette.

However, my sympathy stops short of accepting a fog of poisonous smoke in the Fogler Library periodical reading room on the first floor. I emphasize that this tobacco smoke isn't

just distasteful to breathe — it is a real threat to our health.

It is air pollution that we are bringing on ourselves by allowing smoking in the library; but for persons entering the room, breathing the smoke is not voluntary. Cigarette smoke, in case one doesn't know this, is loaded with carbon monoxide, that deadly gas that is also found in car exhaust. When inhaled, carbon monoxide displaces oxygen in the bloodstream. This is especially dangerous to anyone with a heart con-

dition.

Emphysema and asthma are aggravated by smoking, as are hay fever and other allergies. Those wearing contact lenses will notice the smoke irritates.

In view of all this, isn't it about time that Fogler Library, which is concerned with healthy minds, gets concerned about healthy bodies? Let's put out the cigarettes at the library...for good.

Steven Cartwright
Orono

We're sorry

To the Editor:

The brothers of Phi Eta Kappa would like to sincerely apologize for any inconveniences brought upon individuals last Friday night, Dec. 7. We realize our actions at times were unnecessary and displayed poor judgement. We genuinely meant no offense to anyone during the course of the evening. Our utmost apologies. Thank you.

Sincerely yours,
The Brothers of Phi Eta Kappa

Call him up, dear

To the Editor:

This is just a quick reply to Betsy Murphy's Dec. 12 comments on Beta Theta Pi's donation of \$500 for a trophy to the fraternity with the greatest improved GPA.

I, being a good ole "frat rat" myself, appreciate Miss Murphy's concern about how Beta should donate their money. I'm also very concerned about the Cambodia situation, and since Miss Murphy is too, maybe she can call that "crazy guy" Peter Madigan at WMEB and make a donation during his 100 hours on the air.

And when you do this, Betsy dear, please ask Pete where he lives, O.K.?

Sincerely,
Corry Johnson
Sigma Alpha Epsilon

If you can't do it, don't

To the Editor:

It was interesting to see the manner in which my article concerning the proposed uses of the UMPD's dog was modified to fit the *Maine Campus*'s philosophy. I would like to congratulate those responsible for following the motto "If you can't do something well, don't do it at all." From now on, I do not wish to see my writing on any page of the *Campus* unless it expresses something close to my original intent.

I believe that good journalism should provide the reader with factual material written in a concise style. Editing of such work may be necessary, but those in charge should not arrange it to suit their own opinions. They should also avoid condensing a story to the point of ridiculousness. It is no disgrace to turn down an article if there is insufficient space to present it properly.

I also think that illustrations should be used when appropriate. Pictures have considerable visual impact, and should be used responsibly.

Finally, those who use the English language professionally should strive for an absolute minimum of typographical or

grammatical errors.

Your version of my article violated all three of these concepts. I do not know if you treat others this way, but it is the second time for me, and I am not happy about it.

It was not my idea to poke fun at a member of the UMPD on the basis of his physique. I apologize to Officer Thomas Murphy for any personal humiliation this article may have caused him. How about the members of your staff?

The ingenious positioning of the title and the cartoon was accomplished at the expense of a considerable amount of content. I believe that editorial opinion should be labeled as such, so I am disappointed that my co-contributors failed to join me on the byline. Those who take it upon themselves to alter the meaning of a story should initial their work, so the public can give them due credit. If they are too shy to do this, they should confine their efforts to matters of grammar, punctuation, and spelling.

There was considerable room for improvement in this area. I would like to assure the public that I do not spell "purebred" as "purebreed," "best" as "bust," "roadblocks" as "roadblockds," "impractical" as "im-

pactical," "definitely" as "definitely," or "an" as "and."

Furthermore, I cannot see why a bloodhound is "the only animal allowed to be used as testimony," or how "Murph will probably more than ever earn his kibbles." The original constructions were: "whose evidence is allowed to be used as eyewitness testimony," and "Murph will probably more than earn his kibbles." Whoever committed these errors will not impress future employers requiring high quality journalism. Lack of time is no excuse, because these employers will impose high standards and strict deadlines.

I believe a newspaper should observe certain guidelines in printing submitted material. The *Campus* is not obligated to accept anything, but articles used should express the author's original intent in correct English. I was disgusted by the way in which my work was perverted into a personal attack, and those responsible should make a public apology to Mr. Murphy and myself.

Respectfully yours,
Dave Saunders

Editor's note: the headline and cartoon were not intended as personal attacks on Officer Murphy. We apologize for any inconvenience.

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Trek Fever: The last frontier revisited

by Mike Lowry
Staff writer

For myriads of "Trekkies," or, for the uninformed, devotees of the "Star Trek" television series of the late 60s, Friday's release of Paramount's multi-million dollar "Star Trek — The Motion Picture" fulfills all those endless rumors, speculations and hopes of new voyages of the Starship Enterprise and its crew.

But not without the burning question — Will the big screen ruin "Star Trek?"

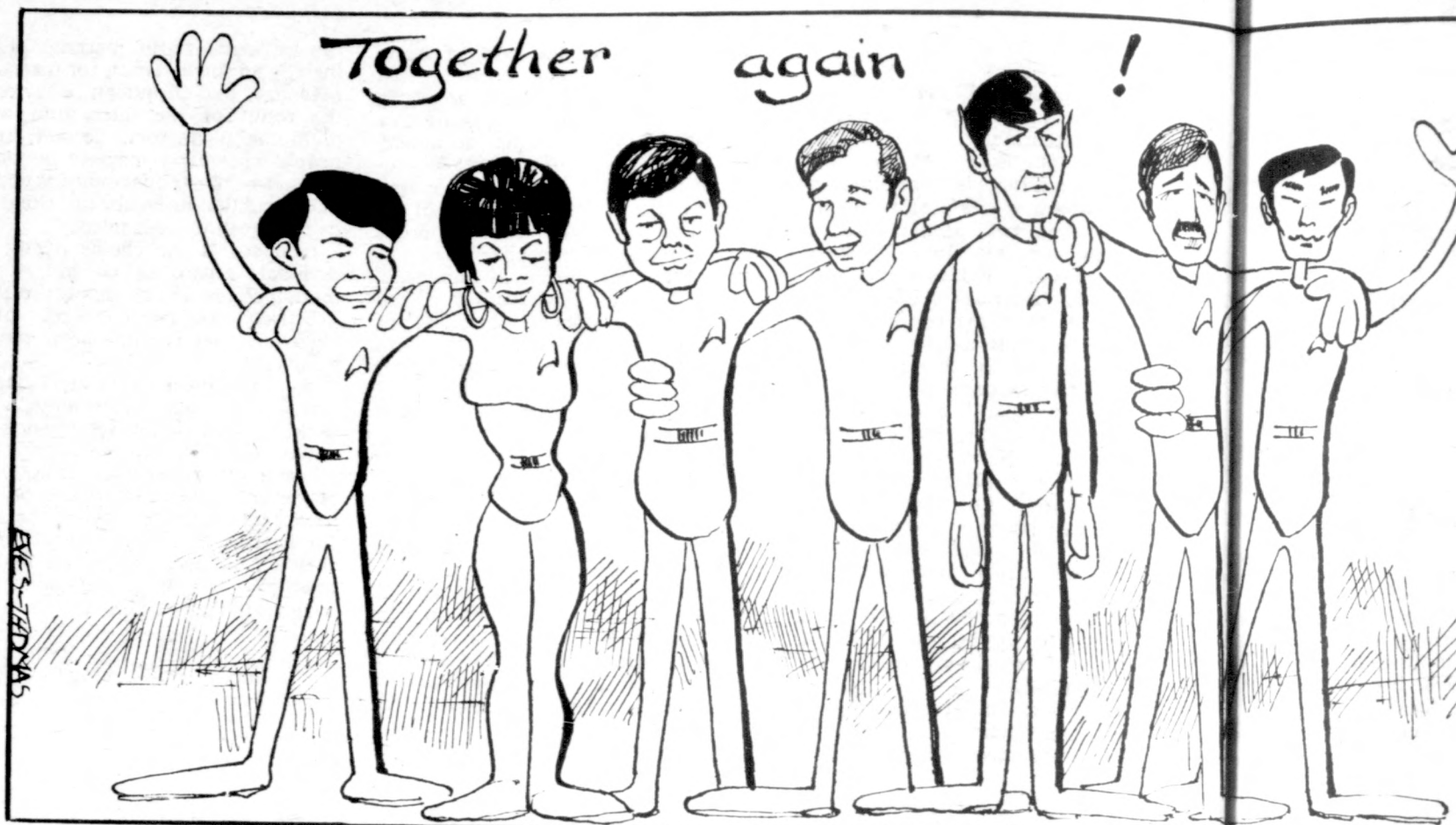
Indeed, after waiting so long for this film (as with "Apocalypse Now," this film seems more of an event than a mere movie), many are bound to be slightly disappointed.

This is *not* the same "Star Trek" of 10 years ago. Capt. Kirk is a little overweight, and Mr. Spock, Dr. McCoy and Nurse (now Dr.) Chapel are showing their respective ages. The Enterprise, after all, has been in drydock and the five-year mission to "boldly go where no man has gone before" has long since ended; of course the crew will get older.

And the Enterprise itself has been internally rebuilt and refitted. Even the uniforms and (shudder!) the communicators are different.

But fear not, Trekkies. Despite the changes, you have nothing to worry about. In many ways, this film is as good if not better than the series.

"Star Trek — The Motion Picture," directed by Robert Wise, written by Harold Livingston and Alan Dean Foster (who has written several Star Trek novelizations), and produced, created, and nurtured by Gene Roddenberry, represents what the "Star Trek" could have been and was at its best. (Take "City on the Edge of Forever," for instance.)



The story reunites Kirk (as always William Shatner), now a desk-bound admiral, with his old crew on the Enterprise to intercept an enormous, destructive cloud of energy heading toward Earth zapping planets and Klingons in its path.

However, the movie's first half deals not with the force, but with Kirk's obsession with regaining the Enterprise and getting it ready for flight in time to intercept the "intruder."

He has to contend, for instance, with bucking the new Captain of the Enterprise, Will Decker, played with *early-Kirk* finesse by newcomer Stephen Collins. Then there's the new navigator, also Decker's girlfriend, played by bald (yes, bald) beauty Persis Khambatta.

Spock (Leonard Nimoy) too comes aboard, after having failed at the hands of the Vulcan masters of ridding himself of his

human half.

And there's my favorite, good old wisecracking, crotchety Dr. McCoy (DeForest Kelly), always there in a crisis, ultimately good-hearted.

Put them together with Scotty, Sulu and the rest, and the old magic and comradeship is there.

The old tongue-in-cheek by-play remains. After Spock describes their nemesis as a child, McCoy snaps, "What do you want us to do, give it a spanking?"

And, lest anybody even doubted, there's the continuation of the Captain-Enterprise-Scotty triangle.

Typical example:
Kirk — "Put 'er to warp factor seven, Mr. Scott."

Scott — "But I can't, captain, the engines'll blow. She can't take much more of this."

Kirk — "Do it now, Mr. Scott."

Scott — "Aye, captain."

The film, it should be pointed out, becomes throughout a superb grandiose special-effects showcase by "Star Wars" John Dykstra and "Close Encounters" Douglas Trumbull, especially during the second half,

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when you're taken to
the 23rd century?*

when the Enterprise finally encounters its adversary.

One also sees the external Enterprise in ways that were much too expensive for TV, and internally, the entire 400-member

crew is seen together for the first time.

erry Goldsmith's score, "Star Wars," is also a part of the original theme music used as incidental music.

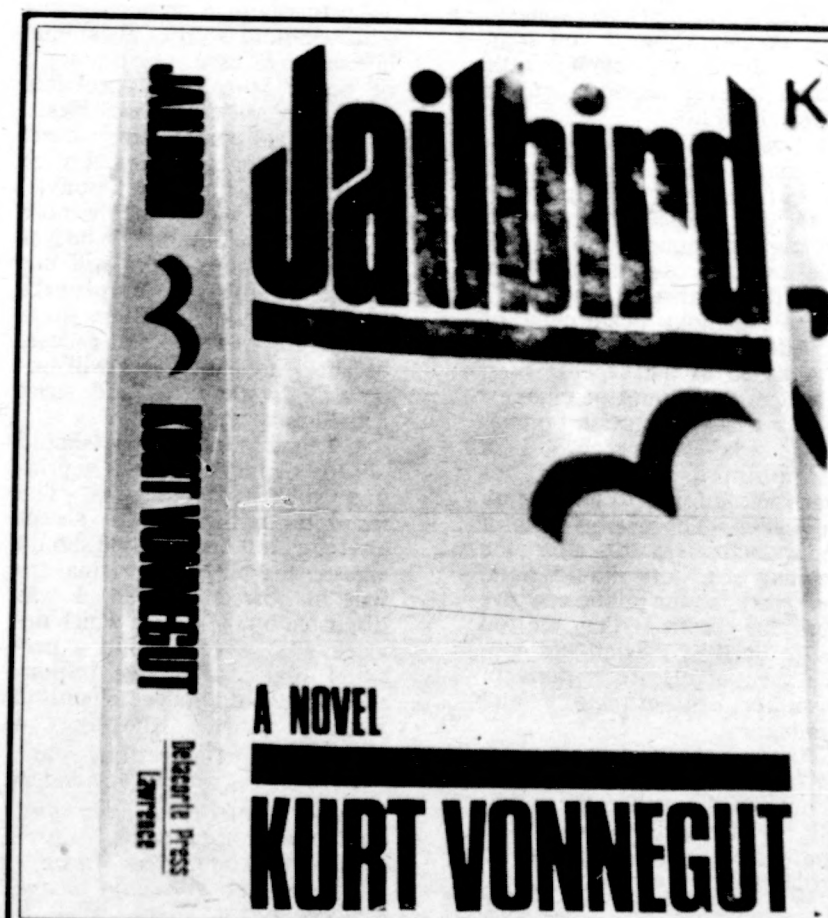
But as breathtaking an audiovisual film this is, it is the story that makes this "Trek."

As the credits proclaim, "human adventure is just beginning."

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since the NBC series was canceled. Forget Kirk is simply as young as he used to be. For even some of the dialogue that typically "Trekkies" seem to claim after all these years.

After all, what's 10 years when you're taken to the 23rd century?



Jailbird: 'Strong stuff' in V

by Paul Fillmore
Staff writer

Kurt Vonnegut's latest novel, "Jailbird," is in many senses a typical Vonnegut novel. Yet it is still "strong stuff."

The introduction sets the theme for the rest of the book. A stuttering millionaire witnesses a labor management massacre engineered by his father. This man will ultimately befriend the main character, Walter Starbuck, and send him to Harvard University.

The book opens in a minimum security prison where we find Starbuck getting ready to be released. He holds the honor of being the least significant Watergate conspirator to be imprisoned. So be it.

These first scenes set the theme of the book; Starbuck, like his creator Vonnegut, is a creature of his times. He is at the mercy of history, always has been, and always will be.

Much of "Jailbird" is spent recounting the earlier days of his life. We see Starbuck as a young child, playing chess with the by now old, stuttering millionaire in the study of a cavernous house in the richer part of Cleveland.

For his chess playing ability, Starbuck is sent to Harvard where he becomes an ardent communist in the thirties. He falls in love with "one of the four women I ever loved," a student and fellow communist. They attend rallies together, experience riots together, and eventually break up. When Starbuck's stuttering financier discovers he is a communist.

As a disillusioned radical (he quits the communist party when Russia signs the alliance with Nazi Germany) Starbuck turns to the bureaucracy of the United States for a job. He moves up in the hierarchy as the war

progresses and at the war's end he is awarded the job of taking all the participants at the Nuremberg trials.

It is at Nuremberg where he meets his wife, a victim of concentration camps. He is hired as a translator by Starbuck's "second woman loved."

From Nuremberg, the "red" jumps quickly to the "red" hunts of the 1950's. Starbuck is being questioned closely on his activities as a communist at Harvard in his earlier days. Unwittingly destroys the career of an old friend and husband of another of his past loves. A man who grills him at hearings is named Richard Nixon, and this testimony lands him a job in the Whitehouse years later.

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revisited



is seen together for the first time.

erry Goldsmith's score, a-la "Star Wars," is also a plus, although the original theme is only used as incidental music.

But as breathtaking an audiovisual film this is, it is the script, the actors and the dream inherent in the story that makes this "Star Trek."

As the credits proclaim, "The human adventure is just beginning."

Forget 10 years have gone by since the NBC series was canceled. Forget Kirk is simply not as young as he used to be. Forget even some of the dialogue that is typically "Trekkie" seems almost clichéd after all these years.

After all, what's 10 years when you're taken to the 23rd Century?

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progresses and at the war's close, he is awarded the job of housing all the participants at the war crime trials at Nuremberg.

It is at Nuremberg where he meets his wife, a victim of the concentration camps. She is hired as a translator by Starbuck; enter the "second woman I ever loved."

From Nuremberg, the book jumps quickly to the "red" witch hunts of the 1950's. Starbuck is being questioned closely by a member of a Senate committee on his activities as a communist at Harvard in his earlier days. He unwittingly destroys the career of an old friend and husband of another of his past loves. The man who grills him at the hearings is named Richard Nixon, and this testimony will land him a job in the Nixon Whitehouse years later.

This kind of historic irony is

Cosmo's Corner



Bookin'

This cool cat books on down the line, quite different from the booking done in the Fogler Library these days. Coffee cups and dexedrine just don't make the scene. (photo by Dave Adams)

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"Don't let it bring you down, it's only castles burning"

by Crilly Ritz
Staff writer

It's a faint rumble of a Tuesday night, a caffeine-dexedrine scene and a futile haunting wanting for vacation hovers over slumping bodies in library lounge chairs reeking of a semester's worth of sweat, farts and snots from runny noses on chilly autumn days. It's the end of the semester.

The library lives these days as blank, pathetic faces glance up at you as you saunter through the periodicals room. The eyes sometimes glare and the frustration of countless hours gets its centerstage.

The four-month show has come to its climax and the last days become a maze. Apathy has its most dramatic moment of realization.

Who cares that the endogenous initiation of secondary roots is characteristic of root systems, and that there are no vascular bundles in the root system? The worst thing is that you have to regurgitate it on a test. You actually have an interest in the material and your teacher is great, but you have so many things to do that you can't possibly apply yourself for any particularly significant amount of time on it.

There are the papers, the finals, the last round of tests before finals, and of course who can forget buying Christmas gifts with the meager funds you have managed to save after a semester's worth of laundry, meals, beers and bills.

They called it education...the quest for knowledge, the ever seeking song of betterment. It works out really well sometimes, especially early in the semester when enthusiasm drives you onward. Then the first round of tests comes and you get shot down maybe. Deadlines begin to pile up, especially here at the bigtime editor's desk that relentlessly beckons you for at least 20 hours a week.

I walked through the library Tuesday night to capture the "feel and flavor" of the general student populus. Encountering a varied assortment of reactions, I boogied on through with my usual casual flair. A general depression furtively permeated the microforms room, but I caught a glimpse of a friend who seemed immersed into a book. She looked up when I came over and she said, "Just tell them it's a cosmic on second floor." I walked away chuckling a little bit.

I happened to bump into one of my

more motivated, academically oriented friends. All he could say was, "I'm really fed up."

I ran into someone else and asked him how things were going and he replied, "All right, I guess. Too much to do though."

So it goes.

The coffee filters get used like toilet paper on a diarrhea binge after chili and beer. Nerves get shot like pistols on a bar room smoky Saturday night in Newark, while tempers flare and patience flirts with the wind.

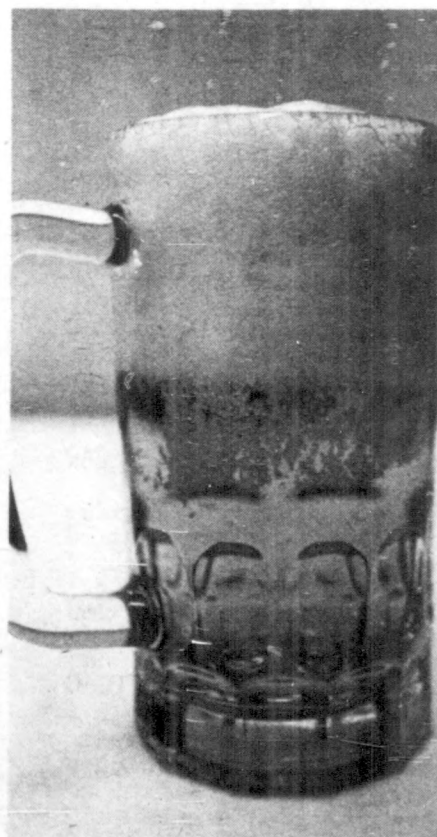
Nobody cares anymore. It has gone beyond that. Just get it all done with and kiss Orono goodbye when finals end. You just have to carefully allot the energy between now and then so that you don't burn yourself out.

It happens every semester though, so it's nothing new. Yet that doesn't make it any less worthy of comment.

Neil Young once said, "Don't let it bring you down, it's only castles burning, just find someone who's turning and you will come around."

So, take it easy. Sit back and reflect.

By the way, have a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. I'll be in Times Square whooping it up with some friends. Maybe I'll see you there.



Cheers

laced throughout the book. Starbuck is at the mercy of his times, a virtual prisoner of them and there is nothing he can do. History and chance always have the best of Walter Starbuck.

He is at the mercy of history, always has been, and always will be.

Yet near the end of the book, Starbuck is awarded with an executive vice presidency of the biggest corporation of the world, RAMJAC. This company has managed to buy up almost every large corporation in the country today and is run by a mysterious woman who nobody really

knows. It is not hard to guess how this woman ties into Starbuck's life.

The end of the book finds Starbuck on his way back to jail, again for a crime which he had no real part in. He takes his demise lightly, almost happy to head back to a prison life where he can end his days.

"Jailbird" presents a man who is weak and vulnerable, a prisoner of his times. The book seems to be Vonnegut's ultimate resignation to being a weak human who is tripped up by life, love and history with no escape.

It is a way of proving to himself and the public that man does not create his own destiny, rather it is created for him.

Whether this is true or not, Vonnegut leaves up to the reader to decide. In the end, the book proves to be "strong stuff" in the Vonnegut tradition.

Identity problem

To the Editor:

There is a problem on this campus over the identity of our group. We are co-chairs of the UMO Women's Center, and like Colvin/Coburn, people are confusing us.

We are not connected, except in sisterhood, with the Office of Women's Programs and Services under Ellen Weissman in the basement of Fernald. OWPS is an administrative office, while we are a student organization funded by Student Government under the Student Community and Services Board.

Erroneous references were made to our group in *The New Edition*. The *Maine Campus* also promoted some confusion between OWPS and the Women's Center in your Nov. 19 editorial ("Weissman who?"). "The women's center offers a lot of worthwhile programs for UMO students and area residents." We do, indeed, but this editorial was discussing Ms. Weissman and OWPS, not the Women's Center.

We have consciously attempted to eliminate this confusion by maintaining separate programs from OWPS this semester. We are planning a logo contest next semester to further establish our identity. We are particularly worried about this confusion now that there is a possibility OWPS may not be on campus next semester; the CETA funding has been discontinued for the program. Yet UMO Women's Center will be here as long as there is student support; we are a vehicle of the students. Please don't confuse us! Our office and women's library are in the Senior Skull room, third floor of the Union, and we do have our own identity!

Yours truly,
Teresa Brzustowicz Bridges
Jonel Thames

Give to the Cambodians for Christmas

To the Editor:

Christmas, it is said, is a time of giving. The purest and most satisfying joys of the holiday season derive from showing our love and concern for others. The tokens of these feelings of caring are the gifts we give. This unselfish, altruistic attitude is at the core of the teachings of the one for whom this holiday is named. So why not, then, this holiday season, realize these values in our actions, instead of making a hypocritical mockery of them in the commercial orgy of greed and self-interest that has come to be associated with the yuletide season. There are two and a half million starving Cambodians for whom the food equivalent of every gift you give might mean the difference between life and death. Why not do as my family has done and make a gift to the Cambodian people of whatever money is usually spent on holiday presents. They so dearly need the help.

As Americans, our Christmas "needs" might perhaps be for television sets, new clothing, or stereos; the Christmas need of most of the Cambodian people is for enough basic sustenance to live out the week. The inviting aroma of a turkey feast will fill many American households on December 25; the stench of lifeless, rotting flesh will be filling the nostrils of many Cambodians on Christmas Day.

The essence of the Christian moral



teachings is that we, as human beings, have a fundamental duty to assist our fellow humans when they are in need. This is a notion very foreign to the citizens of our country, whose people are in reality more often disciples of Narcissus, then the God they supposedly worship in their churches. As Nikos Kazantzakis has written, "Only he has been freed from the inferno of his ego who feels deep pangs of hunger when a child of his race has nothing to eat." Kazantzakis would also say that it is only by expressing these feelings in constructive action that we achieve any genuine stature and integrity as in-

dividuals. This is true "individualism."

Name withheld by request

P.S. Two very reputable organizations taking donations for the Cambodian cause are:

The American Friends Service Committee

2161 Mass. Ave.
Cambridge, Mass. 02140

or
Susan Abrams
Oxfah-America
302 Columbus Ave.
Boston, Mass. 02116

Hunting is not competition

To the Editor:

I would like to respond to the letter by Peter Hoefele in the *Maine Campus* on Dec. 10.

I have been following the heated debate on the pros and cons of hunting since the first letters resulted from the photos of the dead animals. Although I didn't care to see the pictures and disagreed with some of the letters since then, this is the first with which I strongly disagree.

In my opinion, competition between two or more people is a sport. Generally the end result of one of these sports is a winner and a loser, not the death of one of the competitors. I do not think of hunting as this type of sport.

I agree with Peter on one point; "...there isn't a defenseless animal on this earth." However natural defenses against natural predators are the type they have, not bullet proof vests and the like. Their defenses could not have been developed for protection against man and his guns.

Peter's comment about the animals' "home field advantage" doesn't even

merit a response.

Peter feels pride in developing the skill to overcome the animals' keen senses and actually killing an animal. But couldn't he develop the same skills and feel the same pride if he were to photograph the animals instead of killing them? The tracking requirements would be the same and he could "shoot" the animal without hurting it. This way Peter could enjoy the same pride of overcoming the animals' senses, show off his skill of photography to hunters and non-hunters alike, and not get the "shit" he gets now from anti-hunters.

After all of this, I would like to say that I am not an anti-hunter; I am a non-hunter. I am not against people hunting nor do I wish to offend anyone. But if you people must hunt would you please not try to defend your reasons for hunting to us non-hunters lest you turn us into anti-hunters.

Respectfully,
Sean Gallagher
Aroostook Hall

Letter not intended for the police

Editor's note: The following letter, allegedly written by Gerry De Normandie, was received Oct. 18. The Campus has not been able to reach De Normandie at his Colorado federal prison cell, to confirm he wrote it. But the handwriting appears the same as the letter received by UMO Police, earlier this semester in which he allegedly confessed to the arson of the university barracks in 1972.

Local law enforcement officials and a local newspaper reporter have spoken by telephone with De Normandie and confirmed, in their minds, that he wrote the original letter.

To the Editor:

I am writing a reply in response to several articles published in the *Maine Campus* on the 18, 19, and 20 of September.

My letters to the UMO police department were intended to be of any use to the Penobscot County Prosecutor's Office. They were intended solely to clear my conscience, and to explain the events to anyone who may remember the fire of the UMO dairy facility.

I wanted to clear my conscience, because in the years to follow after the fire, I've realized just how much of a "senseless act" I committed. I realized there was no need for the fire, that I had absolutely nothing to hide from

the incident with the co-ed. I here was never any rape as implied by most of the articles concerning my explanation of the fire. Had there been a rape, the co-ed could have easily preferred charges—yet she didn't. That same evening after we left the hay loft, she allowed me to enter her house. If a woman was raped once by a man, she certainly wouldn't allow that man to enter her house after only two hours, so it could happen all over again.

It was only due to my lack of knowledge in what actually constituted a crime, that led to the destruction of the dairy facility and barns.

I would also like to comment on the Penobscot County Prosecutor's statement he made against me; "The appearance of a letter from him isn't going to help us."

As I said earlier, my letter was never intended to help David Cox. I wouldn't help the likes of an individual as sorry as David Cox is, if his life depended on it.

It's easy to see, that David Cox runs his office as a place, "merely for him to sit his butt someplace, and collect a nice fat check off the Penobscot County taxpayers."

I believe that David Cox runs his office in as much an unprofessional manner as the Penobscot County Prosecutor in

1972 did. In 1972 I "beat" several felony and misdemeanor charges by making a \$3000 payment to a "source close to the District Attorney." This payment guaranteed the dismissal of all charges against me, that resulted from an incident after a party in the Knox dormitory. Look at the facts: I was accused of aggravated assaults, the people I was accused of assaulting were living on the Orono campus at the time of my first preliminary hearing—yes the D.A.'s office never subpoenaed anyone to testify against me. The preliminary hearing was then rescheduled so they (the prosecutors) could obtain witnesses—yes again as this second hearing, no witnesses were ever subpoenaed, and one of them lives within the state. The charges were then dismissed.

The D.A.'s office had enough information to secure a grand jury indictment—yes an attempt was never made.

This "source" close to the D.A.'s office also stated that, "if anything happens concerning the fire, it can be taken care of the same way."

Isn't it strange that Mark Rustin had "A to Z on the whole thing"—yes the D.A. wouldn't even attempt to prosecute?

If Mark Rustin had A to Z in 1972, then they have A to Z

today—but I don't see David Cox making any attempt either. Even if he did, I'm sure he has "his price" too.

I admitted I committed those aggravated assaults at Knox dormitory—yes David Cox will probably try to say "I don't have enough evidence for that either."

I suggest when the next elections come around, that people seriously look towards someone else who's capable of handling the responsibilities of County Prosecutor, obviously David Cox is not.

Mr. Cox referred to me as a "nut" simply because I'm sitting out here in Colorado thumbing my nose at him, and telling him, "yeah, I torched nearly a half-million dollars in state property—so what, what are you going to do about it?" And the fact is, he "knows" he can't do a damn thing about it. He's being stared straight in the face, with more than likely one of the biggest arson cases in Penobscot County, and he's helpless to do anything about it. So what else can Mr. Cox do, but to try and get himself off the hook, by trying to label me as "a nut?"

I guess I can't complain about what he labeled me—I just have to look at the source.

Sincerely,
Gerry M. DeNormandie

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General consensus is chancellor ok

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A former chairman of UMOSG, Rita Laitres, disagreed and said that the chancellor wasn't an easy administrator to talk to when she was involved with the university.

"I don't think he was very responsive to student needs," Laitres said. She said there were several disagreements over political moves by UMOSG, its funding, and meeting times that just made for some bad feelings.

Laitres added that she felt these disagreements were just par for the course for two people who wanted different things and who held different views.

McCarthy said that the University of Maine Organization of Student Governments helped provide that direct communication with students he needs. He said this group has been more effective some years than in others, but he felt that its purpose was not political lobbying, as some members of it wanted.

"It's small, but of high quality," said McCarthy of the University of Maine. He said that in the past five years, he has been able to help set up better communications between the various campuses.

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But Theodore Curtis, a former state

representative for Orono, disagrees. He said the Board of Trustees has been spending more time mediating disputes between campuses instead of developing a good relationship with the legislature.

"Each campus should be able to establish its own rapport with the legislature the same as Maine Maritime," said Curtis. A bill sponsored by Curtis to dissolve the super university system failed to pass by an overwhelming majority. Curtis said he sponsored the bill to improve relations with the campuses and the legislature.

As part of his job, McCarthy must maintain close ties with the state legislature. Speaker of the House John Martin (D-Eagle Lake) gave McCarthy high marks for his relations with the legislature.

"Who else could have made the university survive through the Longley years?" said Martin, "when other state organizations fared much worse." Martin said McCarthy had to walk a financial tightrope but was still able to help the university system overall. Martin is a part-time university employee, teaching occasional courses at the Fort Kent campus.

Martin said most legislators perceived McCarthy as hard-working and intelligent and also as an "out-of-stater" because he learned his business in other states, even though he is a Maine native. "Legislators are concerned about this," said Martin, who added that it hasn't hurt his effectiveness.

Rep. Richard Davies (D-Orono) said that McCarthy is also seen as a politician who

has to deal effectively with various power centers in the Legislature. "He's done a more than adequate job in funding," Davies said.

Under McCarthy, university funding has risen to 10 percent of the money spent out

'Who else could have made the university survive through the Longley years?'

of the States General Fund. Under the Longley administration, funding for the university was cut back to 8 percent of the general fund.

Davies said there was some worries as to how McCarthy has responded to student needs in the university system. "The Board of Trustees wants him to deal mostly with the financial problems of the university," Davies said, adding this left him with little time for the students.

McCarthy was Chancellor when former president Howard Neville resigned amidst rumors of bad feelings between the two. McCarthy said these rumors were untrue and that he and Neville had enjoyed a fairly good working relationship.

Neville, who is now president of Alfred University in New York, said, "those rumors didn't come from my office. They must have come from McCarthy's." Neville refused to comment on anything else that McCarthy had done while chancellor.

Present Maine Campus editor Daniel R. Warren, however, said Neville detested McCarthy and the feelings were probably mutual. "They simply didn't get along and that had to hurt the system as a whole," Warren said.

"I came here the same year McCarthy did, fall 1975. I think he has been generally accessible, but I have also found him extremely arrogant," Warren said. "I have found him saying, in effect, 'I am chancellor. I can run things the way I want.'"

Pat who?

by Glen Chase
Staff writer

"Who is the University of Maine's Chancellor?"

"Who is Patrick McCarthy?"

Thirteen UMO students were asked who the Chancellor of the University of Maine was and no one was able to supply an answer. Twelve others were asked who Patrick McCarthy was and only one student could answer the question.

When asked about the results of this informal survey, McCarthy wasn't at all surprised by the results. "Most students don't have the opportunity to deal with me," he said.

"It's the business of students to go to school, and most don't have anything to do with the business end of the university."

UMO president Kenneth Allen said he disagreed with McCarthy's attitude towards this saying students need to know what the system is they have to deal with.

"I think that it is important that we as campus people know what the system is," Allen said. He said this was similar to the American citizens need to understand the U.S. system of democracy in order to function.

Correction

Meals during finals week will be served in the dining commons as follows: hot breakfast, 7 to 10:30 p.m., lunch, 10:30 a.m. to 1:20 p.m. This is a correction to previously printed information.

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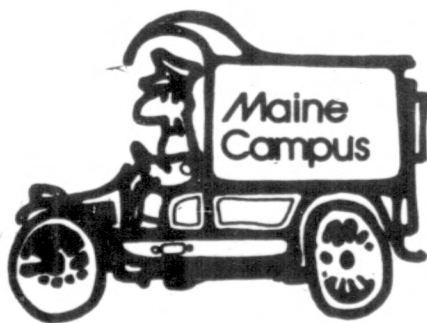
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ber) was no heat, which was corrected approximately a month and a half later, according to Ludes. Two bedrooms are still without heating facilities.

There is a regulation in the housing code which requires that "heating facilities... are capable of safely and adequately heating all habitable rooms, bathrooms and toilet rooms to a temperature of at least 70°F., with an outside temperature of -10° F. (Sec.13-1 Apt. #1 on 12 Pleasant St. has two bedrooms which are unheated, and the tenants say the temperature never reaches 70°F. in those rooms. Heat is included according to the lease for the \$4,800 a year apartment.

Other problems included: a ceiling that leaked water daily (each time the tenants upstairs took a shower); an improper relief valve on the hot-water heater, which according to Building Inspector Borodko created a potentially dangerous, explosive situation; two bedrooms without heat, one without a door; missing or inadequate storm windows, improperly caulked or uncaulked windows; loose wiring and uncovered electrical fixtures; and plumbing that leaked water into one of the bedrooms each time the dishes were washed.

In a legal reply to a complaint filed by SLS lawyer Judson Esty-Kendall, S & W denied receiving the written notice concerning the problems.

The tenants of Apt. #1 said the letter was personally dropped off in the S & W mailbox.

"I heard someone get up (inside) and then I left," said Mathieu, who said she did not want to personally confront her landlords at that time.

S & W have also denied that some problems listed in the legal complaint even exist, contending the problems were taken care of. S & W have denied that there are

and sanitary condition." (Sec. 21, II)

"When I first got here, all the tiles were coming down. They were all corroded and rusty," Mathieu said.

She said the ceiling continues to leak, even though the ceiling has been replastered twice and the upstairs bathroom shower caulked. Mathieu said the problem is not that the upstairs tenants leave wet towels on the bathroom floor, as her landlords contend. Mathieu said she thinks the problem is instead in leaky pipes between the floors.

The ceiling still leaks, and though she has been able to move her bed out of the center of the room, Mathieu said she must keep a garbage bag on her bed, "and empty it a few times a day."

The tenants contend there are areas of the apartment which have no insulation. There are gaps in the front door and windows without storm windows. In some cases, storm windows only cover three-fourths of the window and are nailed up on the outside of the house.

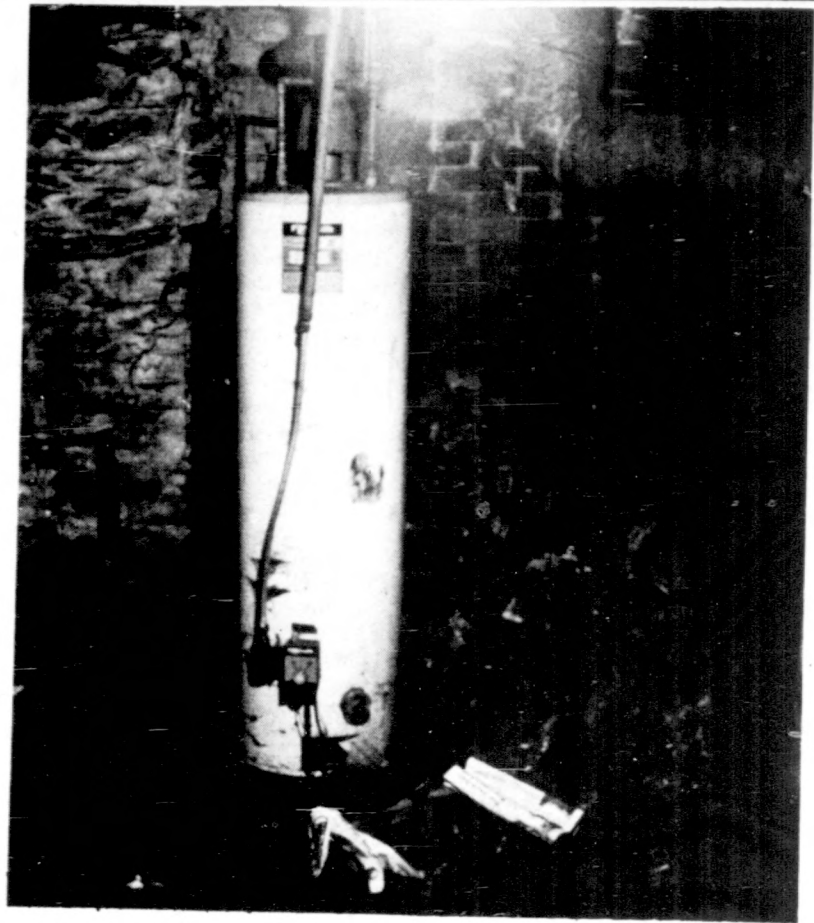
Borodko admitted that the storm windows were inadequate, but he said that "I

don't get so excited about these things if the problem is not life threatening."

Borodko termed the storm windows, "ridiculous." Although heat is included in the rental agreement, Borodko said, the tenants eventually have to pay for the heat—through their rent.

These, in addition to uncaulked, loose, and in some cases, rotten windows, have not been repaired, according to the tenants, since Sept. 14.

Another problem which greatly concerns the tenants in Apt. #1 is the number of unstable electrical outlets and loose wiring that hangs exposed in several rooms. Until recently, exposed wiring hung from the ceiling in one of the closets, but after a considerable amount of time, it was



A pile of bricks and other rubbish left behind by former tenants now occupy the cellar of the 12 Pleasant St. apartment building. [photo by Gail Brooks]

rug," Ludes said. The problem was supposedly corrected by the landlords, but according to Ludes, the pipe still leaks.

The Orono Housing Code states that plumbing systems "shall be installed and maintained to function properly, and shall be kept free from...leaks and defects..." (sec. 11, II)

In the cellar, alongside a pile of loose bricks, left after the chimney was repaired, a stream of water runs across the sludge-covered floor. The tenants contend that the water is sewage, perhaps leaking into the cellar from a broken tank. Borodko said he noticed the water.

"It looked like ground water to me, but it didn't look very good...there was so much rubbish and garbage it looked worse...you could see it coming through the side walls," Borodko said. The landlords have since cleaned up the rubbish in the cellar, but the water remains.

The housing code requires that all water must be drained to prevent the accumulation of standing water. (sec. 20)

The tenants of Apt. #1 want these problems fixed, and contend that their landlords can't fix any of the problems properly.

"They do their own maintenance, don't knock, and it's definitely a mess when they leave," said one woman. An example of the maintenance work was pointed out in

the bedroom. The hole in the bedroom ceiling was covered with plaster to stop a leak which still leaks. "They just changed the direction of the dripping water," according to one of the tenants.

Borodko said a landlord is given a certain amount of time to correct violations, depending on the severity of the problem. "If it's a life safety measure, as soon as they get the letter, they should fix it," Borodko said. If the problem is not life threatening, a landlord is given from 15 to 30 days to correct it.

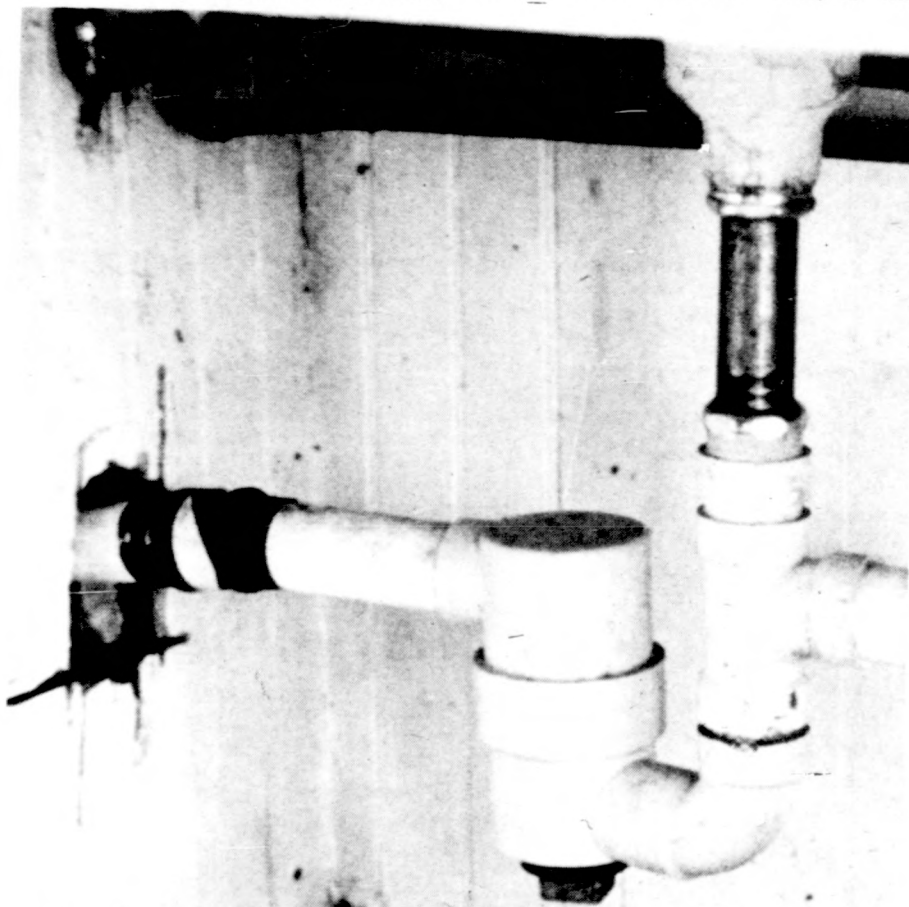
Tenants of another apartment located at 12 Pleasant St. (Apt. #2) are just beginning legal proceedings against S & W.

On Dec. 6, 1979, they sent a letter of complaint to S & W Associates, listing a total of 16 problems which the tenants demanded repaired.

Included among the problems are: loose wiring, a cracked light socket, no heat in two of the bedrooms, and "four new leaks in the porch room." Their intent is not to seek a decrease in rent, but according to Kathy Hodgdon, one of the occupants, "our intent is just to get out."

At the very least Hodgdon says she wants to break their lease with S & W, and at the very most, "have the place condemned."

SLS is handling the case, which Hodgdon says they will prefer to settle out of court if possible.



Water pipes have caused some leaking problems for the tenants in Apartment 1 on 12 Pleasant St. The Orono Housing Code states that the plumbing system must be kept free from...leaks and defects...[photo by Gail Brooks]

loose wires, rotting window sills and leakage from an upstairs pipe coming through the bedroom ceiling. According to the tenants in apt. #1, attempts have been made to correct some of the problems, but the repairs were not done properly.

In the largest bedroom, a hole in the ceiling leaked heavily on a daily basis. After approximately a month of catching the water in a bucket, Mathieu said Snively and Ward repaired the ceiling with plaster board.

The leaky ceiling actually violated two sections of the Orono Housing Code.

"Toilet and bathrooms shall be provided with floor surfaces that are substantially impervious to water..." (Sec. 8-IIIIC); "Ceilings...shall be maintained in clean

repaired.

During a tour of the apartment, several examples of loose wiring were pointed out, and none of the occupants knew where the wires came from or if they were electrically alive. The Housing Code specifically states that unsafe wiring must be corrected "to eliminate the hazard." (sect. 14)

"A lot of problems are caused by kids not paying attention, which makes our job a lot more difficult, but that's no excuse for code violations," Borodko said.

Initially the plumbing posed a problem to Ludes, who lives in the small bedroom adjacent to the kitchen.

"Every time we washed dishes, the water would leak out of the pipe (located in the corner of her room) and towards the

Sorority sings on Stacey's

by Tim McCloskey
Staff writer

Those of us who were lucky enough to watch Stacey's Country Jamboree on television Saturday night, saw 16 coeds from Delta Tau Delta sorority sing *Okie From Muscogee*.

The performance, which was recorded a week in advance for channel 7, WVII, was dedicated to Delta Tau Delta, the brother organization of the sorority.

The women were appropriately dressed for their five minute rendition of Merle Haggard's country-western tune.

"We all dressed up like hicks and cowboys," said Shelly Leavitt of Hart Hall.

"Mostly we just got up there and laughed," said Lauren Dille of Kennebec Hall.

Dille's roommate, Marie Curan, said "We had an audience listening to us make fools of ourselves."

"There are only two requirements," to

fulfill in order to appear on the show, said Dick Stacey, the sponsor of the show. "You have to be sincere and you have to be sober," he said.

"They were a little off-key, but that's all right because it's Stacey's Country Jamboree," he said.

"Back when it was Frankenstein's, they'd get a little boozed up...but they couldn't get on today's format" because of its requirements, Stacey said. Frankenstein's was the name of the show before Stacey took over.

"If it's part of their initiation, they're still welcome...as long as they meet the requirements," Stacey said.

"We didn't say it was a pledge because our president didn't want us to," said Patty Leonard of Hart Hall.

"It was better than the normal things like kidnaps and wake up breakfasts," said Shelly Leavitt.

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by Scott Cole
Staff Writer

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Clay Gunn 'rides' to hoop stardom

by Scott Cole
Staff Writer

It is the winter of 1978. Clay Gunn is a 19-year-old enrollee at Suffield Academy in Suffield, Connecticut and a member of the future Class B New England Prep School Basketball Champions.

Life few other New England schools, the University of Maine basketball staff has shown interest in Mr. Gunn. Assistant Coach Peter Gavett has cruised endless highways from Orono to Suffield to see Gunn in action. In all, Gavett sees the Great Barrington, Mass. native four times. Two times Gunn particularly impressed the Maine hoop talent hunter. Gavett checks him out during a Suffield practice and becomes convinced the prospect can ply his trade on the Memorial Gym hardwood.

UMO had a basketball date with the University of Connecticut down in Storrs that winter so Gavett hopped upon that opportunity to take head man Skip Chappelle to Suffield Academy. As will happen along the recruiting trail, Chappelle happens to catch Gunn on an off-night. Naturally Chappelle's impressions of the 6'6" kid is different from his assistant.

"He was playing center for them (Suffield) and I had to project him as a forward for us. I couldn't visualize him coming right in and playing tight away from us," Chappelle said.

Despite Gunn's less-than-impressive performance in front of Chappelle, the Black Bear staff remained interested in the prep schooler.

A little while after playing in front of the Maine coaches, Gunn was going to come up to visit the campus with a carload of other athletes from Suffield. However, he would not experience the discomfort of trying to make a 6'6" frame comfortable during the seemingly interminable ride up the Maine Turnpike in a packed automobile. Gunn had put in a call to Orono informing the staff that he would be unable to make the pilgrimage this time around.

Unbeknown to Chappelle and Gavett, later on it would be take the bus and leave the tolls to us for Clay Gunn. At 10:45 on a March evening the phone rang in Gavett's apartment. It was Clay Gunn wanting to know if Gavett could come pick him up.

"Where are you?" Gavett asked. The prospect explained that he'd hopped a bus in the morning from Connecticut and his marathon ride had just now ended in Bangor. The only problem was Gunn did not know where in Bangor he was. After a play-by-play description of the scenery from Gunn, Gavett determined he was on State Street.

Next Gavett had to play the Orono innkeeper and find a place for "The Travelin' Man." That place would be Delta Tau Delta thanks to brother Jim Mercer, a red-shirted guard transfer.

Thus began the association of the pride of Great Barrington and Monument Mountain High with the University of Maine. The way Clay Gunn has responded it looks like the association could be a whole lot smoother than the bus ride.

As one of the few blacks on a nearly white campus, Gunn admits that last year he was a bit skeptical of his new situation. "I didn't know anyone or how anybody acted. You hear rumors about people the further north you get. But once the season started there was no problem."

For Clay Gunn there was much more of an adjustment to be made in his role on the basketball team than there was to life in Orono, Maine.

Skip Chappelle was correct in his assessment that Gunn wouldn't step in and play right away. The frosh warmed his share of the pine while getting use

to the role his coaches wanted him to play. With a front line of Roger Lapham, Kevin Nelson, and Rufus Harris, Chappelle figured he didn't need scoring from the rookie Gunn. Thus the head coach placed "offensive restrictions" on Gunn. In other words Gunn was told to not worry about offense and just concentrate on defense and passing. It was "his agreement with my input" commented Chappelle.

It took a while for Gunn to become accustomed with his new role which was certainly different from his days back at Mount Monument High when he was called upon to produce the points en route to being named MVP in his second year.

Gradually Gunn's playing time began to increase, and when it did it was more because of acclimation rather than improvement according to Gavett.

"Defensively he was always very good," commented the six-year assistant. "He had trouble adjusting to our offense. He didn't feel comfortable, he was always running into the other four guys. But once he settled down he was fine."

After a solid performance against the University of Baltimore it was time for Clay to be thrown to the wolves, or as the case was, the Gamecocks. Gamecocks as in the University of South Carolina, before hordes of screaming Southern hoop lunatics at Carolina. Gunn responded well in his first start even though his assignment was one Cedric Hordges, your basic offensive machine.

The frosh would only get better as the season progressed into its latter stages. A couple of examples of that steady improvement were evident in ball games with two New England rivals.

One memorable night in the Curry Hicks Cage at UMass Gunn was a very big reason why the Bears barbecued their hosts 85-67. He scored eight points but more importantly went crazy on the Minutemen's much-ballyhooed center Mark Haymore. Gunn harassed Haymore into seven steals while dishing out six assists.

In the "Pit" versus Boston University, he became chairman of the board with 18 rebounds while turning an outstanding defensive job on the Terriers' Steve Wright.



Clay Gunn

Concentration on defense and passing was his mission. By the time February was torn off the calendar it was accomplished.

Now it is the 1979-80 season and gone along with Nelson and Lapham are Clay Gunn's offensive restrictions. A new season a new role. Suddenly Gunn is being asked to pick up a bit of the offensive slack.

"You can see his offense coming now. He's looking to score now and is getting better," Gavett noted.

Chappelle expects the sophomore to improve "in leaps and bounds" now that the restrictions on offense have been lifted so he can lend a hand in that area. Gunn's outside shot still needs work but his coach says there is no question that he'll be a reliable offensive force in the future.

This year there is also no question that Gunn will have to be "The" big guy off the boards for Maine. He's answering the call. A week ago when the Black Bears witnessed grand larceny first hand in their disappointing loss to East Carolina Chappelle indicated that Gunn, "pulled down some awesome boards" coming down the contest's homestretch.

For all that Clay Gunn is, he is not a talker. "He's extremely shy and leads by example," said Chappelle, "he's been a solid citizen for us since he's been here."

If Gunn continues to let his ever-improving basketball deeds do the talking like he has thus far, basketball fans around these parts are in for some good conservation the next few years.

Silver medalist leads Crimson swimmers vs. UMO

UMO swim coach Alan Switzer calls it the biggest dual meet in the history of Black Bear swimming at the Wallace Pool.

Two unbeaten squads will match up tonight at 7:30 p.m. when Maine hosts powerhouse Harvard University. Both 3-0 on the young season, these two teams represent the finest in New England swimming.

"This meet generates a tremendous amount of enthusiasm," Switzer said. "This type of competition is what intercollegiate swimming is all about. This is the biggest dual meet ever held in our pool and I expect a capacity crowd (approximately 1,000) for this one," he adds.

The Crimson, winners over Columbia, Navy, and Army, will bring in several outstanding swimmers and divers, led by junior freestyle sensation Bobby Hackett, a silver medalist in the 1976 Olympic Games in the 1500 meter freestyle.

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She added, "The boilers have certificates stating that they must be inspected annually. However, these certificates show no record of such an inspection for over four years in the cases I've been able to view."

Brasslett also said that the furnace room door was left open, allowing the smoke to escape from the furnace room to the living area.

"The Housing Office has been deaf to requests by University Park occupants for proper maintenance," said McMichaels. "The progressively deteriorating condition of these units is being systematically ignored," she said.

Shortly after McMichaels' complaint, according to Brasslett, Residential Life sent letters to University Park residents requesting that they (a) leave their furnace room doors closed and (b) store no flammables in the furnace room.

Commenting on the incident, Brasslett said, "The thing that upset me was that the people in the apartment didn't call the

fire department."

But significant causes of fire hazards, according to Stanley J. Borodko, code enforcement officer for the Town of Orono, are negligence and vandalism on the part of tenants.

"One of the most important things is stopping tenants from blocking the doors open," he said, referring specifically to fire doors in Stillwater Village apartments, another off-campus housing facility. These doors must be kept closed in order to help contain a fire.

He said, "Another thing, and you can't blame the landlords for it, is that they lose a lot of fire extinguishers."

Gail Carmel, property manager for Stillwater Village, agreed. She said tenants often have parties during which they feel they need to "shoot off" the fire extinguishers. She said such action occurs many times each year.

"I can guarantee that they'll be shot off again the next Friday after they're put in," she said. "The first kids to complain about them not being there are the ones who shoot them off."

Borodko said, "It's too bad, but the people we're trying to protect sometimes are the ones causing the problems."

According to Borodko, none of the off-campus buildings in the area are required to have sprinkler systems. He said the buildings are under the jurisdiction of the Municipal Building Official Code Administration, parts of which have been adopted by the Town of Orono. The MBOCA requires that only buildings of either 12 stories or more, or higher than 150 feet must have sprinklers.

Borodko also said most off-campus buildings maintain acceptable fire exits. "That's not a big concern," he said.

But Borodko said one problem with off-campus housing in general is the overloading of circuits. He said tenants are often using four of five different appliances on the same outlet, but that it isn't a big problem until tenants increase the size of the fuses to accommodate the increased amount of electricity. He said this causes a deterioration of insulation leading to the exposure of "hot wires." He said that extension cords are often walked on unknowingly, a severe fire hazard.

There has also been some malfunctioning with some of the security lights in Stillwater Village, according to Borodko. He said the lights, which are battery operated and activate during a power

failure, are currently being repaired. These lights could make escape during a fire easier if a power failure should occur.

Although he said he was fairly satisfied with fire safety where he lives, Stillwater resident Mike Coutts expressed concern over tenants' lack of knowledge regarding fire safety.

"The only thing is," he said, "a lot of times, you never think of what to do in case of fire. A lot of people panic. Not enough people really know what they would do." Coutts' only other complaint was that the bathroom in his apartment has no window to use as an exit in case of fire. "You couldn't get out if it (the fire) was in the bathroom," he said.

Crilly Ritz of Mill Street in Orono said, "We have a pretty good fire safety system in our apartment and apartment building. But he too had reservations."

Although Ritz said the apartment has ample fire exits and access to a fire extinguisher, he didn't know if the sprinkler system in the living room worked. "We never had a fire, so we can't really tell," he said.

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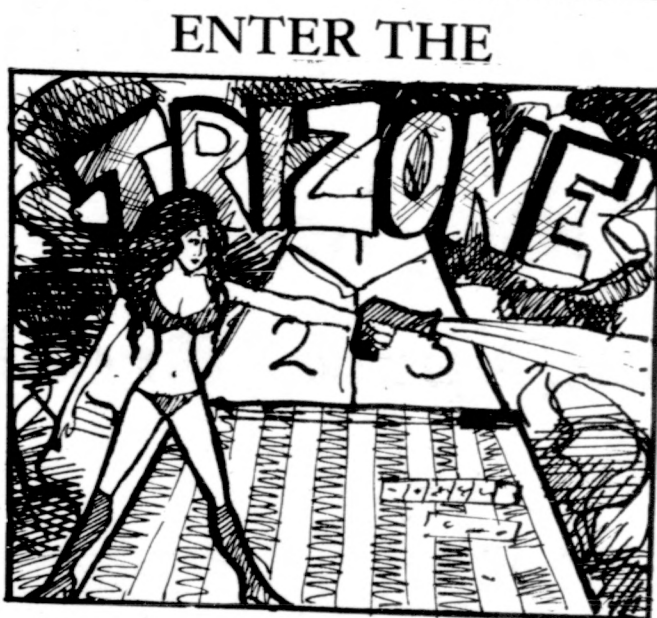
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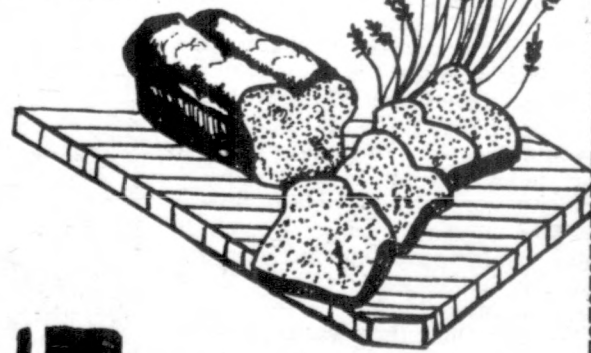


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