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UMO officials question feasibility

New calendar proposal raises doubts



Richard Blanke, associate professor of history calls the new proposals for calendar change "one of the most absurd ideas to come out of the bureaucracy." [photo by Donna Sotomayer]

by Stephen Betts
Staff writer

The feasibility of saving \$1 million by limiting the school year to October 1 through April 1 was questioned by a number of UMO officials, including the director of the physical plant.

The impact that a closure of this kind would have on the university system, including the effects on students was also discussed at length during a Council of Colleges meeting Thursday afternoon in the Sutton Lounge of the Memorial Union.

Chancellor Patrick McCarthy has proposed the school calendar must be slashed to offset rising fuel prices which are projected to rise from \$4.5 million to \$6 million. His plan of saving \$1 million by the move was questioned by Alan Lewis, director of the physical plant.

Lewis said Thursday afternoon the amount of savings the Chancellor is asking for would mean the entire university would have to be closed down during the summer months.

"They are looking at something different from me," Lewis said. "I've looked at the savings for that period and there's nothing in that dimension from my figures unless there was no activity from April to September."

Lewis also said he had not been contacted by the Chancellor prior to the announcement concerning the energy savings. "All I know about it is what I have

read in the newspaper," Lewis said.

Lewis said the figures were compiled by engineers on the Chancellor's staff. "He has people there who are very capable. They are able to come up with data from the entire university system."

Paul Camp, a member of the Council of Colleges, also raised doubts concerning the Chancellor's proposal. "We need some responsible, reliable information from the chancellor's office before we have a serious study in the proposal," Camp said. "We need to know what it costs per month to keep the university running."

At the Council of Colleges meeting, Vice President for Academic Affairs Henry O. Hooper, said he was unaware of where the figures originated. "I don't know where \$1 or \$2 million figure has come from," Hooper said.

Hooper proceeded to run off figures in regard to oil usage at UMO. During the months of August in 1978 and 1979, UMO used 1900 barrels of oil for each month. Hooper said the usage increases dramatically as the winter months proceed, with the campus burning 70,000 barrels of oil a year.

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Grad Board secession threat ended

by Brian Farley
Staff writer

In a unanimous decision, the Graduate Student Board voted last night to accept a GSS proposal that would give it complete control over how its allocated funds would be spent. The vote temporarily ended the threat of the GSB seceding from GSS.

"Leaving the GSS may have a more visible immediate effect," said Eric Ellis, president of GSB, "but I think that we can have a more viable organization by working with them."

The GSB had been dissatisfied because they weren't able to use their funds as they wished without the approval of the GSS. The GSS proposal, however, allows the money returned to the GSB from their activity fee (approximately \$10,179) to be used in any way the GSB decides.

"I think that this is a good proposal," Ellis said. "We can't blame GSS for our problems. Our biggest problem is with student participation. We need more student input."

Charles Mercer, executive assistant of GSS proposed the draft, explaining that the GSB would retain all of the services student government now offers them. However, the proposal was submitted by Mercer and GSS President Kevin Freeman, and does not have the authorization of the GSS nor the cabinet.

"I'd lay my bets that they (the GSS and the cabinet) will pass the proposal," Mercer said. He estimated that the process will take "about two weeks."

The GSB represents the 783 graduate students who account for approximately 10

percent of the UMO population. Some board members, however, said that they were still concerned with the amount of representation the GSB was getting in the

student senate.

"I don't want graduate student issues being decided by a senate that is 90

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OCB, IDB leaders elected in single candidate races

by Paul Fillmore
Staff writer

In elections labeled "a joke" by one of the candidates, the Off-Campus Board and the Inter-Dormitory Board elected presidents yesterday with only one person running for each position.

With one percent of the student body voting in the OCB election, Chris McEvoy received a great majority of the votes in yesterday's election, with current OCB President Chris Grimes receiving a few write-in votes. Other write-in votes went to the pope, Astor (an off-campus dog) and Truman Capote, among others.

McEvoy said yesterday, shortly after the votes were counted, he was ready to "deal with the red tape and hassles" off-campus students sometimes come in contact with when dealing with the university.

Outgoing OCB President Chris Grimes and his vice president Mark Mickalide, called McEvoy and his running-mate, Andy Czarnecki, "shoo-ins" and said they expected them to continue with such things as the OCB co-op and the spaghetti dinners sponsored by the board.

In the IDB election, Frank Card, a

resident of Gannett Hall, was elected in another single candidate race. According to out-going president of IDB, Pam Burch, Card's three years of experience with IDB made him the best person for the position. "I think he's going to do a great job," she said.

Card's major interest now that he is heading IDB will be to get more students involved with administrative decisions on campus, especially those of Residential Life. "One of my major goals is to open communication between administrators and students living in dorms," he said.

Card would also like to form committees to review the roles of RAs in the Residential Life system. Committees could examine the choosing of RAs, the grievance policies toward RAs and the way RDs are chosen.

Another goal of Card's is to encourage dorms to come to IDB when they have any problems concerning residence halls. "I want to make dorms more comfortable with coming to IDB with problems like the Dunn Hall incident last year," he said.

Laura Ferentz was elected as IDB vice-president in the election.



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Outgoing IDB president Pam Burch takes a call in the hallway outside IDB/OCB offices in the union. (photo by Donna Sotomayer)

Task force organized to scrutinize activity fee

by George W. Roche
Staff writer

The student activity fee at UMO, one of the lowest in the nation, is going to be closely scrutinized by a newly-created task force being organized by Student Government President Dave Spellman.

The purpose of the group, according to Spellman, is to "gather as many viewpoints as possible concerning the groups on campus that request funding from the student government."

"It (the task force) will focus the attention of the people involved in the senate budgeting process" added Spellman "and will provide information and education to the students."

The group is composed of the student government cabinet and specific individuals from the university community who will be invited to serve on the task force.

"We will analyze services and ask, are we justified in raising the fee?" Spellman said.

Any proposed increase in the activity fee must be approved by the student body in a

general referendum.

If prompt action is not taken by the task force the vote on any proposed increase by the students would not occur until the fall—eliminating the potential for a higher fee in September and delaying an approved increase until January 1981.

Spellman, however, hopes the student senate will be able to use information

"Are we justified in raising the fee?"

collected by the task force when it starts the annual budgeting process in April.

Should the students decide against an activities fee increase, despite a recommendation by the task force for higher rates, Spellman said, "we would be forced

[see TASK FORCE page 11]

Off campus newsletter denied bulk mail permit

by Paul Fillmore
Staff writer

The OCB newsletter "Off Center" received final word from the university yesterday it would not be allowed to use the third class bulk rate mailing permit. Current editor of the newsletter, Crilly Ritz, called the decision disappointing and said the newsletter was a "viable service" to the university community which had "something for everyone in it."

The OCB newsletter was refused permission to use the bulk rate permit earlier this semester because of a controversy stemming from the printing of drug prices in the publication.

Leonard Harlow, director of PICS, said the decision "is not a problem of censorship of editorial freedom." He said the refusal to allow OCB to use the bulk rate permit was not a university decision but one of the post office. The post office has started to crack down on illegal, as they see it, use of the bulk rate mailing permit," he said.

Harlow also said only "full fledged recognized university departments are allowed to use the permit. We have to be ultra-conscious in the use of it."

According to Harlow, almost all student organizations are not eligible to use the permit. Organizations like the Alumni Association and the Fraternity Board have also been told that they cannot use the permit.

OCB's only alternative is to get its own bulk rate permit through student government. According to Ritz, that was supposed to happen last January, but student government has yet to purchase a permit.

Out-going OCB President Chris Grimes said the newsletter would probably not go out this semester because of the post office's crackdown. "It looks real bad for the rest of the semester," he said.

Grimes also said he felt that not having a newsletter hurt the board this semester. "I feel that by not having the newsletter we suffered a lot," he said.

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Fuel conserved, but costs climb...

by Michael J. Finnegan
Staff writer

Despite successful energy conservation at UMO, the cost of energy continues to rise unabated.

The 98 buildings making up UMO's central area are kept operational by two energy sources namely oil and electricity.

The increase cost of oil has nearly doubled from the 1978-79 fiscal year. UMO, for the period of June through February 1979-80, consumed 42,175 barrels of oil at a total cost of \$945,890. The

1978-79 figures for the same period show UMO consumed more barrels of oil, 47,970 and paid \$590,000. One barrel contains 42 gallons of oil. The 1979-80 figures amount to a 12 percent savings in the consumption of oil at UMO.

During the 1978-79 fiscal year, the highest price per barrel of number six oil, which provides 98 percent of UMO's oil demands, was \$12.50. However, UMO in January and February 1979-80 shelled out as much as \$25 per barrel of oil.

"University fuel is bid and it's anchored to the published Platt's Oilgram high price in Portland Harbor," said Murray Billington, director of UMO purchasing department.

"Temporary voluntary allowances (TVA) usually causes our price to be less than the established high," Billington added.

The oilgram serves as a "bench mark" for the university in evaluating bids by oil companies, such as Sprague Oil Company, Portsmouth, N.H. which provides oil to UMO now, Billington said. The added cost of oil due to the unstable oil market and inability for a fixed rate is passed on to UMO.

What conservation efforts at UMO have

[see OIL PRICES page 12]



Steam plant worker Don Lagasse makes adjustments on the steam plant's heating equipment.

LOWDOWN

Friday March 28

Noon "What Happened at Three Mile Island?" A Penobscot Valley Energy Alliance presentation in front of the Memorial Union.

4 p.m. Lifestyles Study Group meeting, MCA building.

4:30 p.m. Sabbath Eve Services sponsored by Hillel. Drummond Chapel.

6:30 p.m. WMEB-FM Conversation with the Eagles.

7 and 9:30 p.m. SEA movie "King of the Gypsies." 101 English/Math.

8 p.m. His Kids concert. Dam Yankee.

8 p.m. Ram's Horn Coffee House. Jackie Snow and Jan Steiner.

8 p.m. "Comedy Connection" Hauck Auditorium.

Midnight WMEB-FM "Midnight Armenian Radio Hour."

Saturday, March 29

Homemade Kite Flying Contest. Sign up in the Student Activities Office, Memorial Union.

10a.m. to 2p.m. The Eastern Maine Association for the Education of Young Children is sponsoring a "Day for Discovery." This science fair for pre-schoolers will be held at the First Baptist Church, 56 Center St., Bangor. Children ages two through five are welcome to visit with their parents. Admission is 25 cents.

6:30, 8:30, 10:30p.m. SEA movie "Animal House." Hauck Auditorium.

8p.m. Ram's Horn Coffee House. Libby Mollman and Mike Macedo.

9 p.m. WMEB-FM "Charlie Daniels. Band Volunteer Jam."

Sunday, March 30

3p.m. Wells Complex Recital Series. UMO Chamber Series. Wells Lounge.

6:05 p.m. WMEB-FM "The Hellenic Voice."

7p.m. Musicals "Oliver" 101 English/Math.

10p.m. WMEB-FM "King Biscuit Flower Hour."

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...although relief may be on the way

by Tim McCloskey
Staff writer

The university received word this week that federal grants have been approved for financial assistance on six separate energy conservation projects which will cost almost \$450,000, according to William Johansen, director of engineering services.

The grants were awarded by the Department of Energy on March 15, Johansen said.

"Verbal approval has been given," he said, and "we're starting (the work) right now."

The federal grants will pay for 50 percent of the total cost while the university as a whole or System Wide Services will pay for 25 percent of the cost, and UMO will cover the remaining 25 percent, Johansen said.

According to the requests for federal grants, the projects break down into two categories: energy conservation measures (ECM) and technical assistance (TA).

The first ECM is designed to recover heat expelled from the Stodder Commons kitchen exhaust system. Heat recovery devices will be installed to use the warm exhaust air to heat incoming air. The total cost of this project will be \$40,727 with an estimated annual savings of \$7,254, which works out to a simple payback period of 5.6

years. The simple payback period is computed by dividing the total cost by the estimated annual savings.

The second ECM involves installing the same type of heat recovery devices at Wells Commons. The total cost of this ECM will be \$48,237, with an estimated annual savings of \$12,534 and a simple payback period of 3.8 years.

The third ECM will take place at the field house, and is by far the single most costly measure proposed. The field house will receive a new face of insulation on its north, east and west sides, where the single pane glass now exists. Insulating panels constructed of two inches of styrofoam and an exterior of white stucco will be installed over the old glass walls. The south side of the building was completed a year and a half ago. While the cost of this measure will be \$190,000, the estimated savings will be \$65,100 and the simple payback period will be 2.9 years.

Another ECM which will increase the energy efficiency at UMO, involves dual measures for the Athletic Complex, encompassing Memorial Gym, Wallace Pool and the field house. The existing incandescent lights now in "the pit" will be replaced with more efficient metalhalide lamps and fixtures. In addition, microprocessors will be installed to automatically control the heating and ventilating

systems in the Athletic Complex and achieve peak efficiency. The cost of the new lighting system will be \$12,532 with an estimated annual savings of \$3,665 which works out to a simple payback period of 3.4 years. The central control system for the

[see CONSERVATION page 12]

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Flat on its face

"We will seek student input."
 Why does anyone bother to repeat that phrase anymore? Student input is an outdated term which doesn't seem to have a whole lot of impact anymore, if it ever did.
 Although the Inter-Dormitory Board opposed the idea of quiet sections, it apparently was meant to be.
 Student Government President Dave Spellman has been attending dorm meetings since taking office. It's a pretty good way to get a feel of what the students are thinking.
 A lot of them are thinking they don't like the idea of quiet sections.
 And Spellman recommended the quiet

section idea be dropped.
 "It was an unpopular decision to make," he said referring to Vice President Tom Aceto's approval of six quiet sections at UMO and six at BCC.
 Spellman even pointed out the absurdity of the placement of one of the sections—directly below a "disco section."
 Although quiet studying sections sound like a good thing to some students, it seems most do not agree. The student input was overwhelmingly negative.
 But, once again, student input fell flat. Students go on forming task forces, advisory committees and group forums, but what difference does it make if their recommendations are not taken?

T.E.

Unhappy anniversary

It has been a year already. One year ago, Three Mile Island became a household word.
 And the nightmare of a possible nuclear disaster bubbled extremely close to the surface of things.
 Today the *Campus* offers an excerpt from transcripts written from the Nuclear Regulatory Committee meetings on the Three Mile Island topic, because the incident shouldn't be forgotten—not so

soon. Not ever.
 Members of the Penobscot Energy Alliance will be publicly reading the statement today. They provided the *Campus* with the document.
 But it's not up to a small group, such as the alliance, alone to remember the anniversary and react to it. They believe everyone, whether for or against nuclear power, should stop for a minute today and really think about it.

T.E.

Column Inches

Tammy Eves

Suit of armor

I remember the first time one of my stories prompted an angry letter to the editor. I had written a commentary about sexism on television, and another journalism student wrote a letter telling me and the entire UMO community that I was more or less nuts.
 I was crushed. First, I couldn't believe that anyone could disagree with me violently enough to write a lengthy letter to my editor. Secondly, I was angry that he had used my first name throughout the letter. I cringed every time I saw it jump out at me. And finally, I thought I had a right to reply, but the editor said no.
 If I had only known what was to come...Now, just three publications since returning from vacation, it has been a prime complaint week. It seems that all in one day we were hit from all sides. If I had to go through this back then, I know I would have quit journalism forever.
 Something has happened in those two years.

Along with most of the other journalism students who were with me then and have hung on, I have constructed a suit of armor, one layer at a time, with every attack I received along the way.
 The suit is still able to be dented, but it's pretty tough now.
 I look around this office and I see some reporters that look an awful lot like me two years ago. And although they try to pretend they're not bothered when a reader tears apart their work in print, it sometimes shows.

We have a couple reporters this semester who have really taken a beating—usually undeservedly. Their armor is still pretty thin. It hurts to watch the lances sink in.
 But there's not other way to build up that protective shell but through experience. I know the ones receiving the flack now will be better reporters sooner.
 Because they're finding out that somebody will always disagree with an opinion—violently enough to write a lengthy letter. Also their names will be in print and they'll take responsibility for what they've written. And finally, they know that there comes a time to keep quiet. They are not always going to get a chance to respond to their adversaries' charges, no matter how much they want to.

But every now and then, someone will come in and say something good about a reporter's story, and that one crumb of praise will wipe out a dozen barbs.
 That's the good thing about the reporter's suit of armor. It helps the blows bounce off but it lets the occasional compliment sink right in.

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Send them to us at Suite 7A, Lord Hall, UMO, Orono, Maine 04469. Please include signature, phone number and address. Names withheld in special circumstances.

New Games effort

To the Editor:

The Student Recreation and Park Society is planning a New Games Tournament for May 10. We would like every organization on campus to become involved, whether it be selling lemonade or running a game. New Games are a community effort.

On April 2 at 6:30 p.m. in the Sutton Lounge in the Union, the Student Recreation and Park Society will be holding an informational meeting and slide presentation on New Games. If you are curious about New Games or

want to become involved in this event, then we encourage you to attend this meeting.

New Games involve a total community effort. Come on, become involved in some fun. New Games are played by people of all sizes and ages; and the games themselves involve cooperation, creativity, and fun. They are an experience in play.

Sincerely,
Terry LaRochelle

Pointing out all the mistakes

To the Editor:

This letter is in response to the errors, misquoted material, and misleading information which recently appeared in the *Campus* concerning F.A.R.O.G.

In his article of 2/28/80, "Cabinet votes against FAROG funding," Glen Chase renamed our organization. We are not the Franco-American Research Opportunity Group, but the Franco-American Resources Opportunities Group, and if Mr. Chase had taken the time to research his material properly, he would have known that we have been so named since 1971. Mr. Chase went on to say that only 11 people participate in our organization and that less than one-third of our distribution is on campus. Not entirely true. Glen. We distribute approximately 2,000 of our 6,500 copies on campus for general consumption, but we also mail out approximately 1,000 copies to faculty and staff in the Old Town/Bangor area. Not everyone connected with the university lives on campus! Furthermore, although only 11 students are currently working within the Franco-American Office, this is by no means the extent of our membership, for by the very nature of our organization every person who contributes to the efforts of our journal and office is considered part of the organization. If we are to consider these contributors then our membership is closer to 30-40, and let us not forget the people who read our journal—they are the most important part of the organization.

Stephen Betts' article, "Cabinet Decision Called Prejudicial," 2/29/80, went one step further in renaming us by referring to us as the French American Research Opportunity Group. What is worse, and is almost unforgivable, Mr. Betts quoted Yvon A. Labbe (notice there is an accent on that e) as having said that there has been "bias and prejudice" in the state for 150 years. Yvon Labbe never said that—I did! I was responding to Mr. Betts' inquiry as to the presence of prejudice and bias in the cabinet decision. After considering his question (obviously he must have thought that it existed for he asked us the question) I said that there was

a history of bias and prejudice in this state, that it was evident on this campus, and that the members of the cabinet are part of this campus. I gave Stephen an example of that bias and prejudice which he chose not to use. I wonder why? Here it is again for all of you to decide. When Senator Edward (Ted) Kennedy spoke to the university students and faculty in early February I found the necessary courage and determination to address him in French (see *Campus Observations in Le F.A.R.O.G. Forum*, March 1980) and got booed for my effort. But when the senator responded in stiff Parisian French he got a round of applause. Qu'est-ce que ca veut dire ca?

I believe that much of what has transpired is due to basic ignorance on the part of certain individuals. When Mr. Betts called us to do an interview he did not even know where our office was located. We are not part of the Canada House. Stephen. We are right across the street from you in 308 Fernald Hall. Anyone interested in learning more about us is welcome to visit at any time. Venez-nous voir? Ca pourrait etre utile. (This includes you Tammy!) I am also not the associate director as Mr. Betts stated in his article, but the graduate student assistant for L'Office Franco-American.

Finally, Tammy Eves' editorial, "Think Before You Speak," really adds insult to injury. She supports Mr. Betts who erroneously quoted M. Labbe and then stated that his "article and the quote were accurate." Wrong again, Tammy! One more time—I said those things and in a different context than was quoted in the *Campus*. Ms. Eves also advises that we (along with others who deal with the *Maine Campus*) should be careful before speaking emotionally and then we wouldn't later regret what we have said. First of all, Tammy, I didn't react emotionally and secondly, and more importantly, I don't regret anything I said—as a matter of fact I wish I had said more.

I have been reminded of another example of bias and prejudice on this campus. Last year four Franco-American students were asked not to speak French while in the Wells Commons cafeteria. This is similar to asking a black person to change his

color to please the whites! One of these students would not comply with this and after several discussions with the powers-that-be managed to get an apology for all four. What was even more discouraging in this matter was that the person in charge at Wells Commons directed a Franco-American employee to inform the students of the ban on French speaking. What do you call that?

There is no anger at this point. There is no need for emotion. What I feel the need to do is set the record straight and to pass on a message to the *Maine Campus* staff—THINK BEFORE YOU WRITE.

Sincerely,
Ludger H. Duplessis
L'Office Franco-American

Editor's note: The *Campus* still maintains that Mr. Labbe said there was "bias and prejudice." The story referred to quoted Mr. Labbe, not Mr. Duplessis. The reporter asked if there was prejudice only after Labbe made the quote in order to confirm it, not to direct Labbe's answer.

Outing sale

To the Editor:

Do you have any outdoor equipment that is just laying around taking up space? Or do you have a lot of empty space and not outdoor equipment? If the answer is yes to either of the above questions, then the Maine Outing Club has a solution. On April Fools Day, we are sponsoring our second Swap Shop. It will take place in the North and South Low rooms in the Memorial Union between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. Bring in your equipment to sell anytime on Tuesday and it will be put on display. While you are there, shop around and buy something or maybe trade with someone.

The Maine Outing Club will take a 10 percent commission on all items sold. So bring down all those items that have outlived their usefulness to you and make some deals. You can't lose, and chances are you'll walk away with some extra cash in your pocket.

Nels Liljedahl
President MOC

Trash and treasures Liz Hale

I'm a political coward. It's getting to be that you can't go anywhere on campus without someone asking you what you think of Kennedy's chances, Carter's strategy, or Reagan's hair.

The minute I hear someone spouting the life and times of his favorite candidate, I hide under the nearest rock.

It's not that I don't try to keep up. I mean I do try a little.

I've listened to Kennedy talk in circles.

I've listened to Carter saying, "Leave me alone. I'm too busy running the country to deal with elections."

I've listened to Reagan saying, "Vote for me because I'm so photogenic; if I can be a good actor, I can be a better diplomat."

I've heard Brown saying, "But it worked so well in Califor-

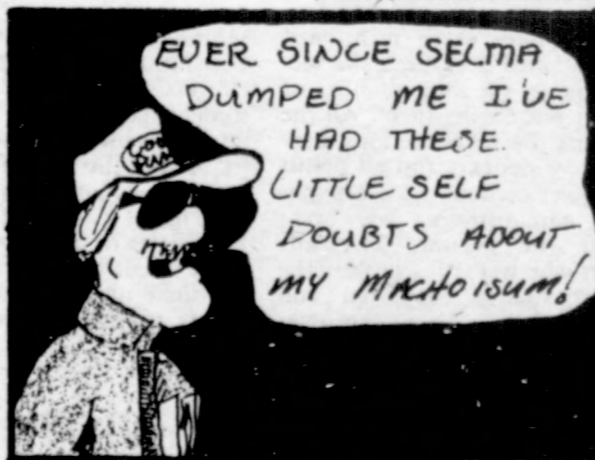
Under my rock

nia...."

And I've heard Anderson saying, "It's just not worth it. I haven't found anyone who's half decent in this many-man race. (Oh, Lord, I can see it now. I'll be inundated with letters telling me I'm wrong and that Carter/Reagan/Bush/Anderson/Kennedy/Brown/Pat Paulson/etc. is really the best of all.)"

But I'm going to stay under my rock. I'll do my darnedest to stay out of all political discussions. When November comes, I'll quietly slip into the booth and vote for the man, if not of my choice, at least the lesser of two (or six) evils.

So in the mean time, if you wish to campaign for your man around me...DON'T.



Facts on nuclear power

To the Editor:

"The fact is that in 22 years of commercial nuclear power operation there has not been a single atom-caused fatality."

That's a quote from a Mobile ad I read recently. The multi-national "energy" conglomerates have launched a multi-million dollar campaign to save nuclear power.

This quote is a half-truth similar to a lot of their double talk.

The fact is during the last 22 years of commercial nuclear power plant operation, it has never been proven that any member of the public has died from radiation.

Now that they are corrected about their fact, I have a few.

The fact is three workers in a nuclear plant in Idaho were killed while working on the fuel assembly.

The fact is Madam Curie, the woman that a curie of radiation was named after, died of over-exposure to radiation.

The fact is body cells which are exposed to radiation stay "dormant" for 15 to 20 years before developing cancer when it becomes difficult at best to prove anything.

The fact is damage done to the genetic pool won't show up until future generations.

The fact is if one pound of plutonium (a waste product of Maine Yankee) were evenly distributed to every man, woman and child in the world, we would all die.

The fact is after World War II during our "Atoms for Peace" program we blew seven tons of plutonium into the atmosphere.

The fact is radioactive waste from nuclear plants is 100 times more concentrated than military waste.

The fact is the Rasmussen report, an often referred to "pro-nuclear" government report (10 inches thick) has statistics that, when worked out, figure the amount of fuel needed to run Maine Yankee for one year will kill 1.6 million people in future generations. From what you ask? The waste? No. The radon gases which escape from the uranium "tailings" are the culprit.

The fact is Westinghouse and General Electric wouldn't even build nuclear power plants until our beloved Congress passed into law the "Price Anderson Act" which limits liability in case of a nuclear accident to \$560 million. Any damages beyond that are just tough luck. Sound bad? Well, the Rasmussen report reveals that a "meltdown" could cause \$17 billion damage and destroy an area the size of Pennsylvania for thousand of years. For property damage alone, that means a victim would only get about three and a half cents back for every dollar lost, which doesn't account for lives lost and suffering.

The fact is your own insurance policy has a clause which excludes damages by nuclear disaster.

The fact is President Carter's Kemeny Report on Three Mile Island claims TMI came within 60 minutes of a meltdown. The Rogovin Study report of the Nuclear Regulatory Commission special interest group found if a shift foreman had filed to block off the stuck open pressurizer release valve at TMI at two hours 22 minutes into the accident "to see if that would help the situation," the action would have led to a situation which "projections show that within 30 to 60 minutes a substantial amount of the reactor's core would have begun to meltdown-with uncertain but potentially disastrous consequences."

The fact is the computer printout at TMI was 60 minutes behind.

The fact is in Oregon, police arrested 11 security guards at the Trojan Nuclear Plant and confiscated 2.2 pounds of cocaine and a large quantity

of LSD.

The fact is our supply of uranium is already diminishing. Our government hasn't found a substantial uranium deposit in 20 years. And they are looking with our tax dollars.

The fact is the supply of uranium is controlled by a cartel. Sound familiar?

The fact is the price of uranium has skyrocketed 600 percent in the last six years.

The fact is Westinghouse can't supply uranium to plants they promised to and consequently have 16 suits against them.

The fact is in 1898 one of the few things scientists did know was that a little radiation is dangerous and more was worse.

The fact is we still are paying for and constructing three nuclear bombs each day, adding to the world's stockpile of 30,000. That is the equivalent of 15 sticks of dynamite for every person on earth.

The fact is the United States is wasting 40 percent of our energy.

The fact is nuclear power only supplies 4 percent of our total energy, or 12 percent of our electricity.

The fact is to fuel our 72 sporadically operating nuclear plants requires the equivalent of six large reactors operating at 100 percent capacity—or 11 such reactors operating at normal levels ("capacity factors"). This electricity is consumed in the extremely energy-intensive enriching process, which produces a fuel concentrated enough (in U-235) to power today's reactors. These enriching plants were built with taxpayers' money.

The fact is Carter just approved another refining facility.

The fact is no matter how we decide to dispose of our radio-active waste or decommission our plants it will add considerably to the already rising cost of nuclear power.

The fact is there are alternatives. We already have the technology to use hydrogen as a fuel for electrical generation as well as for vehicles. Hydrogen (H2) can be separated from water (H2O) and when burned it once again produces water. Sound good?

Congress thought it was good enough to have a pilot plant built. The only problem being they gave our tax dollars to Exxon. When Exxon already owns uranium, oil, coal, shale why would they develop "water" power? That's Congress for you.

The fact of the matter is we are not being told all of the facts, and that's a fact.

Submitted by,

Mark Robie, Winslow, and Tess Williams
303 Kennebec Hall

Invisible foes

To the Editor:

I attended the forum held on March 11, that was held to inform the administration about how the students felt about the proposed quiet sections. Many good points were mentioned about the so-called need for quiet sections and equally the same number of points about not having them. All the points against the quiet sections were brought up by students and all points for the quiet sections were brought up by the administrators who were present at the forum. The administrators who were present were the people that sighted the need and proposed the policies about the quiet sections. It was brought up that about 500 students every year express a need for quiet sections. If that many students every year express a need for quiet sections, if that many students every

year want quiet sections then there should be about 2000 students who now want this kind of lifestyle. Of the 95 students that attended the forum, none of them spoke in favor of quiet sections, and if there were students at the forum who wanted quiet sections, none spoke about it. This makes me think about who are these 2000 invisible students.

These forums were places for students to air their views about quiet sections. If the invisible people who want quiet sections didn't care enough to express their views at the forums, then this makes it clear that they don't really care for quiet sections either.

The few students who did care, especially the students from Androscoggin and Gannett Halls who have been attending the forums, student senate and IDB meetings for weeks trying to make their views known about not having quiet sections, feel they are being given the run around.

We the students, who don't want our lifestyles changed, in contrast to the invisible students, have made our views known. But as we attend more and more meetings we feel that we are more invisible, than the people who haven't said a word in favor of quiet sections.

I ask you the students that want quiet sections to become visible. I ask you, the invisible supporters of quiet sections, the people that seem to have more clout with the administration, to make yourselves heard. That is, if you really exist at all.

And I ask you the readers of the Maine Campus, who do you really think the invisible people are? The students against the quiet section movement who are being given the run around or the students who haven't said a word at all but yet have the administration around their finger?

Mitch Michaud
Gannett Hall

Good job

To the Editor:

We are writing to commend the members of the University of Maine Conduct Committee for their thoughtful, well-reasoned decision on the controversial Theta Chi case in the face of great pressure and strong emotions on both sides of the issue. We attended the long hearing they conducted to collect information on the Theta Chi appeal, and testified on behalf of Theta Chi concerning the contradiction between state law and University policies. In our opinion, the seven members of the Conduct Committee handled their responsibilities in a fair, even-handed manner; particularly the chairman who was under great pressure as he tried to steer clear of the potential hazards inherent in the process.

While we feel the committee performed well, we have some concerns that the conduct code, under which they are required to act, may violate the concept of due process. Should future rulings of the committee result in significant action being taken against an individual or organization, there exists a real potential for the courts of our state to rule the conduct code, and the procedures followed by the committee, in violation of the Maine and United States Constitutions. In our opinion, the student government should ask the attorney general of the State of Maine to review the conduct code and to render an opinion as to whether the code might violate either Constitution. It is better to anticipate problems and work to correct them than it is to wait for some outside agency, such as the courts, to force corrections.

Yours Truly,
Richard Davies
Representative - Orono
Robert Barry

Alcohol

To the Editor:

I wish to commend you for the story on alcohol in Feb. 29's issue of the *Campus*. While everyone does not have an alcohol problem, per se, it is an issue that directly affects all of our lives and one to which we all have a responsibility to respond. Alcohol abuse is a major health problem on campus and in society at large. Because it has, in a sense, become "a way of life" for much of our society, we quickly assume we know all there is to know about it. The fact is, most people have very limited knowledge of alcohol and its effects on the body and mind. I hope your story will help stimulate discussions in the university community and open doors for people to get the help, education or information they feel they need.

Sincerely yours,
Joline Morrison
Associate Director of Residential Life

Jimmy fund

To the Editor:

This letter is just a reminder to all of you that the Fiji Marathon will be held on April 4-5. The proceeds of this event will all go to the Jimmy Fund which is to benefit cancer research for children. If any team is still interested in running in the marathon, the deadline has been pushed up to Saturday, March 29. There are many positions (lap counters, timers, etc.) that need to be filled in order for the marathon to be a success. Our goal is between \$10-15,000, and with everyone's support, we should obtain our goal. If you can't help, please come down to the gym and root your friends on. Thank you for your cooperation in this worthwhile project.

Sincerely yours,
The brothers
Little Sisters
and Pledges of
Phi Gamma Delta

Wicked words

To the Editor:

The first time I heard the word "wicked" I thought it to be a relatively harmless. "I got a wicked bad headache," someone uttered.

Well isn't that cute. I thought. Classes have been wicked boring, tests have been wicked hard.

Having been bombarded with this colloquialism for close to a year now, I have changed my feelings drastically. The proverbial straw fell one day as I was eating a bag of potato chips. "They're wicked good," was printed right there on the bag! I almost died.

After I barfed I decided to do something about it. The word "Wicked" has been banned from 110 Hannibal. Violators will be deported to Fort Kent in a Circus Time potato chip bag.

Intolerably yours,
Dan
110 Hannibal Hamlin Hall

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Excerpts of NRC meetings on Three Mile Island

Today is the first anniversary of the accident at the Three Mile Island nuclear power plant near Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, an accident that brought clearly into the public eye the fact that the operation of a nuclear power plant is not without risk. For the first time, many people began to comprehend the magnitude of this risk, and many began to ask if the regulatory agencies were doing enough to guarantee their safety.

NARRATOR: The most serious—and most publicized—accident in the history of commercial nuclear power began at the Three Mile Island nuclear plant, near Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, a few seconds after 4 a.m. on Wednesday, March 28, 1979. The actual and potential severity of the situation led the Nuclear Regulatory Commission (the NRC) to go into "continuous" session almost immediately after they were notified. Officials at Three Mile Island first called the NRC regional office at 7:04 a.m.; it was 7:50 before the switchboard there was able to notify any of the people on their emergency notification list. The regional office called the NRC headquarters at 8:00 a.m. to notify them of the situation. By that time, the utilities owning Three Mile Island had declared a general emergency at the plant.

The atmosphere at NRC headquarters was somewhat chaotic. The session, which extended through the duration of the event, was a hectic, informal, and often-interrupted string of conferences. Telephone calls and conferences held in designated conference rooms were recorded. Excerpts from those recordings were made available by McGraw-Hill in their publication *Nucleonics Week*. We hope that by reading from those excerpts now, on the anniversary of the accident at Three Mile Island, we may provide some insight into the chaotic situation that existed then. A report released by the NRC's special inquiry group into the Three Mile Island accident says that if operators had not closed a key valve at 6:22 a.m., just "to see if it would help," a substantial amount of the reactor's core would have begun to melt down within 30 to 60 minutes, before the NRC was even notified, with potentially disastrous results. We must never again come this close to disaster.

The characters at NRC's Bethesda, Maryland headquarters are NRC Chairman Joseph Hendrie, Commissioners Peter Bradford, Victor Gilinsky and Richard Kennedy, NRC Director of Operations Lee Gossick and Public Affairs Person Joseph Fouchard. At Three Mile Island are NRC's Director of Nuclear Reactor Regulation Harold Denton and Director of NRC's System Safety Division Roger Mattson.

In the March 30 and Harold Denton at TMI is talking with the people at the headquarters.

GOSSICK: We have got a deteriorating situation up there with regard to some releases. The Governor is asking us to confirm what he is getting from the plant which says that they had an uncontrolled release of stuff which may result in something like up to 1,200 millirem per hour. They are planning to—

DENTON:—they are getting 63 curies per second and I can't explain to you the mathematics, but what they are saying is if that's true, by comparing it with what we know the shutdown rate was and the measurements taken at the north gate and those were yesterday, they were on the order of the times of what they were yesterday, which would put us somewhere in the 1,200 millirem per hour.

KENNEDY: For where?

DENTON: Well, you know wind, and it will fall off with the distance, of course, 1,200—

KENNEDY: It would be 1,200 at the tower?

DENTON: Yes, sir, correct. Then it would fall off, of course, as it went out. What we are trying to do is to figure out what to tell Governor Thornburgh who is insisting on accurate information from the NRC about what he does about evacuation.

GILINSKY: Well, let me ask you, the

fact that you are multiplying this by 20, does that mean that the close in range of the release from, say, the closest communities, would be 20 times what it would be in the plant yesterday?

GOSSICK: Yes, that's what they are saying.

GILINSKY: Well, that's pretty high.

GOSSICK: I don't know how good the 10 gallon per let-down rate is, but I think the 63 curies is comparing it with what they knew of the let-down of yesterday.

BRADFORD: What actual measurements do you have?

GOSSICK: I can't give you any at the moment. The ARMS airplane is taking measurements, but I don't have anything that is current since this happened here, you understand. The source has been sealed again and I think this is probably being released for one or two hours. We don't know, however, whether that's good for any period of time—

GILINSKY: Do we have any ground readings from around the site?

GOSSICK: I don't have any at the moment.

DENTON: No data have come in, these were calculated numbers, a function of miles and I guess Gossick has given those to you already.

GILINSKY: Well, would we be getting any, do we have any monitoring equipment?

DENTON: There is a lot up there, Vic, but it takes a while for it to ever get back here.

GILINSKY: Well, is there any way to get in, touch with them quickly?

DENTON: Historically, Vic, it takes an hour from the time the guy makes the measurement on the ground before he gets the call back here.

HENDRIE: Harold, have you been—have you talked to Vollmer of site analysis in the last 15 minutes or so?

DENTON: No, I haven't.

HENDRIE: Is he on top of it?

DENTON: I sure hope so, but he is not in the dialing communications line and I have not been able to reach him.

FOUCHARD: This is Joe, Mr. Chairman. I just had a call from my guy in the Governor's office and he says the Governor says the information he is getting from the plant is ambiguous, that he needs some recommendations from the NRC.

DENTON: It is really difficult to get the data. We seem to get it after the fact. They opened the valves this morning, or the let-down, and were releasing at a 6-curie-per-second rate before anyone knew about it. By the time we got fully up to speed, apparently they had stopped; there was a possible release on the order of an hour or an hour and a half—

GILINSKY: This is from the containment?

DENTON: Well, it was coolant from the containment; apparently it got released into the radwaste or the auxiliary building and was vented out through the normal release point. We calculate doses of 170 millirem per hour at one mile, about half that at two miles, and at five miles about 17. Apparently, it is stopped now, though I'd say there is a puff release cloud going in the northeast direction, and we'll just have to see. We did advise the state police to evacuate out to five miles, but whether that has really gotten pulled off, we'll just have to—

FOUCHARD: Well, the Governor has to authorize that, and he is waiting for a recommendation from us.

NARRATOR: This conversation was followed by an inconclusive discussion of what way the wind was actually blowing at the site and whether an evacuation now would mean moving people from an area which the radioactive plume had already passed into an area the plume was approaching, resulting in increased exposure for those evacuating. This lack of firm information on wind speed, wind direction, current plume location, and possibility of more releases led to the following discussion:

DENTON: ...I sure wish I had better data!

HENDRIE: Yes. Your current link out to the site is just not operating. What is the

situation? Who are you talking to out there, and is there an open line out there?

DENTON: I'm not sure. Let me ask. (Pause to ask someone.) We talk to our guy in the control room who bends over and asks questions while we are talking to him and gets back on the phone. So we do have out people in the control room who search out the answers. But with regard to any actual or hard numbers for release, rate, curies, quantities, doses offsite, that process seems to take hours.

FOUCHARD: Don't you think as a precautionary measure there should be some evacuation?

HENDRIE: Probably, but I must say, it is operating totally in the blind, and I don't have any confidence at all that if we order an evacuation of people from a place where they have already gotten a piece of the dose they aren't going to get into an area which will have none of what it's going to get—and now they move there and get the whole thing.

DENTON: I don't have any basis for believing that it might not happen—is not likely to happen again. I don't understand the reason for this one yet.

FOUCHARD: I believe as a precautionary measure—

HENDRIE: I think we had better get—Harold, see if you can get some sort of a better link established. 'turn to Fouchard' Now, Joe, it seems to me I have got to talk to the Governor.

FOUCHARD: I think you have got to talk to him immediately.

HENDRIE:—do it immediately. Here we are operating almost totally in the blind, his information is ambiguous, mine is non-existent and—I don't know, it's like a couple of blind men staggering around making decisions.

NARRATOR: The conversations go on and on in this vein and eventually Chairman Hendrie advised the Governor to evacuate children within a five-mile radius, as a precautionary measure, and recommended that the rest of the people stay indoors. At 12:40 p.m. that same day, Chairman Hendrie and Roger Mattson, Director of NRC's Systems Safety Division, who is apparently at Three Mile Island, had an extended conversation that went something like this:

MATTSON: Babcock & Wilcox and we have both concluded, some hours ago—sometime after midnight—that we have extensive damage to this core. That corroborates with the releases we are seeing, which are TID and may be even worse, as I understand it from the radiation people. My best guess is that the core uncovered, stayed uncovered for a long period of time. We saw failure modes, the likes of which have never been analyzed. It isn't like a loss of coolant accident. Some kind of swelling, rupture, oxidation near the top of the quarter center of the assembly. We just learned that on the afternoon of the first day, some 10 hours into the transient, there was a 28-pound containment pressure spike. We are guessing that may have been a hydrogen explosion. They for some reason never reported it here until this morning. That would have given us a clue hours ago that the thermocouples were right and we had a partially disassembled core.

NARRATOR: Mattson goes on to describe the calculations used to determine the volume of the hydrogen bubble in the upper head of the vessel, then goes on to say:

MATTSON: You know, we have the best you've got, Joe, and they are not coming up with answers. We have got the Navy working; we've got Calvert Cliffs, who had a similar problem, only without the bubble; Babcock & Wilcox is in constant communication with General Public Utilities decision-makers at this point. We don't have a solution, but maybe they are coming up with one. They are going to double check and whatever they decide, and as soon as they get off the phone, they will be back to check with our people, but we haven't found one solution here yet. The one the plant proposes, they say, "please verify this for us," so it seems like they are not confident either.

HENDRIE: It sounds to me like we ought to stay where we are. I don't like the sound of depressurizing and letting that bubble creep down into the core.

MATTSON: Not yet. I don't think we want to depressurize yet. The latest burst didn't hurt many people. I'm not sure why you are not moving people. Got to say it. I have been saying it down here. I don't know what we are protecting at this point. I think we ought to be moving people.

KENNEDY: How far out?

MATTSON: I would get them downwind, and unfortunately the wind is still meandering, but at these dose levels it is probably not bad because it is—

KENNEDY: But down-wind how far?

MATTSON: I might add, you aren't going to kill any people out to 10 miles because there aren't that many people and these people have been—they have had two days to get ready and prepare.

KENNEDY: Ten miles is Harrisburg.

HENDRIE: I don't know, Roger—

MATTSON: It's too little information too late, unfortunately, and it is the same way every partial core melt-down has gone. People haven't believed the instrumentation as they went along. It took us until midnight last night to convince anybody that those God-damn temperature measurements meant something. Vic Stello of our Operating Reactors Division was involved for the first two days over here and was trying to convince people to start thinking a severely damaged core. He had a hunch at the start, and when the temperature measurements started to come in there were some anomalies. He said, start thinking severely damaged core; believe the instruments. We had some trouble getting people to believe it, not necessarily inside, because out people turned to and started working pretty hard on that aspect. Babcock & Wilcox didn't want to believe it but by 4:00 this morning they were agreeing with us.

NARRATOR: They discussed options for getting rid of the hydrogen bubble, including (quote) "...start up all reactor coolant pumps, burn them out, blow the seals, and hope they cause a loss of coolant accident that way, which would depressurize the system rapidly. Then we get into a mode for which all of these systems were designed and we could cope with." (unquote). In the course of that discussion, one of the commissioners asks Mattson what his principle concern is at that time:

MATTSON: Well, my principle concern is that we have got an accident that we never have been designed to estimate, and it's, in the best estimate, deteriorating slowly, and the most pessimistic estimate is that it's on the threshold of turning bad. And I don't have a reason for not protecting people. I don't know what you are protecting by not moving people. We have got every systems engineer we can find, except the one we put on the helicopter, thinking out the problem, how the hell do we get the noncondensibles out of there, do we win the horseshoe or do we lose the horse race. And if you are lucky and there is not a lot of—if you have overestimated the noncondensibles, you might win it. If you are not lucky and you have got the right number on the noncondensibles, you might lose it.

NARRATOR: We have tried to recreate the sense of confusion that existed at Three Mile Island; the conversations we used really happened and are not the product of someone's imagination. While responsibility for the accident is shared by the operators and those who trained them, the utility, the companies that made parts for the reactor, the NRC and a host of others, perhaps the ultimate blame should be placed on the whole commercial nuclear power industry in the United States, which truly believed that because it had never had an accident of that magnitude, it never would, and which made its plans for handling emergencies on the basis of that belief. We hope that when the next accident happens, and happen it will if we continue to operate these plants we really don't understand, the nuclear industry will be better prepared to deal with it. Next time we may not even be this lucky.

Student survey proposed on funding priorities

by Stephen Betts
Staff writer

Student government, in conjunction with the Office of Testing and Research, is considering conducting a survey of students to determine which, if any, groups

"I have heard some comments at cabinet meetings that seemed very confusing," he said. "I felt there was a need for a survey."

"We want to ask students how student government should set priorities on

ment for time," Skaggs said. "It takes four to five weeks from beginning to end for a survey of that nature."

"It takes time to develop the questions, send them in the mail and then allow two weeks for replies," he said. "After that, we have to follow up and send a second mailing to those who haven't responded. If they still haven't replied, then we can make a phone call."

Skaggs said if enough time is put into the project then the results should be an accurate reflection of the students' sentiments. "It has been historically shown that the rate of return for such a survey is 40-50 percent," Skaggs said. "With second mailings and telephone calls the rate can go up to 80 percent."

Randall said he is graduating this May, but he still hopes to see the survey taken. "I think in student government, there have been times when he voted on our own

merits and failed," Randall said. "It is hoped this survey will lessen that possibility."



Bill Randall, of Alpha Gamma Rho, plans on taking a survey on student government funding. [photo by Donna Sotomayer]

should receive priorities in funding.

Bill Randall, student senate cabinet member from Alpha Gamma Rho, is leading the drive for the survey. Randall said he feels students "know what is going on" and they should be heard from.

"There are two ways to be a good student government leader," Randall said. "You can vote on your own merit or check with the student body. I think you can do both."

spending money or if there should be a priority list at all," Randall said.

Randall said he has been told by the testing and research office that if a quality survey is to be done then it should be next semester due to the lack of time in this year.

Charles Skaggs, director of Testing and Research, said technical problems would prove a detriment to any survey this semester. "There is a technical require-

Four UMO coeds compete for honorary colonel title

Four UMO coeds will vie for the title of honorary colonel of the First Maine Cadet Brigade, Reserve Officers Training Corps, at the annual Military Ball March 29.

Competing for the title are Michelle Donovan, a senior from Dalton, Mass.; Julie Watson, a sophomore from Limestone; Suzanne Smith, a freshman from

Dixmont and Cynthia Sims, a freshman from Lexington, Mass.

The queen and her court will also attend the annual review awards presentation and commissioning which will be held later in the spring.

The military ball will be held at the Red Lion Restaurant in Bangor.

**Century Music Ensemble
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Tuesday, April First, 8:15 pm Hauck Auditorium
Works by Gershwin, Kenton, and Don Stratton
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A Message from ECKANKAR

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Maine farmers dump potatoes in protest

HOULTON—Northern Maine potato farmers blockaded eight key checkpoints along the New Brunswick border Thursday to protest increased imports of potatoes from Canada.

About 250 farmers kicked off the demonstration at dawn, using trucks and tractors to block border crossings along a 100-mile front between Fort Kent and Houlton. At several checkpoints, truckloads of potatoes were dumped across the road.

There was no violence, and police in most towns stood along the sidelines, ordering the demonstrators to disperse but making no attempt to remove them by force. No arrest were made.

The growers have pledged to continue their protest until the federal government meets their demands to curb Canadian imports and divert surplus spuds to cattle feed or gasohol.

Protester Clifford Audibert said he's ready to continue the blockade for three or four more days until the diversion program is approved.

Customs officials said traffic at border crossings in Aroostook County were ground to a halt. But emergency vehicles are being allowed through, and pedestrians have been permitted to cross in most places.

In Augusta, Gov. Joseph Brennan expressed sympathy with the growers' plight, but urged demonstrators to halt their interference with traffic. Said Brennan, "I am convinced the solution to these frustrations cannot be achieved by disobeying the law."

In Washington, Sen. Edmund Muskie conferred with Vice President Walter Mondale and commerce department officials about the situation.

By afternoon, protesters blocked traffic at Madawaska, Van Buren, Hamlin, Fort Kent, Fort Fairfield, Limestone, Bridgewater and Houlton.

The protest was the second within two weeks by Aroostook farmers, who claim that government-subsidized imports from Eastern Canada are driving them to economic ruin.



Vance tells Congress foreign policy correct

WASHINGTON—Secretary of State Vance said that despite complaints it lacks direction and purpose, the nation's foreign policy is on a difficult but correct course. He said it's aimed at maintaining U.S. security and promoting world peace.

Vance set forth the policy in a 60-page report to Congress before the senate Foreign Relations Committee.

On Iran, he said American policy makers are again reviewing options in the event that tangible progress is not now made toward freeing the American hostages. He said the United States accepts Iran's revolution "as a fact." But, he adds, Iran must "live up to its fundamental responsibilities for the safety, well-being and release of the hostages."

Vance replied directly to those in Congress and elsewhere who have said the United States overreacted to the Soviet military occupation of Afghanistan.

He said, "To disregard the growth of Soviet military programs and budgets—or to explain away aggression as a defensive maneuver—is to take refuge in an illusion." In Afghanistan, Vance said, U.S. policy remains that only a firm response will deter aggression elsewhere.

Carter uses '76 tactics to capture nomination

WASHINGTON—Using the theme that helped take him to the White House, President Carter told a democratic fund raiser Wednesday night that "we will win in November" because, "We believe in love and compassion and concern."

The speech to the \$1000 plate dinner was the president's first since vowing not to talk to partisan groups because of the Iran and Afghanistan crises.

White House News Secretary Jody Powell said Carter came out as a gesture to congressman who've had to deal with inflation.

The event was sponsored by the Democratic Congressional Dinner

Committee.

But in spite of growing pressure to come out of the "rose garden," Carter gave no indication of future campaign plans.

Instead, he told the audience the federal budget will be balanced without major sacrifices. And that during his administration, not a single soldier has been lost in combat—the first time that's happened in 15 years.

However, members of Congress interviewed at the dinner generally thought the president should start hitting the campaign trail. As Michigan Sen. Donald Riegle put it, Carter faces the risk of either losing the Democratic nomination or the election in November.

Bush attacks Reagan, attempts to gain votes

WISCONSIN—Former CIA Director George Bush aimed his campaign fire against Republican front-runner Reagan Thursday. While stumping for votes in Wisconsin, Bush told audiences Reagan's tax cut proposal—which calls for cuts of \$70 billion in the next three years—is "overpromising" remedies for inflation.

Bush also accused Reagan of being undecided on whether U.S. athletes should go to the Moscow Olympics. Wednesday, Reagan said it would be hypocritical to hold the games in the Soviet Union as long as there are Russian troops in Afghanistan. But he also said he hopes American athletes can participate in some form of international competition.

Westmoreland objects to drafting of women

NEW YORK—A former U.S. commander in Vietnam, Gen. William Westmoreland, objects to Carter administration goals to have women make up 12 percent of the armed forces. He said in New York that women are untested in many military situations—and that the national defense is no place for experiments on social change. As he put it, "No man with gumption will let a woman do his fighting for him."

Reagan, Bush agree Carter far too lenient

WISCONSIN—GOP frontrunner Ronald Reagan agrees with rival George Bush on one issue. Both Republican candidates are urging the Carter administration to take harsher steps to release the American hostages in Iran. Reagan, campaigning in Wisconsin, proposed exerring extreme pressure on Iran. And he specifically mentioned the possibility of a blockade.

Fed's tighter control discourages buying

WASHINGTON—You may soon be paying more for the privilege of paying later. The Federal Reserve Board is thinking of two steps to discourage buying on credit and playing the bill over several months. One would allow companies to demand higher minimum payments each month—and the other would allow them to charge higher interest rates for extended payments, both would be retroactive.

Federal Reserve Governor Nancy Teeters, who's in charge of consumer credit, said no final decision has been made.

FDA calls back eggs poisoned by chlordane

WASHINGTON—The Food and Drug Administration said it is recalling more than three million eggs because they may be contaminated with the illegal pesticide chlordane. The recall of the eggs from Safeway stores and military installations in several western states began two weeks ago.

The FDA said about one-fourth of the eggs were stopped in the distribution pipeline by the producer, Hayre's egg farm of Lathrop, Calif. An investigation found that three of seven Hayre's henhouses had been sprayed with chlordane when they were vacant last October, reportedly to rid them of spiders.

Renowned suffragette dead in Portland at 93

PORTLAND—One of the last living suffragettes, Gladys Chapman of Portland, has died at the age of 93. Mrs. Chapman was a leader in the Maine Suffrage League that campaigned for women's rights and participated in a suffrage march on Portland City Hall in 1916.

Mrs. Chapman founded the College Equal Suffrage Union and was active in civic affairs in Portland. She was an active supporter of the Equal Rights Amendment.

Mrs. Chapman died Monday at her Portland home.

House gives green light on ethics investigation

WASHINGTON—The house has given the go-ahead for an ethics committee investigation of seven congressmen implicated in the FBI's "abscam" political corruption probe. Only one House vote went against the investigation and it was cast by Rep. Henry Gonzalez. The Texas Democrat said he voted no because no spending limit is on the House probe—and committee members will have no access to FBI evidence. Seven House members and one senator have been alleged in news accounts of the bribery scandal.

★ Police Blotter ★

by Julia Frey
Staff writer

Richard Wille of Bangor was issued a criminal summons Tuesday for negotiating a worthless check on his account at a Connecticut bank for \$26 at the UMO Bookstore, police said.

A motor vehicle accident occurred in the Steam Plant parking lot Tuesday, police said, causing an estimated \$400 total damage to both vehicles. A woman, driving a 1976 Camaro, struck a Bangor Citibus in the parking lot.

Linda McLeod of Old Town reported to police Wednesday someone had stolen faculty and staff decals from her 1978 Jeep that had been parked in Aubert parking lot. They were valued at \$5 a piece. The faculty decal number is 829, while the staff decal number is 638.

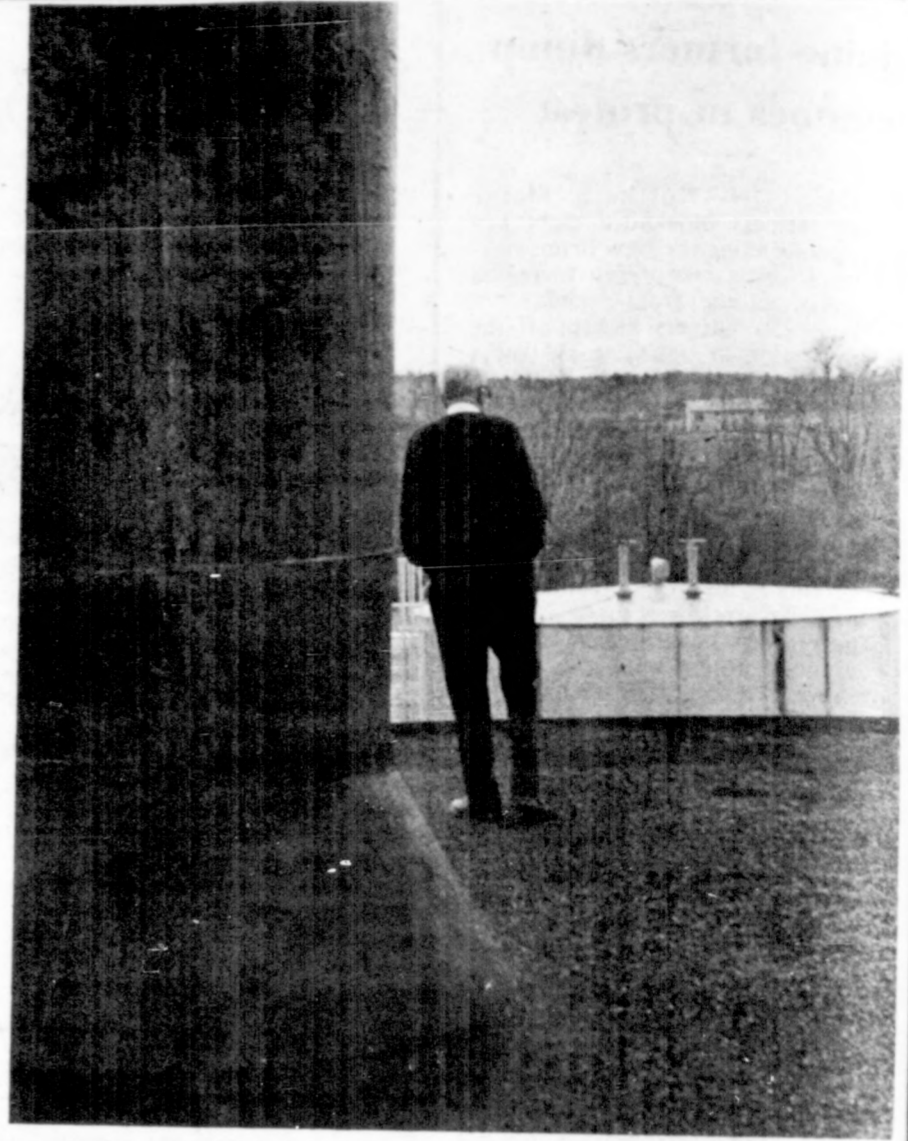
David Berry of Somerset Hall reported to police Thursday that while he was sitting in his parked car, he was struck by another vehicle from behind, which immediately left the scene after the accident. His car's left rear fender was damaged at

an estimated \$50.

Arthur McKeil of Orono, reported to police Tuesday that his \$200 sleeping bag he had left behind lockers in Room 222 of the Memorial Gym had been stolen. A belt knife was also stolen along with the bag. The sleeping bag was of "Tutankhamum" make, 100 percent polyester, with a bright red exterior and a mustard interior. The sack that contained the bag was later found empty.

A black, brown and white male mixed-breed dog was caught by a police officer Wednesday roaming at large in front of Hitchner Hall. The dog was found to belong to Patricia Leofard of Bangor, but she was unable to be notified, police said. The dog was then transferred to the Old Town pound.

TAKE NOTE: The driveway at the south end of the English/Math building will be designated "Fire Lane" area from now on, according to police, and any attempt to park in the driveway (not parking spaces) will be subject to towing.



Heating Plant superintendent Richard McCubrey gazes across the Stillwater countryside from atop the Steam Plant building. (photo by Donna Sotomayer)

The Comedy Connection slated to appear tonight

by Leigh Ann Fehm
Staff writer

The Comedy Connection is in town. Five of Boston's upcoming comics will be competing for laughs in Hauck Auditorium tonight at 8 p.m.

"We've really sent up quite a show," said the troupe's co-director Bill Downes. "Each comedian has his own diverse brand of comedy."

The group appearing tonight is only part of an ensemble of 60 stand-up comics forming Boston's Comedy Connection. In just two years, Downes and partner Paul Barclay have built a comedy showcase housed now at Tommy Maher's in the heart of Boston.

Among the Boston talent who will have the opportunity to either bring the house down laughing or run for the nearest exit are:

—Lenny "Madman" Clarke, a bizarre comic. Lenny has appeared at New York's popular Catch A Rising Star Club, and has opened the Pousette Dart Band.

—Acclaimed by the *Boston Herald* as one of the foremost comedians in the New England area, Steve Wright is "off the wall." His act is unusual, made up of things you just don't think about.

—At an early age, Jack Gallagher had his own radio and TV show in Boston. He's been at the Paradise and has a cerebral stream of consciousness act.

—Old timer Don Gavin, lovingly called "Pops" by his fans, takes the chronic

complainer route of comedy. He has opened the new rock group "Prince" and has a "strange" opening act.

—Jay Charbonneau has worked clubs from Boston to L.A. He's appeared at the Second City in Chicago.

Tonight's performance is sponsored by the Student Activities and Entertainment board. Tickets for the show are on advance sale downstairs in the Memorial Union until 5 p.m. Student tickets are \$1.50, others \$3.00. Tickets can also be purchased at the door.



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● GSB

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percent undergraduates," said Roger Sweets. "We need to get more visibility and more respect from everyone."

Several board members noted there was poor representation because graduate students are, as one member noted, "A vast body of apolitical people." Mercer argued that the GSS could not be held accountable for internal problems in the GSB.

The GSB has been affiliated with the GSS for the past two and a half years. If the

Mercer/Freeman proposal is not passed by GSS and the cabinet, the GSB may still decide to secede from the senate, if it is legally possible. According to Mercer, a secession would have to be approved by a vote of the graduate students, undergraduates and the GSS. There is still some debate as to the legality of a secession, but last night's vote put that question aside temporarily.

The proposal will go to the GSS agenda this week, Mercer said.

● Task Force

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to maintain the austere level that we have existed on over the past year. Faced with the same situation last year, the cabinet voted for across the board cuts."

The tentative schedule, as explained by Spellman, was the task force would collect and analyze data and probably submit a report to the student government by the end of April. The stage would then be set for a campus-wide vote in May if an increase recommendation is forwarded by the group.

"The basic idea is for the group to

gather all the facts, see what the needs are of the groups that we subsidize, and then see what we can do for them," Spellman said.

The specific needs of organizations requesting funds from GSS will be a determining factor in establishing the criteria which will decide how much, if any, funding a group would receive.

"We will look at each one individually, and try to analyze their needs, but try to remain consistent with past allocations," Spellman said.



Steve Veillbux may not be quite teed off yet, but is trying to get some golfing practice in across the road from the steam plant before the area courses open for the season. [photo by Donna Sotomayer]

Nuclear industry uses economic scare tactics

The pro-nuclear forces have taken the offensive in the unclear referendum question facing Maine voters.

Using tactics of fear they are parading an endless array of business experts before the state legislature to prophesize the impending economic doom of the state should the voters decide to close the Wiscasset facility.

commentary

I do not claim any expertise in economics but the argument doesn't wash with me.

First, the trees aren't going anywhere; so it's doubtful that the paper industry, owners of a substantial portion of the state, are leaving.

Second, Maine's fishing industry is more threatened by a spill at the nuclear plant on the coast than by the threatened withdrawal of businesses.

The scenic beauty of the state will remain unchanged so it's unlikely that tourism will be adversely effected.

Bath Iron Works continues to attract defense contracts, partially because of the superior quality of the work performed by Maine residents.

A spokesman for the company was blunt

in his appraisal of the situation, "We estimate that closing the plant would cost the company \$640,000 in additional power costs. In a highly competitive industry such as ours, where contracts are often decided by the narrowest of differences, this represents to us a substantial penalty. However, we would never threaten to leave the state and honestly feel that this issue is so controversial that it should be decided by the voters."

It is doubtful that closing the plant would cause an exodus of Maine farmers, a dour breed harder than the rocks they plow in their fields.

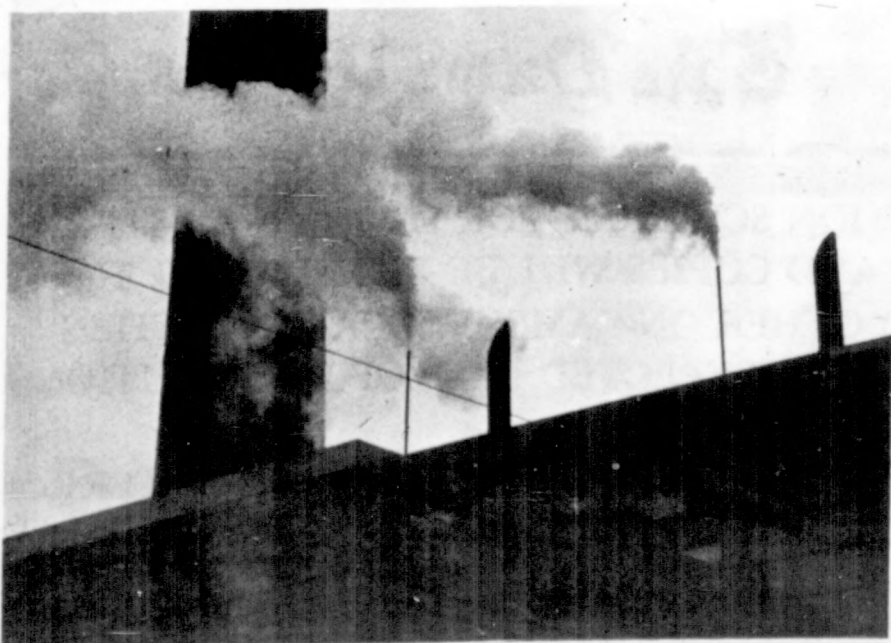
These industries have always formed the traditional economic foundation of the state and seem determined to remain in the state come-what-may.

Their employees will still require basic services and constitute a consumer market.

A market which will attract capitalist entrepreneurs to the state.

Of course, the decreasing economic opportunities would probably result in a smaller influx of new residents into the state offering a practical solution to the question of how to close the bridge at Kittery.

George W. Roche is a junior majoring in journalism.



All steamed up... [photo by Donna Sotomayer]

"Maybe
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go away."

The five most dangerous words
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American Cancer Society

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Calendar

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The price for number six oil is now set at \$24 a barrel, according to John Coupe, acting vice president for finance and administration, but he said it should rise sharply in the next year. "I'm very comfortable with the figure of \$36 a barrel for number six oil by October of 1981," Coupe said. If these figures are correct, that means it will cost an extra \$840,000 to keep the university heated.

Hooper noted, though, conservation measures throughout the campus will reduce the consumption of fuel from past years. Hooper said there was a reduction of nearly 1300 barrels of oil from April of 1978 to 1979.

In addition to the price of oil, the effects the change will have on the academic life at UMO was also hotly debated. Acting President Kenneth Allen called on council members to put an effort into trying to look at the Chancellor's proposal objectively. "I hope you can do it with the correct frame of mind and make appropriate recommendations," Allen said. "Just consider this an envelope to work around."

Richard Blanke, associate professor of history, voiced opposition to the shortened school year. "I think it's one of the most absurd ideas to come out of the bureaucracy," Blanke said. "This is an educational institution not an energy institution. You don't know what the price of oil will be

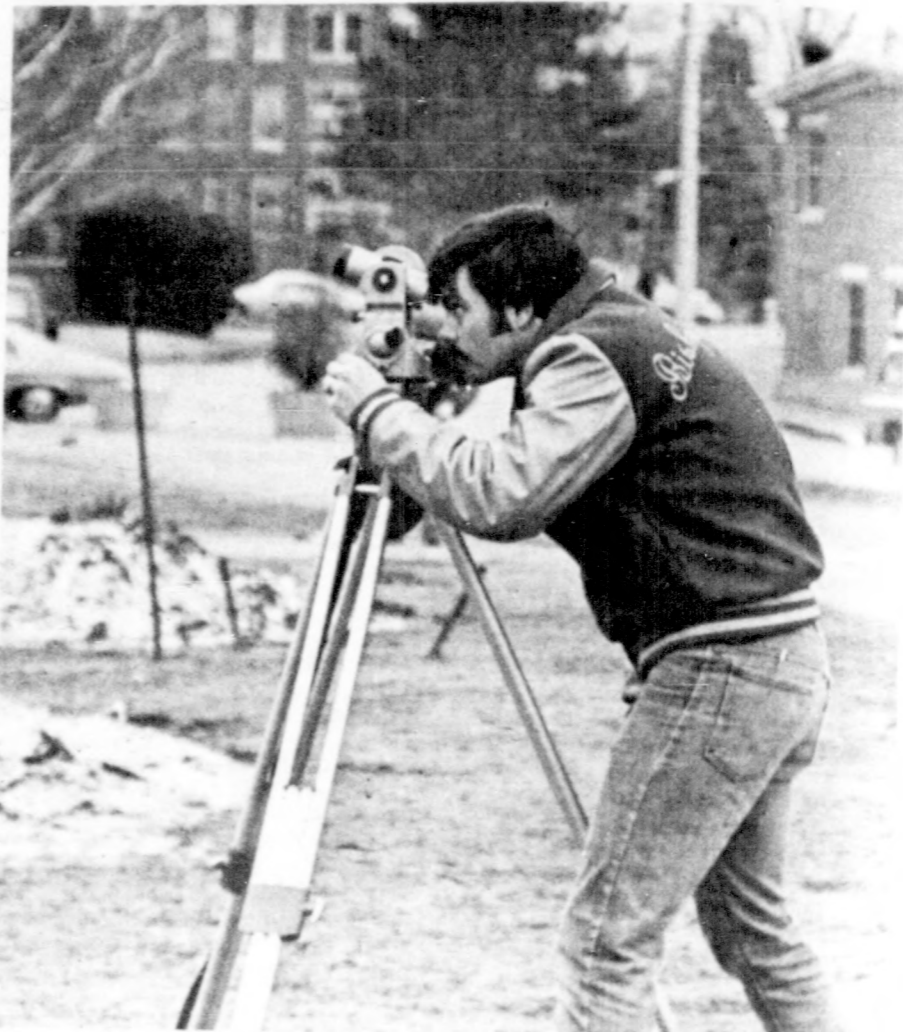
next year, so you don't know how much you will save."

Student Government President Dave Spellman also strenuously protested the limited academic year. "It's the economic tail wagging the dog," Spellman said. "The baseball and football players in my dorm are up in arms. It's totally ridiculous."

This sentiment was echoed by Kevin Foster, vice president for student community services. "We have kids in our dorms who are really trying to come back under these conditions. You're just going to have students jumping out of windows right and left."

John Collins, registrar, said the reduced schedule would also affect the finals schedule. Collins said it was possible finals may have to be eliminated, but that is one of many possibilities.

The schedule proposal drawn up by the Chancellor's office and the registrar lists three possible timetables for the school year. The basic plan is to have school begin Monday, Sept. 29 and end on Saturday, April 4. The plan includes four days off for Thanksgiving, two weeks for Christmas and a week's vacation in February. It also suggested in one of the proposals to have school on Saturday until 4:35 p.m. Any final decision on the proposal will be made by the trustees in May.



Carl Krystyniak practices surveying on the mall, a very familiar sight throughout the school year. [photo by Donna Sotomayer]

Oil prices

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provided is "cost avoidance. We are spending more money but if we hadn't conserved, we would be spending as much as \$175,000 more for oil," said Tom Gerrish, director of planning for the physical plant.

Gerrish believes there are three reasons for oil savings at UMO this year. The reduction of temperatures in buildings and dormitories, new controls that have been installed and monitor existing heating controls that have been installed and monitor existing heating systems more efficiently, and a relatively mild winter that provided fewer degree days, 5664 in comparison to 6010 for the 1978-79 fiscal year. A degree day is found by adding the high and low temperatures for the day then divide by two and subtract from 65.

UMO obtains the electricity necessary for operation from the Bangor Hydro-electric Company. The electricity is stored in two sub-stations located behind the services building and the steam plant. The two substations enable the use of electri-

city on campus to be regulated by the university and not Bangor Hydro.

The UMO community has conserved kilowatt hours during the 1979-80 June through February period. UMO consumed 13,400,700 kilowatt hours in 1979-80 or 652,740 less than the same period in 1978-79. The savings equals five percent of kilowatt use at UMO this year.

However, the cost for 1978-79 for June through February was \$440,125 while during the same period in 1979-80 \$530,700 or a 20 percent increase has been paid.

Three things determine the cost of electricity at UMO, Gerrish said. The cost depends on 1) the UMO demand for kilowatts based on a 15 minute average, 2) the amount of kilowatt hours consumed and 3) fuel adjustments made by Bangor Hydro.

Bangor Hydro depends on oil to generate electricity. While the cost of operation is stable, fuel costs are not and adjustments have to be made, Gerrish said.

Conservation

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Athletic Complex will cost \$65,000, and the estimated annual savings will be \$23,230, which makes the simple payback period 2.8 years.

The TA projects will be design and feasibility studies for the heating system of the Orono campus as a whole.

The first TA project will investigate the feasibility of a co-generation steam plant to be fueled by waste wood, coal and/or solid waste. The steam generated will be utilized twice, with electricity produced by turbines and the by-product steam used for heating the campus.

The federal funds will be used to hire an engineering firm for the study. The cost of this technical assistance is \$50,000.

The second TA project will design a centrally controlled automation system for the energy consuming facilities and equipment on campus. The cost of this project will be \$40,000 and will be used to generate technical specifications and plans for eventually designing a complete energy management system for the campus.

Don Thompson, institutional buildings program coordinator for the Maine Office of Energy Resources said the grant had definitely come through.

"I haven't really seen it in writing (but) it's definite," he said.

Johansen said the announcement will be made through the legislators.

"They let the legislators get into the act," he said.

"Everybody will want to be a grandfather to this one," he added.



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by Scott Cole
Staff writer

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Black Bear baseball '80: This is it!

by Scott Cole
Staff writer

He might not have known it, but the late comedian Freddie Prinze had a favorite line which is very appropriate in describing the outlook for University of Maine baseball in the Spring of 1980.

The Black Bears are, as Prinze was wont to say, "Lookin' Gooooood." "We have deep pitching this year and defensively, we'll be as tough as we've been in years," says head coach John Winkin, who has compiled a five year record of 119-46 at UMO.

Add that pitching and defensive prowess to a hitting attack that can line-drive the opposition to death and you have a solid bet that the Black Bears will be one of the four teams playing in the ECAC New England region playoffs the third week of May.

As the Baltimore Orioles proved last season, a team can go a long way with good pitching no matter what kind of offensive attack it is facing. These "Orono Orioles" are blessed with a superb core of starters, four reliable long relievers, and a couple of "Old Faithfuls" coming out of the bullpen.

Senior Skip Clarke is tabbed as the Bears' number one starter. The Concord, N.H. native checked in with a 6-3 record last year while battling UMO's toughest opponents. Clarke also led the Bears with two shutouts and 55 strikeouts. On the Texas road trip this spring, Clarke was 1-1, beating Michigan State, a perennial national baseball power, and losing to Pan American while victimized by a bad bounce on a potential double-play ball. Simply put, the kid is tough. He has a career ERA of 2.01.

Following Clarke in the number two spot in the rotation is sophomore Tommy Mahan. The knuckleballer emerged on the UMaine baseball scene impressively last spring in the California-Riverside tournament when he blanked Indiana 2-0. Tommy proved he could pitch outside of the Golden State too by picking up Yankee Conference wins over UMass, Vermont and UConn enroute to a 5-2, 1.07 ERA log. He picked up a win over Iowa State in the Citrus Tournament this year. Said Winkin of the Medway, Mass. kid, "He's our best competitor on the mound and I expect him to blossom into one of New England's top pitchers."

A gem of a recruit fills starting spot number three. He is Joe Johnson, not the basketball player, but a freshman from Plainville, Mass. who was one of the Bay State's top schoolboy hurlers last year. This kid can bring the heat and showed it down in Texas when he went 2-0, thwarting Morningside of Iowa twice.

Rick Bouchard, Winkin's most pleasant surprise of the Citrus Tournament, has moved into the role of the fourth starter. The Stearns High of Millinocket graduate went 1-1 on the Texas trip, a hard-luck loser on Michigan State, 3-2, and the owner of a superb four-hitter over Morningside in an 11-0 Maine win. Bouchard fires away from the left side and features an outstanding curve ball.

Backing up the starters is an experienced bunch of long relievers. The best of this bunch is junior Kevin Buckley who turned in an outstanding job in long relief versus Iowa State during a 9-5 Black Bear triumph. "Buck" took over for John Balerna in the second inning and came through with a four hit, one run performance. He pitched his way to a 3-1 mark last year and is called by Winkin "the catalyst to nearly everything we do."

Backing up Buckley are veterans Don DeWolfe and Don Mason. Both are juniors and starters last year, sporting 4-1 and 5-2 records respectively over their careers at Orono. Both also came through with wins in Texas.

Another live arm is that of sophomore John Balerna. He was shelved his whole freshman year with an arm injury but surgery and time have mended the pain. The kid had just an outstanding career at Norwood High School in Massachusetts and was Maine's top pitching recruit a year ago. Balerna got in two starts in Texas as he maps his way up the comeback trail.

From the above foursome will come the fifth starter should need arise. And should the need arise for some quick rescue from the bullpen, the Bears are covered there too. The fire chief is senior Tom Griffin who has yet to give up an earned run in 17 career appearances and 33 innings. Over the past three years the Portlander has racked up five wins and five saves. Along with Griffin in the pen for short relief is Steve Roy, a sophomore from Waterville who impressed Winkin in Texas in his three stints.

Catching the fire from the Black Bear hurlers is sophomore Ed Pickett. "Poochie" steps in behind the plate to fill the void left by the graduated Mark Armstrong. Pickett has all the tools to be a good one and his coach says he is in for a solid season once he adjusts to playing out Armstrong's shadow. He hit .250 in limited action last season and went six for 25 with two doubles and a homer during the Texas trip. Backing up Pickett is football kick returner and quarterback Pete Ouellette. Ouellette is an outstanding athlete whose only shortcoming is a lack of experience.

The infield is anchored by the sterling keystone combination of sophomore shortstop Peter Adams and senior, co-captain Bob Anthoine at second. Adams took over the shortstop post as a freshman last year and came through with outstanding play after outstanding play. Winkin expects him to be as good defensively as any shortstop in the East. His partner was converted from the outfield after his freshman year and has responded. Anthoine functions as a table setter at the top of the Black Bear order and stole eight bases in eight attempts in '79.

Mike Coutts, the third baseman, is a stalwart offensively and defensively. His fielding game has improved over the years and he always has been able to hit. Last season 6'2", 200 pounder hit .320 and led the team in runs scored. On the Texas trip Mike led the Bears in hitting at .385 and socked three homers.

Hampden's Jon Pery steps into the first base job. Pery had wait his turn for two years while Ralph Stowell held down first. However he's making the best of his chance now as his dramatic home run to beat Lubbock Christian [see BASEBALL page 14]



A firing foursome

Shown is the outstanding starting pitching rotation for the 1980 Black Bear baseball team. Top left is senior Skip Clarke, top right is sophomore Tom Mahan. Bottom left is freshman Joe Johnson and bottom right is Rick Bouchard.

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● **UMO baseball** [continued from page 13]

bears out. Overall he hit .270 on the road trip. Winkin calls him one of the finest kids he's ever coached.

Should any of the above athletes go down there's a quality pack of reserves led by John Tortorella and Mark Sutton.

The Black Bears' flyhaws take a back seat to no one in New England either. In leftfield there's the line drive machine by the name of Kevin Buckley. Kev's .322 average was best among the regulars last season, and in Texas he picked up right where he left off by drilling 14 hits in 42 at bats for a .333 clip. He was named second team All-New England last year and played for the University Division All-Stars against the College Division All-Stars at Fenway Park last spring.

Bangor's Tommy Vanidestine and Duxbury, Mass.' Brad Colton, both freshmen, will platoon in centerfield. Next to them in rightfield is senior co-captain Mike Schwob. "A major factor in our season," says Winkin. "Mike figures to bat third and will play a big role in our offense."

Schwob hit .287 last year and owns a rifle arm. Junior transfer Roger Willwerth and designated hitter Jim Foley will fill in the outfield if needed.

Winkin and assistant coach Doug Carville will take their crew down to Dartmouth, Massachusetts this weekend for the Southeastern Massachusetts University Baseball Tourney. The elimination tourney field consists of host SMU, UMass, and Siena College. Winkin expects some solid baseball to be played in the tourney and the Black Bears should get into a maximum of four games.

The tourney kicks off a 23-game schedule for the Black Bears, highlighted by Mahaney Diamond doubleheaders with Vermont, University of Southern Maine, New Hampshire, and UMass. When asked what he thought of the schedule Winkin responded, "I wouldn't want printed what I think of the schedule."

Clearly the veteran head man would like more games so that he could give everybody on his pitching staff enough work.

For UMO to qualify for the playoffs they will have to be ranked as one of the top four teams out of the ten in this region. Betting on these bunch of young men not making the playoffs would be like betting on Linda Lovelace to become a nun.

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Saturday, April 12 Maine at Rhode Island-doubleheader. 12:50 p.m. air time.

Saturday, April 19 Vermont at Maine-doubleheader. 11:50 a.m. air time.

Tuesday, April 22 USM at Maine-doubleheader. 11:50 a.m. air time.

Saturday, April 26 UNH at Maine-doubleheader. 11:50 a.m. air time.

Saturday, May 3 UMass at Maine-doubleheader. 11:50 a.m. air time.

Friday, May 9 Maine at Boston College. 1:50 p.m. air time.



Scrappy Bob Anthoine, shown here in the process of recording a put out, is a co-captain on the 1980 Black Bear baseball team

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by Ed Crook
Staff Writer

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Men's track '80

by Ed Crockett
Staff Writer

Coming on the heels of an outstanding indoor track season, the talent-laden men's track team moves outdoors and should provide much excitement in New England track.

"At this time there is a question about personnel. Many top trackmen are either hurt or undecided about running, so the team will probably be weaker than last year's. We could do reasonably well, but not as well as we did in indoor track," commented Coach Ed Stryna.

The graduation of triple state champion Al Sherard dealt a severe blow to UMO track in the weight events. Strongman Stan Eames will triple in the shot put, discus and hammer throw, and although the hefty junior doesn't have Sherrard's capabilities, he may surprise many. Other weightmen include Steve Cummings in the shot put and James Cash in the hammer.

Senior veterans George Burdick and John MacInnes are proven javelin throwers as both are in the 190 foot range. John Rumph shows signs of potential in the javelin. He was 1979 Maine High School Champion in the event last spring. The multi-talented Rumph will also compete in the triple jump.

In winter track, the jumping events provided ample point production, but this will not be the case this spring, because many quality jumpers have decided to skip spring track. Those remaining include senior standout Kevin Dyer, the Maine indoor triple jump champion, Bill Nason, a fine long jumper, and Jim Palo, one of the best in his specialty, the pole vault. Frosh Kevin Tarr, one of the elite sprinters in New England, and Greg Harrison head the list of top-notch dash men that will contest in the 100 and 200 meter sprints.

Co-captain Ben Reed is the only Black Bear hurdler. Reed ranks second to none in the event and could rule at both the 110 and 400 meter distances. He was state champ in the 110 meters last year and rocketed to a third place finish in the 60 yard hurdles in the Yankee Conference Indoor Championships this winter.

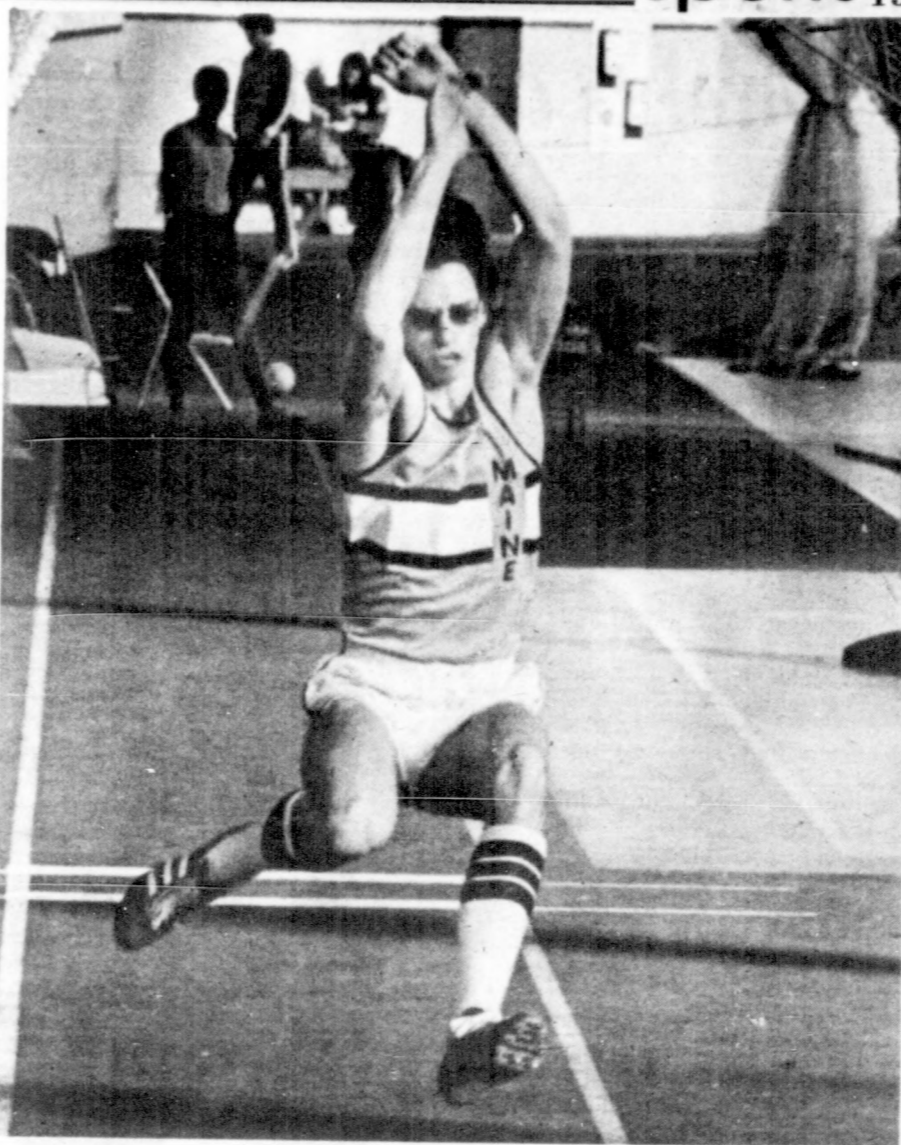
Maine's greatest depth seems to be in the middle distance races. New England 800 meter indoor record holder Myron Whipkey, is the premier half-miler in New England and should remain untouchable. Cameron Bonsey,

Brad Brown, Jeff Celia, Charlie Wade and Don Ward provide Coach Stryna with a group of outstanding middle distance runners. Whoever Coach Stryna decides to place in the two-mile relay, you can bet it will be a formidable quartet.

The versatile Dyer, who was also state champ in the 440, will run the quarter along with the reliable Tim Sawtelle. Pete Brigham, having recovered from a foot injury that shortened his indoor season, will be the one

to watch in the mile run, while senior Bill Pike and freshman Gerry Clapper will duel in the grueling three-mile race. Coach Stryna isn't sure who is going to run the steeple chase, but he is edging toward Pike. The steeple chase is a 3000 meter run that features wooden hurdles stationed around the track and a water jump.

The trackmen have a limited schedule which includes only two duels and three championship meets. The team, which began practicing this week, will open the season by UNH April 12. A year ago UMO dueling New Hampshire throughout a very close and exciting meet, to edge the Wildcats by three points, thanks to an errant pass by a UNH relay man in the final event. On April 19, the squad will travel to Kingston, R.I. to compete against New England powerhouse URI. Then, on consecutive weekends, the Black Bears will participate in the Bowdoin Invitational, the Yankee Conference Championships at URI, and the New England Championships at Dartmouth College. Bowdoin will be the "strongest match."



Kevin Dyer leads the Black Bear jumping corps. Dyer is the Maine state champion indoor triple jumper and also was state champion in the 440. [photo by Steve Vaitones]



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Bearded senior Bill Pike is Maine's hope in the three mile and possibly the grueling steeplechase. Pike holds the indoor two-mile record of 9.01.

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Women's track '80

by Ed Crockett
Staff Writer

The women's track club is entering their seventh season and this year may prove to be their best. "We should do fairly well, but I can't tell yet because everyone hasn't come out. We will be a little better than we were indoors," said Coach Jim Ballinger.

Although the team will miss New England champions Ann Turbyne in the shot put and Patty Holcomb in the dashes, they have enough depth to challenge in-state rivals Bowdoin and Colby.

Potential is abundant in the middle distance events. The trio of Julie Tibbetts, Kathy Roberts, and Lori Tuttle provide Ballinger with adequate depth in the half mile. Stacy Cain is a proven quarter-miler but may be pushed by newcomers Beth Hamilton and Diane Rockett.

Senior Lil Riley and sophomore Kathy Kohtala will run in the two-mile and mile, respectively.

Melanie Adams, the squad's most versatile athlete, will compete in the dashes, hurdles and relays. She will run with teammates Dot Foley and Denise Dutil in the dashes, but will be uncontested in the hurdles.

The Black Bears should fair well in the jumping events. Basketball player Jody King, the school record holder in the high jump, should hold her own in her specialty, and Tina Berube, having had a good indoor track season, ought to shine in the long jump.

The team is loaded with outstanding shot putters. Four standouts include Nancy Storey, Rockett, Marsha Cook and Peggy Baker. Field and ice hockey star Gwyn Brown is the club's best javelin thrower.

The first three meets of the season are relays. The UMass Relays open the campaign on April 12, then the Boston College Relays and Fitchburg In-


vitational follow on consecutive weekends. On Wednesday, April 30, the tracksters will duel Bowdoin in Brunswick then wrap up their season May 11 at Dartmouth, the site of the New England Championships.



Pole vaulter Jim Palo is one of the top contenders for the New England crown. Palo is shown above setting his eyes on the higher heights. (photo by Arthur Kettle).

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<p>UMO Tennis Championship Begins April 25 (Fri.)</p> <p>Tennis buffs, this is your opportunity to participate in one of last year's most popular activities. Tournament play will involve single elimination, men's and women's singles and doubles, as well as mixed doubles competition.</p>	<p>Frisbee Competition May 2 (Fri.)</p> <p>Distance and accuracy will be two of the principal competitions in UMO's annual Frisbee tournament. Prizes will be awarded to winners in the men's and women's divisions.</p>

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Men's tennis '80

by Nancy Aylward

Coach Brud Folger feels very "optimistic" about his 1980 men's tennis team.

With all the courts bare and nets up, the team has been able to do a majority of their practicing outside, which is a turnaround from last spring.

Even though the team was unable to secure a win in the fall season, Folger predicts a much improved squad for the spring.

A great asset to the spring team, as compared to the fall, will be the addition of three freshmen: Mike Beauchemin, Eric Heitman, and John Schrodder.

Beauchemin, a former Rhode Island schoolboy tennis champ, was unable to play in the fall team as he was a back-up quarterback for the football team. Folger commented that these three will "fill in the weak spots and help the team considerably."

In addition to the new freshman, are five returning letterman, making up a very solid nucleus for the team.

Captain Don Aldrich and Joe Supeno who alternated the number one and number two positions on the team in the fall, will guide this year's squad.

Three other letterman--Bob Salt, Jeff Francis and Rob Manter will also be key performers on the team.

Coach Folger feels that the competition will be very tight among all the teams on the schedule. He feels Bowdoin will be the "strongest match." However, Bates will be returning with Bob Schultz, who was the runner-up in the New England championships last spring and is declared now the "best man in the state."

Two other fierce competitors on the schedule will be Colby and USM. Overall Folger feels that "every match for all the colleges will be quite close."

The Black Bears will start off their tough season on April 16 at Bowdoin on clay-courts. Folger comments that this is a great disadvantage because his team is not used to playing on the clay surface.

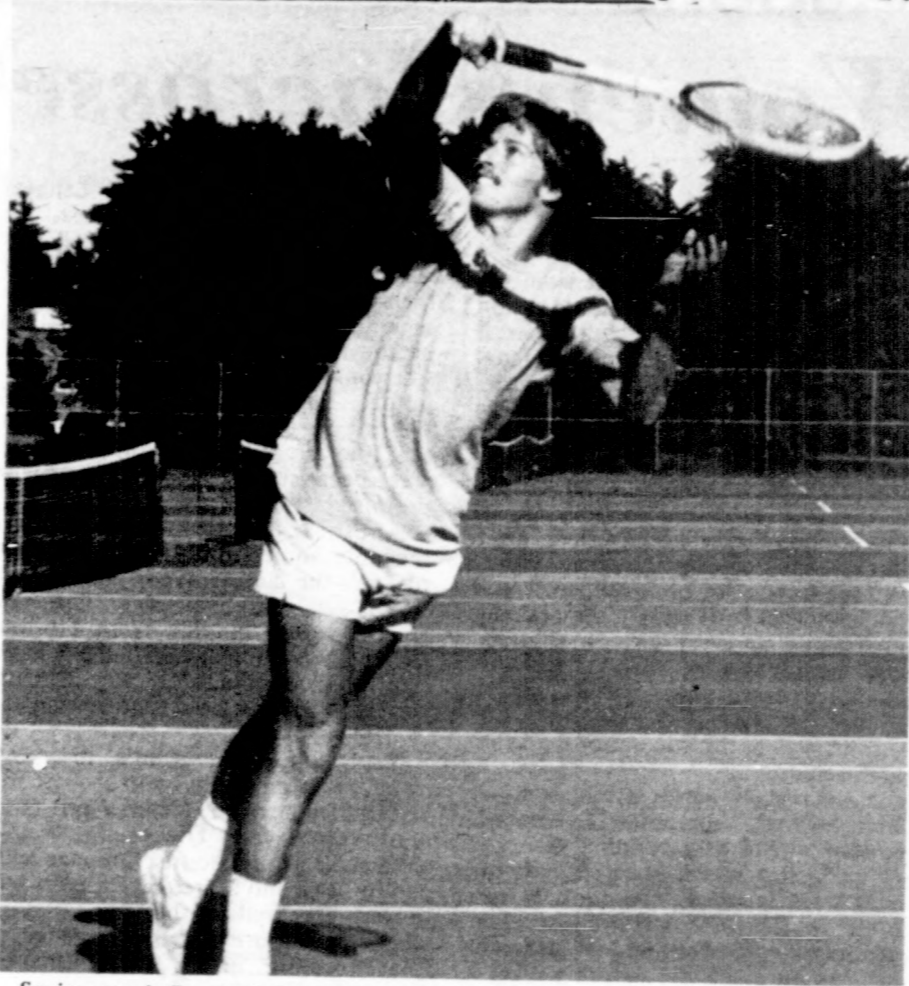
The nine game schedule consists of a two championships at Brandeis College in Waltham, Mass. and the Maine State Championships at Colby.

The top player and top doubles team will be sent to the state championships while the whole team will be sent to the New England's.

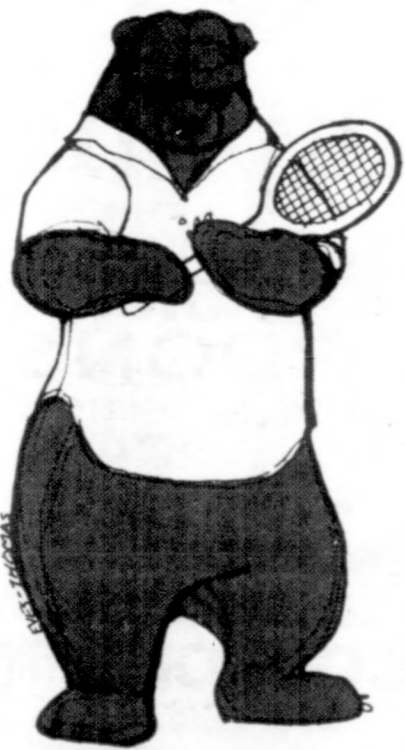
The schedule for this spring is as follows--

- April 16 at Bowdoin
- April 19 at Colby
- April 24 At USM
- April 25,26 New England Championships at Brandeis College

- May 1 Colby
- May 2 Bowdoin
- May 6 USM
- May 7,8 Maine State Championships at Colby College
- May 9 Bates



Senior captain Don Aldrich, with this backhand volley shows one of the strokes which makes him a force in Maine tennis.



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Women's lacrosse is a first for many

by Mary Ellen Garten
Staff writer

With a little bit of luck, the women's lacrosse team should see playing action this spring. Last year the club folded it was frustrated by a "phenomenal amount of injuries, most of them occurring outside of the club," according to women's lacrosse president Mary Khoury.

Only four veterans number on the 20-member roster, and the majority of the women never even picked up a lacrosse stick before this spring.

"We have a lot of freshman," said player-coach Terri Hart. "We sent out invitations to every girl on campus, and there was a lot of interest, but it dwindled down this semester to the twenty women on the team."

Hart was optimistic about the spirit in the club.

"As soon as we get the hang of it, we'll do well," she said. "I don't like to look at this as a building year, but actually it's more of a foundation year," she laughed. "We look to start out slow. The season starts just as we get on a playing field, in fact we might have to start playing before we get a field."

The lacrosse club is in the same spot as the women's softball team--neither

has a home field. Hart said Lengyel field was their base in years past, but because it is being reconditioned and re-seeded, they had to schedule most of their games away. Out of a seven game schedule, only two will be played behind Memorial Gym, and even that was tough, Hart said, because soccer, frisbee, rugby and football are all fighting to use the same fields. Hart said the situation will improve next year because the team has been promised Lengyel field.

Another problem in trying to schedule home games is trying to get officials--the closest live in Waterville, and it gets quite expensive. The club receives some funding from Student Government, but tighter budgets have reduced the amount of money the club receives and must hold fund-raising activities.

Betsy Bott, the team's returning goalie, will probably be in the net for the first game of the season April 12 at Colby-Sawyer. The team "got creamed" in an indoor scrimmage with Colby at Orono March 5, but Hart felt it went very well for the Maine players since the majority of them had never played before, and it was considered more of a formal practice.

"We're just a first-year team," Hart stressed, "but we've already improved

tremendously. As soon as we get the game sense, our playing ability on the field will improve."

1980 women's lacrosse club spring schedule

April 11 at Plymouth State College
April 12 at Colby-Sawyer Jr. College
April 17 Colby College
April 20 Round Robin--Augusta Club, Bates College, and USM Club at Lewiston
April 26 USM-Club
April 27 at Dartmouth College (J.V.)
April 30 at Bowdoin College (J.V.)

May 7 at Colby College
May 9 Bates College



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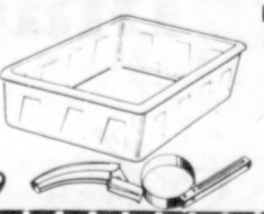
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Softball team shoots for the states

by Dale McGarrigle
Staff writer

UMO's swatting softballers were led by slugging catcher Linda Hansen last season with a .538 average. Also hitting well were Kathy Woodhams (.513) and Ethel Macklin (.478).

Coach Anderson expects to do better this year. "We've been concentrating on batting during pre-season. This is the first year we've had the pitching machine for the full pre-season, and we've had it running up to around 55-60 mph." The pitching machine is a tremendous plus for us.

Anderson also feels she has a top-notch defensive team. "We've got a very consistent fielding club. I've been watching the kids play on the worst of surfaces, like wood and concrete, and even with all the funny bounces these surfaces cause, they've been getting to everything."

"We're strong up the middle," Anderson added, "with our second baseman and shortstop returning. We'll be able to contain many shots in the hole. These kids have strong arms and good softball sense."

The 1980 women's softball edition will also be a running team. "We should be very fast," Anderson stated. "We've got kids getting out of the box and running the 60-foot distance in 3.2 seconds." She cited Woodhams, Wakelin, and Macklin as some of her faster runners.

Pre-season started Jan. 24, under the watchful eyes of Coach Anderson and assistant coach Deb Davis. Anderson said, "We did a lot of bits and pieces of many aspects of the game. Now we need to get outside and put it all together."

Of her 1980 UMO softball team, Coach Janet Anderson said, "These kids have got the desire to play. They've got good hands, good heads, and tremendous attitudes." These winning attitudes will be tested by the new longer 20-game schedule.

The 20-game schedule is twice the size of last year's ten-game schedule, and is crammed into a four-week period. There are seven doubleheaders and the Catamount Tournament at Vermont, which is the team's first game on April 18-19. They will play UNH, UVM, and UMass. This tight schedule leaves no room for makeups of rained out games.

All the squad's home games will be played on Dow Field on Outer Hammond Street in Bangor, due to a construction delay on the new UMO softball field, to be constructed behind Lengyel Gym and adjacent to the field hockey field.

Last season, Maine was 8-2 and was first runner-up in the state tournament. Both its losses were to state champion Colby (3-2, 2-0), with neither seven-inning game lasting longer than 45 minutes. Coach Anderson said, "Colby is the team to beat in the state of Maine. We're going to give Colby a run for their money. Our major goal this year is to win the state tournament."

The lone returning pitcher for UMO is senior Karen Peterson. Peterson had a 2-1 record last season, with a 4.0 E.R.A., and had a .455 batting average. "Karen looks really sharp," Anderson commented, "and she's about a month ahead of herself compared to last year."

Rounding out the pitching squad will be newcomers Linda Graham and Sherrie Denis, both sophomores. Anderson said, "Right now we're trying to get them consistent in form and teach them speed and accuracy."

Coach Anderson concedes that pitching is a "gray-area" now. The pitchers will start on a rotational basis, and will pitch long and short relief on their off-days. Coach Anderson has to

go with the same size pitching staff as last year, even though the schedule is twice as long.

The catcher will be senior Linda Hansen, and will be backed up by sophomore Cindi Richards.

Freshman Val Larrabee and Andi Pelletier will be battling for the first base spot left open by the graduation of Karen Leh. Junior Rhonda Pinkham and frosh Mary Wakeham will be the second baseman, sophomore Ethel Macklin and freshman Lisa Palleschi are the shortstops, and sophomore Linda Hoskin and freshman Linda Kaczor will handle the hot corner, replacing the graduating Glenda DeLorme Wyman.

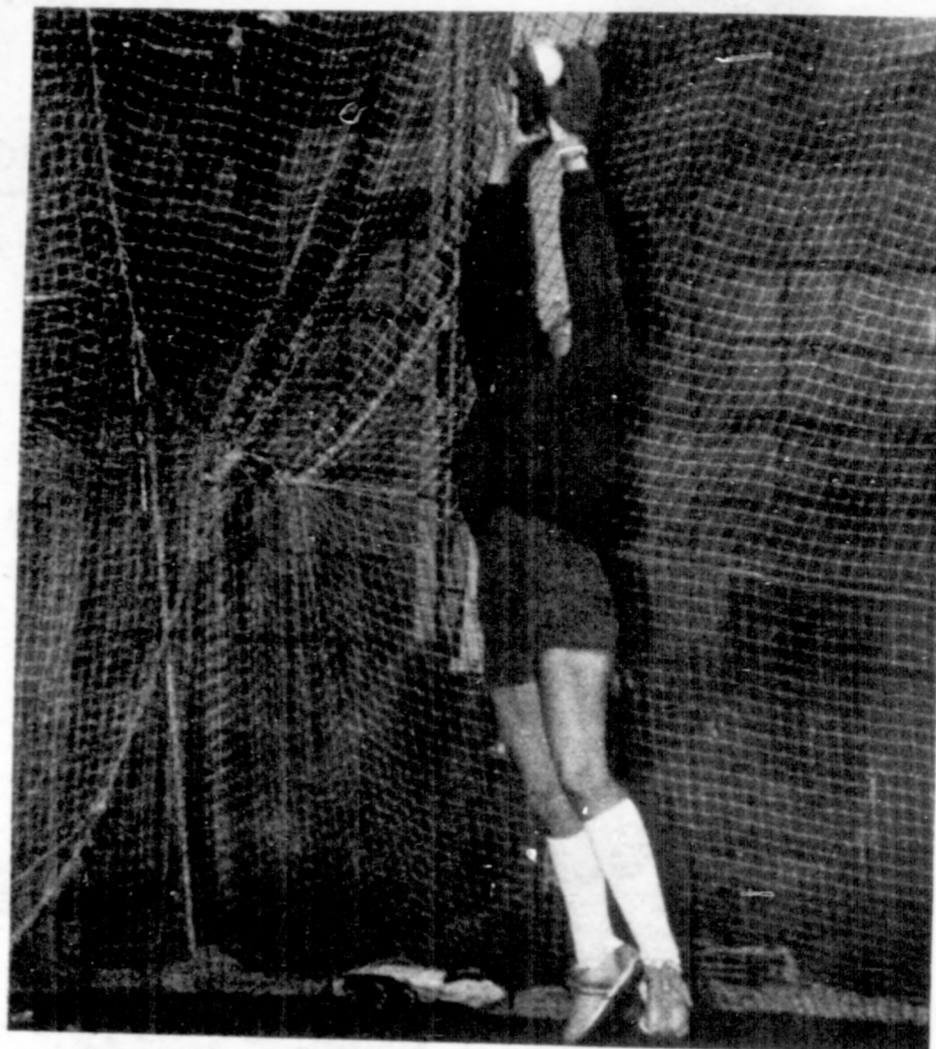
The outfield will be composed of veteran Kathy Woodhams, a sophomore, and newcomers Laura McDunnah, a sophomore, and Kathy Erickson, Linda Patterson, and Cheryl Kimball, all freshman. Gone are graduate CF Sue Sparaco and LF Diana Hansen.

Softball schedule

April 18,19-UVM Tournament (UVM, UMO, UMass)
April 22-Colby(2)
April 24-at Husson(2)
April 26-at East Conn. State College
April 30-Husson(2)

May 2-Thomas
May 3-Plymouth State
May 6-UMPI(2)
May 7-at Bates
May 8-USM(3)
May 10-State Tournament at Bates

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Men's rugby '80

by Sean Brodrick

Spring has arrived in Orono, and with it comes the rugby season. Once again "ruggers" are forming "scrums" and scoring "trys." This exciting yet simple game may look like soccer or football or both or neither to the uninitiated, but to the ruggers, this game is the best thing about spring.

First, some basic facts about rugby. Fifteen men on each team attempt to carry what looks like an overinflated football over the goal line for a goal or "try." The play starts when eight forwards from each team come together and lock arms to form a huddle or "scrum." The man in the middle for each team is the "hooker" and he's suspended on either side by men called "props." This allows his legs to be totally free for kicking the ball. Once a ball is kicked clear of the scrum the team that gains possession moves it down the field toward the goalpost by running with the ball or kicking it. Backward and lateral passes are allowed, but not forward passes. No blockers, no pads allowed. This is what has earned rugby the nickname "elegant violence."

Rugby is still a club at UMO because no college in the country has a varsity rugby team. Tom Byrd, President of UMO's rugby club, explained why both the University and the club don't want rugby to turn into a varsity sport; "We have a traditional keg after each game, and we couldn't do that if it was a varsity sport," said Byrd. "and this way we are in a freer, more relaxed atmosphere. We play the game just as intensely as any varsity football or soccer team, but there are no hard feelings afterwards and a spirit of comradery exists between the teams, unlike in a varsity sport. The school likes it because it's cheaper this way."

Byrd said there is no coach assigned to the rugby club, the more experienced players simply coach the less experienced ones. Also, the club members buy all of their own uniforms, so UMO gets a winning team at a bargain price.

Tom Byrd is an ex-football player who felt that he didn't have quite enough speed or size to be a good football player, so he switched to rugby. "I'm glad I made the switch," said Byrd, "because I can still remain active and I have a lot more fun doing it. Rugby also doesn't make the heavy demands on your time that football does." Byrd added that most of the ruggers are ex-football or soccer players who decided to cross over to rugby.

A well conditioned, athletic body is a must for a game with no pads, but surprisingly, there are less injuries in rugby than there are in football.

"In football, pads not only protect someone from being hit but they also give the hitter extra protection; you can hit as hard as you want," said Byrd. "In rugby the hitter doesn't have any pads, so he can't crack you with such reckless abandon. This makes for less injuries." Most injuries in rugby are minor bumps and bruises, with a rare major injury to shoulders or knees.

The men's rugby team has not had trouble finding ruggers to go out for it. This spring should be an especially good season because the Maine ruggers only lost one of last season's players to an injury, and that was a hooker with a broken nose. Club treasurer Chip Alvord feels that the ruggers could take the New England championship this Spring.

"With a lot good players like ex-captains Dave Easton and Matty O'Hagan; Evan Harris and Jason Centrella as props; and Kevin Cullenberg in the scrum, we expect to beat all of our college opponents this season," said Alvord. "However, our toughest op-

ponent isn't even a college club. The Portland Rugby Club gets people who graduate from teams like our, so naturally they are tough."

Both the men's and the women's rugby clubs practice together now in the Memorial Gym, but practice will soon be moving outdoors to the field in front of Chadbourne Hall. A selection committee looks at the players during practice and every week it makes up an A and B team roster which depends on how well each of the ruggers do in practice. This way, there is not set "varsity" and "junior varsity" teams. "This makes everybody work their hardest all the time," explained Byrd. "And keeps the club at its best."

The Rugby Club does receive some funding from the Student Government for traveling expenses, and President Allen promises to match whatever monies Student Government gives them. Student Government gave the ruggers \$700 of their proposed \$2400 budget, and President Allen gave a matching \$700 to raise the total to \$1400. The rest, according to club treasurer Alvord, "is raised at benefits and from things like the blood drive we sponsored recently." Alvord described himself as being "rather angry" because more funding is not forthcoming from Student Government. The referees are volunteers, not paid by the University. And Byrd noted that "Rugby referees are treated with much more respect than those of football or soccer."

A usual season for the ruggers pits them against such teams as Boston College, Boston University, and the Portland Rugby Club. The ruggers only have two home game this spring season, opening April 12 at the University of Vermont.



Rugby is a game of slick and quick passing. Here the rugby team practices a passing drill. (photo by Mary Ellen Garten)

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Women ruggers

by Sean Brodick

The UMO Women's Rugby Club is often overshadowed by the male ruggers, but it is there for interested women. Stephanie Durant, a club member explained what is happening to the club:

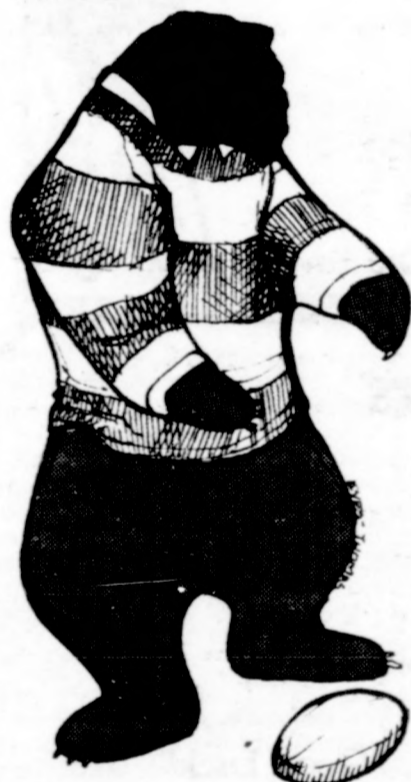
"We need more players, as we only have eighteen right now. That's only three more than bare minimum. Experience is very helpful but no means necessary. We aren't really organized yet, so people shouldn't feel uncomfortable about joining us now. Our first outdoor practice is at 3:30 p.m. on Tuesday, April 1, out in front of Chaddourne. Come by and join us if you are at all interested."

Durant described herself as a "field hockey player and track runner who likes a challenge," and she extended this same challenge to all women at UMO. This does not mean that there is no enjoyment in the game. Durant said, "I'm in it for the fun too."

Right now the team is headed by Tricia Harnett, and most of the coaching is done by the male ruggers.



A heap of dead bodies? No, it's a rugby pileup. The referee looks on anxiously, waiting for the ball to emerge. It doesn't look too promising, sir. (photo by Bill Mason)



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Sports Quiz

1. How many Olympic medals did the U.S. win in skating events at Lake Placid?
2. Name the female runner who recently has set three indoor track records.
3. Name the former NBA coach who recently resigned as the coach of the Milwaukee Bucks of the WBL.
4. Name the son of a former heavyweight boxing champion who is now making a name for himself in the amateur ranks.
5. What is Thomas A. Preston, Jr. known for?
6. Name the NHL team which changed from its old blue and white uniforms to new black and gold ones.
7. Name the Syracuse senior and the Kentucky frosh basketball players with similar-sounding last names.
8. Name the highest paid kicker in the NFL.
9. Name the four-time Olympic gold medalist whose comeback effort may be thwarted by the Olympic boycott.
10. Name the owner of the L.A. Coliseum, the L.A. Lakers and Kings, and miscellaneous ranchland in southern California.

1. Eric Heiden won five gold, Leah Poulos-Mueller-two silver, Beth Heiden-one bronze, Linda New Orleans, a rookie out of Texas, earned \$110,714 last season. He'll have to fight to regain his job this season from Gary Yepremian, who replaced Erleben when he was injured.
2. Mary Decker. She set women's world records in the 1,500 meters (4:00.8), the 800 (1:59.7), and the mile (4:17.6). She also holds the outdoor mile world record of 4:21.7.
3. Larry Costello. Costello had previously served as coach of the NBA's Milwaukee Bucks and owner Jack Kent Cooke for \$67 million.
4. Marv Frazier, the son of Chicago Bulls.
5. Poker-playing and general hustling, Thomas A. Preston, Jr. is better known as gambler Amarillo Slim.
6. The Pittsburgh Penguins, who were trying to capitalize on the championship colors of the Steelers and the Pirates to draw people into the arena.
7. Roosevelt Bouie of Syracuse and Sam Bowie of Kentucky. Both also play the same position-center.
8. Kicker Russell Erleben of New Orleans.
9. Al Oerter. Oerter won gold in 1956, 1960, 1964, and 1968 before retiring.
10. Dr. Jerry Buss, who bought the whole parcel from former owner Jack Kent Cooke for \$67 million.

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Experience leads men's lacrosse club

by Mary Ellen Garten
Staff writer

"We were 6-4 last year. I believe," said men's lacrosse coach Kevin Colley. "and that was a building year because we started playing tougher schools. We have good varsity competition and I expect this year to be the best yet."

Although the outlook for the success is a lot harder this year, Colley expects the Maine team to win the New England Collegiate Club Lacrosse League Championship to be held at Orono this spring.

"I'm amazed at how good the team is," Colley said. "It's not real deep, but we have a lot of good men. Our attackman, Curtis White, has returned after two years absence. Charlie Thomas and Leo Legere had also left and they're back with a lot of experience. Almost everyone else has been here four years, and it's a real strong team."

Dana Freeman, an All-American from Ipswich, Mass. is one of the top freshmen to start on the team, along with mid-fielder David Downing.

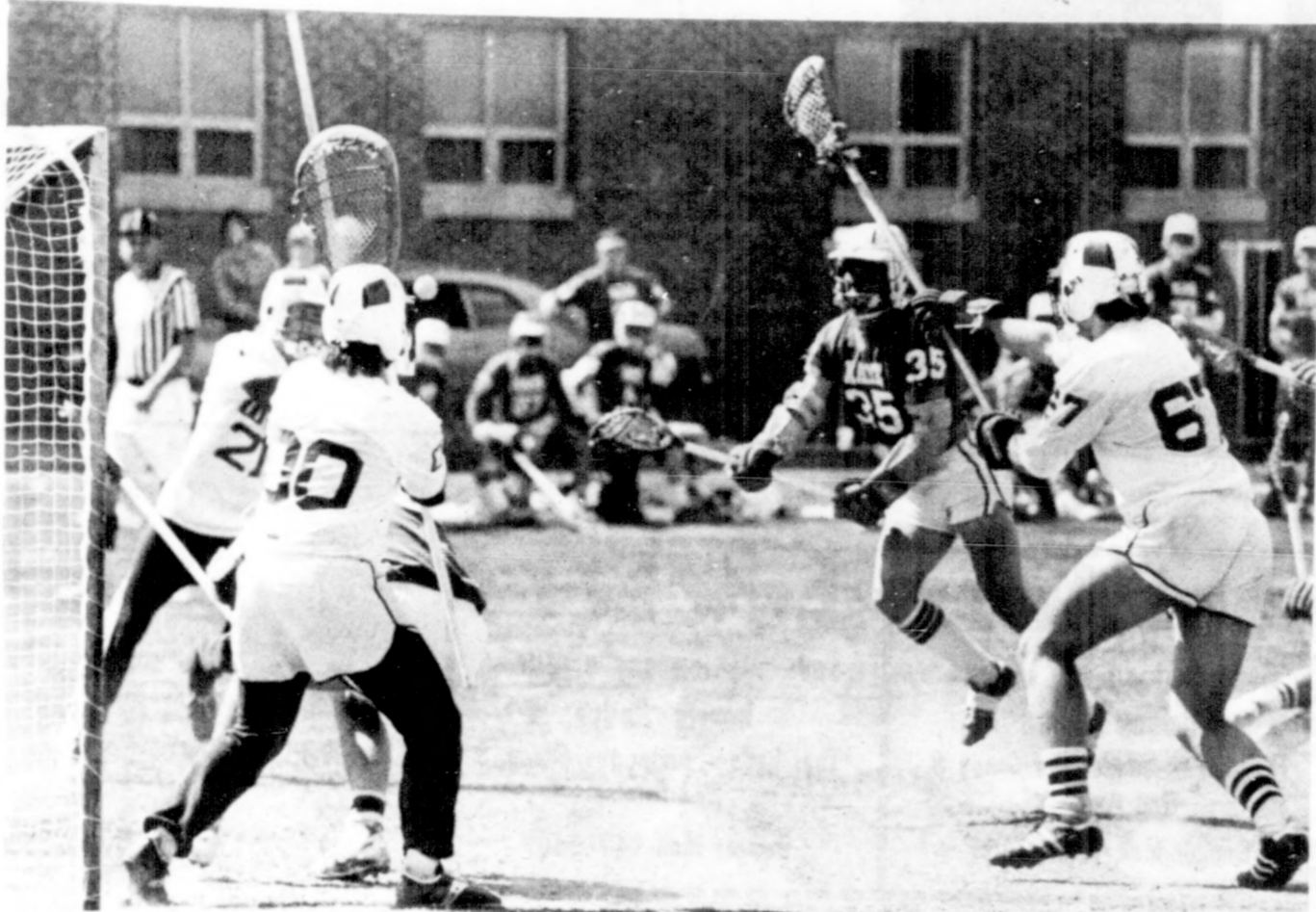
The "backbone" of the team is goalie Rob McMillan, and All-American player from Lincoln-Sudbury, Mass. who is in his third year at Maine.

"Rob is a fantastic player," Colley said. "He could probably play for any team in the country if he wanted to."

The team's nine-game schedule includes the likes of UNH, voted in pre-season play as ranking fourth in New England, and Bowdoin, ranked eighth in New England. Only two games, against Northeastern April 19 and Unity College April 20, will be home games. The main reason for this is the budget the club has been afforded by Student Government.

"It costs \$60 per referee," said Colley. "and we need two referees a game. We simply can't afford it."

"Teams like Colby, Bates, Plymouth State, and UNH don't want to travel up here. It's a situation we



The Maine lacrosse team will be out again this spring, but won't be playing on Lengyl field, which is being reconditioned. The three home games will be behind Memorial Gym.

have to go down there and kick their ass and then make them come to us. Until we really establish ourselves, we have to go to them."
The championship game for the club

league will be held the weekend of May 10 when the top four clubs determine who is number one. Last year the team finished third and finished second the year before that. Captains will be selected

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